

English translation of the *MSc Global Change Geography* section of the legally binding German version of the "Fächerübergreifende Satzung zur Regelung von Zulassung, Studium und Prüfung der Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin (ZSP-HU)" as announced on 1st May 2017, taking account of „Amtliches Mitteilungsblatt Nr. 15/2013“, „Amtliches Mitteilungsblatt Nr. 17/2014“, „Amtliches Mitteilungsblatt Nr. 18/2015“, „Amtliches Mitteilungsblatt Nr. 27/2016“ and „Amtliches Mitteilungsblatt Nr. 19/2017“

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Admission regulations for the  
Master's programme **Global Change Geography (MSc)**

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## I. General application prerequisites

This master's programme is a consecutive study programme according to § 23 section 3 sentence 1 number 1 letter a of BerlHG. It is an international study programme according to § 5 section 1 of ZSP-HU.

For the general application prerequisites to a consecutive study programme<sup>1</sup> according to § 16 section 1 and section 2 of ZSP-HU respectively, the requirements for the requested documents are indicated in appendix 1.1.1. and appendix 1.1.2. of the ZSP-HU (section "Allgemeine Anlagen").

The prerequisite for proof of German language skills does not apply.

## II. Advanced application prerequisites

All applicants must fully comply with the following additional qualification requirements. Further details on the requested documents, where they are available and which templates to use are indicated in the respective appendices of ZSP-HU. Where single documents contain the proof for several prerequisites or several proofs are combined in one document, the respective document has to be submitted only once.

Specific skills and knowledge 1	
<b>Denomination:</b>	Skills and knowledge in the subject area of quantitative methods (minimum 5 ECTS-Credits)
<b>Explanation:</b>	Proof of basic knowledge in the areas of non-spatial statistics and/or non-spatial modelling has to be provided.
<b>Proof 1:</b>	Self-assessment form <sup>2</sup> according to appendix 1.1.5. of ZSP-HU
<b>Proof 2:</b>	Overview of completed courses/modules <sup>3</sup> according to appendix 1.1.4. of ZSP-HU
<b>Proof 3 (optional):</b>	Description of skills and competences taught, in case of unclear course or module titles according to appendix 1.1.6. of ZSP-HU

Specific skills and knowledge 2	
<b>Denomination:</b>	Skills and knowledge in the subject area of geodata analysis (minimum 10 ECTS-Credits)
<b>Explanation:</b>	Proof of basic knowledge in the areas of geoinformation processing, remote sensing, geostatistics and/or spatial modelling has to be provided.
<b>Proof 1:</b>	Self-assessment form <sup>4</sup> according to appendix 1.1.5. of ZSP-HU
<b>Proof 2:</b>	Overview of completed courses/modules <sup>5</sup> according to appendix 1.1.4. of ZSP-HU

<sup>1</sup> University degree with professional qualification obtained during a minimum three-year study programme comprising at least 180 ECTS-Credits (or equivalent); submit university certificate or, in case of pending degree, equivalent documents issued by the home university indicating successful completion of at least 150 ECTS-Credits with a maximum of 30 pending ECTS-Credits and a statement on the expected completion of the programme by the start of this consecutive programme.

<sup>2</sup> See form attached below.

<sup>3</sup> Diploma supplement / module overview (including course types and amount of ECTS credits) to verify self-assessment form; document usually issued by admission/examination office of home university.

<sup>4</sup> See form attached below.

<sup>5</sup> See footnote 3.

<b>Proof 3 (optional):</b>	Description of skills and competences taught, in case of unclear course or module titles according to appendix 1.1.6. of ZSP-HU
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<b>Specific skills and knowledge 3</b>	
<b>Denomination:</b>	Skills and knowledge in the subject areas of physical geography and environmental sciences (minimum 30 ECTS-Credits)
<b>Explanation:</b>	Proof of knowledge in the areas of climate geography, geomorphology, soil geography/science, hydrogeography/-logy, biogeography, vegetation geography, landscape ecology, geoecology, earth system science and/or land system science has to be provided.
<b>Proof 1:</b>	Self-assessment form <sup>6</sup> according to appendix 1.1.5. of ZSP-HU
<b>Proof 2:</b>	Overview of completed courses/modules <sup>7</sup> according to appendix 1.1.4. of ZSP-HU
<b>Proof 3 (optional):</b>	Description of skills and competences taught, in case of unclear course or module titles according to appendix 1.1.6. of ZSP-HU

<b>Specific skills and knowledge 4</b>	
<b>Denomination:</b>	Skills and knowledge in the subject areas of applied natural and earth sciences (minimum 25 ECTS-Credits)
<b>Explanation:</b>	<p>Proof of at least 25 additional ECTS-Credits in the areas of applied natural and earth sciences has to be provided.</p> <p>ECTS-Credits not yet claimed in the separately required subject areas of quantitative methods, geodata analysis and/or physical geography and environmental sciences can be considered here.</p> <p>Further, ECTS-Credits from the subject areas of geology, geophysics, geomathematics, geoinformatics, geobotany, geochemistry, environmental engineering, ecology, ecosystem modelling, meteorology, oceanography, climatology and/or environmental technology can be considered.</p>
<b>Proof 1:</b>	Self-assessment form <sup>8</sup> according to appendix 1.1.5. of ZSP-HU
<b>Proof 2:</b>	Overview of completed courses/modules <sup>9</sup> according to appendix 1.1.4. of ZSP-HU
<b>Proof 3 (optional):</b>	Description of skills and competences taught, in case of unclear course or module titles according to appendix 1.1.6. of ZSP-HU

<b>Specific skills and knowledge 5</b>	
<b>Denomination:</b>	Specific language skills: English skills at B2-level or equivalent
<b>Proof:</b>	Appendix 1.4.1. of ZSP-HU will apply <sup>10</sup>

<sup>6</sup> See form attached below.

<sup>7</sup> See footnote 3

<sup>8</sup> See form attached below.

<sup>9</sup> See footnote 3

<sup>10</sup> See appendix attached below

Name -----  
First Name -----  
Date of Birth -----  
Application Number -----

HUMBOLDT-UNIVERSITÄT ZU BERLIN



**Study Programme: Global Change Geography**

**Degree: Master of Science**

## Self-Assessment regarding Application Prerequisites

Explanation:

This self-assessment is an obligatory part of your application documentation. Please use the tables below to fill in relevant modules you have passed in order to fulfil the application requirements. Further information is given in the explanation section of the online-application forms and in the application and admission regulations of Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin ("Fächerübergreifende Satzung zur Regelung von Zulassung, Studium und Prüfung der Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin" – ZSP-HU), annex for the specific study programme No. 2.2.3.18.

In the following form section, please name the type of course (such as L = lecture, S = seminar), the title of the course (or the title of the full module, if – according to your appraisal – it qualifies completely towards one of the demanded areas of specified knowledge) and the corresponding number of ECTS-credits. If you are not able to fill in the credits, because you obtained your first degree in a non-modularised study system, then please fill in the hours of lecture per week of the semester ("SWS").

All information given within the tables has to be proven by adding adequate documents. Please add the documents in the same order as noted in the tables. If you apply online, please send the documents together with the cover letter of application („Anschreiben zum Antrag auf Zulassung" or „Anschreiben zum Antrag auf Einschreibung") as well as any further documents listed in the online-application form. If you have to apply through UNI-ASSIST or the Admission Office for Foreign Students, send these documents to the respective address. If you do not have the results of a particular exam due to a pending degree, please indicate so in the table below. In these cases, admission and enrolment is subject to further provisions and only possible if all other prerequisites are fulfilled. In addition, there has to be a high probability that the missing credits will be obtained and the stated requirements will be fulfilled within the successful completion of the pending degree before the start of the second-level degree programme.

If you need more space, please use an extra sheet according to the scheme given.

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**Specific knowledge according to the corresponding Annex of Global Change Geography of ZSP-HU**

1. Specific Knowledge in:

Quantitative methods

Minimum Amount:

**5 ECTS-Credits**

Type and Title of Lecture or Module	SWS	ECTS-Credits	For internal use only

2. Specific Knowledge in:

Geodata analysis

Minimum Amount:

**10 ECTS-Credits**

Type and Title of Lecture or Module	SWS	ECTS-Credits	For internal use only

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3. Specific Knowledge in:

Physical geography and environmental sciences

Minimum Amount:

**30 ECTS-Credits**

Type and Title of Lecture or Module	SWS	ECTS-Credits	For internal use only

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4. Specific Knowledge in:

Applied natural and earth sciences

Minimum Amount:

**25 ECTS-Credits**

Type and Title of Lecture or Module	SWS	ECTS-Credits	For internal use only

**Appendix 1.4.1. of ZSP-HU**

Proof: **Specific language skills: English skills at B2-level or equivalent**

Proof for application prerequisite: Specific language skills: English skills at B2-level or equivalent	
<b>Denomination:</b>	Specific language skills: English skills at B2-level or equivalent
<b>Explanation:</b>	Comprehensive skills and competences of the English language in hearing, speaking, reading and writing with a minimum level based on the B2-level of the "Common European Framework of Reference for Languages: Learning, Teaching, Assessment" are required.
<b>Requirement:</b>	<p>A certificate, language diploma or equivalent proof has to be provided; the document must contain information on the institution that issued it, the attained level, the assessment criteria applied and the date of issue or date of the last examination.</p> <p><b>The required language skill level may be proven by means of one of the following minimum qualifications:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- UNICert® II certificate: minimum grade 3,0</li> <li>- Graded certificates of language courses taken at a state-recognized university (minimum 4 SWS; minimum level B2; minimum grade 2,3)</li> <li>- DAAD language certificate:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• **** (4 stars) in all skills, or</li> <li>• minimum grade C in all skills (following old rating system)</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Cambridge First Certificate in English (FCE)</li> <li>- Cambridge English: Business Vantage (BEC V)</li> <li>- BULATS – Business Language Testing Service: 60</li> <li>- IELTS - International English Language Testing System: 5,5</li> <li>- TOEFL – (Internet-based) Test of English as a Foreign Language: 72</li> <li>- TOEIC – Test of English for International Communication:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Speaking and Writing: 310, in conjunction with</li> <li>• Listening and Reading: 785</li> </ul> </li> <li>- LCCI (London Chamber of Commerce and Industry) English for Business (EFB): Level 3</li> <li>- Pearson Test of English Academic (PTE): 51</li> </ul> <p><b>The required language skill level may further be proven by means of one of the following qualifications:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- UNICert® III or VI certificate</li> <li>- Cambridge English: Advanced (CAE)</li> <li>- Cambridge English: Proficiency (CPE)</li> <li>- Cambridge English: Business Higher (BEC H)</li> <li>- ICFE – International Certificate in Financial English</li> <li>- ILEC – International Legal English Certificate</li> </ul>

	<p><b>The prerequisite is likewise met,</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- when courses and examinations in English language amounting to a minimum of 20 ECTS-Credits (or equivalent) were completed in previous academic studies at a state-recognized university, and according proofs are provided.</li><li>- when proof of a school leaving certificate qualifying for university entrance from an English-language high school, or equivalent, is provided.</li><li>- when proof of a university degree with professional qualification obtained during a minimum three-year study programme comprising courses and examinations in English language amounting to at least 180 ECTS-Credits (or equivalent) is provided.</li></ul> <p>Applicants with English as original language may declare compliance with the prerequisite by providing official documents certifying that the applicant learned the language in her or his early childhood without formal education as first language, and that at least eight of the first twelve life years were spent in a country with English as official language</p>
<b>Available at:</b>	Proof documents are issued by the respective institution.
<b>Form:</b>	The form of submission will be announced in the course of the application procedure.