The Concept of German Universities of Applied Sciences (HAWs) The example of HSWT

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Universities of Applied Sciences (HAWs)

HAWs focus on applied research and teaching and combine academic excellence and practical training.

In Germany, the first HAWs were founded 50 years ago.

Today, there are around 200 HAWs.
HAWs – a trend for the future

**Number** of students at HAWs increases steadily

40 % of all students in Germany enrolled in a HAW

Ca. 75,000 international students are enrolled in a German HAW

Short- and long-term scholarships available for international students
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HAWs make students fit for their career

Most HAW graduates immediately find a job upon graduation

HAW graduates land jobs with a higher starting salary

HAW students may also enroll in a PhD programme at a HAW or a full university
Hochschule Weihenstephan-Triesdorf (HSWT)

Weihenstephan-Triesdorf University of Applied Sciences is one of over 200 HAWs in Germany
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In 2021, HSWT will celebrate its 50th anniversary
Benefits of HAWs – The example of Hochschule Weihenstephan-Triesdorf (HSWT)

HSWT combines practical relevance with sound scientific research

Professors have at least three years of experience outside academia

Small class sizes and a very modern learning and teaching infrastructure

450 adjunct staff
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Possibility of dual study in 15 Bachelor’s degree programmes

Obligatory internships and practical semesters

Field trips, experimental farms etc.

BA & MA dissertation work in cooperation with external partners
HSWT graduates have a bright future ahead

Employed in lots of different fields: agriculture, research institutions, public administration, corporations etc.

Find their first job after 2,5 months (on average), 53 % in unlimited contracts

May pursue their PhD at HSWT Bay.Wiss Graduate College or in other HAWs or full universities

Connected through the Alumni.Online network and various other Alumni associations
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