



Application for the “International Master Program Languages and Cultures of Southeast Asia”

Goals and Content

The International Master in Southeast Asian Studies offers of three different tracks or areas of studies: Indonesian and Malay Studies, Thai Studies and Vietnamese Studies.

Every track consists of two compulsory modules, “Southeast Asian Languages and Literatures” and “Southeast Asian History and Society.” Students can choose from one of three areas of concentration, all of which are related to the research profiles of the Asien-Afrika-Institut and the Department of the Languages and Cultures of Southeast Asia. Our research spectrum includes such diverse fields as manuscript cultures, modern literature, history, religion and society. Graduate research should contribute to departmental research. The compulsory “Southeast Asian Studies: Theories and Methods” module forges a link between instruction and research.

Program Objectives

The M.A. program targets German and international students, particularly graduates of B.A. programs in Southeast Asian Studies. Students from Southeast Asia are most welcome. Besides imparting intercultural skills, this program focuses on the languages, cultures, histories and societies of an important, culturally diverse Asian region undergoing rapid development. In accordance with the traditionally high academic standards of the University of Hamburg, students receive rigorous training in one of the program’s three areas of concentration: Indonesian and Malay Studies, Thai Studies and Vietnamese Studies. The M.A. prepares students for both academic and practical careers as well as for doctoral programs in Southeast Asian Studies.

Application

Applications are accepted without the BA Certificate, provided such certificate is submitted by the end of the first MA-semester.

The application must consist of:

1. An application form: this will be made available online at <https://www.stine.uni-hamburg.de/> (Tab: “Bewerbung”) during the application period.
Application period for the winter semester: **February 15th to March 31st and June 1st to July 15th.**
Application period for the summer semester (if any free places left from the winter semester): **December 1st to January 15th.**
In exceptional cases, applications outside these periods are accepted. Please contact the Program Director.

The form must be filled out and submitted online; a print-out must be sent in together with the accompanying documents (s. §§2-8) to the address indicated below. Please do not forget to sign the application.

2. Curriculum Vitae
3. A brief statement of motivation indicating the profile Indonesian and Malay Studies, Thai Studies or Vietnamese Studies.
4. Legally attested Certificate of a university degree (please send only copies, not originals!): this may be a Bachelor's degree, a Master's degree or a Licentiate ("Staatsexamen") in Southeast Asian Studies.
5. A Transcript of Records: a minimum of 15 Credit points are required in the fields of Linguistics, Literature, History, Society or Religion of Southeast Asia.
6. Language skills: a minimum of 25 Credit points (ECTS) in Bahasa Indonesia (Indonesian and Malay Studies), in Thai (Thai Studies) or Vietnamese (Vietnamese Studies)
7. For applicants who are at the concluding phase of their first University education:
 - a) A list of credited courses ("Auszug aus der Prüfungsakte", "Transcript of Records" or "Provisional certificate")
 - b) In the case of Magister students: Applications will be considered even if the Magister thesis has not yet been submitted or a grade has not yet been given, provided the applicant has been admitted to the final examinations.
 - c) If the relevance for Southeast Asian Studies of the profile in which you are completing your first university degree is not evident from the certificate, please enclose further certification.
8. All applicants must provide evidence for proficiency in English (equivalent to B2 level of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR); English native speakers don't need evidence B2.

Address

Please send a printed version of the online application form and the required documents (see §§1–8) by post to the following address:

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Admission procedures and important dates (or deadlines):

- After evaluating your application documents, the selection committee will contact you by mail, informing you (1) whether you have been considered for admission, (2) whether the admission committee has any special recommendations for you concerning the preparation or other requirements
- For applications during the online application period: After the application deadline, admittance will be notified in your STiNE-application account under "my documents".
IMPORTANT: Please take note of the admission deadline indicated there.
- For applications outside the online application period: Admittance will be notified via email.
IMPORTANT: Please take note of the admission deadline indicated in this email
- Academic calendar: Information on the beginning of lectures, vacation etc. can be found on:
<http://www.verwaltung.uni-hamburg.de/campuscenter/zentrale-seiten/semestertermine.html>
- The exact time and venue for the "kick-off-meeting" will be announced.