

OBERSTUFENZENTRUM – EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMES

(secondary level VET-centers)

VOCATIONAL TRAINING PREPARATION	REQUIREMENTS	DURATION	QUALIFICATION
Theoretical and vocational training course leading to a regular VET-programme (IBA)	no school-leaving certificate required	1 year	IBA certificate, BBR eBBR, MSA
VOCATIONAL TRAINING	REQUIREMENTS	DURATION	QUALIFICATION
Vocational school and practical in-company training (Dual education)	apprenticeship contract with a company	2 years, 3 years, 3½ years	vocational qualification, BBR eBBR, MSA, qualification for university of applied sciences after 3½ years
Berufsfachschule (BFS)	BBR or eBBR or MSA	2 years, 3 years	vocational qualification, eBBR, MSA, entrance qualification for university of applied sciences
Berliner Ausbildungsmodell (BAM)	on recommendation by JBA ¹	1 year	apprenticeship contract
UNIVERSITY ENTRANCE QUALIFICATION	REQUIREMENTS	DURATION	QUALIFICATION
Berufliches Gymnasium (bGym)	MSA + recommendation for Gymnasium	3 years	entrance qualification to general higher education (Abitur)
Fachoberschule (FOS1)	MSA + completed vocational training / 5 years of work experience in a specific field	1 year	entrance qualification for university of applied sciences (FHR)
Fachoberschule (FOS2)	MSA + specific grade point average in core subjects (Maths, German, English) or recommendation for Gymnasium	2 years	entrance qualification for university of applied sciences (FHR)
Fachoberschule (FOS13)	following FOS 2, grade point average (2.8 or better) entitles to enroll at university of applied sciences	+ 1 year	subject-specific entrance qualification for university of applied sciences (fgHR), Abitur
Berufsoberschule (BOS)	MSA ² + completed vocational training ³ / 5 years of work experience in that field	2 years	entrance qualification for university of applied sciences, fgHR, Abitur
FURTHER VOCATIONAL TRAINING	REQUIREMENTS	DURATION	QUALIFICATION
Fachschule (FS)	MSA + completed vocational training, further admission requirements depend on the particular school	2 years, 3 years, 4 years	qualification for further education

¹ The recommendation for participation in this programme is based on specific criteria

^{2,3} Final grade MSA not below average in German, Maths and English or specific grade point average required on the vocational school certificate

EXPLANATIONS OF EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMES

FOS Fachoberschule

The entrance qualification for studying at universities of applied sciences (Fachhochschulreife) can be acquired at the Fachoberschule. In the FOS13, the subject-linked higher education entrance qualification can be obtained. With proof of a second foreign language skills: entry qualification to higher education.

FS Fachschule

The Fachschule serves the purpose of vocational training and further education. Upon successful completion of the programme, students can obtain general higher education entrance certificate.

BOS Berufsoberschule

In the Berufsoberschule, the entrance qualification for the subject-linked higher education entry certificate can be acquired; with proof of second foreign language skills: general higher education entry certificate.

BS Vocational Secondary School (Berufsschule)

Vocational schools impart practical job-related and cross-occupational skills within dual education (vocational school + apprenticeship).

BFS Berufsfachschule

The subject-specific vocational secondary school offers full time vocational training.

BAM Berliner Ausbildungsmodell

This programme intends a quick transition to an apprenticeship contract.

IBA Integrated preparation for vocational training

This programme prepares students for vocational education and training and also enables students to obtain additional qualifications.

bGym Berufliches Gymnasium

At the vocational grammar school students can obtain the entrance qualification to higher education.

EXPLANATIONS OF QUALIFICATIONS

BBR Vocational qualification

eBBR Advanced vocational qualification

MSA Intermediate School Leaving qualification

FHR Entrance qualification for university of applied sciences

fgHR Subject-specific entrance qualification for university of applied sciences

Abitur Entrance qualification to higher education