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**Come and study at one of the
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Studying at ISM

Choose between Six Cities

ISM operates in various locations throughout Germany. As international student you can choose between our campuses in Dortmund, Frankfurt, Munich, Hamburg, Cologne and Berlin.

In the immediate vicinity of attractive companies and economic regions, there are many opportunities for cooperation. Whether in the far north or the deep South of the country – you benefit from close contacts to local employers. Our students are also well integrated into their home campus. Small learning groups guarantee a personal atmosphere and promote exchange between students and their professors.



Dortmund

**Otto-Hahn-Straße 19
44227 Dortmund**

The campus in Dortmund was founded in 1990 and, with around 670 students, is the largest of all the ISM locations. It is surrounded by a thriving technology park and only 15 minutes away from the city center. In recent years, Dortmund has developed from a former coal and steel center into a booming location for modern technologies. As the largest city in Westphalia and the Rhine-Ruhr metropolitan region, Dortmund is one of the most dynamic cities representing the new economy in Germany.



Frankfurt/Main

**Mörfelder Landstraße 55
60598 Frankfurt/Main**

The Frankfurt/Main Campus opened in 2007 and is located in Sachsenhausen, only two underground stations away from the city center. 620 students are currently enrolled here. Frankfurt is the city with the highest job density in Germany and is well-known as an important European financial and service center. It also has other significant industries such as creative businesses, IT and telecommunications, biotechnology and life sciences, logistics and manufacturing.



Munich

**Karlstraße 35
80333 Munich**

The Campus in Munich has been located in the Karlshofen since 2009. It is close to the Königsplatz and easy to reach from the main station. Around 610 students particularly appreciate the contrasts that make the Bavarian capital so special – cosmopolitan young people and traditions, big-city atmosphere and rural charm. Important economic sectors in Munich are tourism, vehicle construction and electrical engineering. In addition to that, the city is a major media location in Germany.



Hamburg

**Brooktorkai 22
20457 Hamburg**

The Hamburg campus opened in September of 2010, located at two modern buildings in HafenCity. 520 students currently study here. Walking to the city center and the main railway station is easy, since they are only ten minutes away. Whether you are looking for a cosmopolitan metropolis or a slightly raw but alluring hanseatic charm, Hamburg combines many different facets. As the cultural and business center of Northern Germany, Hamburg's economic structure is characterized by the service sector, which employs around three quarters of all workers.



Cologne

**Im MediaPark 5c
50670 Cologne**

Since 2014, ISM has been present with its own campus in Cologne. Currently, 380 students study at this ISM location, not far from the Hansaring S-Bahn station. Cologne is one of the most important business hubs in Germany and impresses with its convenient location. Its tradition as a center for trade and industry goes back to the Roman Empire. In recent decades, the region has been able to expand its position as a service and logistics center even more and has also built up a special reputation for being an innovative media city.



Berlin

**Hauptstraße 27
10827 Berlin**

The Berlin Campus opened in September of 2019. Around 260 students currently study at the campus, which is located in the heart of Berlin Schöneberg which combines an exciting mix of culture, cosmopolitanism and innovation. As the capital of Germany, Berlin is an important international economic and political center. The city thus attracts companies from all industries around the world.

**At each ISM location
we offer you...**

- bright and modern study rooms
- several group workrooms
- a comfortable lounge
- a library
- computer rooms
- good accessibility

Courses open to study abroad students

(senior undergraduate/graduate level)

Program in English (International Business Certificate)

For international students who would like to study in English we offer an International Business Certificate. It's a program which is exclusively taught in English. It either covers two semesters at ISM Dortmund, ISM Frankfurt or ISM Berlin (30 ECTS each semester = 60 ECTS) or one semester at ISM Munich, ISM Hamburg and ISM Cologne. It contains six courses in sum: four core business subjects, which are combined with a track specialization (each includes two courses).

Dortmund Campus: open in fall and/or in spring term

Frankfurt Campus: open in fall and/or in spring term

Hamburg Campus: open in fall term

Munich Campus: open in fall term

Cologne Campus: open in spring term

Berlin Campus: open in fall and/or in spring term

In addition, there is one course package (block 2) as well as one specialization (International Management) from our Dortmund Campus which is offered fully online for students who do not want to or cannot come to Germany.

German language courses

In addition to the Business Certificate, international students may take part in an intensive German course three weeks prior to each semester (6 ECTS). The course comprises 90 hours of language training. An additional fee of €480 is charged (plus a fee for books). A language course for beginners is offered as well as a language course for advanced learners (in case there are enough interested students).

ISM also offers German language classes throughout the whole semester (A1.2 and A2 and B1/B1+ Advanced Business presentations).

Program in German

It is possible for students who have at least B2 in their knowledge of the German language and a very good academic standing to join our regular Bachelor programs in International Management, Finance Management, Tourism & Event Management, Marketing & Communications Management and Psychology & Management. These lectures bear 2 ECTS.



Accommodation for international students

Unfortunately, ISM does not have its own student boarding houses, so that we cannot offer any on-campus accommodation.

The international office of ISM assists you in finding accommodation by providing you with our **Accommodation Guide** after the admission procedure of every incoming student is finalized. The Accommodation Guides are designed for each campus with helpful advice and links for residences as well as for the individual apartment or room-hunt. As we do not have our own housing facilities we cannot guarantee you a room in the residences listed in the Accommodation Guides.

An **exception** is Dortmund – here we can offer a very limited number of rooms in the residences of the public university. For this, students need to apply through ISM – otherwise they will not qualify. Details will be included in the Guide for the respective semester.

We recommend searching for accommodation on the **private market** through the weblinks provided in the guides or with the help of agencies specialized in

short term accommodation. This implies that you should arrive a few days prior to semester start.

Please be aware that in Munich the “Oktoberfest” starts in mid-September and lasts until the beginning of October. This means students arrive only a short time prior to the biggest event in Munich. Hotel or hostel prices might be more expensive than usual.

In general, prices for accommodation vary throughout the different campuses. In big cities such as Munich, Frankfurt, Hamburg, Cologne and Berlin cheap housing is very sought after – here one should start looking early. These cities also tend to have higher rent prices due to the high demand. In Dortmund the situation on the market is “better” in comparison to the other cities but also in Dortmund one should start early to make sure to get something reasonably priced as well. Prices for accommodation can be from €350 per month up to €900 per month (especially in Munich).



Semester Dates & Application Procedure

Business Certificate

Fall 2026

German Intensive Language Course:

August 17th, 2026 – September 04th, 2026

Orientation Day (on campus, mandatory):

September 11th, 2026

Semester start and end:

September 14th, 2026 – December 18th, 2026

Exams:

Within last two weeks of the semester.

Spring 2027

German Intensive Language Course:

February 15th, 2027 – March 5th, 2027

Orientation Day (on campus, mandatory):

March 12th, 2027

Semester start and end:

March 15th, 2027 – June 18th, 2027

Exams:

Within last two weeks of the semester.

Application Procedure

Students have to apply online via

ism.moveon4.de/form/5332a3280f9d30cf0e000009/eng

You first register with your e-mail and password. The password you choose has to contain at least 8 characters including capital letters, numbers and special characters (./-@...).

During the online application process the following files will be requested:

- 1) Picture of the face like a passport picture (this is used for the ISM student ID card) (as jpeg)
- 2) Scanned copy of the passport/ID card (as pdf)
- 3) Academic record/transcript (as pdf)
- 4) If you already have proof of your international health insurance (for example the European Health Insurance Card), you can already upload a copy here (as pdf)

- 5) Proof of the language level (English B2 or German B2 according to the language in which your courses are taught) (as pdf) – it can be a reference letter of an English professor or the International Office or TOEFL: minimum 80 internet-based/minimum 550 paper version, or TOEIC (out of 990): minimum 785, or IELTS: 6,0
- 6) Double Degree students also need to hand in a copy of their bachelor's transcript/degree as well as a Curriculum Vitae (CV).

After the application data has been submitted online, the application will create a PDF document which the student needs to sign and to send via email to eva.quel@ism.de.

Application deadline

Fall semester: April 15th

Spring semester: November 15th

We are there for you

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