

**Call for Applications: Double Degree Master Program  
“Environment and Resources Management” Focus Latin American  
Application Period: Open – 31 January**

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**Application Process**

How can I successfully apply for the ENREM program?

Read carefully each of the documents requested in the [Table of requirements](#). Applications are only accepted by email, with a deadline of January 31st each year for the intake in August. Submit required documents to [info-enrem@th-koeln.de](mailto:info-enrem@th-koeln.de) and [pmpca@uaslp.mx](mailto:pmpca@uaslp.mx).

Is the 31 January deadline only for DAAD scholarship applications?

No. This is the deadline to apply for a place, either with your own funds or with the possibility of a DAAD or CONAHCYT scholarship.

What documents and qualifications do I need?

You can find the general requirements here: [Admissions requirements](#). The documents needed to apply are listed here: [How to apply](#).

Do I have to provide publicly authenticated copies of my certificates and other documents for the application?

No, a simple copy is enough. In case you are selected for the master's, you will need to provide publicly authenticated copies of your certificates and other documents at the time of inscription at both universities in August.

How many students are admitted into the program each year?

We consider each application on its merits and then take into consideration a balance of academic and practical backgrounds, nationalities, genders, and so on. This Double Degree is open to applicants from all nationalities, but we accept the following maximum quota of students: 7 from Mexico, 7 from other Latin American and Caribbean Countries, and max. 7 from Germany and other countries.

Can I focus on renewable energy or water management? Can I do a specialisation in renewable energy or water management?

While ENREM allows some flexibility, only three electives can be chosen from Renewable Energy Management (REM) or Integrated Water Resources Management (IWRM), depending on prerequisites. A minimum of four electives must come from ENREM's own catalog. Also is possible to write the final thesis in the field of Renewable Energy or Water Management, but from the perspective of Sustainability and Natural Resources Management.

**Scholarships and Financial Aid**

Does admission include a scholarship?

No, acceptance in the master's program does not guarantee a scholarship. Scholarship considerations will be evaluated according to the specific requirements of each of the scholarship donors. Additionally, the number of DAAD and CONAHCYT scholarships is limited. More information about scholarships can be found here: [ENREM's scholarships](#).

Can I be nominated for both scholarships?

You can only be nominated for one scholarship and in accordance with the specific requirements of each scholarship donor.

Can I join the program without a scholarship?

Yes, self-funded students are welcome. Sometimes each university may offer additional short-term funding options, but these are limited.

What extra documents are required if applying for a DAAD or CONAHCYT scholarship?

The application form is the same for both admission and scholarship nomination. For DAAD, an additional scholarship form is needed. Note that DAAD generally requires an academic degree no older than six years and two years of relevant experience; there may be exceptions, but it is not guaranteed.

Are there any tuition fees for the master's degree?

There are no tuition fees, only semester fees. The students must enroll at both universities from the first semester onwards and pay semester fees at each university each semester. The semester fees per semester at each university (November 2024) are listed below:

- **UASLP- Mexico:** 1st and 3rd semester: 4.790,00 mex. Pesos for each semester; 2nd and 4th semester: 3.750,00 mex. Pesos for semester; Fees for the final exam at the UASLP: ca. 6.800,00 mex. Pesos.
- **TH Köln – Germany:** 1st and 2nd Semester: 110,00 Euro for each semester; 3rd and 4th Semester: 304,00 Euro for each semester (this includes local public transport ticket).

Scholarship holders must pay from their scholarship.

### Academic Requirements

What is the minimum academic requirement?

A minimum GPA of 7.8 (Mexican scale) is required, while CONAHCYT scholarships require a GPA of 8.0 or higher. A bachelor's degree in a related field (engineering, natural sciences, geography, architecture, or environmental sciences) is essential, and experience in the field is recommended for applicants from other study backgrounds.

I have a bachelor's in social communications and professional experience working with NGOs on sustainable development projects. Can I apply for the double degree master's program?

Admission requirement is a connection to the management of natural resources, environmental management or sustainable development, either through previous studies (at least 15 ECTS) or through relevant practical work experience related to environmental and sustainability topics.

Do I need to submit my bachelor's result if it isn't available yet?

No, applications must be complete by the deadline. Incomplete applications, including pending final grades, cannot be considered.

What should be included with my final average grade of my bachelor's degree?

Transcripts should include an official certificate of your final GPA and a grading scale showing minimum and maximum scores and the passing grade at your institution. Ask your university to provide an official document stating what your average is and describing the grading scale used by your institution.

### Language Proficiency

Is an English proficiency test required if I studied in English?

Yes, an internationally recognized test (e.g., TOEFL, IELTS) is required. Applicants from English-speaking countries must confirm that both their school and university instruction was in English, with few exceptions.

How recent should my English test score be?

Scores should be made within three years. A new test may be required if selected for the program, as UASLP requires a recent test for enrollment.

Do I need Spanish language skills?

Yes, advanced (B1/B2) Spanish is required since courses in Mexico are taught in Spanish. Evidence of Spanish skills must be provided, such as confirmation from their

university if they are taking Spanish courses, language certificates or employer confirmations.

Is German language proficiency needed?

No, German is not required, but basic knowledge (A2 level) is recommended for navigating daily life in Germany.

### Program and Curriculum

Can I do my thesis in a specific focus area like renewable energy or water management?

Yes, if it aligns with ENREM's sustainability and natural resource management framework. Electives in related fields are available but limited.

What electives are offered?

Elective modules are split between specialization topics within ENREM and "Methods and Tools." Students take eight electives across the second and third semesters, allowing some customization toward thesis topics. More information can be found here: [Program content](#).

Does the program require an internship?

An internship is not mandatory but is highly recommended for career enhancement. Internships can be undertaken during semester breaks, and students may apply for recognition as a project, though it is not guaranteed

What are typical career paths for graduates?

About 35% of alumni work in the private sector or consulting, 21% in NGOs, development agencies, or government, and the remaining 44% pursue research, academia, or further studies.

### Additional Practical Information

Do scholarships cover living costs?

DAAD scholarships cover living expenses in both Germany and Mexico, while CONACYT covers Mexico only; students are responsible for covering any shortfall in Germany. Scholarships do not cover university administrative fees.

Can you check my application documents before applying?

No, we cannot do so. A definitive statement about individual eligibility cannot be made until applications have been submitted and reviewed by the selection committee.

### Contact and Support

If you have additional questions about the application or technical issues with the Agenda Ambiental UASLP portal, contact [info-enrem@th-koeln.de](mailto:info-enrem@th-koeln.de) or [pmpca@uaslp.mx](mailto:pmpca@uaslp.mx).

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