Information on admission requirements at the University of Bayreuth

Language proficiency: For adequate proficiency in English, we accept TOEFL (IBS 110) and IELTS (band width 7.0). Information about TOEFL: <u>http://www.ets.org</u> Information about IELTS: <u>http://www.ielts.org</u>

Accommodation in halls of residence is administered by "Studentenwerk Oberfranken": <u>www.swo.uni-bayreuth.de</u>

The web site includes a bilingual application form. Lease without utilities: ca. 120 EURO/month, deposit 210 EURO, utilities ca. 40 EUR/month. Private shared accommodation: usually 150-250 EURO/monthly.

Financial evidence: The minimum legally acceptable sum of which students need to show evidence for the duration of their stay in Germany is 640 EURO/month, 7680 EURO/year. Realistically, you are likely to need a total of ca. 700 EURO/month to cover all living costs. For details, see www.bayreuth.de/dlc/129/0/liste_792.htm.

Visa: You need the registrar's official letter of admission in order to apply for a visa. For further information, see: http://www.welcome-centre.uni-bayreuth.de/en/before_arrival/visa/index.html

Travel and arrival: The nearest international airport is Nürnberg (one hour away from Bayreuth). Other suitable airports are Munich (2.5 hours away) and Frankfurt/Main (3.5 hours). You will need to buy a flight from your local travel agency. You will find rail schedules within Germany here: www.bahn.de

Health insurance: You will need to convert your travel insurance after arrival to a legally accepted student insurance, before enrollment and registration of residence. In exceptional cases private insurance is acceptable, but you should see the university's International Office for this. Insurance policies need to be approved by the city's Immigration Office (Ausländeramt). For further information, see http://www.daad.de/deutschland/service/versicherungen/04703.html.

To enable the health insurance agency to withdraw your dues, after arrival you need to open a bank account. Some banks charge no fee for students.

Meals: Dorms have small equipped kitchens to cook meals. The canteen (Mensa) offers meals between 2.50 and 4.50 EURO, purchased by means of a Mensa card which can be bought from slot machines (no cash payment of meals). The cafeteria within the Mensa offers small meals until evening hours during weekdays.