

Rules for regulating language admission requirements for university studies at Rosenheim Technical University of Applied Sciences

of 24 July 2023

On the basis of Article 88 (9), Article 90 (1) Sentence 7 of the Bavarian Higher Education Innovation Act (BayHIG) dated 5 August 2022 (GVBl. p. 414, BayRS 2210-1-3-WK), last amended by Section 3 of the Act of 23 June 2023 (GVBl. p. 709), Rosenheim Technical University of Applied Sciences issues the following rules:

Section 1 Applicability

These rules supplement the existing bylaws governing enrolment, leave of absence and re-registration in the current version and are intended to regulate the language level for access to higher education studies at Rosenheim Technical University of Applied Sciences in a uniform manner. Other language requirements in the rules of Rosenheim Technical University of Applied Sciences are replaced by the regulations in these rules. In justified exceptional cases, deviations from these rules may be stipulated in the study and examination regulations of the respective degree programme.

Section 2 Language requirements for admission to German-language degree programmes

If you do not have a German-language university entrance qualification (Abitur, Matura or similar), you must provide evidence of German language skills at level B2 / C1 or higher according to the CEFR for German-language degree programmes. The required language level is specified in the study and examination regulations of the respective degree programmes. If nothing is mentioned about the language level in the study and examination regulations, the language level B2 is considered sufficient. The respective Examination Committee decides whether the admission requirements according to sentences 1 and 2 are met.

(1) Language level C1 as an admission requirement

The following apply as proof of required German language skills for language level C1:

- a. Deutsches Sprachdiplom DSD level 2 (level CEFR B2/C1)
- b. Goethe Certificate C1 or higher
- c. TELC Certificate C1 or higher
- d. ÖSD Certificate C1 or higher
- e. Deutsche Sprachprüfung für den Hochschulzugang ausländischer Studienbewerber (German language proficiency test for university entrance for foreign applicants) DSH 2 or higher
- f. Test Deutsch als Fremdsprache TestDaF (German as a foreign language test for foreign applicants) TDN 4 or higher
- g. Certificate of an assessment test to determine the eligibility of foreign applicants to study at institutions of higher education in the Federal Republic of Germany
- h. Completed German-language Bachelor's or Master's degree.

(2) Language level B2 or higher as an admission requirement

The following apply as proof of required German language skills for language level B2:

- a. Deutsches Sprachdiplom DSD level 2 (level CEFR B2/C1)
- b. Goethe Certificate B2 or higher
- c. TELC Certificate B2 or higher
- d. ÖSD Certificate B2 or higher

- e. Deutsche Sprachprüfung für den Hochschulzugang ausländischer Studienbewerber (German language proficiency test for university entrance for foreign applicants) DSH 1 or higher
- f. Test Deutsch als Fremdsprache TestDaF (German as a foreign language test for foreign applicants) TDN 3 or higher
- g. Certificate of an assessment test to determine the eligibility of foreign applicants to study at institutions of higher education in the Federal Republic of Germany
- h. Completed German-language Bachelor's or Master's degree
- i. Completed German studies at home and abroad
- j. German at level A in the final certificate of the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme.

(3) Native German speaking applicants are not required to submit proof of adequate German language skills. In cases of doubt or non-submission of proof, applicants may be required additionally/alternatively to pass a language test comparable to those listed above at the TH Rosenheim.

(4) If knowledge of English is required in addition to German, this must be proven in accordance with Section 3.

Section 3

Language requirements for admission to English-language degree programmes

(1) Admission to an English-language degree programme requires level B2 English language skills under the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR). These can be evidenced by:

- a. Internet-based TOEFL with 72 or more points
- b. TOEIC with 785 or more points
- c. IELTS with a band score of 6.0 or higher
- d. Cambridge CEFR B2 First (FCE), Grade C (at least 160 points) or higher
- e. Cambridge CEFR C1 Advanced (CAE) with level B2 (at least 160 points) or higher
- f. TELC Certificate English B2 or higher
- g. Pearson PTE Academic, 60 or more points
- h. At least 6 years of English tuition at school with a minimum grade of "satisfactory" in the final year, evidenced by a German higher education entrance qualification or an equivalent recognised higher education entrance qualification from a non-German school.
- i. Completed English-language Bachelor's or Master's degree
- j. Completed English studies at home and abroad
- k. A grade of at least "good" in the "Technical English" module or a comparable English module from a previous German-language degree.

Native English speaking applicants are not required to submit proof of adequate English language skills. In cases of doubt or non-submission of proof, applicants may be required additionally/alternatively to pass a language test comparable to those listed above at the TH Rosenheim.

(2) If you do not have a German-language university entrance qualification, you must provide evidence of German language skills at level A2 or higher according to the CEFR for English-language degree programmes.

The following apply as proof of required German language skills:

- a. Deutsches Sprachdiplom DSD level 1 (level CEFR A2/B1) or higher
- b. Goethe Certificate A2 or higher
- c. TELC Certificate A2 or higher
- d. ÖSD Certificate A2 or higher
- e. Deutsche Sprachprüfung für den Hochschulzugang ausländischer Studienbewerber (German language proficiency test for university entrance for foreign applicants) DSH 1 or higher
- f. Test Deutsch als Fremdsprache TestDaF (German as a foreign language test for foreign applicants) TDN 3 or higher

- g. German language courses completed at a university in Germany worth at least 4 credit points at level A2 or higher in accordance with CEFR
- h. Certificate of an assessment test to determine the eligibility of foreign applicants to study at institutions of higher education in the Federal Republic of Germany
- i. Completed German-language Bachelor's or Master's degree
- j. Completed German studies at home and abroad
- k. German at level A in the final certificate of the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme.

Native German speaking applicants are not required to submit proof of adequate German language skills. In cases of doubt or non-submission of proof, applicants may be required additionally/alternatively to pass a language test comparable to those listed above at the TH Rosenheim. The respective Examination Committee decides whether the admission requirements are met.

Section 4

These rules enter into force upon publication; they shall apply for the first time to the application and admission procedure for the summer semester 2024.

Issued on the basis of the resolution by the Senate of Rosenheim Technical University of Applied Sciences of 19 July 2023.

Rosenheim, 24 July 2023
Represented by

Oliver Heller
Chancellor

These rules were laid down on 24 July 2023 at Rosenheim Technical University of Applied Sciences. This was announced on 24 July 2023. The publication date is therefore 24 July 2023.

Recommendation for action for preparing study plans based on the recommendation proposal for the language admission requirements

Technical English acquisition

Compulsory modules for the acquisition of technical languages (Technical English) are to be retained in any case in the existing German-language degree programmes. New degree programmes should also include compulsory modules for Technical English. In the course of internationalising universities of applied sciences, it is generally recommended for German-language degree programmes to anchor technical language acquisition as compulsory modules, or at least as specialist required elective modules (FWPM).

This recommendation also applies to English-language degree programmes in order to ensure the acquisition of subject-oriented English skills.

For specific module recommendations, please contact: mathias.arden@th-rosenheim.de.

German acquisition for international students

For English-language degree programmes, we recommend the admission requirement of German A2 at the beginning of the degree programme¹. During their studies, students should be given the opportunity to take German courses at level B1 and above as part of the specialist required elective modules in order to achieve sufficient language skills for the internship semester, navigating everyday life as a student in Germany, a possible work permit in Germany after graduation for non-European students, or similar.

For degree programmes according to the IBE model², it is recommended that A2 be maintained as an admission requirement for starting a degree programme and that the accompanying compulsory and specialised language teaching be provided.

For German-language degree programmes, the study and language skills of international students should be strengthened within the framework of the specialist required elective modules.

For specific module recommendations, please contact: barbara.lembecke@th-rosenheim.de.

¹ As an additional option, a pre-semester model for acquiring language and study skills could be considered to support international students without sufficient language skills in meeting the admission requirements.

² Language of study is English at the beginning, accompanied by 10 ECTS for German per semester from level B1 to B2/C1, then continuation of studies in German.