Stays at Bern University of Applied Sciences BFH
Evidence of financial means

Target audience: international regular students, exchange students, exchange interns (Erasmus/SEMP students do not need to provide evidence of financial means)

You must provide evidence that you have sufficient funds for your stay at Bern University of Applied Sciences. This condition is fulfilled once you have proved that you have at least CHF 1,500 per month/CHF 18,000 per year at your disposal.

Such evidence of financial means can be provided in one of the following ways:

Own assets
A letter from a Swiss-authorised bank confirming the availability of sufficient assets (CHF 18’000 per year). The account holder must be the student. Swiss-authorised banks are authorised by the Swiss Financial Market Supervisory Authority (https://www.finma.ch/en/finma-public/authorised-institutions-individuals-and-products/).

Third-party funders resident in Switzerland
- A signed grant agreement1 (“Unterhaltsgarantie”) plus an income statement or evidence of assets of a solvent individual resident in Switzerland (if the individual is not a Swiss national, they must hold an official Swiss residence permit)

Loan/grants
A firm guarantee of the award of grants, scholarships or loans for the period of the stay (in a stable currency such as the Swiss franc, euro, sterling, US dollar, yen, etc);

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1 www.pom.be.ch>Migration>Einreise und Aufenthalt>Formulare & Merkblätter