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Last-minute places still available:

HRK university clearing system opens again on 1 March

As of 1 March, universities throughout Germany will again be posting details of course places that are still available on the clearing system operated by the German Rectors' Conference (HRK).

Applicants who were unsuccessful in gaining a place for the summer semester 2015 can search for available places throughout the country on the online system. Universities update the information on a daily basis. More places will become available at short notice as accepted applicants decide not to take them up. This happens because people often apply to several universities or for several different courses and receive more than one offer, but then fail to notify in time the universities whose offers they do not take up.

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

Accessing the system is free and no registration is required.

The clearing system lists available places on courses with local admission restrictions and also on programmes with free access. With free access, applicants can enrol without any additional procedure being required. Where there is an admission restriction, applicants must contact the institution to apply. A contact form can be found with each listed offer.

The nationwide university clearing system was developed by the HRK and is offered as part of its Higher Education Compass. A joint service offered by the HRK and the University Admissions Foundation, it supports the maximum possible utilisation of available places during the development phase of the dialogue-oriented service procedure (DoSV). For places with a local admission restriction, the DoSV is designed to compare offers made to an applicant and make the chances of admission and acceptance decisions more transparent for applicants and universities.

Universities post available places on the clearing system on 1 March and 1 September every year.

The addresses are:

www.hochschulkompass.de/studienplatzboerse

or

www.freie-studienplaetze.de