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Hochschule Bielefeld University of Applied Sciences and Arts

TRAVEL TO GERMANY AND HSBI



Hochschule Bielefeld – University of Applied Sciences and Arts

Welcome Center

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HSBI's campuses are located in East Westphalia-Lippe (OWL), one of the strongest business locations in Germany. OWL is located in Germany's most populous federal state: North Rhine-Westphalia (NRW).

International Office

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BY PLANE

There are several airports from which you can reach HSBI's campuses by train:

- Hanover Airport (HAJ): approx. 1.5 hours by train
- Dortmund Airport (DTM): approx. 1.5 hours by train
- Düsseldorf Airport (DUS): approx. 2 hours by train
- Cologne/Bonn Airport (CGN): approx. 2.5 hours by train
- Berlin/Brandenburg Airport (BER): approx. 3.5 hours by train
- Hamburg Airport (HAM): approx. 3.5 hours by train
- Frankfurt Airport (FRA): approx. 4 hours by train

BY TRAIN

HSBI's campuses are located in Bielefeld, Minden und Gütersloh. All three cities are easily accessible by train. The names of the train stations are:

- "Bielefeld Hauptbahnhof" or "Bielefeld Hbf" for short
- "Minden (West)"

• "Gütersloh Hauptbahnhof" or "Gütersloh Hbf" for short (instead of ü, you can also write ue) The best options to find train connections are the <u>Deutsche Bahn website</u> and the <u>DB Navigator</u> app.



Deutsche Bahn Website



Deutsche Bahn Navigator App

Information about traveling by train in Germany

- **Train tickets** can be purchased at ticket machines at the station or online. Conductors do not sell tickets on the train. You must already have a ticket when boarding the train.
- **Regional trains (RE and RB)** have standard fees, no matter where or when you buy the ticket. You cannot reserve a seat in a regional train. If your train is delayed and you miss a connecting train, you can take another regional train to the destination on your ticket.
- Tickets for **intercity trains (IC and ICE)** are significantly cheaper purchased online and several days or weeks in advance of the journey. For an additional fee, you can reserve a seat. On some intercity tickets you find the note "+City", allowing you to use public transport to get to your departure station and to get from the final station of your journey to your destination in the city. If your train is delayed and you miss a connecting train, you can take another intercity or regional train to the destination on your ticket.
- There is a **1st and 2nd class** on most trains in Germany. If you have booked a ticket for 2nd class, you are not allowed to sit in 1st class. If you have a 1st class ticket, you can sit in 2nd class.
- Please also note that your **ticket is usually valid for a specific train only**, not for traveling from one place to another on any train. If you are unsure which specific train you want to take, you can buy a so-called "FlexTicket" that allows you to take any train from your departure station to your destination on that day.
- Most Intercity trains have Wifi and a board restaurant. Most regional trains do not.

TRAVEL TO HSBI

HSBI has campuses in Bielefeld, Gütersloh and Minden. Please ask your host which location you should come to. Below you find the addresses of the various locations.

All campuses can be reached by bus and, in Bielefeld, also by tram. You can find the quickest route by entering the address on the <u>Deutsche Bahn website</u>, in the <u>DB Navigator app</u> or in <u>Google</u> <u>Maps</u> and searching for the next departures.

BIELEFELD

- HSBI Main Building: Interaktion 1, 33619 Bielefeld
 Tram line 4 (in the direction of Lohmannshof), Wellensiek stop
- Faculty of Design and Art: Lampingstrasse 3, 33615 Bielefeld Tram line 4 (in the direction of Lohmannshof), Rudolf-Oetker-Halle stop

GÜTERSLOH

- I HSBI Campus Gütersloh Gleis 13: Langer Weg 9a, 33332 Gütersloh Bus stop: Gütersloh ZOB / Gütersloh Hbf
- HSBI Campus Gütersloh Schulstrasse: Schulstrasse 10, 33330 Gütersloh Bus stop: Gütersloh ZOB / Gütersloh Hbf

MINDEN

HSBI Campus Minden: Artilleriestrasse 9, 32427 Minden Bus stop: Campus Minden