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China Trainee Program at German Institutes of Higher Education – German-Chinese Cooperation for Student Affairs



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The China Trainee Program at German Institutes of Higher Education – German-Chinese Cooperation For Student Affairs of Robert Bosch Stiftung and the German National Association for Student Affairs (Deutsches Studentenwerk) is intensifying activities between China and Germany in the field of the social dimension of higher education and serves to improve the preparation and integration of Chinese students in Germany.

Executives of Chinese universities will be introduced to the counselling and service facilities of German universities and the Studentenwerke during a six-month program. They gain experience in culture, education, and the employment sector in Germany and build German-Chinese contacts in the higher education sector. The trainees develop their own projects for improving the success of studies for Chinese students, and contribute with their personal qualifications and experiences on education, culture, and student life in China. After returning to China they will pass on to future Chinese students their knowledge of the education and university landscape of Germany. The trainees thus substantially contribute to supporting a sustainable dialog and transfer of know-how between China and Germany. They set up long-term cooperation contacts and establish a global network in the field of student mobility.

Goals

- :: Support Chinese students in Germany and improve their study success
- :: Obtain further qualifications in Student Affairs
- :: Gain insight into the counselling and service facilities of German institutes of higher education and of Studentenwerke in Germany
- :: Acquire key qualifications in project management, intercultural competence and international relations
- :: Deepen specialist foreign language skills

What support will the trainees receive?

- :: Scholarships of EUR 650 per month
- :: Free accommodation in student residence halls
- :: Healthcare, accident and liability insurance while attending the program
- :: German language intensive course
- :: Refectory vouchers
- :: Free use of regional public transport (monthly travelcard)
- :: Participation in the introduction and review seminars including professional training
- :: Organisational support, advice and assistance by a mentor from Studentenwerke

Seminars/Language course

At the **introduction seminar**, the Chinese trainees learn the basic facts of the higher education sector of Germany and about the structure and activities of Studentenwerke.

The subsequent **language course** will provide an intense introduction to the German language and prepare the trainees for communication conventions at German institutes of higher education.

The goal of the concluding **review seminar** is to evaluate the trainee program with a focus on further professional qualification in the field of Student Affairs.

All seminars finish with a concluding cultural event.



Requirements for application

- :: Chinese citizenship
- :: University degree
- :: Preferably international experience
- :: First work experience in the fields of “Student Services/Student Affairs”
- :: Interest in intercultural exchange
- :: Excellent written and spoken German language skills required
- :: Implementation of acquired multiplication skills in China

