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ACCREDITATION / RECOGNITION

Opening: September 2001

1999 • Official recognition by the Free Hanseatic City of Bremen
2001 • Accreditation by the German Council of Science and Humanities (Wissenschaftsrat)
2004 • Accreditation of all Bachelor’s programs by the German Accreditation Council (ACQUIN)
2006 • Announcement of Jacobs Foundation’s investment of €200 million, the largest donation in Europe ever made to a university (benefactor honored by name change at the beginning of 2007: “International University Bremen” becomes “Jacobs University Bremen”)
2008 • Institutional reaccreditation by the German Council of Science and Humanities. Renewal of the reaccreditation is required only on request of the City of Bremen, as the university has permanently proven its academic constitution.
2010 • Renewal of the official recognition by the Free Hanseatic City of Bremen
2018 • Renewal of the official recognition by the Free Hanseatic City of Bremen until 2027

RANKINGS

Jacobs University occupies top places in respected university rankings year after year.

TIMES HIGHER EDUCATION (THE) WORLD UNIVERSITY RANKINGS 2021
Jacobs University ranks among the top 300 universities worldwide and took first place in the category “International Outlook” in Germany.

TIMES HIGHER EDUCATION (THE) YOUNG UNIVERSITY RANKINGS 2020
Jacobs University ranks 33th out of 414 participating universities worldwide and is among the top 10 universities in the category “Teaching”. In a Germany-wide comparison, Jacobs University is the best university in the category “Teaching” and “International Outlook”.

TIMES HIGHER EDUCATION (THE) UNIVERSITY RANKINGS 2019
Jacobs University is the only German university to be represented in the worldwide ranking of the best small universities, taking an excellent tenth place.

U-MULTIRANK
The University has achieved top results in the international U-Multirank since its inception in 2014. In the 2020 evaluation, the university performed especially well in terms of international orientation, adherence to the standard period of study, research and knowledge transfer, and regional engagement of its students.

CHE-RANKING
In Germany’s most comprehensive and detailed university ranking by the Center for Higher Education (CHE) Jacobs University has also been highly successful every year since its first participation in 2005, especially in the categories “Support at the Beginning of Studies” and “International Orientation”.

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MISSION STATEMENT AND KEY OBJECTIVES

Jacobs University is a private, English-language campus-based university offering the highest standards in research and teaching. By means of academic education, intensive support, and through living together on an international campus, its objective is to encourage young, talented people, irrespective of nationality, religion, and background in becoming citizens of the world, able to take leading and responsible roles for the future sustainable and peaceful development of humanity.

Jacobs University has derived four core objectives for its educational profile from this mission statement:

- **ACADEMIC QUALITY**
among other things through interdisciplinary learning, individualized academic mentoring, and early involvement of students in research projects

- **PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT**
increasing self-competence and social skills in a community characterized by diversity

- **INTERNATIONALITY**
promoting intercultural skills through living and learning on a campus with people from more than 120 nations

- **READINESS TO JOIN THE WORKING WORLD**
impacting the specialist and interdisciplinary skills required for a successful career in business or science

RESEARCH AND TEACHING

Jacobs University aims to contribute to solving the global problems of the 21st century. The University’s profile in research and teaching therefore focuses on the following general topics:

- **Mobility** – of people, goods, and information
- **Health** – focus on bioactive substances
- **Diversity** – in modern societies

SCIENTIFIC PUBLICATIONS
More than 350 peer-reviewed, original papers per year in international journals

QUALIFICATIONS
Bachelor (3 years), Master (2 years), PhD

STUDY PROGRAMS 2020/21

- one-year preparatory program (international study orientation and preparation)
  International Foundation Year
- 15 three-year Bachelor’s programs
  Free study choice in the first year / Work experience through internship or start-up track / semester abroad
  Biochemistry and Cell Biology (BSc)
  Chemistry and Biotechnology (BSc)
  Computer Science (BSc)
  Earth and Environmental Sciences (BSc)
  Electrical and Computer Engineering (BSc)
  Global Economics and Management (BA)
  Industrial Engineering and Management (BSc)
  Integrated Social and Cognitive Psychology (BSc)
  International Business Administration (BA)
  International Relations: Politics and History (BA)
  Mathematics (BSc)
  Medicinal Chemistry and Chemical Biology (BSc)
  Physics (BSc)
  Robotics and Intelligent Systems (BSc)
  Society, Media and Politics (BA)
- 5 two-year Master’s programs
  Introductory core area / Hands-on experience / Advanced methods modules / Acquisition of career skills
  Data Engineering (MSc)
  Data Science for Society and Business (MSc)
  International Relations (MA)
  Psychologie (MSc)
  Supply Chain Management (MSc)
- 3 doctoral programs (PhD) as part of the Bremen International Graduate School of Social Sciences (BIGSSS)
  Changing Lives in Changing Socio-cultural Contexts
  Global Governance and Regional Integration
  Welfare State, Inequality and Quality of Life
  BIGSSS is a joint project supported by the German Excellence Initiative.
- Customized HR development programs
  for specialists and managers in various industries

Detailed information on Jacobs University’s study programs on:
jacobs-university.de/study
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ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Admission to Jacobs University is achievement-oriented.

Admission requirements for undergraduate programs:
- Online application form (Common Application)
- Recommendation letter of a teacher
- School transcripts
  (plus university transcripts of transfer applicants)
- Educational history form
- Standardized test (SAT/ACT)
- English language proficiency test (e.g., TOEFL)

Admission to Foundation Year, Master’s and doctoral programs:
Each program has different admission requirements.
Please see our website for detailed information.

TUITION

Depending on the study program, between €10,000 and €25,000 per academic year
Individualized financial aid packages, involving grants, scholarships, and tuition deferrals assist qualified applicants for Bachelor’s and Master’s programs in commencing their studies at Jacobs University.

STUDENTS

2019 Academic Year, Fall Semester
over 1,500 students from more than 120 countries
(incl. visiting/exchange students)
Preparatory programs: 65 students
Bachelor programs: 1015 students
Master programs: 230 students
PhD programs: 247 students

EMPLOYEES
420 employees, of these:
62 professors
187 researchers and lecturers

STUDY SUCCESS INDICATORS

Graduating students in 2019: 340 in total
Bachelor’s: 254, Master’s: 71, PhD: 15
Graduation rate: ~90%
Graduating students since 2004: 4,903

ALUMNI (Source: Alumni Survey 2018)
- 95% of the alumni are currently employed or pursuing a further study
- 20% of the alumni pursued further studies in one of the worldwide leading universities of the Ivy League, the U.K. Russell Group or the Top 10 institutions of THE World Rankings
- 85% of the alumni would definitely recommend to study at Jacobs University and 93% feel well prepared for a further study after graduation

CAMPUS

Area of approx. 34 ha
Four colleges as living and work communities for students:
Alfried Krupp College, Mercator College, College III, College Nordmetall
- Administration, teaching and research buildings
  (approx. 5,600 m² laboratory space)
- Information Resource Center (IRC) with a library, digital resources and other future-oriented information technologies
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PARTNER INSTITUTIONS WITH JOINT APPOINTMENTS OF SCIENTIFIC PERSONNEL

- Alfred Wegener Institute for Polar and Marine Research (Helmholtz Association of German Research Centres)
- Fraunhofer MEVIS – Institute for Medical Image Computing (Fraunhofer Gesellschaft)
- Leibniz Centre for Tropical Marine Research GmbH (Gottfried Wilhelm Leibniz Scientific Association)
- Max Planck Institute for Marine Microbiology (Max Planck Society)
- University of Bremen

In addition, Jacobs University fosters cooperations with more than 1,000 partners in science and business.

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