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**UNIVERSITY
OF BERN**

Switzerland's Capital University Bachelor, Master and Doctoral Studies



Language of instruction

- Bachelor programs are taught in German.
- Master programs are taught in German or in English.
- Graduate school programs are taught in English.

Admission

- Bachelor
Country-specific admission requirements
www.bacheloradmission.unibe.ch
- Master
www.masteradmission.unibe.ch
- Doctorate
Master degree from a recognised university and formal pre-requisites for a doctorate of the relevant faculty or graduate school
www.doctorateadmission.unibe.ch

Fees

As a public university, fees are very moderate.

- For international Bachelor and Master students: 1005 CHF per semester (~910 € / ~1,000 US\$ [10/2019])
- For local Bachelor and Master students: 805 CHF per semester (~730 € / ~810 US\$ [10/2019])

www.studentfees.unibe.ch

Exchange students

Students from universities with which the University of Bern has an exchange agreement are not required to pay fees.

For application: contact your International Office.

www.incoming.unibe.ch

Bachelor Programs

www.bachelorprograms.unibe.ch

Bachelor programs last 6 semesters or 3 years = 180 ECTS* (one semester = 30 ECTS).
Most programs consist of a major and a minor; some are mono programs.

- Fully taught in English
- ⦿ Partially taught in English, potentially suitable for exchange students (1–2 semesters)

Ancient Near Eastern Cultures	minor
Archaeology	major, minor
Art History	major, minor
Biochemistry & Molecular Biology	mono, minor
⦿ Biology	mono, minor
– Cell Biology	
– Ecology & Evolution	
– Plant Sciences	
⦿ Business Administration	major, minor
Central Asian Studies	minor
Chemistry & Molecular Sciences	mono, minor
Classical Foundations	minor
Classics	major, minor
– Greek	
– Latin	
Computer Science	major, minor
Dental Medicine	mono
Earth Sciences (Geology)	mono, minor
Eastern European Studies	major, minor
⦿ Economics	major, minor
Education	major, minor
● English	major, minor
French Linguistics & Literature	major, minor
Geography	major, minor
German Language & Literature	major, minor
History	mono, major, minor
Islamic & Middle Eastern Studies	major, minor
Italian Linguistics & Literature	major, minor
Jewish Studies	minor
Law	mono, minor
Linguistics	major, minor
Mathematics	major, minor
Medicine	mono
Musicology	major, minor
Pharmaceutical Sciences	mono
Philosophy	major, minor
Philosophy of Science	minor
Philosophy of the Mind	minor
Physics	major, minor
Psychology	major, minor
Public Law	minor
Religious Studies	major, minor

Science of Religion	major, minor
Slavic Languages & Literature	major, minor
⦿ Social Anthropology	major, minor
⦿ Social Sciences	major, minor
– Communication and Media Sciences	
– Political Sciences	
– Sociology	
Spanish Linguistics & Literature	major, minor
Sport Science	major, minor
Sustainable Development	minor
Theatre Studies	major, minor
Theology	mono, minor
– Old Catholic	
– Protestant	
Veterinary Medicine	mono

Master Programs

www.masterprograms.unibe.ch

Master programs last 3–4 semesters (1.5–2 years) = 90–120 ECTS* (one semester = 30 ECTS).
Most programs consist of a major and a minor; some are mono programs.

- Fully taught in English
- ⦿ Partially taught in English, potentially suitable for exchange students (1–2 semesters)

Administrative Science (30 ECTS)	minor
⦿ Ancient Judaism (120 ECTS)	mono, major
Ancient Near Eastern Cultures	minor
⦿ Anthropology of Transnationalism & the State (120 ECTS)	major, minor
Archaeology (120 ECTS)	major, minor
– Archaeology of the Roman Provinces	
– Mediterranean Archaeology	
– Near Eastern Archaeology	
– Prehistoric Archaeology	
Art History (120 ECTS)	major, minor
– Cultural Heritage	mono
– Curatorial Studies & Museology	mono
– History of Textile Arts	mono
● Bioinformatics and Computational Biology (90 ECTS)	mono
● Biomedical Engineering (120 ECTS)	mono
– Biomechanical Systems	
– Electronic Implants	
– Image-Guided Therapy	
● Biomedical Sciences (90 ECTS)	mono
⦿ Business Administration (90 ECTS)	mono, minor
● Business & Economics (90 ECTS)	mono
⦿ Business & Law (90 ECTS)	mono
⦿ Central Asian Studies (120 ECTS)	major, minor
● Chemistry & Molecular Sciences (90 ECTS)	mono, minor
Classics (120 ECTS)	major, minor
– Greek	
– Latin	

* European Credit Transfer System

● Climate Sciences (120 ECTS) – Atmospheric Science – Climate & Earth System Science – Economics – Economic, Social & Environmental History – Statistics	mono
● Computer Science (90 ECTS)	mono, minor
● Cultural Differences and Transnational Process (CREOLE) (120 ECTS)	mono
Dental Medicine (120 ECTS)	mono
● Earth Sciences (Geology) (120 ECTS)	mono, minor
① Eastern European Studies (120 ECTS)	major, minor
● Ecology & Evolution (90 ECTS) – Animal Ecology & Conservation – Behaviour – Evolution – Plant Ecology	mono, minor
Economic Law	minor
● Economics (90 ECTS)	mono, minor
● Economics: Applied Economic Analysis (90 ECTS) – Regional Economic Development – Trade and International Development	mono
Editorial studies (90 ECTS)	major, minor
Education (120 ECTS)	mono, major, minor
● English (120 ECTS) – Language and Linguistics – Literary Studies	major, minor
French Linguistics & Literature (120 ECTS) – Linguistics – Literature	major, minor
① Gender and Religion	minor
Gender Studies	minor
① Geography (120 ECTS)	mono, major, minor
German Linguistics (120 ECTS)	major, minor
German Literature (120 ECTS)	major, minor
German Studies (120 ECTS)	major, minor
History (120 ECTS)	mono, major, minor
History and Theology of old Catholicism	minor
Information Systems	minor
International and European Law	minor
● International & Monetary Economics (90 ECTS)	mono
Islamic Studies & Oriental Literatures (120 ECTS)	major, minor
Italian Linguistics & Literature (120 ECTS) – Linguistics – Literature	major, minor
Jewish Studies	minor
Latin American Studies (120 ECTS)	mono, major, minor
Law (90 ECTS)	mono, minor
Linguistics (120 ECTS)	major, minor
● Mathematics (90 ECTS)	mono, minor
Medicine (180 ECTS)	mono
Middle Eastern Studies (120 ECTS)	major, minor
● Molecular Life Sciences (90 ECTS) – Biochemistry / Chemical Biology – Cell & Molecular Biology – Microbiology / Immunology – Neuro- & Development Biology – Plant Physiology	mono, minor

Musicology (120 ECTS)	major, minor
Penal Law	minor
Philosophy (120 ECTS)	major, minor
Philosophy of Science (90 ECTS)	major, minor
● Physics (90 ECTS)	mono, minor
● Political, Legal and Economic Philosophy (120 ECTS)	mono
Political Science (120 ECTS)	major, minor
① Politics: Comparative and Swiss Politics (90 ECTS)	mono
Private Law	minor
Psychology (120 ECTS)	mono, minor
Public Administration	minor
Public Law	minor
① Public Management & Policy (120 ECTS)	mono
Religion in Contemporary Society (120 ECTS)	mono
Religious Studies (120 ECTS)	major, minor
Science of Religion (120 ECTS)	major, minor
Slavic Languages & Literature (120 ECTS)	major, minor
① Social Anthropology (120 ECTS)	major, minor
① Sociolinguistics (120 ECTS)	mono, major, minor
Sociology (90 ECTS)	mono, minor
Spanish Linguistics & Literature (120 ECTS) – Linguistics – Literature	major, minor
Sport Didactics (120 ECTS)	mono
Sport Science (120 ECTS) – Health Promotion – Sport Management – Teaching and Learning	major, minor
Sport Science Research (120 ECTS)	mono
● Statistics (90 ECTS)	mono, minor
Sustainable Development	minor
Theatre & Dance Studies (120 ECTS) – Dance – Theatre	major, minor
Theology (120 ECTS) – Old Catholic – Protestant	mono, minor
Veterinary Medicine (120 ECTS)	mono
① World Arts and Music (90 ECTS)	major, minor
● World Literature (120 ECTS)	mono, major, minor

Graduate Schools, Doctoral Programs and Individual Doctorate

www.doctorate.unibe.ch

Graduate schools, doctoral programs and individual doctorate last 3–5 years.
Most graduate schools, doctoral programs and individual doctorate are available in English.

Researching and teaching at the highest level in Switzerland at the University of Bern, a public institution

More than 4,600 teaching staff in eight faculties prepare students for their future academic or professional career. The study programs and various graduate schools and centres cover fields from economics and social science, humanities, sciences, law, medicine and veterinary medicine, human sciences and theology.

The roots of the University of Bern go back to 1528. Today, most of the 160 institutes are located within walking distance of the historic main building.

The infrastructure is of very high quality and, thanks to its relatively small size of 18,000 students, the ambience is friendly and personal. Furthermore, courses in almost any sport discipline are open to all students.

Bern

Bern – Switzerland’s capital – is located in the middle of the country close to the French-German language border. With its beautiful sandstone buildings, Bern’s city centre is one of the finest examples of medieval architecture in Europe. The city’s appearance has remained virtually unchanged for centuries, earning Bern a place on the UNESCO list of World Heritage.

The world-famous Berner Oberland – offering exciting mountain sports – is just an hour away by train. And since Bern is a relatively small city with a population of only 140,000, it takes a few minutes by bicycle to get out into the beautiful surrounding countryside.

The city itself has a lot to offer: countless cafés and bars in the old town, swimming in the clear-blue Aare river, and a myriad of talks, art shows, plays and concerts. Security problems are unheard of. It’s small wonder that a recent study rated Bern as one of the five most liveable cities in the world.

Switzerland

Switzerland, in the heart of Western Europe, is an intensely creative country that has won more Nobel prizes per capita than any other nation and is one of the three most important research nations in the world.

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