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Urban Transformation is a one-year, English-taught and full-time master's program (60 CP) at Dortmund School of Planning. It starts each summer as well as winter semester. In order to be accepted at our School you should fulfill the following requirements:

* completion of or enrollment in a Bachelor's program in Spatial Planning, Urban Planning or other related disciplines
* restricted admission based on the final grade
* proof of sufficient proficiency in English (native language, diploma of an English-taught Bachelor's or Master's program, TOEFL)

Who can apply?

Urban Transformation has a restricted number of places, meant for students with a vivid interest in the field of planning, governance studies and urban economics. The expected enrolment to the program will be a mix of students with a four years bachelor degree from Dortmund School of Planning, who wish to gain a more international perspective, and international students, who wish to specialize in the field of planning, governance and economic transformation.

Course offerings

We encourage all of our international students to take part in German-language courses at TU Dortmund University. They are available for all registered students.

Tuition fees

TU Dortmund University is a public institution. The tuition fees for one semester are around EUR 280 and include a public transport ticket for North-Rhine Westphalia.

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City of Dortmund

City facts

Dortmund is located in Germany's largest urban agglomeration. With about 600,000 inhabitants, it is the third largest city and one of the main economic hubs in the state of North-Rhine Westphalia.

Living in Dortmund

As an ethnically and culturally diverse city, Dortmund has much to offer. On the one side you can immerse into some of Germany’s most multi-cultural areas. On the other side you can enjoy life in bohemian neighborhoods. Walking in the Phoenix See area, it is possible to see what concrete urban planning visions can bring to post-industrial regions. With monuments to the industrial legacies on site, the area now serves as a leisure, high-tech and high end residential hotspot.

On an international scale, you might have heard of Borussia Dortmund and Germany’s largest soccer stadium. That is where our first year students are usually welcomed at.

Studying in Dortmund

With roughly 35,000 enrolled students (in 10/2017), TU Dortmund University is the largest institution of higher education in the city. The university was founded in 1968 amidst, and in response to regional, post-war restructuring processes in the region. Both, our North and South Campus can easily be reached via regional and local public transport and are only a short trip away from downtown Dortmund.
What does Dortmund School of Planning offer you?

Dortmund School of Planning at TU Dortmund University is the largest educational institute of its kind in Europe. Since 1969, around 6,000 students have graduated from our School and started working in public, semipublic and private institutions.

Compared to other planning schools, Dortmund focuses on a practice-oriented and interdisciplinary approach. Former is provided via project work and urban design studios. Anyway, this does not exclude a sound basis of theoretical knowledge.

The integrative approach is reflected by manifold research priorities within the school:
• concepts for sustainable spatial planning & development
• spatial planning in developing countries
• European planning cultures
• spatial dimensions of gender studies
• land use and transport
• transformation of post-industrial regions
• urban development and qualification of urban design

Apart from that, Dortmund School of Planning has always been emphasizing international perspectives on its campus. As a member of the UN-Habitat’s partnership with universities, Dortmund offers a huge variety of partners all over the world.

Additional information about the School and the content of the Master program can be found at:
www.urban-transformation.org
www.raumplanung.tu-dortmund.de/rp/