

Internship in a German school in Bielefeld

within the framework of the Alberta OWL Cooperation
Summer 2026

Open to: Students of teacher education of the universities in the consortium

Posting Date: October 31, 2025

Application Closing Date: November 30, 2025

Short information: Duration is two full months: May and June 2026

Possibility to apply for ERASMUS+-grant, if stay in Bielefeld is at least 60 days

Supervision provided.

Bielefeld is a medium sized city in Northwest Germany, a region in which business and science are closely connected. The <u>Bielefeld School of Education (BiSEd)</u> is responsible for teacher education at Bielefeld University and is thus in close contact with schools in the area. Bielefeld University is a young innovative research university with 25,000 students and more than 2,700 employees. This modern location for top-level research and education abides by the principle of excellent cross-disciplinary research and teaching.

The internship takes place at a German secondary school (grades 5–13, pupils aged 11–18) and is intended to give the intern an insight into their future career in education and offer the opportunity to compare the German education system with the Canadian system.

Possible tasks:

- observing and reflecting classroom management, teaching and learning, school life and culture
- teaching activities (in cooperation with teacher and/or on their own)
- organizing and preparing tasks, activities, and lessons

Requirements:

- Student of teacher education in the third semester or above
- The internship will be in English. German language skills are not required, but please note that some lessons will be partly in German.

Application:

Please submit the following documents in a <u>single</u> PDF-file prior to the application closing date to the contact in the International Office of your home university:

- Letter of motivation: Why do you want to do an internship at a school in Bielefeld? (one page in English)
- CV in a table including language skills
- A copy of your transcript (attended courses and grades)

Two internship positions can be offered. The final decision on applications will be made by the Bielefeld School of Education and the Secondary schools in Bielefeld. Please contact the International Office of your institution to submit the application and for further questions. Contact details are available at https://www.campus-owl.org/alberta-owl/

Please note:

Student who are offered an internship and have accepted the offer will receive organizational support (also in regard to housing) by the International Office and Welcome Centre of Bielefeld University.

When starting their stay in Bielefeld interns need to register as a visiting student at Bielefeld University, as the Bielefeld School of Education belongs to the university. Registration is only possible when paying the semester fee for student services of EUR 350. This fee includes a free ticket for public transport with trams, buses and regional trains in all of Germany.

Costs for accommodation in a student residence: 1.600 € for an individual room in a shared flat or a single apartment for the whole stay. Students who will stay at least 60 days can receive an Erasmus+ grant incl. travel allowance which sums up to approx. 3.000 €. In summer 2026 two Erasmus+ grants are reserved for interns from Alberta.