



University of Natural Resources
and Life Sciences, Vienna



LWM guide for application

Dear LWM applicant,

It is with great pleasure that we offer detailed information about 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 getting 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 24th February 2021** to qualify for the next **LWM study entry in October 2021!**





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 Mendel -Strasse 33/DG/34
A-1180 Vienna
Austria
Europe

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

<https://ipgl.boku.ac.at/home>

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: <https://ipgl.boku.ac.at/home>

- Filled and signed “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 scan 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 receiving 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 a 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-month programme including living costs, travel costs and study fees is approx. EUR 42,000.)

Austrian Development Cooperation Fellowship

LWM specific fellowships (funded by the Austrian Development Cooperation) are available for applicants from the following countries: Bhutan, Burkina Faso, Ethiopia, Kenya, Mozambique, Rwanda and Uganda. 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 30th April 2021.**

Eligible applicants are very much encouraged to **apply for different fellowship programmes** – since it will be increasing the applicant's chances to obtain a fellowship significantly.

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Find further fellowship options provided by international agencies/
programmes here:

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

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

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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 ongoing research or capacity building projects/programmes.

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, Belize, Botswana, Canada, Cook Islands, Eritrea, Eswatini, Gambia, Ghana, Guyana, India, Ireland, Jamaica, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Malawi, Namibia, New Zealand, Nigeria, Philippines, Singapore, South Africa, St. Vincent en Grenadines, 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 (Academic Test):

- Overall score of 6.0, with minimum writing band score of 6.0.
- band scores of 6.5 and higher are preferred

TOEFL score must be:

- for the internet-based test (iBT): 80 overall (+ min. of 17 for writing)
- for the revised paper-delivered test: 65 overall (+ min. of 17 for writing)
- for the TOEFL iBT Home Edition: 80 overall (+ min. of 17 for writing)

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

- Certificate of Proficiency in English CPE (or C2/Proficiency): grade A/B/C
- Certificate of Advanced English CAE (or C1/Advanced): grades A/B/C
- First Certificate in English FCE (or B2/First): 160/Grade C (also grades A/B)
- Preliminary English Test PET at B2 level: minimum 160 (grade A)
- Business English Certificate (Higher) BEC (or C1 Business Higher): 45/Level B2 (also grades A/B/C)
- Business English Certificate (Vantage) BEC (or B2 Business Vantage): 60/Grade C (also grades A/B)
- Business English Certificate (Preliminary) BEC: minimum 160 (grade A)

TOEIC Public Programme test (the Institutional TOEIC test is not accepted)

- Overall score at least 960 points
- test of English for International Communication (TOEIC): must have all three tests (i) TOEIC Listening and Reading, (ii) TOEIC Speaking and (iii) TOEIC Writing tests (minimum score 150)

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!