

LWM guide for application

Dear LWM applicant,

With great pleasure we do provide detailed information onto the procedure and documents needed to apply for academic admission to LWM.

Please read the following information carefully!

The application for academic admission is the 1st step to get entrance to LWM. Successful applicants will receive a confirmation letter.

It is mandatory to apply for academic admission at both BOKU & IHE Delft!

Applications are welcome at any time – however, kindly note the application submission **deadline of December 15th 2019** to qualify for the next **LWM study entry in October 2020!**





LWM ADMISSION CRITERIA:

- ◆ University level Bachelor's degree in an appropriate field for the programme, and which has been awarded by a university of recognised standing (e.g. BSc in Biology, Aquatic Ecology / Fisheries, Environmental Sciences, Chemistry, ; Civil, Chemical, Agricultural or Environmental Engineering, etc)
- ◆ Working experience in an appropriate field of the LWM programme is an additional important asset
- ◆ English language requirements

Postal address for sending the application & certified documents:

University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences, Vienna
Institute of Hydrobiology and Aquatic Ecosystem Management
IPGL office
Gregor Mendelstrasse 33
A-1180 Vienna
Austria
Europe

Platform for submitting (upload) the scanned application & documents:

www.ipgl.boku.ac.at

APPLICATION STEPS:

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Filling the online admission forms at the IHE Delft webpage:

<https://www.un-ihe.org/user>

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Filling and uploading the following documents via the IPGL platform:

www.ipgl.boku.ac.at



Completely filled “BOKU Application form”



Detailed CV (special emphasis on duration of employment/add. training)



2 recommendation letters (preferably at least one from your employer)



SCAN of certified copy of degree certificate/diploma (get a copy with a certifying stamp from your university or official authority that confirms its authenticity) – plus original of certified translation into English language, in case the BSc certificate is issued in a different language



SCAN of certified copies of all academic transcripts of all years of studies - stating all study subjects/courses, credit points and marks/grades



Letter of motivation



If applicable – certified evidence of English language (please find detailed info below)

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Additionally - sending the following documents via postal service to BOKU is mandatory for receiving academic admission to LWM:



ORIGINAL of certified copy of degree certificate/diploma – plus original of certified translation into English language, in case the BSc certificate is issued in a different language (to be sent via air mail)



ORIGINAL of certified copies of all academic transcripts of all years of studies - stating all study subjects/courses, credit points and marks/grades

!!! Send the ORIGINAL certified copies with the ORIGINAL stamps - scans or any other copies are not sufficient !!!

After the receipt of your documents, the IPGL-Office will check them carefully and communicate your application status to Egerton University and IHE.

In case you fulfil all criteria for the academic admission to LWM, the IPGL-Office and IHE will provide you with the confirmation letter and further information on how to apply for fellowships.

FELLOWSHIP APPLICATION:

After the receipt of the confirmation letter issued by BOKU and IHE Delft, LWM-applicants are welcome to apply for fellowships and/or deliver a letter that the applicant is in the position to cover all study costs by her/himself (approx. study costs for the full 19-months programme including living costs, travel costs and study fees is approx. EUR 35,000.)

Austrian Development Cooperation

LWM specific fellowships are offered by the Austrian Development Cooperation. Fellowship application forms will be provided to eligible LWM applicants, after the confirmation letter has been provided by BOKU). **Deadline for fellowship applications is the 23rd January 2020.**

Netherlands Development Cooperation

OKP-fellowships are provided by the Netherlands Development Cooperation to follow LWM. Detailed instructions are provided at: <https://www.un-ihe.org/orange-knowledge-programme>. **Deadline for fellowship applications is the 23rd January 2020.**

Eligible applicants are very much encouraged to **apply for both** the Austrian and Netherlands fellowship programmes – since it is increasing, the applicant chances to obtain a fellowship significantly!

Fellowship applications which are received after **23rd January 2020**, will not be taken into consideration for the LWM study entry in October 2020!

Additionally, applicants are advised to check with their employer and with their own government to determine if financing for their studies could be provided from local/regional sources, including on-going research or capacity building projects/programmes.

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Another option may be to apply for fellowships provided by international agencies/programmes – please find more information here:

<http://short.boku.ac.at/q3zqwz>

<https://www.un-ihe.org/fellowships>

**Further information on the provision of “evidence of English language”
Applicants from the following English speaking countries do not require a language certificate:**

Australia, Barbados, Botswana, Canada, Cook Islands, Eritrea, Eswatini, Gambia, Ghana, Guyana, India, Ireland, Jamaica, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Malawi, Namibia, New Zealand, Nigeria, Philippines, Sierra Leone, Singapore, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Swaziland, Trinidad and Tobago, Uganda, UK, USA, Zambia, and Zimbabwe.

Applicants from all other countries are required to provide an “evidence of English language” from internationally recognised testing organisations! The minimum English test scores for admission are

💧 **IELTS** (British Council): Band 6.0 overall. Band 6.5 is preferred.

💧 **TOEFL** score must be:

- for the paper test (PBT) 577 + TWE 4.5 and above
- for the computer test 233 or internet based 90-91

💧 **Cambridge ESOL** (English for Speakers of Other languages): Required score

- Certificate of Proficiency in English CPE: Any (grade A/B/C)
- Certificate of Advanced English CAE: 160/Level B2 (also grades A/B/C)
- First Certificate in English FCE: 160/Grade C (also grades A/B)
- Business English Certificate (Higher) BEC: 45/Level B2 (also grades A/B/C)
- Business English Certificate (Vantage) BEC: 60/Grade C (also grades A/B)
- Business Language Testing Service BULATS: 60 overall Certificate of English Language Skills CELS Higher Level

💧 **TOEIC** at least 785 points

💧 **TELC** (European Language Certificates) telc English B2, C1, C2: Pass

💧 **Michigan** (Cambridge Michigan)

- Examination for the Certificate of Proficiency in English ECPE: Low Pass, Pass, Honors
- Examination for the Certificate of Competency in English ECCE: Pass, Honors
- MELAB: B2

OR: Completion of a study programme that was entirely taught in English from countries with English as the official language

PLEASE NOTE

A letter/statement of English proficiency is not sufficient for obtaining academic admission to LWM!

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We strongly advise applicants to have English language levels equivalent to IELTS 6.5 or higher before the start of their studies. Although the minimum entry level of English is only IELTS 6.0 (or equivalent), applicants are expected to further improve their English language skills in the period between admission and enrolment.

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Candidates whose English test results are not available shortly before the deadline of application for a certain fellowship, can already send in their application without the test results. They may receive a conditional confirmation letter. In this case final approval may be given later after receipt of the English language test results.

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Looking forward to receiving your application!