

# Fact Sheet Student Exchange Programme

## Studying at the FHNW School of Applied Psychology

The FHNW School of Applied Psychology has been one of the leading competence centers for work, organisational and business psychology in German-speaking countries for more than 15 years. Roughly 900 students study at our bachelors' and master's programmes where they learn about basic and advanced psychology subjects. They can major in work, organisational and personnel psychology or in business psychology.

### Degree and Course Offer (ISCED 313 Psychology)

- [Bachelor of Science in Business Psychology](#)
- [Bachelor of Science in Work, Organisational and Personnel Psychology](#)
- [Master of Science in Applied Psychology](#)

### Language Requirements

The degree programmes are mainly taught in German and we recommend a B2 level (Common European Framework of Reference for Languages) command of German. For the courses taught in English at least a B2 level in English is required.

### Student Activities and Support

There are several student organisations such as the StudentCouncil and the Erasmus Student Network (ESN) FHNW. These organisations run on a voluntary basis and organise activities, trips and social events for (exchange) students throughout their stay. Moreover, we organise *Welcome Days* and will provide a local *buddy* for exchange students.

### FHNW Campus Olten

Von Roll-Strasse 10, CH – 4600 Olten  
[fhnw.ch/en/about-fhnw/locations/campus-olten](https://www.fhnw.ch/en/about-fhnw/locations/campus-olten)



## Living in Switzerland

Olten has the unique privilege of being within 30 minutes of major cities such as Bern, Zurich, Lucerne, and Basel. Also, in less than 3 hours you can be standing at the foot of the Matterhorn or below the palm trees of Ticino in southern Switzerland. In Switzerland there are four official languages: German, French, Italian and Romansch. The official language in Olten is German.



Olten, Oldtown © Region Olten Tourismus



Zermatt, Matterhorn

### Cost of Living

A major part of the living costs consists of the accommodation with about 400 to 800 CHF per month. In total, exchange students should expect monthly expenses of approx. 1'500 CHF.

### Visa

A residence permit is needed for EU and for non-EU/EFTA citizens. Non-EU/EFTA citizens will need to apply for a student visa. Further information: [studyinswitzerland.plus/visas-permits/](https://studyinswitzerland.plus/visas-permits/)

### Accommodation

Accommodation options can be found here:  
<https://www.fhnw.ch/en/degree-programmes/business/international-experience/offers-for-incoming-students/accommodation>

### Grants

Exchange students from a European partner university studying and living in Switzerland may be eligible to receive a SEMP grant from the Swiss government. Exchange students from a non-Erasmus+ programme country partner university may be eligible to receive a FHNW worldwide support (not guaranteed).

## General Information

### Erasmus Code

CH BRUGG02

### Semester Dates

Autumn: Sep - Feb  
(Application deadline Jun)

Spring: Feb - July  
(Application deadline Nov)

### Degree Programmes Website

[fhnw.ch/en/degree-programmes/applied-psychology](https://www.fhnw.ch/en/degree-programmes/applied-psychology)

### International Website

[fhnw.ch/de/studium/psychologie/rund-ums-studium/international-studieren](https://www.fhnw.ch/de/studium/psychologie/rund-ums-studium/international-studieren)

### Sports offer

[fhnw.ch/de/die-fhnw/hochschulsport](https://www.fhnw.ch/de/die-fhnw/hochschulsport)

### EAIE-Member

European Association for International Education.

### Do you have a question?

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