

Refugee students from Ukraine - possibilities of taking up or continuing studies at Ulm University

The Ministry of Science and Research in Baden-Württemberg is currently developing an information structure for Ukrainian refugees who wish to take up or continue their studies in Baden-Württemberg. We will inform you again as soon as this information is available. The Ministry will ensure that students from Ukraine who wish to take up or continue their studies in Baden-Württemberg are not burdened by tuition fees.

Ukrainian refugees fulfilling entrance requirements for a bachelor's or master's degree programme

If Ukrainian refugees meet the entrance requirements for an admission-free bachelor's programme, i.e. if they have direct access to higher education in Germany (for rough orientation: school-leaving certificates up to 2011 with 10 years of school education + 2 successful years of study, school-leaving certificates from 2012 with 11 years of school education + 1 successful year of study, proof of a 4-year higher education degree), Ukrainian refugees can take up or continue their studies at Ulm University as of now, even in the summer semester of 2022. In the summer semester, the degree programmes in Computer Science, Media Informatics, Software Engineering, Mathematics and Mathematics and Management are offered for the first semester; entry into higher semesters is possible in every degree programme. Lectures start on 19 April 2022; the language of instruction is German. The required certificate of language proficiency must be submitted by the time of enrolment.

Ulm University offers bachelor's programmes with restricted admission only in the winter semester. Applications are possible until 15 July 2022. Admission is in the special quota for non-EU nationals. Ulm University offers bachelor's programmes with restricted admission in Biochemistry, Biology, Molecular Medicine, Psychology as well as Economics (Teacher Education). Special quotas for non-EU nationals are regularly underused; it would be worth applying for them.

Applications for studies in Medicine and Dentistry for the first semester are made via uni-assist <https://www.uni-assist.de/>.

This also applies to applications for all bachelor's programmes in the first semester.

Applications for higher semesters in Medicine and Dentistry must be directed to Ulm University. Applications for the winter semester are possible until 15 July 2022. The language of instruction in the medical programmes is German. The required certificate of language proficiency must be submitted by the time of enrolment.

If the requirements for a master's programme with unrestricted admission are met (equivalent bachelor's degree), Ulm University offers the possibility of taking up a master's programme in the first or a higher semester already in the upcoming summer semester. Lectures start on 19 April 2022; the language of instruction is in part German; the master's programmes at Ulm University taught in English are listed under <https://www.uni-ulm.de/en/study/application-and-enrolment/masters-programmes/>

The University is checking whether Ukrainian applicants can take up studies in admission-restricted bachelor's and master's programmes (outside Medicine) with immediate effect if the legal requirements are met.

For all these questions, the admissions office offers counselling for applicants and students. Contact person: Rosa-Anna Puccia-Gammaro: rosa-anna.puccia-gammaro@uni-ulm.de

Ukrainian refugees not fulfilling entrance requirements for a bachelor's or master's degree programme

In addition, Ulm University now grants temporary student status to refugee Ukrainian students who already took up studies in Ukraine - irrespective of whether they fully meet the entrance requirements for an undergraduate degree - and thus enables them to attend classes at the University, even if these may only be individual courses taught in English. This applies to admission to a higher semester in bachelor's programmes as well as in master's programmes after consultation with the subject coordinators and regardless of admission numbers. Certificates attesting any achievements will be issued upon completion of these temporary studies. The University is currently examining whether this possibility also exists for Ukrainian students who are interested in medical programmes. The costs of enrolment can be reduced.

Please note that under the current legal situation, this regulation only applies to Ukrainian refugee students and refugees who previously studied in Ukraine. This group of people is also financially secured and receives benefits under the asylum seekers' benefits act (*Asylbewerberleistungsgesetz*) for the first 18 months if they have a residence permit under Section 24 of the Residence Act.

For refugee students who do not have Ukrainian citizenship or did not have a permanent right to stay in Ukraine, the legal situation is currently still unclear; however, these persons can continue their studies in Germany at any time under the applicable conditions (tuition fees, admission requirements). For further information please go to <https://www.uni-ulm.de/en/study/application-and-enrolment/1st-semester-foreign-applicants/>

Refugee Ukrainian students who want to take up studies in Germany but cannot directly enter undergraduate programmes can enrol in the FOKuS course for study preparation at the University free of tuition fees; the University is currently examining whether German language courses at beginner level can also be set up: <https://www.uni-ulm.de/en/io/degree-phd/prospective-students/preparatory-course/>

Furthermore, the University also enrolls foreign students for temporary research stays, provided that the legal requirements are met.

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