

Host Institution:	Universität Bern
Erasmus Code:	CH BERN01
Website:	www.unibe.ch
	<p>The University of Berne is located in the Swiss capital of Berne and was founded in 1834.</p> <p>Berne is a small to medium sized city with a population of about 130,000, Berne's old town has earned it a place on the UNESCO world heritage list. The main language spoken in Berne is Bernese-German, like all Swiss-German dialects, Bernese-German is only a spoken language, for writing the Standard German is used. Berne lies in the Swiss plateau, the landscape around Berne was formed by glaciers in the last ice age, there are two mountains close to Berne; Gurten and the Bantiger.</p>
Location:	<p><u>By plane:</u> Berne's small international airport with direct flights from London lies just a few kilometers south of the city. A taxi ride to the city is approximately CHF 30, alternatively the airport shuttle bus takes you to the railway station in the centre of Berne for CHF 14.</p> <p><u>By train:</u> Berne is on the main line of the Swiss Federal Railway between Geneva, Lausanne and Zurich with trains every two hours from the airports of each of these cities.</p> <p><u>By car:</u> Berne is easily reachable with the national motorway network from all directions.</p>
Costs:	
Housing:	<p>(Information taken from Bern's website) Rooms are allocated towards the end of August. Upon receipt of your deposit of CHF 200 (payable online, in cash or by cheque) you will be sent a code number and your room will be held for you. For information and application details contact: Verein Berner Studentenlogierhaus using the following link: www.vbsl.ch/index.asp?Language=EN&page=Anmeldeformular%20Zimmer</p>
Insurance:	<p>It is advisable to take out insurance for your stay abroad especially if you are going to be taking laptops with you.</p> <p>You will need to obtain a European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) this has now replaced the old E111 form. If you already have an EHIC please ensure that it is valid for the length of your stay.</p>
Academic:	
ECTS Credit system:	<p>Bern's ECTS guide can be viewed using the following link: www.crus.ch/information-programme/bologna-ects/was-ist-ects.html?L=0</p>
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