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Painting is a method of visualisation that results in a statement: the image. The painting process is one in which the artist attempts to express his or her experiences and thoughts as a subjective version of reality.

In the first two semesters, students attend the practical and academic foundation course. Following the foundation course, students focus on exploring the dialectic relationship between object, reproduction and image. This exploration is based on the concept of drawing as way of describing, and therefore recognising.

From the start of the course, independent working is both expected and encouraged, and its significance increases with each semester of study. The teachers' role is to consolidate this independence, to give advice on thematic and artistic contexts in contemporary painting and to offer their own artistic insights as a sounding board for students' ideas.

Students' final diploma projects will be their first fully independent work. It is based on an assignment chosen by each student and covers the entire spectrum of theory and practical skills taught on this course.

Student advisory service:

Address:

Academy of Art Berlin Weissensee
Student Services
Bühningstr. 20 D-13086 Berlin
Phone: 030-47705-342 (Tu 14-16 We 10-12)
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Admission prerequisites:

A special artistic talent is required
Minimum age 18 years, School leaving certificate (general matriculation standard / general certificate of secondary education)
For international applicants: Sufficient knowledge of written and spoken German has to be proved (DSH-1 or Test-DaF-3)

Artistic admission test / aptitude test

The (special) artistic talent will be ascertained by a test procedure. Application for the test is by a corresponding Academy of Art Berlin Weissensee form (obtainable via www.kh-berlin.de) to be sent in with a postage-paid return envelope. The application period is from 1st November to 10th December. In January applicants will receive an invitation and practical hints for the aptitude test in February.

This admission test or exam will consist of:

Submission of approximately 15 to maximally 20 personally produced artistic works (mainly drawings and other specimens in a portfolio). Admission to the test will be decided upon after examination of these works (preselection). A 2 to 3-day exam for proving the required aptitude. An interview concerning, as a rule, the evaluation of the artistic achievements shown as well as the technical skills and motivation of the participants.

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Handicapped or chronically ill applicants may apply for compensation of their drawback in the test. The test participants will be informed in writing about the results. A successfully passed test is valid for two years.

Preliminary practical training

Vocational or preliminary practical training are no basic requirement, but rank among the preferential prerequisites for a successful application. The Academy of Art Berlin Weissensee is not in a position to mediate training placements. Suitable are occupations implying artistic use and handling of materials and paints, e. g. in a painters' studio, a restorers' workshop, the painting workshop of a theatre.

Application/admission

An application can be filed only after having passed the artistic admission test, whereupon the suitable applicants will receive the corresponding application form from the KHB. This form has to be sent within the established period, together with the appertaining documents, to the matriculation office of the Academy of Art Berlin Weissensee. The application deadline is preclusive. Allotment of the study places by central assignment (ZVS), numerus clausus, waiting semesters or drawing of lots is not done.

After conclusion of the admission procedure in April of the same year, the applicants receive a written admission award and the registration forms.

Registration/fees

For registration it is necessary to present the health insurance vouchers and to pay the contributions of ca. 290 € (registration fee, social contribution, Students' Association (ASTA), semesterticket for public transport). Tuition fees are not charged.

Commencement of study

Admission of beginners is for the winter semester only, i. e. from October of the current year.

Duration of study

The regular duration of study is of 10 semesters, including 1 practical and 1 graduation semester (300 ECTS-credit-points).

Syllabus

The first two semesters are dedicated to fundamental artistic and scientific studies. Teaching in the shape of exercises, seminars and lectures is largely done in common courses for all specialisms. Teaching in the main course is based on an intensive occupation with one-off and series production as a precondition for a successful artistic work and for project work.

The aim consists in recognising specific aspects of surface, space and corporeality in their interaction and interdependence as well as in understanding interdependent modes of action so as to enable their application in the solution of a complex task.

Stay abroad

The Academy of Art Berlin Weissensee cultivates direct contacts with a great number of colleges in other countries and promotes student exchange. Interested students in the main course may contact the Akademisches Auslandsamt of the Academy of Art Berlin Weissensee for information about exchange emplacements available within the SOKRATES/ERASMUS Programme or other possibilities for a stay abroad, and hand in their corresponding applications.

Specific practical work

During the main course it is necessary to do one semester of specific practical work in the specialism (practical semester), before beginning the final semester.

Conclusion of study

The study is concluded with a practical and a theoretical diploma examination. Admission to the diploma procedure is only for students who have completed at least two semesters of main study at the Academy of Art Berlin Weissensee and have concluded this study successfully. After having passed the diploma examination, the graduate will receive the „Diploma for Graduates in Fine Arts/Painting of Weißensee school of art“ and the diploma supplement.

Master class: Meisterschülerstudium

Graduates of the Academy of Art Berlin Weissensee who achieved very good or excellent Diploma results may apply for a one-year honour master-student course.

Change of college

Changing to the Academy of Art Berlin Weissensee is possible only after completion of the fundamental study or of the 2nd semester in the same course of study. It is recommendable first to get into touch with the professors of the desired specialism and to arrange a personal interview. Acceptance and acknowledgement of accomplished studies are assessed and approved by the examination and admission committees. The form covering an application for change of college can be obtained from the Referat für Studienangelegenheiten.

Financial assistance

Basing on the Federal Law for Educational Advancement (BaföG), Students may apply for a financial assistance with the Student Welfare Organisation (Studentenwerk).

Address: Studentenwerk Berlin, Amt für Ausbildungsförderung

Behrenstraße 40/41, in 10117 Berlin

Phone: +49 (0)30 93939 - 70

www.studentenwerk-berlin.de

www.bildungskredit.de

Accommodation

The Academy of Art Berlin Weissensee does not have any student hostels or flats. The Studentenwerk Berlin, however, disposes of a great number of rooms in Berlin at a cost of between EURO 150,00 and 350,00. International Students as well as handicapped or chronically ill students enjoy a preferential attendance in this respect. The address of the central accommodation agency is

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Abteilung Wohnen
InfoPoint
Hardenbergstr. 34
10623 Berlin
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Moreover there exists in Berlin an ample offer of private flat-sharing and subtenancy opportunities which can be found in newspaper ads, on notice boards or by personal contacts.

Information material

Further information about the Academy of Art Berlin Weissensee can be found in the Internet (www.kh-berlin.de).

Information days

Once a year – in July – the Academy of Art Berlin Weissensee hosts its traditional „RUNDGANG-Open Days“ providing prospective students and applicants best opportunities for information and offer you an ideal introduction to this school. And all interested people are also invited to an informative event in November, here will take place a presentation of all departments.