

The student mentors from the OBS work with liaison lecturers to offer support for immigrant students at 27 German universities.

The student mentors help these students during the transition to university as well as during their studies and give their fellow students guidance on learning and living in Germany. The liaison lecturers offer their help by using their expertise and their network at the university.

The services offered by student mentors include:

- / Guided tours of the university and lecture attendance
- / Semester introductions
- / Library tours
- / Help finding accommodation
- / Cultural and political education events
- / Leisure activities

Are you looking for support at your university or would like to get involved as a student mentor? Please feel free to get in touch:

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About us

We have been working in the fields of integration and qualification for more than 55 years.

Our areas of focus are education and studying, the labour market, and youth work and parental involvement. We develop integration and qualification services, which we implement with our cooperation partners – mostly migrant organisations.

On behalf of the German Federal Government, in particular the Federal Ministry for Family Affairs, Senior Citizens, Women and Youth (BMFSFJ), we support refugees, ethnic German immigrants from Eastern Europe and the family members joining them, people entitled to asylum and people who are admitted to Germany for humanitarian reasons, who are studying in Germany or who, after studying, are searching for employment that corresponds to their training.

We are a non-profit association based in Bonn, Cologne and Agadir (Morocco); neutral in terms of both party politics and ideology. Our cooperation partners are federal and state ministries, municipalities, authorities, universities, companies and other organisations.

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University Guarantee Fund

Sponsorship and services for immigrant study applicants

according to the regulations of the University Guarantee Fund (RL-GF-H)

You can find more information at:

www.obs-ev.de/en/migrant-academics/university-programme



University Guarantee Fund

Sponsorship and services for immigrant study applicants

On behalf of the Federal Ministry for Family Affairs, Senior Citizens, Women and Youth, we support young immigrants who wish to obtain a higher education entrance qualification in Germany, pursue university studies or continue studies that they began in their country of origin. This takes place in accordance with the regulations on sponsorship for young immigrants to prepare for and pursue university studies – "Guarantee Fund – University (RL-GF-H)".

What is known as the University Guarantee Fund consists of a **funding programme** and the **seminar and university programme**.

More than 550.000 immigrants have benefitted from these services to date.



What we fund:

- / Language courses (German or English)
- / Special courses and preparatory colleges to acquire the higher education entrance qualification
- / Courses to prepare for a preparatory college or professional studies

Who is eligible for funding:

- / Ethnic German immigrants from Eastern Europe and their family members
- / Young refugees and people entitled to asylum as well as their spouses who join them later
- / Children of people entitled to asylum and recognised refugees

The application for funding must be submitted before reaching the age of 30.

You can find more information at:

www.obs-ev.de/en/migrant-academics/higher-education-guarantee-fund



Are you interested in a sponsorship? Please contact the University Guarantee Fund educational guidance centre:

Educational guidance – The first step towards sponsorship

Before being accepted for sponsorship, a consultation is required at the University Guarantee Fund educational guidance centre of the Youth Migration Services (JMD). The educational guidance centres examine eligibility and suitability for funding in accordance with the GF-H regulations, draw up an educational plan and recommend those seeking advice for funding through the OBS.

More information at: www.bildungsberatung-gfh.de

Contact persons at the OBS:

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Seminar programme

No matter whether fundamental or subject-specific knowledge, standards of academic work or information on the situation at universities – the courses at the seminar programme are used to impart theoretical and practical knowledge, which can be crucial to to successfully applying for a university place as well as to get your studies off to a successful start.

Our seminars:

/ Fit for studying

/ Women successfully on the path to university

/ Examination preparation and test procedures

/ Project & study management

/ Writing workshop – academic work during your studies

/ CAD course in preparation for engineering courses

/ IT course – application of MS Office software

/ Communicating successfully in Germany

/ Preparing for the world of work – application training for internships and student jobs

/ Introduction to the German economic system

/ Introduction to the health and social system in Germany

Would you like to attend a seminar? We will be happy to advise you:

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You can find more information and application forms at: www.obs-ev.de/en/migrant-academics/seminar-programme