The Voice of the Universities

30 January 2017 HRK clearing system for study places opens on 1 February: Study places available for the summer semester

From this Wednesday, German universities will once again provide centralised information about available study places. The clearing system for study places provided by the German Rectors' Conference (HRK) will allow people interested in studying to find courses that still have study places available for the 2017 summer semester.

Since last year, the clearing system has started at the beginning of February, because even by then admission procedures at some universities are so far advanced that processing of subsequent offers – the so-called "move-up process" – is complete. Other universities will reach that stage some time in the coming week.

For this reason, those seeking a study place should check the offers in the clearing system regularly. Institutions update the information on a daily basis. More places will still become available at short notice as accepted applicants decide not to take them up.

Users can search the university clearing system by subject and location. For each place advertised there are details of contact persons at the relevant institution and links to the institutions' web pages.

Accessing the system is free and no registration is required.

The university clearing system will close on 30 April. It will reopen between 1 August and 31 October for the winter semester.

The nationwide clearing system for study places was developed by the HRK and is offered as part of its Higher Education Compass. A joint service offered by the HRK and the Trust for Higher Education Admissions, it supports the maximum possible utilisation of available places during the development phase of the dialogue-oriented service procedure (DoSV).

The address:

www.hochschulkompass.de/studienplatzboerse (in German only)