

**RUB**

**RUHR-UNIVERSITÄT BOCHUM**

## **STUDYING PHYSICS AT RUB**



**Physik und Astronomie**  
*from matter to materials*

**Niklas Fornefeld, consultant for the admission procedure**

# Overview

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- Your study advisors
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Note: you will receive these slides at the end of the interview!

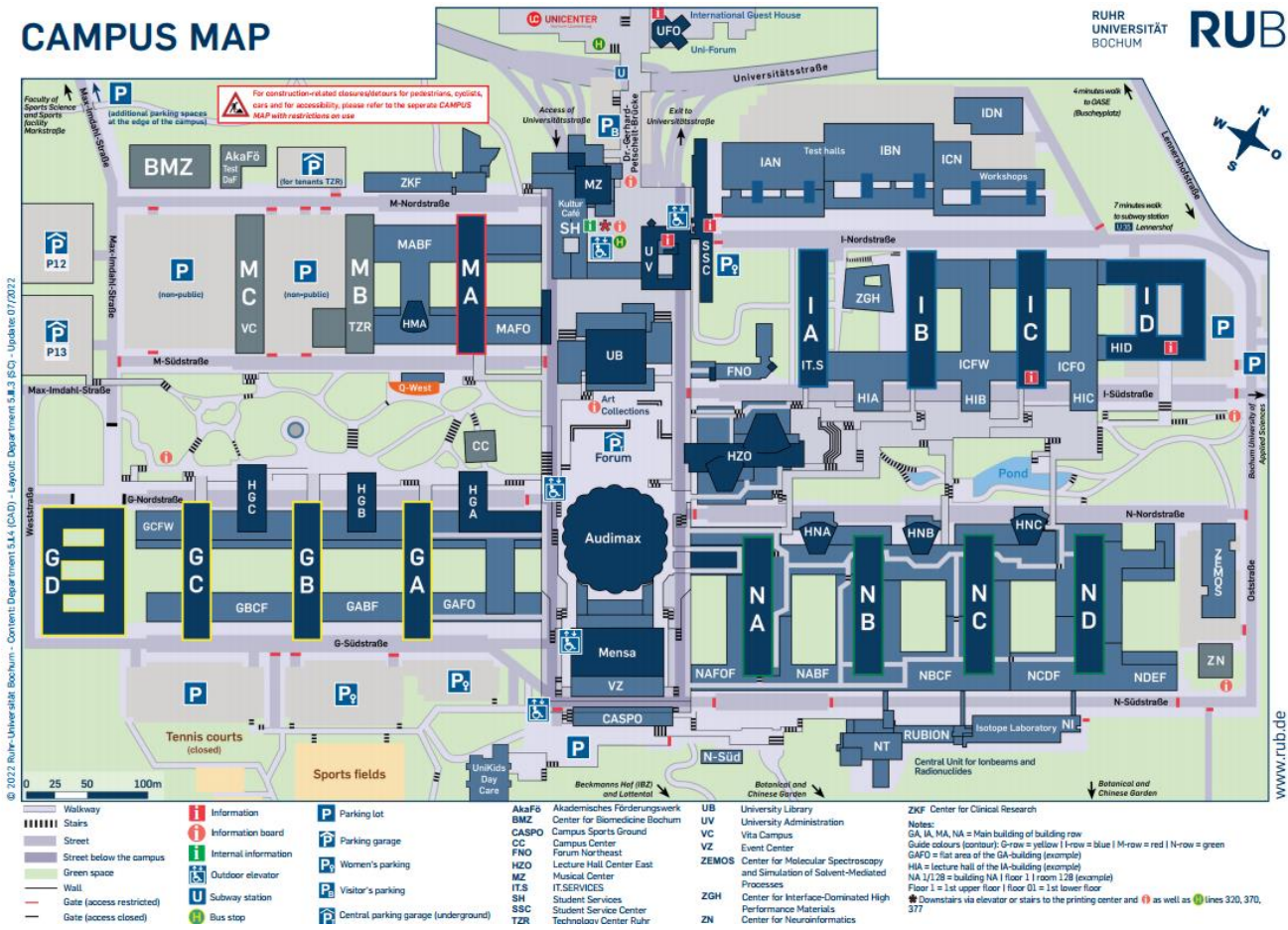








# CAMPUS MAP



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# The Faculty of Physics and Astronomy at RUB

- 24 professors
- approx. 800 students overall
- approx 40 M.Sc. students graduating/year
- approx. 25 PhD students graduating/year

**Nuclear +  
Particle Physics**

**Solid State  
Physics**

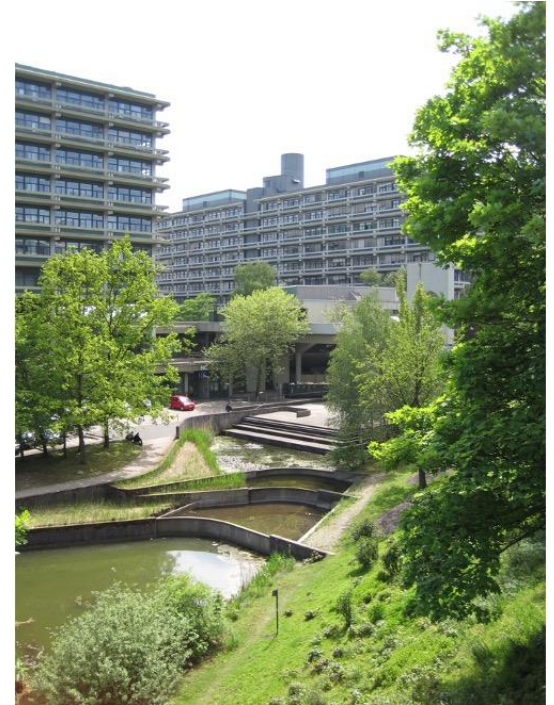
**Plasma Physics**

**Astronomy/  
Astrophysics**

**Neuro-  
informatics**

**Didactics**

**Biophysics**



# The Faculty of Physics and Astronomy at RUB

## Student advisory service at the faculty



**Dr. Andreas Kreyssig**  
Student advisor for  
international students  
- your first point of contact



**Dr. Ivonne Möller**  
Advises on general  
questions concerning  
examination regulations



We ask all students to contact us by email:  
**[master-international@physik.rub.de](mailto:master-international@physik.rub.de)**

# Our Master's Program

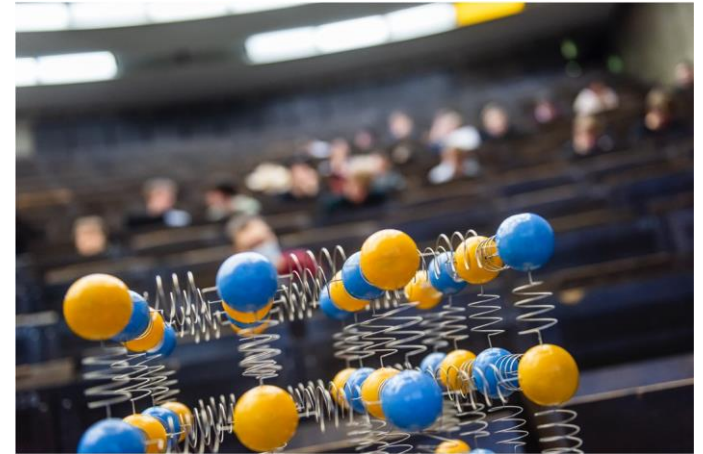


**First:** you are all admitted to the program, and you can enroll after this interview.

The requirements can be taken during study!

## General Structure:

- Two year program = four semesters (standard period of study)
- Approx. 30 credit points (CP) earned per semester
- **First year:** study phase (60 CP)
- **Second year:** preparatory modules + Master's thesis (60 CP)



# Our Master's Program



**BUT....**

...two years are the standard period of study according to examination regulations

...no one from the faculty checks the achievements per semester

...if less than 30 CP are acquired, this has no consequences

...it is possible to study for more than two years (the study period is not limited)

→ Your individual plan can differ from the „official“ and standardized regulation



# Our Master's Program

## General Structure: **First Year**

Five areas:

- Experimental physics (9-18 CP)
- Theoretical physics (6-18 CP)
- Your focus area (15-25 CP)
- Minor subject (5-18 CP)
- Key qualifications (5-15 CP)

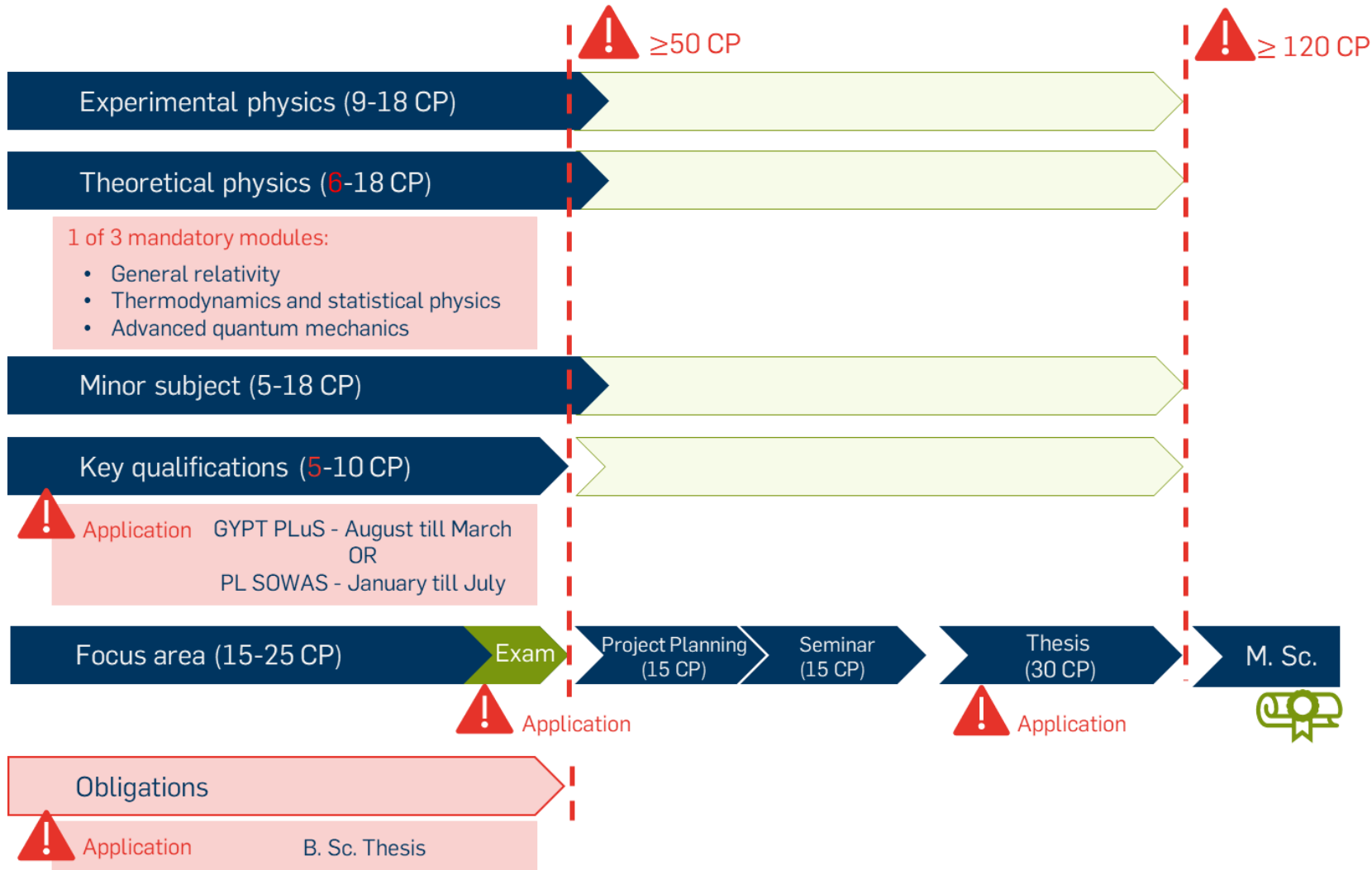
Complete list of offered courses

→ see [course catalogue](#)

## General Structure: **Second Year**

Preparation and writing of your master's thesis

- Three compulsory modules:
  - Knowledge of Methods and Project Planning (15 CP)
  - Project seminar for the Master's thesis (15 CP)
  - Master's thesis (30 CP)



# Requirements for International Students

## Requirement 1:

### Introduction to quantum mechanics and statistical physics (6 CP)

- At almost all international universities, the scope in the area of theoretical physics is smaller, so that many applicants receive this requirement.
- The grade of the exam does not count towards the Master's grade.





# Requirements for International Students



## Requirement 2:

### The Bachelor thesis (12 CP, 10 weeks)

- At our faculty the complete 6th semester is reserved for the bachelor thesis.
- At almost all international universities, the scope is smaller, so that many applicants receive this requirement.
- However, this requirement serves not only to fulfil the examination regulations, but also gives you the *opportunity to get familiar with our faculty*.
- The grade of the Bachelor's thesis **does not count!** towards the Master's grade.

# Requirements for International Students

## Can I apply, even though I do not meet all of the criteria mentioned before?

Yes! If you do **NOT** meet all requirements mentioned, you can still apply to our program under certain conditions. In fact, we encourage you to apply and speak to our advisors about the conditions for your individual case.

- Conditions must be proven at the latest upon admission to the Master's thesis.
- You can be admitted to the program and start your studies, but that you will have to make up some course work.
- Your work in regard to the conditions does not have any effect upon your Master's program and grades, etc. will not be counted towards your Master's degree.

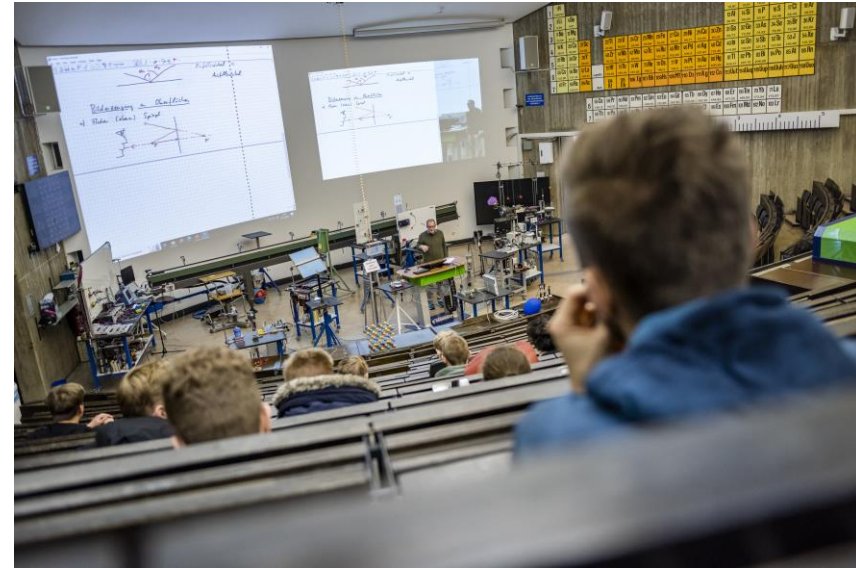


# Teaching format in the winter semester

It is planned to hold all courses in attendance on the campus.

The courses start 7<sup>th</sup> October 2024.

You have to be in Bochum **latest** on 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2024  
– otherwise you have to reapply for the summer term.





# The course catalogue

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For obligation: QM lecture

160117	Introduction to Quantum Mechanics and Statistics	Eremin, Ilya	Lecture
160118	Einführung in die Quantenmechanik und Statistik (Übung)	Eremin, Ilya	Exercise

# The course catalogue

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Course number	Title	Lecturers	Type
160611	Cosmology (Lecture)	Hildebrandt, Hendrik	Lecture
160612	Cosmology (Exercises)	Hildebrandt, Hendrik	Exercise
160613	Radio Astronomy	Adebahr, Björn	Lecture

## COSMOLOGY (LECTURE)

## COSMOLOGY (EXERCISES)

Common information | Event details | Registration procedure | Exams

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Course number: 160611

Title: Cosmology (Lecture)

Event type: Lecture

Term: WS 22/23

Semester weekly 3 hours [SWS]:

Course number: 160612

Title: Cosmology (Exercises)

Event type: Exercise

Term: WS 22/23

Semester weekly 1 hours [SWS]:

$3 + 1 = 4CP$

# Support Services

## General Services:

- Our Admissions Office

If you have questions about your admission, please contact the admissions office directly.

- Registrar's Office

If you have problems or questions about issues such as paying the social contribution fee, semester spent on leave etc. the student office is responsible.

- RUBiss team of the International Office

The RUBiss team provides support in social, cultural and university matters as well as in formal and legal matters. We support you throughout your studies.





# Support Services

## Faculty Services:

- **Student Buddy-Program**

If you are interested to participate, please write an Email to [fornefeld@physik.rub.de](mailto:fornefeld@physik.rub.de)

- **Master Welcome**

- information regarding your studies in Bochum
- guided tour across the campus
- a barbecue in a park nearby the city center, where you will be able to meet all master freshman



**Note:** if additional documents are needed for the visa application (in case of problems with the visa) we can offer an **additional letter** (letter of admission without conditions with the information when lectures start



# Next steps

- Enrollment  
(see application portal)
- Apply for visa
- Organize accommodation
- Master Introductory Meeting in April
- Start: 7<sup>th</sup> April 2025 (start of lectures)
- Enjoy your studies at the RUB





Welcome again and  
we look forward to your questions