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COVID 19 REFUND POLICY – BERLIN STUDY CENTRE

This policy should be read in conjunction with Arden University's current refund policy and relates solely to students who have enrolled on the COVID Berlin Intakes (listed below) to Arden University's Berlin Study Centre only.

For prospective international students, we appreciate that travel guidance is being constantly updated by the Berlin Senate and perhaps your home governments over which you have no control.

As Arden has vast experience of offering courses "online" we immediately offered all of our existing students a virtual classroom experience as a result of the COVID 19 pandemic. We are continuing to offer this for the COVID Berlin Intakes with a view to students subsequently attending face to face teaching in Berlin.

We nevertheless appreciate that this may be of concern to prospective students and there may well be delays in the visa application processes within their home countries as a result of COVID 19. We have therefore agreed that if a student has enrolled "online"* to our Berlin Study Centre on any of the COVID Berlin Intakes, we will offer that student an extended period of time in which to apply for <u>a full refund</u>** of all course fees paid up to the applicable COVID Refund End Date (listed below) so long as the following criteria is met:

- a) By the applicable COVID Refund End Date the student has been unsuccessful in obtaining a visa (this includes not being able to obtain a visa appointment, a visa rejection, and a visa refusal) to enable travel to Berlin;
- b) The student has met the attendance criteria online for their course between the commencement of their course and the applicable COVID Refund End Date;
- c) The student does not wish to be awarded any module credits for the study undertaken from the commencement of the course until the applicable COVID Refund End Date; and
- d) The student does not wish to transfer to study via the International Distance Learning study mode.

If the student wishes to transfer to study via the International Distance Learning study mode by the applicable COVID Refund End Date they will be permitted to utilise any credit awarded and any fees paid to date against the course requirements and fees for the relevant International Distance Learning course.

If the student does not meet the criteria set out above, or the relevant COVID Refund End Date has passed, Arden University's standard refund policy will apply, which can be found <u>here</u>.

For the avoidance of doubt this policy will be periodically reviewed as a result of the changing landscape surrounding COVID 19 and currently only applies to the COVID Berlin Intakes for study at Arden's Berlin Study Centre.

*You are only permitted to study a maximum of 2 modules online.

**A full refund will be provided (subject to complying with the above criteria). We do not charge an administrative fee.



| COVID Berlin Intakes | COVID Refund End Date |
|----------------------|--------------------------------|
| June 2020 | 31 st January 2021 |
| September 2020 | 31 st January 2021 |
| November 2020 | 31 st January 2021 |
| February 2021 | 19 th August 2021 |
| April 2021 | 7 th October 2021 |
| June 2021 | 25 th December 2021 |
| September 2021 | 8 th March 2022 |
| November 2021 | 26 th May 2022 |
| February 2022 | 21 st August 2022 |
| May 2022 | 16 th November 2022 |

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