

Call for entries for the prize

BEST FEMALE STEM-STUDENT OF BTU 2025

General information

Since 2016, this prize has been awarded as part of BTU Cottbus-Senftenberg's equal opportunities programme, which honours a particularly talented, high-performing and committed female Bachelor's and a Master's student of a STEM* course of study. In addition to these central criteria, personal background, social and family circumstances, social commitment and special successes can also be taken into account.

Endowment

The prize is endowed with **1.000 €** for Master and **500 €** for Bachelor Students.

Requirements for participation

This award is open to female Bachelor and Master students of a STEM* course at BTU Cottbus-Senftenberg (as of the first semester).

Criteria

- good to very good academic performance,
- honorary commitment to the student body or for gender equality,
- non-university social commitment.

Selection

All submitted proposals will be reviewed by the members of the jury, which will be composed of representatives of the Equal Opportunities Council, the Student Council and the Commission for Teaching, Studies, Academic Reform and Continuing Education, as well as the Head of the Protocol and Support Unit. The jury will then decide on the award of the prize. The decision is expected to be made in the end of March 2026.

Nomination

All employees of BTU Cottbus-Senftenberg are entitled to make nominations. Please submit applications via the Dean of the faculty. From there the application will be forwarded to the Equal Opportunities Office.

Award ceremony

The STEM-prize will be ceremoniously presented at a public event at the BTU Cottbus-Senftenberg.

Documents to be submitted to the office of the Equal Opportunities Officer:

- one-page letter of motivation with contact details of the student,
- curriculum vitae of the student in table form,
- certificate of matriculation for the current semester,
- letter of recommendation (maximum 3),
- transcript of records; master students also send a copy of the Bachelor's certificate,
- for students until the 3rd semester: evidence of very good academic performance and confirmation of those by recommendation letters of BTU-teachers (maximum 3),
- information and evidence of social, political and/or personal commitment.

Information for the Dean's Office for the digital submission:

Please send your application documents by e-mail to the Central Equal Opportunities Officer, Birgit Hendrichke, gleichstellung@b-tu.de.

Deadline

The closing date for submission of applications is **28th February 2026**.

Only complete application documents submitted by the closing date will be taken into consideration.

Further information

If there are any questions, please contact the Equal Opportunities Officer, telephone 0355 69 2324, e-mail: gleichstellung@b-tu.de.

* STEM = Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics
STEM courses are offered by the faculties 1, 2, 3, 5 and 6