Dear applicant,

Thank you for your interest in applying to the University of Oldenburg. In the following document, we would like to give you some information about our application procedures.

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1. Prior to your Application

Before you apply at the University of Oldenburg, please make sure you found the right degree program that match your interests and your qualifications.

Information on the degree programs offered by the University of Oldenburg can be found at https://uol.de/en/students/degree-programmes/

Degree programs taught in English: https://uol.de/en/students/degree-programmes-in-english/

Here, you can find information on the course contents, the language of instruction as well as admission requirements like prior degrees, language requirements and other demands.

For more information on studying at our university, please contact the Study and Carrier Counselling Service https://uol.de/en/zskb/.

You get detailed information on each degree course from the respective academic counselling. Contact information is presented on the information page of the degree program.

2. Application Process

Applications from students with foreign degrees who wish to study at the University of Oldenburg are processed by the Service Centre for International Applications for Study, uni-assist e.V. (https://www.uni-assist.de/index_en.html).

This includes:

- International applicants with degrees from their home or any other foreign country
- EU and EEA citizens
- Germans with foreign school-certificates
- DAAD scholars

PLEASE NOTE, applicants who have already finished a degree in Germany DO NOT need to apply through uni-assist e.V.

A pre-evaluation of your transcripts will not be made by the University of Oldenburg. Applicants will be informed by uni-assist e.V. and – in the case of admission – by the University of Oldenburg.

In regard to future correspondence, please mention your name, your academic subject and your applicant number.
a) Application through uni-assist e.V.

The core task of uni-assist e.V. is the evaluation of international school/university certificates in regard to their equivalence to German school/university degrees.

Uni-assist e.V. provides step-by-step instructions pertaining to the application procedure. Please note that the processing time is approximately 4 weeks. Your application must be fully submitted to uni-assist by the application deadline. It is in your own interest to apply three months before the application deadline.

Find more information on the application process through uni-assist e.V. by following https://www.uni-assist.de/en/faqs/.

b) Handling Fees of uni-assist e.V.

Uni-assist e.V. will begin processing only after receiving the complete set of application documents and the complete fee! The handling fees for the evaluation of international certificates and the preliminary examination of the application documents are as follows:

For the first of several applications, applicants are charged in general 75 €

For every additional application for admission at a further or the same university, applicants are charged 30 €

The handling fees are charged per semester.

Please note that the application to uni-assist e.V. will not be processed until the fee payment has been received by uni-assist e.V. Please note, that transaction fees may apply when you transfer money from foreign countries. These transaction fees need to be paid before uni-assist e.V. will process your application.

You can find more information on the fee payment including the bank account methods of payment and bank account information at https://www.uni-assist.de/fees-payment.html.
c) **Necessary Documents**

To prove your academic qualifications for admission, please upload the following documents with your application through uni-assist e.V.:

1. High school diploma / Secondary School certificate
2. University grades / transcripts / degrees
3. Proof of German Language proficiency (applicants for courses with English as the medium of instruction do not need German proficiency)
4. Proof of English Language proficiency (if stated in the admission requirements)
5. University admissions test (if available)

6. APS-Certificate (ONLY for applicants with a degree from China / Vietnam) – please submit an original by post to uni-assist!

**PLEASE NOTE**, the topics 1, 2 + 5 **MUST BE** accompanied by translations into German or English. Please upload scans of original documents. We **DO NOT** need any attested copies or application documents by letter for your application. All original documents have to be presented (without exception) in order for a successful enrollment to occur.


d) **Contact information and postal address of uni-assist e.V.**

You can find the contact information of uni-assist e.V. as well as the postal address for your application on the following website.

[https://www.uni-assist.de/contact-en.html](https://www.uni-assist.de/contact-en.html)

3. **Deadlines**

Be aware that processing at uni-assist e.V. takes about 4 weeks! We expect your complete application in time before our application deadline!

**Bachlor's degree courses:**
Deadline for the winter term 15.7.
Deadline for the summer term 15.1.

**Master's degree courses:**

Deadlines for master courses vary. Please check the deadline for your master's degree course through the following link:
[https://uol.de/en/students/application/deadline/masters](https://uol.de/en/students/application/deadline/masters)
For applicants who **need a visa**, it is in your own interest to apply **three months before the application deadline** to make sure that you can begin your studies on time.

Applicants who need to **learn German** prior to beginning their studies, please calculate one or two semesters for the language course!

### 4. German Language Proficiency

**a) Proof of Language Proficiency**

The following language certificates are accepted:

- **DSH-2** (Deutsche Sprachprüfung für den Hochschulzugang)
- Feststellungsprüfung an Studienkollegs (FSP) mit Prüfungsteil Deutsch in Anlehnung an die DSH
- **TestDaF** (Test Deutsch als Fremdsprache / Test German as a foreign language) Level 4 in all subtests
- telc C1 für Hochschulen (telc C1 for Universities)
- Deutsches Sprachdiplom der Kultusministerkonferenz (DSD) Level II
- Kleines oder Großes Deutsches Sprachdiplom (KDS, GDS)
- Zentrale Oberstufenprüfung Goethe-Institute (ZOP)
- Goethe C2, telc C2 or ÖSD C2
- UNIcert IV

**b) Studienkolleg**

For those applicants who need to complete the *Niedersächsisches Studienkolleg in Hannover* to be eligible to study at a German university need to hold at least a **B2 certificate** as a proof of **German language proficiency** when applying at the **University of Oldenburg**.

**c) German Language Course**

For all applicants with basic German language skills (at least B1) but unsatisfactory for university admittance, we provide the opportunity to take part in preparatory German language courses (ending with a **DSH** examination).

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**EXCEPTIONS:** The master’s degree programs “**German as a foreign Language**”, “**German Studies**” and the “**State Examination Program Medicine**” require the language certificate before commencement of studies. Preparatory German courses are not possible.
**Prerequisite** for an invitation to the language course is a language certificate B1 or **TestDaF 3333** and a successful application through **uni-assist e.V.** (For applicants for master's degree programs a positive answer by the admission committee of their consecutive degree program is needed, as well.)

For the winter term 2020/21 the costs for the course attendance are 409,19 € **semester fee**.

After the successful **DSH 2** examination you can register for your degree program and begin your studies at the University of Oldenburg.

Please contact the **University’s Language Center** for more information on German language courses, and see the TestDaF website ([https://www.testdaf.de/fuer teilnehmende/infos-in-ihrer-sprache/englisch/](https://www.testdaf.de/fuer teilnehmende/infos-in-ihrer-sprache/englisch/)).


**Phone:** +49 441 / 798-2322 (Matthias Jürgens)

**Email:** Deutschkurse@uni-oldenburg.de

**5. Acceptance**

The decisions about admission for **bachelor’s degree programs** are made by the registrar’s office.

The decisions about admission for **master’s degree programs** are made by the respective admission committee of the faculty.

The decisions about admission are mailed by email as soon as decisions have been made.
6. Further Information

The following list gives you some information not directly related to the registration process.

a) Living in Oldenburg

General information on housing opportunities and free time activities: https://uol.de/en/io/study/international-degree-students/life-in-oldenburg

For dormitories, please apply for a dorm room long before the beginning of your studies! https://sw-ol.de/en/internationale-studierende/accomodation-in-oldenburg.html

If you prefer a private room please contact the following e-mail: privatzimmer-vermittlung@sw-ol.de

b) International Office

Social events for international students like the International Student Orientation Week, movie nights and international coffee hours at the University of Oldenburg: https://uol.de/en/io/

c) Scholarships

The University of Oldenburg itself does not provide full scholarships. For organizations providing scholarships please check

- http://www.uni-oldenburg.de/en/students/scholarships/
- https://www.daad.de/en/

d) Financial Issues

- Semester fee: 409,19 € (winter term 2020/21)
- Financial Statement

The University of Oldenburg does not require a financial statement. However, you need this for your visa and/or afterwards for your residence permit in Germany. In addition either an undertaking (Verpflichtungserklärung) is necessary or the proof of 8.640 € on a blocked account.

- Money transfer

If you transfer the money from a foreign bank, please take into account the international transaction fees charged by the bank.