



**Agreement on Cooperation Concerning the
Exchange of Students
Aiming for a Double Degree
from
Technische Universität Berlin, Fakultät I (Germany)
and
University of the Arts, Royal Conservatoire
(The Netherlands)**

Technische Universität Berlin, Fakultät I (hereafter referred as TUB I), Germany,
and
University of the Arts, Royal Conservatoire, the Netherlands (hereafter referred as UA RC),

offer some of their best students the opportunity to join a Double Degree Programme and graduate both from TUB I and UA RC after successfully completing the defined programme of studies.

The awarded degrees are: "Master of Science (M.Sc.) in Audio Communication and Technology" at TUB I and "Master of Music (M.Mus.) in Sonology" at UA RC.

1 Objectives of the Programme

- To enable students to become artistically informed researchers and scientifically educated artists in the fields of electroacoustic music, sound art and creative industries.
- To enable students to acquire a double European scientific and artistic education with a view to starting a fully international career.
- To enable students to graduate from both institutions and to obtain two master's degrees, one from TUB I and UA RC.

2 Overall Organisation

Selection and Admission

The exchange of students under this agreement will be conducted in accordance with the following principles:

- Students are selected and admitted to the exchange programme based on their academic, artistic, personal and linguistic qualifications. The selection is carried out in collaboration

between the two institutions. Admission of students is always at the discretion of the host institution.

- The deadline for application to the exchange is 15 February for the current year. The deadline for notification of any exchange student is 15 April for the current year.

With the application for the exchange programme, students have to

- show proficiency in English at least on a level equivalent to the evaluation scales IELTS (6,0) or TOEFL (ibT level 83).
- submit a research project proposal.

Exchange contingent

UA RC agrees to accept as a host university each year up to 6 students.

Academic Responsibility

Academic responsibility is held by the Deans of Studies at TUB I and UA RC.

Tuition Fees and Costs

All TUB I students – including exchange students as part of this Double Degree Programme – are subject to paying a fee per semester that covers the social security contribution (Sozialbeitrag) and free public transport in Berlin and the Berlin region. This compulsory fee is not a tuition fee.

All UA RC students – including exchange students as part of this Double Degree Programme – are subject to paying the regular tuition fees per academic year. See:

<http://www.koncon.nl/en/Application%20and%20enrollment/Study%20Fees/>

Students will be responsible for covering the cost of travel to the host country and living costs during their stay, including accommodation, books, equipment, consumables, language tuition prior to the commencement of coursework (where necessary), student union fee (if applicable) and other expenses arising out of the exchange. Each institution may offer financial aid to their outgoing students.

Accommodation

The host establishment will render assistance to the incoming students in finding appropriate accommodation.

Eligibility

The dual degree programme is open to TUB I students enrolled in the Audio Communication and Technology master programme who successfully completed the mandatory modules up to 39 ECTS (European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System) (see Appendix 2) plus elective modules up to 21 ECTS (see Appendix 1). The TUB I part of the double degree must be finished within the duration of one academic year.

Upon successful completion of this curriculum, the selected students will attend UA RC in the Netherlands and complete a research project up to 30 ECTS (see Appendix 3), mandatory courses up to 20 ECTS (see Appendix 3) plus elective courses up to 10 ECTS (see Appendix 1) in Sonology and will write a master's thesis as part of the research outcomes. The UA RC part of the double degree must be finished within the duration of one academic year.

3 Prerequisites, Programme of Studies and Evaluation

Prerequisites

- Proficiency in German at least on level TDN 4 / TestDaF of CEFR.
- Mathematical knowledge on engineering basic studies level (Analysis I, Linear Algebra)
- Knowledge of a programming language or a computer algebra system

Programme of Studies

All students follow the programme as outlined in Appendices 1 - 3.

Evaluation

At TUB I: The grading of each exam must be better or equal to 4,0 (Sealing 1.0 (highest) - 1.3 - 1.7 - 2.0 ... 4.0 (lowest). If exams are failed they can be retaken as described in the " Ordnung zur Regelung des allgemeinen Studien- und Prüfungsverfahrens (AllgStuPO)" in the latest version.

At UA RC: The grading of each exam must be better or equal to 5,5 (on a scale of 1 (lowest) to 10 (highest). If exams are failed they can be retaken as described in the UA RC's "Education and Examination Regulations" in the latest version.

4 Double Degree Award

For both TUB I and UA RC students, the academic degrees, i.e. the Master of Science in Audio Communication and Technology at TUB I and the Master of Music in Sonology at UA RC, will be awarded simultaneously after successful completion of the defined curriculum including the master's thesis. Students will be awarded the TUB master's certificate under recognition of the UA RC master's certificate.

5 Validity of this Agreement

Four copies have been signed, two for each institution. The agreement becomes effective upon final signature for a period of five years. Unless one of the parties cancels the agreement it will then be continually renewed without further notice.

For TU Berlin:

For University of the Arts, Royal Conservatoire:

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