Welcome and thank you for your interest in the Ernst Busch University of Theatre Arts!

If you have been forced to flee Ukraine and want to continue your studies in the field of performing arts, we are pleased to offer you some guidance.

Below you will find relevant information about the German higher education, the Ernst Busch University of Theatre Arts, our study programs and the applications requirements.

Studying in Germany

As a rule, refugees are allowed to study at German universities. Normally, if you meet the requirements for admission to the study program you are interested in and your legal status is fully recognized (entitled to asylum, granted refugee protection etc.), you won't encounter any problems in accessing the higher education system.

If you are not sure whether your previous studies can be recognized in Germany, the official websites of the DAAD and the Federal Ministry of Education and Research provide information on this and other general matters:

- https://www.daad-ukraine.org/en/
- https://www.bmbf.de/bmbf/en/news/information-for-refugees-from-ukraine.html

The StudierendenWERK Berlin has a special counseling service for those interested in studying at one of Berlin's universities. You can contact them by e-mail or telephone and make an appointment to explain your personal case and clarify very specific questions:

- https://www.stw.berlin/en/international/refugees/koordinierungsstelle.html

For information on registration, residence permits, study and scholarships opportunities in the city of Berlin please visit:

- https://www.berlin.de/ukraine/en/arrive/
- https://www.berlin.de/sen/wissenschaft/en/policy/artikel.711405.en.php

Ernst Busch University of Theatre Arts

The Ernst Busch University of Theatre Arts has a long history of artistic training and production in Germany. With its exclusive focus on the theater arts and its own studio theater, the university provides outstanding training in the fields of **acting**, **directing**, **contemporary puppetry** and **stage dance**. The master's programs in **dramaturgy**, **choreography**, and **Spiel&&Objekt** expand this offering and aim to develop new narrative forms and realize aesthetic experiments within the framework of interdisciplinary artistic research.

Please note that, regardless of artistic talent, a prerequisite for application is a good level of German. Some departments even demand a German C1 certificate. You will find specific information on the individual study programs, application deadlines and required documents on our website under "*Studiengänge*".

The Ernst Busch is an international, inclusive educational institution where people from different countries and diverse cultural backgrounds study, teach and work together. It is our responsibility as a university community to provide a safe environment and ideal dialog spaces for all. We work continuously to develop networks with other Berlin universities, foundations and government representatives in order to offer support and integration opportunities to students, professors and artists at risk. For all enrolled international students who want to have assistance in improving their German skills (especially phonetics), Julia Werth offers the course "German as a foreign language". Other Berlin universities offer study preparation and language proficiency courses for all persons with refugee status. We suggest attending these courses before applying to any study program.

you can find some of the courses in which you can still register this year under

- HTW:<u>https://www.htw-berlin.de/en/international/pathways-to-htw-berlin/refugees/htw-integra/course-portfolio/</u>
- HU:<u>https://www.hu-berlin.de/de/hu/verwaltung/ccww/angebote-fuergefluechtete/sprachkurse</u>

Once you have started your studies at our university, you will receive a lot of support from your fellow students and teachers. If you are not yet officially enrolled but would like us to advise you, we have special staff available to assist international students and refugees. Please don't hesitate to contact us!

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