INTERNATIONAL JOINT MASTER OF SCIENCE REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT

WHY YOU SHOULD ENROL IN THE SPRING PROGRAMME

Do you want to be a successful planner?

You are aspiring to secure a leadership position and you are wondering about further education to acquire the necessary professional skills for an exciting career as a development planner? The SPRING Programme is the right choice for you as it offers you the best opportunity to pursue your professional dream. So, make up your mind and enrol in the SPRING Programme.

Learning at the SPRING Centres is an exciting experience. The unique SPRING University Network across the globe knows no geographical frontiers. It offers you the best possibilities for individualised learning with a concise class size and lively academic exchange with the staff of the SPRING Centres.

The lecture modules of the SPRING Programme combine theoretical knowledge and practical experience for you to gain a deeper understanding of regional development planning and management.

The courses during the first year at the TU Dortmund University follow the ideal planning cycle and are structured in three phases viz. analysis, planning and implementation. Each phase converges into a one-week workshop integrating the various modules.

The second year of the SPRING Programme is offered at the partner universities and provides you the opportunity for applied field research culminating in a Master’s thesis which is a mandatory component of the final examination.

FEES & OTHER COSTS

Course fee per year 550 – 5,000 € depends on the university
Monthly living expenses 700 – 930 € depends on the country
German Language course (optional) 1,250 €
Accommodation can be arranged by the SPRING Centres on request.

SCHOLARSHIP

The SPRING Programme offers a limited number of scholarships provided by the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD). Further information and application forms for DAAD scholarships can be downloaded from the SPRING homepage. Graduation from the Bachelor programme should not be more than six years ago. Once admitted to the SPRING Programme we support you in searching for appropriate donors.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Bachelor’s degree or its equivalent with significantly above average grades
- High proficiency in English
- Professional experience in a planning related field is highly desirable

SPRING CURRICULUM

1st year modules

DORTMUND, GERMANY
- Planning Approaches and Key Skills for Planners
- Workshop – Planning Practice
- Planning in Developing Countries and Physical Infrastructure
- Planning Tools
- Concepts and Theories for Planning
- Socio-Economic Development Planning

2nd year modules

DAR ES SALAAM, TANZANIA
- Planning and Research Methods
- Urban Planning and Management in Tanzania
- Urban Planning and Management Workshop
- Master Thesis

VALDIVIA, CHILE
- Planning and Research Methods
- Environmental Management
- Planning and Implementation in Latin America
- Development Planning Workshop
- Master Thesis

MANILA, THE PHILIPPINES
- Planning and Research Methods
- Policy Planning and Implementation in the Philippines
- Development Planning Workshop
- Master Thesis

THE CITY OF DORTMUND

A perfect setting for multicultural experience

Dortmund is located in the so-called Ruhr Area, which is the largest urban agglomeration in Germany with a total population of five million inhabitants. The Ruhr Area was once famous for its coal and steel industries and is now a centre of high-end manufacturing, finance, higher education and culture. Given its cosmopolitan population and the blend of old and new, Dortmund is a perfect example of 21st-century Germany. Using the highly efficient public transport system, you can easily explore the entire Ruhr Area agglomeration.

Thus SPRING is more than just learning at the university. SPRING also means living in a multicultural environment and making friends from across the globe.

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