

# News for students – always well informed

Current calls, opportunities to actively shape teaching and studies, helpful sponsorship programmes and useful general information – the newsletter "Humboldt Info for students" aims to keep you well informed. To support you in your studies at HU, you will receive updates on interesting events, scholarships and workshops. Please also check out the "News for students" page on the website of the Vice President for Academic Affairs where you will find even more information and opportunities.

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#### **General Information**

After the seminar on public service: Mobile Citizens' Offices are coming to Berlin's universities

In the coming weeks, students will be able to take care of their official business without having to travel long distances: the Mobile Citizens' Offices are coming to Berlin's universities! You can use all services without making an appointment in advance on the following day: 23 October, 13 and 18 November at Humboldt-Universität (Unter den Linden).

To the press release

#### Award for excellent teaching: Nominate courses for "Equal **Opportunities in Teaching and Learning**"

The issue of equal opportunities plays a major role in teaching and studying. This year's HU Award for Excellent Teaching focuses on best practices that have made an outstanding contribution to equal opportunities, diversity, inclusivity, and a sense of belonging in teaching at HU. You can submit your suggestions until 12 January 2026. Eligible for nomination are courses of the 2024/25 winter semester up to the current semester that are characterised by particular sensitivity to the topics of diversity of participants, appreciation, opportunities for co-creation and reflection.

Find more information and nominate

### Offers and actions

Foreign languages for all: Courses at the Language Centre are still available

Bookings for courses at the Language Centre have been open since 13 October 2025 – and there are still some places available this week. The Language Centre offers courses in twelve foreign languages. You can improve your German for everyday academic life or consolidate your knowledge of other foreign languages. Please note that German language skills are required for courses at lower levels. Use our FAQto find out more about the participation modalities, take a placement test and book the course that matches your previous knowledge.

<u>FAQ</u>

Link to placement test

Find out more on courses and registration

# **Activity: Sports programme in the winter semester 2025/26**

The winter programme of Hochschulsport offers a wide variety of activities: in addition to the classics, look forward to exciting highlights such as outdoor climbing, beach volleyball, roundnet, pickleball, dance meditation, Lindy Hop, and creative courses like Pen and Paper or dance theatre. Our winter excursions and the new offers in Adlershof also provide great opportunities to try something new.

<u>Link to programme</u>

#### **Events**

#### Save the date: 29 January 2026, "Zukunftswerkstatt Lehre": Al in Teaching and Learning

Artificial intelligence is developing rapidly and already influences the way we teach, learn and work at HU Berlin. How do we as a university want to respond to this development and shape it in our own interests? You are all cordially invited to join other students, lecturers and staff at HU for exchanging ideas on this question. We will explore and develop opportunities, questions, solutions and visions relating to AI at our university. The "Zukunftswerkstatt Lehre" is an annual event serving as a creative space for dialogue, networking and the joint, continuous development of teaching and learning at HU. Interested? Save the date: 29 January 2026, from 13:00 to 17:00., HU main building, Unter den Linden 6. Further information to follow.

# **Healthy at HU: Survey, Health Day and LICHTember**

The University Health Management (HGM) is committed to promoting the health of all HU members. There are three highlights coming up in November: This year again there will be the student survey "Do you feel good at HU?". Your participation helps to develop health-promoting measures – most recently, another lecture hall cinema, a movement-friendly teaching room and workshops on anxiety in everyday student life. This <u>video</u> shows why your participation matters. Health Day on 13 November 2025, from 10:00 to 15:00 in the main building, will show how closely health and sustainability are linked. "LICHTember" is the mental health awareness month with free events to brighten November. We look forward to your participation!

<u>Health Day programme</u>

Learn more about LICHTember

# First aid for study stress: Psychological counselling can help

Studying brings many new experiences – sometimes exciting and rewarding,

sometimes also challenging. In such situations you are not alone: The Psychological Counselling Service supports you with individual counselling and special offers. This winter semester you are invited to: Webtalk "It's ok not to be ok -7 tools to better cope with stress in your studies" on 18 November, 16:00 to 17:15. FirstGens Peer Group – a space for first-generation students to share experiences, starting with a kick-off meeting on 25 November.

<u>Further information and registration</u> <u>Find further support services for your studies</u>

# How to UB: University Library offers at the start of the semester New to HU? The University Library welcomes you! At 10 locations, there is not only

a wide range of books, journals and online resources, but also plenty of study and

work spaces, areas for participating in digital events and group study rooms. At the start of the semester, the UB offers various introductory events and guided tours at the respective locations. In the webinar "Getting Started in the Library", you can learn everything you need to know about using the library and the services offered by the UB, get tips and tricks for literature research and academic work, or get to know the various branch libraries better on a tour. Important information is compiled on the University Library website for first-year students.

Find events and guided tours Services for first semester students

### **Action Week 2025 for FLINTA\*: Know your Rights!** The Office for Gender Equality and Equity at the Center for Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Belonging at HU invites you to the Action Week for FLINTA\*

(women, lesbians, inter-, trans-, and agender persons) on the occasion of the "International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women and Girls" on 25 November. The Action Week will take place between 21 and 30 November and this year's motto is "Know your Rights!". The focus will be on the HU Statutes on Protection against Sexual Harassment, Sexual Discrimination, Violence, and Stalking and the associated protection concept. Among other things, workshops such as "Mutausbruch" (burst of courage) and "How to be an ally" will be organised. In addition, the public awareness campaign #knowyourrights! will be present on all HU channels. Find further information and find out more about the programme soon

**Calls and Grants** 

# **Equality, diversity, inclusion: Apply now for Circle U. funding**

# For the second time, Circle U. is offering funding for initiatives in the area of equality, diversity, and inclusion (ED&I). Students, administrative staff, and

researchers at Circle U. member institutions are invited to develop innovative projects that promote equality, diversity, and inclusion in their academic environment. A total of 12,000 euros is available per call for proposals, with individual projects eligible to apply for up to 4,000 euros. The maximum funding period per project is one year, and the deadline for submitting applications is 31 October. Learn more about ED&I-Call

**Apply now: Project tutorials in summer semester 2026** 

#### Are you missing out on a topic in your studies or are you particularly interested in a certain subject? Do you want to contribute your own ideas and initiatives to teaching and research? Then take the opportunity to apply for a project tutorial. Project

tutorials are courses run by students for students in which students can work on topics of their own choice in an independent, interdisciplinary, academic and practice-oriented manner. Project tutors receive a contract as a freelancer. The deadline for submitting applications for project tutorials in summer semester 2026 is 13 January. <u>Find out more about the project tutorials and the application process</u>

X-Tutorials: Apply for your own research project for the 2026

summer semester Would you like to put your own project idea into practice? Then apply for funding

#### for an X-Tutorial by 30 November. In these student-designed research projects, teams of students analyse, develop, or experiment together to answer a self-chosen research question. The Berlin University Alliance will fund up to eight X-Tutorials in the 2026

summer semester. Two students (or one allone) can apply for a research scholarship as well as material and travel funds to lead an X-Tutorial. On 28 October, the StuROPx Coordination Office will offer an online information session in English. On 6 November, Freie Universität Berlin invites interested students from all partner institutions to join an online peer exchange with experienced X-Tutorial tutors. Find details and full information about the call on the StuROPx website

Become a DigitalChangeMaker 2026 Without students, there would be no universities — and without your voice, there

#### would be no change. Become part of the DigitalChangeMaker initiative of @hfd\_digitalturn and help shape the university world of tomorrow. As a DCM, you will be developing visions for a sustainable university — working alongside experts

on projects in one of three thematic tracks: learning, society, or AI — presenting your results at the University Future Festival 2026 in Berlin — benefiting from workshops, mentoring, and a strong network of students, university stakeholders, and politicians. Apply by 30 November. Find more information and application on the DCM website

**Scholarships** 

# A semester abroad or short-term programmes: Don't miss out!

# Studying abroad is a unique opportunity to view your subject – and yourself – from a different perspective while gaining valuable academic and life experience. As a HU

in Erasmus+ in Europe? Or spending a semester in Africa, Asia, Australia or the

student, you benefit from an extensive international network: How about taking part

Americas? On our website, you'll find all the information you need about the programmes, application deadlines, and advisory services. And did you know? International experience doesn't always mean going far – it can also start at home or with short stays abroad. Our European university alliance Circle U. offers a wide range of opportunities to study together with students from our partner universities – both online and on-site – and to earn ECTS credits. Visit the Open Campus and discover programmes and courses that suit you. More about Erasmus and Europe More about semesters abroad worldwide More about Circle U.

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