

Application for the Graduate Program **Biodiversity, Evolution & Ecology**

Closing dates for application are the 1st of August (for the following winter semester) and the 1st of February (for the following summer semester). Exceptions may be possible, please contact the program coordination.

The following documents are necessary for the application for the Graduate Program "Biodiversity, Evolution & Ecology". Please prepare your application in the **given order** as **one pdf** not exceeding a file size of **2 MB**:

1. Signed letter of motivation to Prof. M.C. Rillig
2. Statement of purpose and outline of the dissertation project (max. 3 pages)
3. Proposal for a supervision team with name, position and postal address (Not the supervision agreement, just a proposal. Criteria for the supervision team see below.)
4. list with the following data:
 - a. Name and institution of the research group in which the work is to be carried out
 - b. Funding source and funding period of the doctoral project
 - c. Official start date of the doctoral project
 - d. Date, place and country of birth
5. Doctorate admission of the Freie Universität Berlin, department BCP
6. Certificate of matriculation (opt. hand in later)

Please send the documents

1. as **one single pdf** (2 MB maximum file size) to biodiversity@fu-berlin.de and
2. as **hardcopy** to

Freie Universität Berlin
Institut für Biologie
Dr. Tobias Otte
Königin-Luise-Str. 2-4
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14195 Berlin

If you are accepted as a program student, you will receive a confirmation of acceptance in Dahlem Research School. Then you should complete the Supervision Agreement (see pdf) twice and send one copy to the program coordination office within 4 weeks.

Your supervision team has to consist of three people:

- The supervisor of your PhD project should be one member of the team
- Two of the three supervisors have to be full professors
- At least one of the full professors has to be a member of the Graduate Program "Biodiversity, Evolution & Ecology" (see list of research groups)
- Members of the supervision team could be extern