Admission requirements

- A Bachelor’s degree in Southeast Asian Studies or equivalent and a good command of Bahasa Indonesia or Bahasa Malaysia (minimum of 200 hours of language instruction at the university level or equivalent)
- BA degrees from other disciplines in the humanities or social sciences may also be accepted if the applicant has a good knowledge of Southeast Asia and the required language skills.
- TOEFL test result of at least 87 (internet-based), or equivalent results from other officially recognized tests of English capability, such as IELTS or the Cambridge Proficiency examination
- A convincing motivation letter and CV

How to apply

The application process for the winter term usually runs from May until July. Applications must be sent directly to:

Goethe-Universität Frankfurt
Masterabteilung
c/o uni-assist e.V.
Geneststr. 5
D-10829 Berlin

For further information on the application process and current deadlines please visit the international Master’s programme portal of Goethe University on the internet: www2.uni-frankfurt.de/35791924

Contact

If you have any questions regarding the Master’s in Southeast Asian Studies, please don’t hesitate to contact us!

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Brief profile of the programme

The Master’s programme in Southeast Asian Studies offers prospective students, who have a good working knowledge of Bahasa Indonesia or Bahasa Malaysia and who are acquainted with the region, the opportunity to pursue advanced studies on the languages, cultures and societies of Southeast Asia with a special focus on the Malay World (Indonesia, Malaysia, Brunei Darussalam, Singapore and East Timor).

A philological-cultural studies approach to area studies is combined with individual freedom to draw on the various excellent resources of the different departments present at Goethe University of Frankfurt in order to encourage interdisciplinary and innovative research for the Master's thesis in Southeast Asian Studies.

Students can choose between two versions of the study programme, one with and one without a semester abroad. The curriculum consists of a set of four mandatory core modules for all students and three elective modules including the option to take a Studium Generale and freely choose a number of courses from different faculties for students who study version one (without a semester abroad). For students, who study version one (without a semester abroad), here are three suggested specialisations outlined in the curriculum:

- Classical philology and history,
- focus on modern languages and society, and
- focus and

The Master's programme comprises four semesters (2 years) and starts each winter semester (in October). The programme accounts for a total of 120 credit points (CP). 90 CP are earned by coursework in seven modules (a module usually consists of 2-3 courses) and 30 CP are earned through the MA thesis.

Course languages are English and Bahasa Indonesia / Bahasa Malaysia. The programme is open to students who do not speak German.

The Master’s programme is fully accredited by the Central Evaluation and Accreditation Agency, Hannover.

Studying in Frankfurt

- Study at one of the leading universities nationwide and worldwide – ranked among the top 150 World Universities in the Shanghai Ranking 2013. The university’s central library is one of the largest research libraries in Germany and our department provides the most comprehensive collection for Southeast Asian Studies in Germany, currently holding about 55,000 books and journals.

- Study for a very moderate semester fee of roughly € 365 including the “Semesterticket”, which provides for unlimited travel on public transportation within the whole Rhein-Main region.

Study in a city that is Germany’s transportation hub and a leading business centre. Frankfurt is home to the headquarters of the European Central Bank and Germany’s main stock exchange and well known for trade fairs. Last, but not least, Frankfurt is an international city – home to more than 170 nationalities – with a broad cultural scene: a first-rate opera house, some 30 theatres and almost 40 museums.