E-Government, B.Sc.
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Kamp-Lintfort Campus
Faculty of Communication and Environment
Rhine-Waal University of Applied Sciences
Would you like to study in a friendly atmosphere at a vibrant, internationally-focused university, where you’ll find small classes, modern labs and staff dedicated to developing your future employability?

If so, then Rhine-Waal University of Applied Sciences is the perfect place for you.

Our university has more than 30 undergraduate and postgraduate degree programmes with innovative and interdisciplinary curricula designed to train you for future careers in the natural sciences, engineering or the social sciences. We are based in Germany, but most of our degree programmes are taught in English, which draws students from around the world – over 100 different nations are represented at our university.

Rhine-Waal University of Applied Sciences has two campuses, in Kleve and Kamp-Lintfort, halfway between Amsterdam and Cologne in Germany’s picturesque Lower Rhine region. Each campus features state-of-the-art classrooms and laboratories, a university library, a language centre and a canteen. Our many cooperative agreements with leading international businesses and research institutions will greatly enhance your internship and employment opportunities as well.

So, why not start building your future career with us?

We look forward to welcoming you here at Rhine-Waal University of Applied Sciences.

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E-Government: Challenges and Chances
Renew your ID or licence with an iPad from the comfort of your home. Pay for parking with a swipe of a mobile. Cast your vote with the touch of a button.

E-Government is about developing innovative IT solutions for the administrative and commercial sectors. Modern information and communication technology has the potential to improve the quality and accessibility of public services, lower operating costs for companies and public authorities and revolutionise the efficiency and transparency of administrative processes. But the technology itself is only a tool: what truly matters is how technical solutions can be realised to the benefit of both administrators and the citizens they serve.

As an E-Government Specialist, it’s your job to redefine workflows, processes and organisational structures in the public and private sectors by implementing practical and purposeful software solutions and services.

Planning, designing and implementing solutions based on cutting edge technology requires abstract thinking, an analytical mindset and excellent communication skills. You’ll acquire these skills and more over the course of our E-Government programme as you prepare for the complex challenges of this field and build up expertise not only in information and communication technology, but also in essential interpersonal, communication and organisational skills. You’ll discover the special demands of administration, acquire an expert’s eye for suitable commercial solutions, and familiarise yourself well with the legal framework surrounding your field.

Course structure
The first semesters are an introduction to the field of E-Government and its particular challenges and demands. During the first four semesters you’ll acquire a solid grounding in information and communication technologies and explore analytical and methodological instruments such as process modelling. This phase also includes the well-founded study of the economic, legal, organisational and societal conditions of the field.

In the fifth semester, the emphasis shifts to the in-depth analysis of current issues faced by administrative and commercial organisations and the development of potential solutions.

During the sixth semester you’ll undertake either an internship in an administrative position or you’ll enhance your studies with an exchange semester at a university abroad.

Your studies conclude with a thesis in the seventh and final semester, which you can often write in collaboration with an administrative organisation or a company. You’ll find a wide range of interesting topics to choose from, including the analysis, implementation and use of the many possible solutions presented by information and communication technology.
Career paths
Our graduates are confident, interdisciplinary experts sought after in a wide range of fields. As a graduate, you’ll know how to integrate cutting edge technical solutions coupled with innovative organisational and communication models into the public authorities at the local, state and federal level, in European institutions and in the private sector. An E-Government degree is very versatile, as it provides solid preparation not only for a careers in project management or coordination roles, but also in IT and technical departments, management control as well as distribution and purchasing departments in the private and public sectors.

This programme is also ideal for future entrepreneurs interested in founding a business the right way.

Entry requirements
Rhine-Waal University of Applied Sciences welcomes applications from nationals of all countries. Please see our website for general admission requirements.

Other requirements for E-Government, B.Sc.:
• A sufficient level of German language proficiency (CEFR level B2 or better).
• Completion of an 8-week internship before the start of the 4th semester. You can also do this internship in your home country before applying to Rhine-Waal University of Applied Sciences.
• Interest in computer science, business administration and administrative organisation, working in exiting interdisciplinary teams, and solving scientific and technical challenges.

Tuition and costs
Rhine-Waal does not charge tuition fees. Students are merely obliged to pay a nominal administration fee each semester that allows free travel on most public transport in the state of North Rhine-Westphalia, where we are located.

The cost of living in Germany is low compared with many places in Europe. Plan on around €800 per month for expenses, or approximately €5,000 per semester.

When and how to apply
Our undergraduate programmes always start in the winter semester. For application dates and deadlines, please visit www.hochschule-rhein-waal.de.

International applicants must apply through 'uni-assist', a professional credential evaluation service in Germany, unless they have a German entry qualification to higher education. Please see our website for details.