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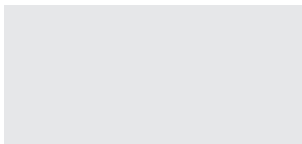
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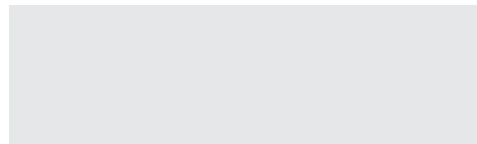


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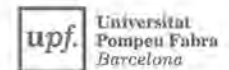
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GERMAN UNIVERSITIES ELIMINATE FEES

Since 1985, U.S. college costs have increased by about 500 percent. In Germany, the opposite has happened: the country's universities have been tuition-free since the beginning of October, 2014, when Lower Saxony became the last state to eliminate **tuition** fees.

A university education was always inexpensive in Germany, but now the German government fully pays for the higher education of its citizens—and even for that of foreigners. Germany joins other countries in Europe, such as Finland or Norway, which offer **tuition**-free university programmes to foreigners, many of which are taught in English.

Explaining the change, Dorothee Stapelfeldt, a senator in the northern city of Hamburg, said **tuition** fees “discourage young people who do not have a traditional academic family background from taking up study. It is a core task of politics to ensure that young women and men can study with a high quality standard free of charge in Germany.”

German universities increasingly offer some programmes in English. Over 900 degree programmes are offered exclusively in English, with courses ranging from engineering to social sciences. In fact, the German government would be happy if people from outside Germany decided to make use of its higher education system. The large number of offerings in English is both intended to prepare German students to communicate in English and to attract foreign students, because the country needs more skilled workers.

Text adapted from an article by Rick NOACK. *The Washington Post* [online] (October 29, 2014)

tuition: Money students pay to a university to register and attend classes.

Després de llegir el text, responeu a les qüestions seguint les instruccions que es donen en cada cas. Cada qüestió val un punt. En les qüestions d'opció múltiple, es descomptaran 0,33 punts per cada resposta incorrecta; per les qüestions no contestades no hi haurà cap descompte. En la resta de qüestions, es descomptaran 0,05 punts per cada falta d'ortografia, de morfologia, de lèxic o de sintaxi. Si una falta es repeteix, només es descomptarà una vegada.

Después de leer el texto, responda a las cuestiones siguiendo las instrucciones que se dan en cada caso. Todas las cuestiones valen un punto. En las cuestiones de opción múltiple, se descontarán 0,33 puntos por cada respuesta incorrecta; por las cuestiones no contestadas no habrá ningún descuento. En el resto de las cuestiones, se descontarán 0,05 puntos por cada falta de ortografía, de morfología, de léxico o de sintaxis. Si una falta se repite, solo se descontará una vez.

Choose the correct answer (1-7).

- College costs in the U.S. in the past 30 years
 - have decreased substantially.
 - have increased substantially.
 - have remained stable.
 - have been eliminated at large universities.
- Places that offer a free college education include
 - most of Germany, with the exception of Lower Saxony.
 - the U.S. and Norway.
 - the U.S. and Finland.
 - Germany, Finland, and Norway.
- According to the text, a university programme is free in Germany
 - for all students.
 - only if you are a German citizen.
 - only if you can demonstrate you are from a poor family.
 - only if the programme is taught in English.
- The language of instruction at German universities
 - is German.
 - is English in many programmes.
 - is German in the social sciences and English in engineering programmes.
 - depends on the geographical region.

5. Universities in countries like Germany or Norway
 - a) are very expensive for foreigners.
 - b) are closing because they currently have few students.
 - c) are much more expensive than American universities.
 - d) are trying to attract students from other countries.
6. Senator Stapelfeldt believes that charging money for a university education
 - a) discourages certain people from studying.
 - b) encourages people to work part-time while they study.
 - c) is not a political issue.
 - d) will lower the standards of university education in Germany.
7. A synonym of the word *core* in the phrase “It is a *core* task of politics to ensure that young women and men can study” is
 - a) central.
 - b) impressive.
 - c) innovative.
 - d) simple.

Rewrite the sentence as indicated.

8. Change the sentence “The country needs more skilled workers” to the passive voice, adding any extra words that you may need to make the sentence grammatical.

Please answer the following questions in English. (Please do not copy text but rather answer in your own words, your answer should be between 40 and 60 words in length.)

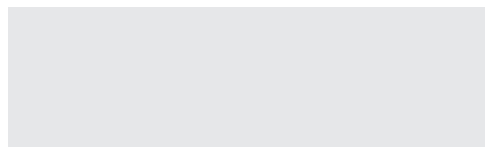
9. According to the text, why has Germany eliminated university tuition fees? Do you think that many people are discouraged from studying because of high tuition fees?

10. Why do German universities offer degree programmes in English?

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