General Introduction

The German Sport University Cologne offers nine consecutive Master's programmes, which complement and deepen scientific knowledge. On completion, the students are awarded either the internationally recognized title of Master of Arts (M.A.) or Master of Science (M.Sc.). Each programme has a regular duration of four semesters in which 120 credit points must be gained. The programmes are accredited as full-time, on-site degrees and have a limited number of participants. At present 30 places are available per degree course. The intake is once per year in the winter semester.

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The Master’s Programmes at the German Sport University Cologne

- M.Sc. Human Technology in Sports and Medicine
- M.Sc. Sport- and Bewegungsgerontologie
- M.Sc. Sporttourismus und Destinationsmanagement
- M.A. Sport, Medien- und Kommunikationsforschung
- M.Sc. Sport Management
- M.Sc. Leistung, Training und Coaching im Spitzensport
- M.A. Rehabilitation, Prävention und Gesundheitsmanagement
- M.Sc. Psychology in Sport and Exercise
- M.A. International Sport Development and Politics

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Admission Requirements

The following requirements apply to the M.A. International Sport Development and Politics:

• completion of an undergraduate degree in a related field of study (>180 credit points according to ECTS)
• proof of ability (above-average final grade of either 2.5 or higher in the German system or B according to ECTS)
• certified English language proficiency (see requirements for TOEFL and IELTS scores or CAE-level)
• Passing the physical aptitude test is not an admission requirement.

To apply for the M.A. International Sport Development and Politics as well as to get more details about the admission criteria regarding the eligibility of undergraduate degrees and required credit points please see the following link:
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Application

• only for the winter semester
• online application
• electronic application for admission is complemented with additional documents (PDF upload)
• application deadlines:
  • for non-EU citizens: 31st May
  • for GER & EU citizens: 15th July

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Career Perspectives

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Study Programme

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