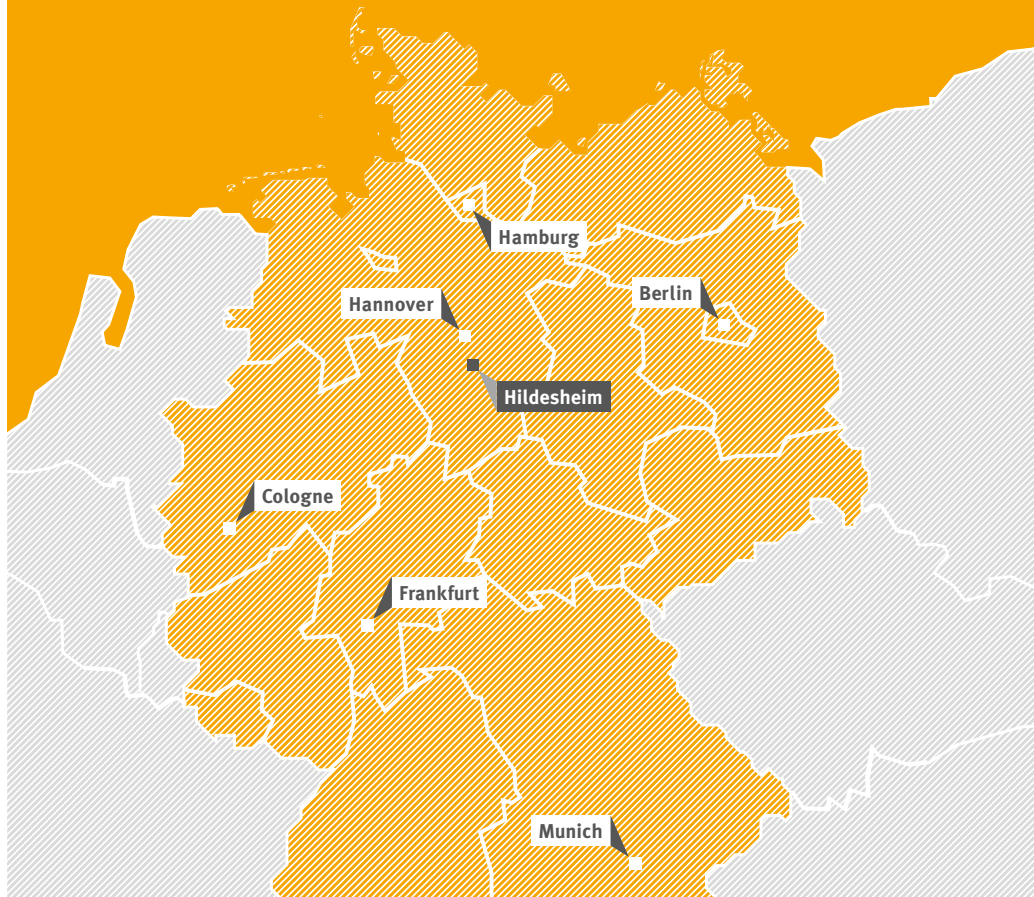


## HAWK – A PLACE TO EXPLORE RIGHT IN THE HEART OF GERMANY

The HAWK University of Applied Sciences and Arts has been enriching the landscape of higher education in Germany for over fifty years. A wide range of study programs is offered to more than 6,500 students at three different university locations across the State of Lower Saxony.

The Faculty of Design is located in Hildesheim, a city with 100,000 inhabitants. Hildesheim is a university town in northern Germany close to other cities like Hannover and Braunschweig. Hamburg and Berlin are also within easy reach.



### Contact and Information

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For information on the English study program for exchange students  
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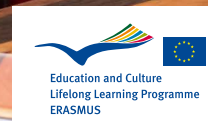
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**STUDY  
DESIGN (MA)  
IN GERMANY**  
A ONE SEMESTER PROGRAM  
IN ENGLISH (30 ECTS)

## INTERDISCIPLINARY MA DESIGN

A special feature of the study program is its consistently future-oriented approach and its focus on the three core competencies: integrative design, team-oriented leadership and strate-

gic thinking. You will strengthen your skills in working with interdisciplinary teams and put design into different contexts.

## SEMESTER PROGRAM IN ENGLISH – DESIGN-SPECIFIC OFFERS

### **Integrative Project(s) MA with 1:1 Assistance (12 ECTS) – summer/winter**

With the Integrative Project, students broaden their skills within their discipline by means of a predetermined or freely chosen interdisciplinary task. They work independently, organizing themselves in terms of content and structure. Cooperation in (interdisciplinary) teams is possible.

### **Design Thinking MA (6 ECTS) – summer/winter**

Developing concepts in small groups as well as scientific research work in teams with changing tasks.

### **Research College MA (3 ECTS) – summer/winter**

Students work individually or in teams on a research question that is either predetermined or developed within the project. They work scientifically, methodologically, experimentally, independently, organise themselves and defend their theories, solutions and concepts in plenary sessions.

### **International Studio (12 ECTS) – summer only**

Students work on an architectural project in mixed teams (national/international and from different disciplines, i. e. interior architecture, architecture as well as color design, lighting design and product design). They realize con-

cepts and design solutions in functional and constructional aspects including material, color and light.

### **Color and Style and Trend Development (6 ECTS) – winter only**

The students learn specific design techniques dealing with color trends and style. They discuss design tasks concerning color, material, patterns in relation to time, milieu, trend, target groups and the world of style in a cultural context. Students acquire knowledge, methods and technology, especially for specialized research, independent conception and independent design through relevant technical applications.

### **Jewelry/Body-Related Object Experimentation (6 ECTS) – summer/winter**

The students develop a subjective, creative-artistic form of expression in the field of jewelry and body-related objects. The aim of this module is the individually designed dialogue about/with material and the possibilities of dealing with material. In the design process, students work on their motive and intention to identify the right material for their investigation and implementation to achieve results. Documentation, reflection and presentation are part of these processes and methods.

## SEMESTER PROGRAM IN ENGLISH – INTERDISCIPLINARY OFFERS

**Intercultural Training (3 ECTS) – summer/winter**  
Intercultural encounters can lead to conflicts due to different perspectives or biases – or they can be profitable! The training creates understanding for each other and promotes intercultural competence. The approach is diversity-oriented and takes into account not only cultural but also other personal characteristics.

### **German Language Course (4 ECTS) – summer/winter**

Before the start of the lecture period, the international students attend an intensive language

course in order to be prepared in the best possible way not only for the lectures of the faculty, but also for life in Germany. During the semester, they can additionally participate in weekly German lessons at different levels. The language courses are free of charge.

The offer of interdisciplinary courses is subject to change each semester. Further courses may be offered such as "Academic Writing" (3 ECTS) or "Germany and the Germans" (3 ECTS).

## ORIENTATION AND EXCURSION PROGRAM

The International Office provides a buddy-program. Buddies are German students who meet incoming students at Hildesheim railway station and who help them during the first days to find their way around town and to settle in.

To ensure a smooth arrival, the International Office also provides assistance with all necessary formalities including amongst others registration at the City Hall, residence permits, questions about visas, the opening of bank accounts and health insurance.

In addition, the International Office organizes several events and trips for incoming students throughout the semester. Exchange students will get to know fellow students as well as the city of Hildesheim during an orientation week and will also have the opportunity to visit the towns of Holzminden and Göttingen where other HAWK faculties are based.

Besides vibrant university towns, Lower Saxony also offers a beautiful landscape which can be explored on guided hikes through the Harz National Park. Visits to local sights as well as to the opera or the theater will give the opportunity to dive into the historical and cultural landscape of the region. To bring international students together, the International Office also holds international Easter and Christmas celebrations and regular country-themed evenings. The "Café International", held every other week and organized by students for students, completes the program for incoming students.

### Application Dates

- To apply, please ask the International Office of your university to nominate you at HAWK. Please note the following nomination deadlines:  
Winter semester: 1 June | Summer semester: 1 November.
- You will then receive information on how to proceed. Please note the following application submission deadlines:  
Winter semester: 15 June | Summer semester: 15 November.
- The following documents need to be uploaded with the application: transcript of records, photo, passport copy, language certificate, portfolio, proof of health insurance.
- On receipt of the application, the International Office will provide incoming students with an information package, the letter of acceptance and, if applicable, the invitation letter for the visa application process.

### Semester Dates

- Winter semester: 1 October – 31 March (exam period until approx. end of February).
- Summer semester: 1 April – 30 September (exam period until approx. mid August).
- In order to attend the orientation program and the German language course, incoming students may be required to arrive prior to those dates. Please ask the International Office for the dates of the respective semester.

### Fees and Student Card

There are no tuition fees in public universities in Germany. However, a semester fee has to be paid which includes free public transport in Lower Saxony and cheaper meals at the cafeteria with the student card for the whole semester. The fee amounts to approx. € 290 for exchange students in Hildesheim.

### Accommodation Service for Incomings

Upon request, the International Office offers help to find accommodation. Students may choose to stay at one of the student residences or to share a private flat with other students. Prices range from € 300 to € 450 per month. The International Office offers at least one room option for each exchange student.