

The Master of Education in Performing Arts is a dual-subject degree where students gain a teaching qualification in two school subjects. Usually, applicants must hold a Bachelor degree qualifying them to teach (*Bachelor mit Lehramtsoption*) and will continue to study the combination of subjects they chose for their Bachelor degree at Master's level. However, at Master's level the major subject studied at Bachelor level becomes the minor subject, and vice versa. At Master's level, students intensify their study of their specialist subject as well as expanding their knowledge of teaching methodologies and content, with a focus on Contemporary Theatre and Theatre Pedagogy. As part of their degree, students also undertake a work placement in a school where they will gain essential teaching practice, while the modules in Education Sciences at the Technische Universität Braunschweig will provide students with additional teaching skills. If German or English is selected as the second subject, this will also be taught at the Technische Universität Braunschweig; if Art is chosen, it will be taught at the HBK Braunschweig.

And afterwards?

Graduates of the Master of Education in Performing Arts are qualified to teach in schools up to Year 13. The Master's degree is recognised as the equivalent of the German First State Examination in teaching. It allows the holder to continue to the practical stage of teacher training that is the prerequisite for obtaining full certification as a state-recognised school.

As Performing Arts is increasingly offered as a school subject, graduates of the Master's degree can look forward to excellent career opportunities, and the degree also opens up the path to doctoral study.

For those who wish to continue on to the practical stage of teacher training, please note that this stage can be completed in any Federal State in Germany subject to approval by the state in question. Questions relating to this and about teaching as a career in Germany should be directed to the Ministry for Culture in the state where you wish to complete your practical training.

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Performing Arts

Master of Education

English

Information

Degree

Master of Education

Standard period of study

4 semesters

Possible minor subjects

German, English (*taught at TU Braunschweig*)

Art (*taught at the HBK Braunschweig*)

Compulsory Modules (Major subject):

Contemporary Theatre and Theatre Pedagogy,
Field Trip, Work Placement, Education Sciences,
Master's Thesis

Teaching Language

German

Method of Attendance

Full-time

Course Commencement

Autumn semester

Application Period

Annually from 1 June – 15 July

Admission Restriction

No

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Entry Requirements

/ Applicants must hold a Bachelor degree qualifying them to teach in Performing Arts plus one of the approved secondary subjects, or an equivalent degree in a closely related subject.

/ Students who are not from German-speaking countries require a certificate of German language proficiency. Certificates not issued by a German institution must first be evaluated and recognised through *uni-assist*.

Application Process

To apply, you should upload your application and all supporting documents in the HBK Braunschweig online portal by 15 July.

If your undergraduate degree has not yet been awarded by the time the application period closes, we request that you provide a letter from your university attesting that you have obtained at least 150 ECTS credits.

Study places for the major subject Performing Arts with a minor subject will be allocated by the HBK Braunschweig. If Performing Arts is your minor subject, you must submit your application for the minor subjects German and English to the TU Braunschweig.

Note

The Master of Education in Performing Arts is a collaborative degree programme. Courses are held at five universities which are all located in Lower Saxony. In addition to the HBK Braunschweig, these are the Technische Universität Braunschweig; the Leibniz University Hanover; the Hanover University of Music, Drama and Media; and the University of Hildesheim. Students may attend teaching courses at all of the above universities.

In Lower Saxony, Performing Arts can only be combined with subjects other than those named above with special permission from the Lower Saxony Institute for Development of Quality in Schools (NLQ).