Academic Year 2023/24
Starting your Master Studies
Orientation Day

Friday, September 15, 2023
Program of the introductory events for new Master students

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Introductions to the Master’s degree programs of the faculties and institutes

Presentation in English only if marked with

Faculty of Humanities

Introduction by the Dean: 9.30 to 10 am
Uni Mittelstrasse, Mittelstrasse 43, room 120

Introduction to Master and Bachelor and Master studies in Classics Major/Minor: 2 to 3 pm
at the Institute, Länggassstrasse 49, room 413, 1st floor

Department of History

Introduction to Master studies in History Mono/Major: 5 to 6 pm
at the institute, Lärchenweg 36, room 113, 1st floor
followed by an appointee offered by the student representatives

Department of Archaeological Sciences
no specific event for new master students

Department of the Study of the Middle East and Muslim Societies
Master of Arts in Islamic Studies and Oriental Literature Major/Minor and Master of Arts in Middle Eastern Studies Major/Minor: 10.15 to 12 pm
at the institute, Lärchenweg 36, 3rd floor

Institute of Musicology
Uni Mittelstrasse, Mittelstrasse 43, social hub 179

Master of Arts in Musicology Major/Minor: 1.30 to 2.15 pm
Uni Mittelstrasse, Mittelstrasse 43, room 120
guided tour of the Uni Mittelstrasse and the institute by assistants (incl. library and administr), 2.15 to 2.45 pm
Uni Mittelstrasse, Mittelstrasse 43, room 103
aperitif offered by the student council 3.45 to 5 pm
Uni Mittelstrasse, Mittelstrasse 43, social hub 119

Institute of Philosophy
Master of Arts in Political, Legal and Economic Philosophy (PLEP) and Master of Arts in Philosophy Major/Minor:
There will be an introductory session/appointee in September. New Master students will be personally invited.

Institute for the Science of Religion
Bachelor and Master of Arts in Science of Religion Major/Minor and Master of Arts in Religion in Contemporary Society Mono: 4 to 5 pm
Bachelor and Master of Arts in Central Asian Studies Major/Minor: 5 to 6 pm
at the institute, Lärchenweg 36, room 113, 1st floor
followed by an appointee

Institute of Social Anthropology
Master of Arts in Social Anthropology Major/Minor, Master program in Antropology of Transnationalism and the State (ATS) Major/Minor and Minor in program in Cultural Differences and Transnational Processes (CRITOP Mono) Major: 2.30 to 3.30 pm
at the institute, Lärchenweg 36, seminar room 3221, 2nd floor

Institute of Theater Studies
no specific event for new master students

Department of English
Welcome meeting for Master of Arts in English Language and Linguistics Major/Minor and Master of Arts in English Studies Major/Minor: 10 to 11 am
UniS, room A022, ground floor

Institute of French Language and Literature
no specific event for new master students

Institute of Germanic Languages and Literatures
Master of Arts in German Studies, German Linguistics and German Literature Major: 10.30 to 12 pm
UniS, room F 113

Institute of Italian Language and Literature
Bachelor and Master of Arts in Italian Language and Literature Major/Minor: 1 to 2 pm
UniS, room F007
followed by a students’ committee appointee at the institute, Länggassstrasse 49, 2nd floor

Institute of Classical Philology
Welcome meeting to Bachelor and Master studies in Classics Major/Minor: 2 to 3 pm
at the institute, Länggassstrasse 49, room 413, 1st floor

Institute of Slavic Languages and Literatures
Introduction to Slavic studies Bachelor and Master Major/Minor: 10.30 to 11.30 am
followed by an appointee of the student council at the institute, Länggassstrasse 49, room B347, 3rd floor

Department of Spanish Language and Literature
Bachelor and Master of Arts in Spanish Linguistics and Literature Major/Minor: 11.30 to 12.30 am
UniS, room F007
followed by an appointee, in collaboration with the students’ committee: 12.30 to 1.30 pm
at the institute, Länggassstrasse 49, 3rd floor

Department of Linguistics
Master of Arts in Linguistics Major/Minor, individual student consultations: 12.30 to 1 pm
at the Institute, Länggassstrasse 49, room 8186, 1st floor

Interdisciplinary Units
Center for Global Studies
Major, Minor: 2 to 3 pm
digital (live zoom session), session link:
https://unibe.ch/zoom/j/496423391601

Faculty of Science

Department of Biology
Biochemistry no specific event for new master students

Biological Chemistry and Molecular Biology
Master of Science in Biology and Molecular Biology no specific event for new master students

Institute of Applied Economics
Master of Science in Economics and Finance: 1.30 to 2.30 pm
UniS, room A022, ground floor

Institute of Mathematics
Introduction to the Master of Science in Mathematics Major/Minor: 2 to 3 pm
at the institute, Lärchenweg 36, room 8117, 1st floor

Institute of Computer Science
Bachelor and Master of Science in Computer Science Major/Minor: 4 to 5 pm
UniS, room A022, ground floor

Institute of Electrical Engineering
Master Minor: 2.15 to 2.45 pm

Interdisciplinary Centre for Gender Studies
Major, Gender Studies Minor: 2 to 3.20 pm
digital (live zoom session), session link:
https://unibe.ch/zoom/j/496423391601

Faculty of Theology

Information for graduate students Master of Arts in Theological Studies/Theology Major/Minor, Master Gender and Religion Minor, Master Jewish Studies/Ancient Near Eastern Cultures Minor, Master of Arts in Ancient Judaism Mono/Minor: 3 to 3.30 pm

Reception for all Master Program Studies: 4.15 to 5 pm
in the foyer of the library of the Faculty of Theology, Länggassstrasse 57, ground floor

Faculty of Human Sciences

Institute of Educational Science
Bachelor and Master of Science in Education Mono/Major: 11 to 12 am
UniS, room A022, Fabrikstrasse 8, Seminarraum 8101, 1 OG
followed by an appointee, in collaboration with the students’ committee

Institutes of Psychology

Institute of Psychology
no specific event for new master students

Institute of Sport Science
no specific event for new master students

Institute of Social Anthropology
Master of Social Anthropology Major/Minor: 2.30 to 3.30 pm
at the institute, Lärchenweg 36, room 5221, 2nd floor

Institute of Social Sciences
Welcome meeting to Bachelor and Master and Social Sciences Major/Minor: 10.15 to 11.45 am
at the institute, Lärchenweg 36, room 8121, 2nd floor

Faculty of Business, Economics and Social Sciences

Introduction by the Dean: 9.30 to 10.30 am
Uni Mittelstrasse, Fabrikstrasse 6, lecture hall F007, ground floor

Department of Business Administration
Master of Science in Business Administration (MSc BusAdmin): 12 to 1 pm
Main building, room 110 (Audimax), 1st floor

Department of Economics
Master of Science in Economics (MSc EC): 1.15 to 2.15 pm
UniS, room A022, ground floor

Faculty of Law
no specific event for new master students

Libraries

University Library of Bern
for information about guided tours see www.unibe.ch/unib/index_eng.html

Oeschger Centre for Climate Change Research (OCCR)
Tuesday, 13.09. to Friday, 15.09.2023
Introduction course to Master in Climate Sciences Mono: 8.30 to 9.30 pm
Main building, room 501 (Kuppelraum)
at ETH Zurich on Thursday, September 14

Faculty of Medicine

ARTORG Center for Biomedical Engineering Research
Master of Science in Biomedical Engineering Mono: 10.45 to 11.45 am
Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology Mono: 1 to 2 pm

Institute of Artificial Intelligence in Medicine Mono: 11 to 11.45 am
Building center, Munsterstrasse 38, room F007
Agenda

8.30 to 12.30 am
Official Welcome by the Rector, Main Building, Aula (several sessions)

8.30 to 12.30 am
General Information on Studying in Bern, Main Building, Foyer

9.30 to 2.30 am
Campus Student Groups, UniS

10.15 to 6 am
Introduction to the Study Programs by the Facultys, Departments and Institutes (supplementary brochure)

Official Welcome

8.30 am
• Faculty of Humanities
9.30 am
• Faculty of Theology
• Faculty of Human Sciences
10.20 am
• Faculty of Science
• Faculty of Medicine
11.15 am
• Faculty of Business, Economics and Social Sciences
• Vetsuisse Faculty
12.05 am
• Faculty of Law

The official welcome addresses are given by the rector and the other persons listed below and follow the timetable given above:

Prof. Dr. Christian Leumann
Rector

Dr. Christoph Pappa
General Secretary, Coordinator Orientation Day

Yannick Käser
Board Member of the Students Union of the University of Bern (SUB)

Claudia Willen
Co-Head of Office for Equal Opportunities

Philipp Schmutz
Psychologist, Universities of Bern Counselling Centre
UniS: Campus Student Groups

A  Students Union
- Students Union of the University of Bern (SUB)
- Studierendenrat

B  Cultural Groups
- ALSO – Alumni & Sinfonie-Orchester
- ARK – Akademischer Reitklub
- Berner Singstudenten
- BeASt – Berner Acapella Stu-
dent*innen
- BESTO – Berner Studentinnen- und Studentenorchester
- Unichor Bern
- Uob – Uniorchester Bern

C  Religious Groups
- aki – Katholische Hochschulseelsorge
- CAMPUS live
- Christliche Hochschulgruppe VBG Bern
- Forum³

D  Student Associations
- Academic Surfclub
- Achtung Liebe
- AIESEC Bern
- BENE – Verein für Nachhaltige Entwicklung an den Berner Hochschulen
- Beraber
- Bündner*innenverein Universität Bern und Universität Fribourg
- CLASH
- Effective Altruism Bern
- ESN Bern
- Health for Future Bern
- Marxistischer Verein Unibe
- mindbalance
- MUN – Model United Nations
- Neurodiverses Znacht
- SCAD – Students of Color of the African Diaspora

E  Fraternities and Sororities
- Akademische Turnerschaft Rhenania
- Akademische Verbindung Berchtoldia
- AKV Burgundia
- Aurora Bernensis
- Studentenverbindung Concordia Bernensis
- Verbindung Zofingia

F  Other Groups, external
- PROBe – Psychedelic Research Organization of Bern
- Queerstudents
- REATCH
- STIB – Studenti Ticinesi a Berna
- Swiss Social Archives
- Stämpfli Verlag AG
- Libromania
- Brands for Students