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Scholarships for the German-Mexican Master's Course "Environment and Resources Management (ENREM)" Cologne University of Applied Sciences / Universidad Autónoma de San Luis Potosí Start: August 2014

What are the goals of the programme?

In August 2014, the bi-national Master's Programme "Environment and Resources Management (ENREM)" will be matriculating new students for the 7th time. ENREM is jointly organized by the Cologne University of Applied Sciences and the Universidad Autónoma de San Luis Potosí in Mexico. The programme is aimed at young professionals from Germany, Mexico and other Latin American countries who already hold a first university degree and includes study phases both in Mexico and in Germany.

The programme structure takes an interdisciplinary and integrative approach, not only addressing questions related to the natural and environmental sciences but also taking the economic, political and cultural dimensions of the Latin American cultural area into consideration. For this reason, comprehensive political and socio-cultural relations are components of the course alongside the technical subject matter. The university modules will be supplemented both methodologically and in content by preparatory Spanish or German language courses, modules for intercultural training, field excursions and interdisciplinary workshops on various topics.

The programme stretches over 25 months, the first two semesters are spent in Mexico and the third in Cologne. The fourth semester is reserved for field research in a Latin American country or Germany and for writing up the Master's thesis. The course is held in Spanish during the Mexican study phase and in English during the study phase in Germany. Successful completion of the course results in a Master's degree from each of the two universities.

Who can apply?

Applications are open to participants from Germany and all Spanish- or Portuguese-speaking countries of Latin America.

Target Groups

The target group of this Master's Programme are young professionals from the fields of Ecology, Resource Management or Sustainable Development who ideally have some work experience (at least 2 years if possible). Young professionals with a background in economic or social sciences can also apply.

What is funded?

The programme is jointly sponsored by the DAAD with resources from the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) and the Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF) and the Mexican National Council for Science and Technology (CONACYT).

Scholarship for German applicants during the study phase in Mexico:

- During the study phase in Mexico currently about EUR 800,00 per person and month (partly funded by DAAD and CONACYT)
- Travel subsidies for the journeys to Mexico and Germany
- Travel subsidy and monthly instalments during the field research period (up to three month), depending on the country (funded by DAAD)
- health, accident, and liability insurance (funded by DAAD)

Scholarship for Latin American applicants for the whole study period:

 During the study phase in Mexico currently about MXP 9.000,00 per person and month (funded by CONACYT)

- During the study phase in Germany about MXP 15.000,00 per person for 6 months (funded by CONACYT)
- Travel subsidies, also for the journey to the country of the field research
- health, accident and liability insurance (partly funded by CONACYT and DAAD)
- study and research subsidy (funded by DAAD)

Application

The following documents have to be handed in digitally:

- completed and signed DAAD application form (http://www.daad.de/medien/deutschland/stipendien/formulare/forschungsstipendium en.pdf)
- · completed and signed application form of the course ENREM
- certified documents proving the higher education entrance qualification and the Higher education graduation plus academic record (Spanish, English or German)
- explanation of the higher institutions grading system
- curriculum vitae in tabular form using the "Europass" format (English)
 (www.europass.cedefop.europa.eu/)
- proof of English proficiency (TOEFL 550 points, IELTS band 6 or equivalent test) and proficiency in Spanish for German applicants
- confirmation of employment from the employer in your home country, and if possible, a guarantee of re-employment upon returning home
- letter of motivation (in English) including a precise description of academic, professional and personal reasons for attending the programme
- formulated project idea for the master thesis (2 pages in English)
- two recommendation letters (preferably one of the current employer)

Incomplete applications will be excluded from the selection procedure.

Selection

A selection committee consisting of professors of the course and representatives of the DAAD and CONACYT will nominate the candidates for a scholarship.

Beside the study achievements and the academic quality of the applicant, the most important selection criterion will be a convincing presentation of his/her professional and personal motivation for participating in this programme, including the expected benefits after returning to the home country.

The bachelor's degree should not be more than 6 years old. Latin American candidates who have already been in Germany for more than 15 months at the time they apply cannot be considered for a scholarship.

Deadline for applications

Applications will be accepted until **February 28th**, **2014** and should be sent directly to the programme, at the Cologne University of Applied Sciences (for German applicants) or the Universidad Autónoma de San Luis Potosí (for Latin American applicants).

Contact and further information

For more information regarding the programme and application, please visit the programme website: www.enrem-master.info.

Should you have further questions, please contact: info-enrem@itt.fh-koeln.de

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