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Within the Free State of Saxony there are four universities, five universities of Fine Arts as well as five Universities of Applied Sciences which are currently offering about 120,000 students a wide variety of altogether more than 450 courses. About 15,000 of Saxony’s students are from abroad. All fourteen state universities offer excellent facilities and conditions while providing an outstanding level of education without charging tuition fees.

Saxony’s universities are internationally recognized and follow the highest scientific, educational and ethical standards. Our universities are places of cultural diversity, open-mindedness and a cosmopolitan spirit. All members of staff – scientific, educational as well as administrative – are highly motivated and dedicated to help all refugees and asylum seekers who come to Saxony. In a joint effort between the Saxon State Ministry for Higher Education, Research and the Arts and Saxony’s universities all necessary support is offered to refugees who are planning to study at one of our institutions. Any applicant who meets the relevant university entrance requirements shall find help and guidance in paving their way into the university system.

Refugees may take up any course of studies at a Saxon state university. This applies to recognized refugees (who are eligible for asylum, who have been granted refugee protection etc.), but also to those whose asylum procedures have not been completed or who have been granted exceptional leave to remain. There are no legal provisions on foreign nationals that generally exclude any person of the groups mentioned above from starting a degree course. It is possible to take up studies on the basis of a temporary permit of residence or exceptional leave to remain, unless prohibited by an incidental provision under the right of residence (prohibition of studies).

Criteria for university admission, enrolment, crediting of previous academic achievements, placement examinations and standardized degrees apply to all potential students in the same way. Refugees and asylum seekers are granted permission to take up a university course if they are in a position to prove university entrance qualifications as well as the necessary language skills.

If – due to the individual circumstances of the flight – certificates are incomplete or cannot be retrieved, universities are authorized to also accept indirect proof of an educational biography. Gaps within the CV can be bridged by using the existing papers and documents. In case no certificates can be provided, universities will evaluate the plausibility of an educational background with the help of appropriate tests and exams. The Standing Conference of the Ministers of Education and Cultural Affairs of the Länder in the Federal Republic of Germany (Kultusministerkonferenz) has adapted the relevant provision of 1985 in compliance with the changed circumstances. Saxony universities apply this provision accordingly.

Taking up a degree course at a Saxon university requires adequate language skills. The Saxon State Ministry for Higher Education, Research and the Arts is currently promoting the increase and optimization of language courses offered by the universities.

Refugees who already have appropriate language skills are invited to enroll as guest students – an option that some of our universities are already offering.

If you are interested taking up a degree course or enquiring about individual options, we would kindly ask you to approach the university of your choice directly. All contact partners and members of staff at the universities will gladly assist you and provide support for any questions or problems. Don’t hesitate to address the universities regarding individual procedures as for instance preparing for enrolment, language courses and general aspects of integration, as well as related questions in the context of administration and seeing authorities.