

Statutes for awarding the Chile Scholarship

"Empowering Chilean Hydrogen Students: Fostering Excellence in Hydrogen Education at German Universities"

1. Preamble

The Central German Foundation for Science and Education (donor VNG AG) and the TU Bergakademie Freiberg have proposed a scholarship programme "**Empowering Chilean Hydrogen Students: Fostering Excellence in Hydrogen Education at German Universities**" to the Chilean government. The scholarship programme is supported by the Chilean government. The Mitteldeutsche Stiftung Wissenschaft und Bildung supports the scholarship programme with funding from the Verein der Freunde und Förderer der TU Bergakademie Freiberg e.V. (VFF). The scholarship is to be awarded to Chilean students. The scholarship is primarily awarded to students who wish to study for a Master's degree at the TU Bergakademie Freiberg, optionally also a Bachelor's or Diplom Engineering degree in a relevant degree programme. The scholarship is awarded as a non-repayable grant to finance the degree programme.

These statutes are intended to regulate the framework conditions for awarding the scholarship to Chilean students.

2. Requirements for the award of the scholarship

- a. In particular, Chilean students with at least a Bachelor's degree from a Chilean college or university can apply for the scholarship. A university entrance qualification is required for bachelor's or diploma engineers.
- b. The students have applied for a relevant degree programme at the TU Bergakademie Freiberg and have been admitted to the course.

3. To apply for the scholarship, students submit a letter of application in German or English to the VFF, which must include the following:

- a. A letter of motivation in which students describe their particular interest in the respective degree programme. The letter of motivation can also include previous training and experience, e.g. in the field of energy technology, gas technology or hydrogen technology.
- b. A curriculum vitae
- c. Certificates of higher education entrance qualification or Bachelor's degree, optionally a current transcript of grades and other relevant certificates
- d. If available, letters of reference from Chilean educational institutions
- e. Proof of admission or proof of enrolment for a relevant Master's, Bachelor's or Diplom degree programme at TU Bergakademie Freiberg
- f. The application should be sent electronically and subsequently by post to the following address:
Freunde und Förderer der TU Bergakademie Freiberg e.V.
Akademiestraße 6, 09599 Freiberg, Germany
Email: freunde@zuv.tu-freiberg.de

4. The application deadline is the last day before the start of the first semester of the relevant Master's degree programme. This is 30 September for courses starting in the winter semester and 31 March for courses starting in the summer semester. The specific dates are published on the TU Bergakademie Freiberg website "Semester Dates" (URL: <https://tu-freiberg.de/studium/im-studium/studienorganisation/semestertermine>).
5. The evaluation of applications
 - a. Carried out by the VFF with the support of university lecturers and the IUZ of the TU Bergakademie Freiberg
 - b. Criteria for the evaluation are
 - i. Above-average university degree,
 - ii. a particular interest in hydrogen training,
 - iii. special personal commitment in their career to date.
 - c. The evaluation will take place no later than 14 days after the application deadline and will be sent to the applicants electronically in a corresponding letter from the VFF.
 - d. There is no legal entitlement to the scholarship
6. Scope of the scholarship
 - a. The scholarship amounts to EUR 400 per calendar month while the students are enrolled.
 - b. The scholarship is awarded for a maximum of 4 semesters as long as the students fulfil their obligation to provide evidence in accordance with Section 7.
 - c. Payment is made by bank transfer to the account of a German commercial bank on the first banking day of the following month.
7. Obligation to provide evidence
 - a. Students submit a report on the last day of each semester, which must include the following:
 - i. Which modules or training sections have been completed?
 - ii. Which grades and credit points were achieved in the respective semester can be found in the performance overview of the examination office of the TU Bergakademie Freiberg.
 - iii. A brief self-assessment of the results achieved.
 - b. If necessary, the student submits the certificate of enrolment for the following semester.
 - c. After 4 semesters, the student submits a final report containing the results of the training and an outlook for future activities.
8. Notarisation for the scholarship

After completing their Master's degree programme, students receive a certificate confirming receipt of the scholarship.
9. Withdrawal of the scholarship

The scholarship can be withdrawn with immediate effect if the criteria in points 2, 3 and 7 are violated. Withdrawal takes place by decision of the VFF with a university lecturer and the IUZ by written notification.