

# Semester Abroad



# Application documents and deadlines for a semester abroad overseas

## Application Documents

### 1. Registration in Mobility-Online

Exchange Program: Overseas Student Exchange

### 2. Upload of the following documents:

- Passport Photo
- Valid certificate of enrollment in English
- Transcript of Records (HIS-Portal „Compendium of all Achievements“ with average grade, English)
- CV in English
- Questions about the motivation for your application (details on page 6 and in Mobility Online).
- DAAD – Language Certificate (details on page 7), at least B2 level, not older than 2 years, even native speakers need it  
  
USA/Canada for the application, the DAAD certificate is sufficient–  
**TOEFL** min. 86 Points, **IELTS** min. 6.5 Points needs to be done when you get an exchange spot  
  
SKKU Business Majors – **TOEFL** min. 80 Points, **IELTS** min. 6.0 Points
- Letter of Recommendation. This must be issued by a lecturer / professor (but not a lecturer for languages)
- Course List (please enter the courses you would like to attend at the partner university, at least 4).
- Copy of passport. (Needs to be valid for up to three months after your return.)
- Signed data protection agreement
- Signed application form

## Application Deadlines Semester Abroad

Please make sure to submit your complete application on time!

### For the Summer Term 2027:

Africa:  
Asia / Oceania:  
South / Central America:

} until 30.06.2026

### For the Winter Term 2027/28:

Africa:  
Asia / Oceania:  
South / Central America:

} until 15.01.2027

### There is only one application deadline per year for these countries:

Australia: until 01.06.2026 (for ST 27 and WT 27/28)  
USA / Canada: until 15.11.2026 (for WT 27/28 and ST 28)\*

\*In Northamerica the Summer Term (called Spring Term there) already starts in January / February

\*In Australia there might be Trimesters

### Questions? Uncertainties?

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# Application documents and deadlines for the State to State Programs

## Programs:

- [Hesse-Queensland \(Australia\)](#)
- [Hesse-Wisconsin \(USA\)](#)
- [Hesse-Massachusetts \(USA\)](#)

## Program Benefits (amongst other things):

- Tuition-free study for one semester (Queensland/Massachusetts/Wisconsin)
- Pre-Departue Meeting
- Alumni-Meeting

## Application Requirements (amongst other things):

- Very good academic performance
- Very good English skills
- At least 3 completed semesters (at the time of departure)

## Detailed testimonials and more information at:

- [www.queensland.hessen.de](http://www.queensland.hessen.de)
- [www.wisconsin.hessen.de](http://www.wisconsin.hessen.de)
- [www.massachusetts.hessen.de](http://www.massachusetts.hessen.de)

## Application documents and requirements can be found on the respective program homepages:

- Application form
- Motivational questions (englisch)
- CV (englisch)
- Transcript of Records (englisch)
- Letter of recommendation from an university teacher with a doctorate degree (englisch)
- List of proposed Courses
- English language certificate

Please apply via Mobility-Online and select the appropriate exchange program.

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## Application Deadlines:

Applications are accepted once a year:

- **Hessen-Queensland:**  
The application deadline is the **01.06.2026** for: ST 2027 and WT 2027/28
- **Hessen-Wisconsin:**  
The application deadline is the **15.11.2026** for: WT 2027/28 and ST 2028
- **Hessen-Massachusetts:**  
The application deadline is the **15.11.2026** for: WT 2027/28 and ST 2028



# Semester Dates of the Partner Universities

For the exact dates, please do your own research on the websites of the partner universities!

| Country                      | University                                | Semester                          |
|------------------------------|---|-----------------------------------|
| Argentina                    | Universidad Católica de Córdoba           | 1. Semester – End February ~ July |
|                              |   | 2. Semester – End July ~ December |
| Australia                    | Deakin Univesity                          | Trimester 1 – March ~ June        |
|                              |   | Trimester 2 – July ~ October      |
|                              |   | Trimester 3 – November ~ February |
|                              | Griffith University                       | Trimester 1 – March ~ May         |
|                              |   | Trimester 2 – July ~ October      |
|                              |   | Trimester 3 – November ~ February |
|                              | Monash University                         | Fall – July ~ November            |
|                              |   | Spring – February ~ June          |
|                              | University of Technology Sydney           | Fall – July ~ November            |
|                              |   | Spring – February ~ June          |
|                              | University of Sunshine Coast              | Fall – July ~ November            |
|                              |   | Spring – March ~ June             |
|                              | Victoria University Melbourne             | Fall – July ~ November            |
|                              |   | Spring – February ~ June          |
|                              |   | Trimester 1 – March ~ June        |
|                              | Victoria University, Melbourne (Business) | Trimester 2 – July ~ October      |
|                              |   | Trimester 3 – November ~ February |
|                              |   | Fall – July ~ December            |
| Brasil                       | PUC PR                                    | Spring – Mid February ~ July      |
|                              |   | Fall – August ~ November          |
|                              | Universidade Federal do ABC, Sao Paulo    | Spring – February ~ June          |
|                              |   | Fall – March ~ July               |
|                              | PUC RS                                    | Spring – August ~ December        |
|                              |   | Fall - Mid August ~ Mid December  |
|                              | PUC Rio                                   | Spring - March ~ Mid July         |
|                              |   | Fall – September ~ December       |
| Canada                       | Ontario Tech University                   | Spring – January ~ April          |
|                              |   | Fall – September ~ December       |
| No exchange places currently | Toronto Metropolitan – Ted Rogers School  | Fall – September ~ December       |
|                              |   | Spring – January ~ May            |
|                              | British Columbia Institute of Technology  | Fall – September ~ December       |
|                              |   | Spring – January ~ May            |

\*Partner Universities highlighted in yellow can only be attended when paying their semester fees.

| Country        | University                                   | Semester                            |
|----------------|--|-------------------------------------|
| Cayman Islands | University College of Cayman Islands         | Fall – End August ~ Mid December    |
|                |  | Spring – Mid January ~ April        |
| Chile          | Duo UC, Santiago                             | Fall – August ~ December            |
|                |  | Spring – March ~ July               |
|                | Universidad Católica de Chile                | Fall – August ~ Mid December        |
|                |  | Spring – March ~ Mid July           |
|                | Universidad del Bío-Bío                      | Fall – July ~ December              |
|                |  | Winter – March ~ July               |
| China          | JUFE, Nanchang                               | Fall – September ~ January          |
|                |  | Spring – February/March ~ June/July |
|                | Sanda University, Shanghai                   | Fall – Mid September ~ Mid January  |
|                |  | Spring – March ~ July               |
|                | ZUEL, Wuhan                                  | Fall – October ~ December           |
|                |  | Spring – March ~ June               |
|                | HonKong University of Science and Technology | Fall – September ~ End December     |
|                |  | Spring – February ~ End May         |
| Colombia       | Universidad del Norte                        | Fall – July ~ November              |
|                |  | Spring – January ~ July             |
|                | Universidad EIA                              | Fall – Mid July ~ November          |
|                |  | Spring – Mid January ~ June         |
|                | Universidad Piloto de Colombia               | Fall – August ~ December            |
|                |  | Spring – Mid January ~ June         |
| Costa Rica     | Tecnológico de Costa Rica                    | Fall – July ~ December              |
|                |  | Spring – February ~ June            |
|                |  | Fall – September ~ End December     |
|                | ULACIT                                       | Spring – January ~ April            |
|                |  | Summer – May ~ End August           |
| Ghana          | Kwame Nkrumah University                     | Fall – Mid October – Mid February   |
|                |  | Spring – Mid March – Mid June       |

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| India     | Assam Don Bosco University       | Fall – Mid July ~ Mid December      |
|           |                                  | Spring – Mid January ~ Mid June     |
|           | Pondicherry University           | Fall – August ~ December            |
|           |                                  | Spring – Mid December ~ End May     |
|           | O.P. Global Jindal University    | Fall – August ~ December            |
|           |                                  | Spring – February ~ June            |
| Indonesia | ITS Surabaya                     | Fall – August ~ December            |
|           |                                  | Spring – February ~ May             |
|           | Airlangga University             | Fall - August ~ December            |
|           |                                  | Spring – February ~ May             |
| Israel    | Sapir College                    | Fall – Mid October ~ End January    |
|           |                                  | Spring – February ~ May             |
|           | Reichman University              | Fall – End October ~ February       |
|           |                                  | Spring – Mid March ~ July           |
| Japan     | J.F. Oberlin                     | Fall – Mid September ~ January      |
|           |                                  | Spring – April ~ August             |
|           | Osaka University                 | Fall – October ~ Mid December       |
|           |                                  | Spring – April ~ Mid June           |
|           | Kindai University                | Fall – September ~ February         |
|           |                                  | Spring – April ~ August             |
|           | Shibaura Institute of Technology | Fall – End September ~ End January  |
|           |                                  | Spring – Mid April ~ End July       |
|           | Kanagawa University              | Fall – September ~ January          |
|           |                                  | Spring – April ~ July               |
| Jordania  | German Jordan University         | Fall – September ~ January          |
|           |                                  | Spring – February ~ June            |
| Malaysia  | Universiti Kebangsaan            | Fall – Mid September ~ Mid February |
|           |                                  | Spring – Mid February ~ End June    |
|           | Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM) | Fall – July ~ December              |
|           |                                  | Spring – January ~ June             |
| Marocco   | Al Akhawayn University           | Fall – End August ~ End December    |
|           |                                  | Spring – Mid January ~ May          |

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| Mexico       | Technologico de Monterrey                    | Fall – August ~ December         |
|              |  | Spring – February ~ June         |
|              | Universidad Regiomontana                     | Fall – September ~ December      |
|              |  | Spring – January ~ April         |
|              |  | Summer – May ~ August            |
|              | Universidad Anáhuac Cancún                   | Fall - August ~ December         |
|              |  | Spring - January ~ May           |
|              | Universidad de Guanajuato                    | Fall – August ~ Mid December     |
|              |  | Spring – Mid January ~ Mid June  |
| Namibia      | Namibia University of Science and Technology | Fall – July ~ November           |
|              |  | Spring – February ~ June         |
|              | University of Namibia                        | Fall – July ~ December           |
|              |  | Spring – February ~ June         |
| New Zealand  | Nelson Marlborough Institute of Technology   | Fall – July ~ November           |
|              |  | Spring – February ~ August       |
|              | University of Otago                          | Fall – July ~ November           |
|              |  | Spring – February ~ June         |
| Peru         | Pontificia Universidad Catolica del Peru     | Fall – Mid August ~ Mid December |
|              |  | Spring – Mid March ~ Mid July    |
|              | Universidad ESAN – School of Business        | Fall – August ~ December         |
|              |  | Spring – March ~ July            |
| South Africa | University of the Western Cape               | Fall – July ~ End November       |
|              |  | Spring – February ~ End June     |
|              | University of Cape Town (nur FB2)            | Fall – July ~ November           |
|              |  | Spring – February ~ June         |

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| South Korea                                      | Ewha Womans University              | Fall – September ~ December        |
|  |                                     | Spring – March ~ July              |
|  | Konkuk University                   | Fall – September ~ December        |
|  |                                     | Spring – March ~ June              |
|  | Hanyang University<br>ERICA Campus  | Fall – September ~ Mid December    |
|  |                                     | Spring – March ~ Mid June          |
| TOEFL or IELTS is mandatory for business classes | Sungkyunkwan University             | Fall – End August ~ December       |
|  |                                     | Spring – März ~ June               |
|  | Chung Ang University                | Fall – September ~ December        |
|  |                                     | Spring – March ~ June              |
|  | Sookmyung Women's University        | Fall – September ~ December        |
|  |                                     | Spring – March ~ June              |
|  | Pusan National University, Busan    | Fall – September ~ Mid December    |
|  |                                     | Spring – March ~ Mid June          |
|  | Dong-A University, Busan            | Fall – September ~ Mid December    |
|  |                                     | Spring – March ~ Mid June          |
|  | Keimyung University, Deagu          | Fall – September ~ Mid December    |
|  |                                     | Spring – March ~ Mid June          |
|  | Jeju National University            | Fall – September ~ Mid December    |
|  |                                     | Spring – March ~ End June          |
|  | Busan University of Foreign Studies | Fall – September – Mid December    |
|  |                                     | Spring – March ~ Mid June          |
| Taiwan   | Taiwan Tech                         | Fall – Mid September ~ January     |
|  |                                     | Spring – Mid February ~ June       |
|  | National Changhua University        | Fall – Mid September ~ Mid January |
|  |                                     | Spring – End February ~ End June   |
|  | YuanZe University                   | Fall – August ~ January            |
|  |                                     | Spring – February ~ June           |
|  | National Taipei University          | Fall - September ~ Mid January     |
|  |                                     | Spring - March ~ Mid June          |

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| Thailand                     | King Mongkut's Institute<br>Ladkrabang | Fall – End June ~ Mid November      |
|                              | Ramkhamhaeng<br>University             | Spring – End November ~ April       |
|                              | Bangkok University                     | Fall – July ~ November              |
|                              |  | Spring – December ~ April           |
|                              | Makerere University                    | Fall – August ~ December            |
|                              |  | Spring – January ~ May              |
| Uganda                       | California State,<br>Bakersfield       | Fall – Mid August ~ December        |
|                              |  | Spring – Mid January ~ May          |
| USA                          | California State, Los<br>Angeles       | Fall – Mid August ~ Mid December    |
|                              | California State, Monterey Bay         | Spring – Mid January ~ Mid May      |
|                              | San Francisco State<br>University      | Fall – September ~ Mid December     |
|                              |  | Spring – Mid January ~ Mid May      |
|                              | Westcliff University                   | Fall – Mid August ~ Mid December    |
|                              |  | Spring – January ~ End May          |
|                              | Massachusetts,<br>Dartmouth            | Fall – September ~ Mid December     |
|                              |  | Spring – January ~ End April        |
| No exchange places currently | University of New<br>Orleans           | Fall – September ~ Mid December     |
|                              |  | Spring – January ~ End April        |
|                              | Wisconsin, La Crosse                   | Fall – September ~ Mid December     |
|                              |  | Spring – January ~ End April        |
|                              | Wisconsin, Whitewater                  | Fall – September ~ Mid December     |
|                              |  | Spring – January ~ End April        |
| Vietnam                      | DaNang University                      | Fall – Mid August ~ December        |
|                              |  | Spring – Mid January ~ Mid May      |
|                              | Vietnamese-German<br>University        | Fall – Mid August ~ December        |
|                              |  | Spring – End December ~ Mid June    |
|                              | Vietnamese-German<br>University        | Fall – September ~ December/January |
|                              |  | Spring – February ~ June/July       |

# How to ...

An **important part** of the application is answering the following **questions about your motivation** for a semester abroad. Even if you don't have very good grades during your studies, this offers you the opportunity to present your motivation and qualifications for a semester abroad in a structured way. We want to get to know you as a person, so general statements like "I would like to improve my language skills while getting to know a different culture" or "I would like to spend a semester at a college on the beach and learn to surf" are not meaningful justifications!

Here are the **questions** and **tips** on **how to answer** them. Please formulate your answers in **English!**:

- **Why do you want to study abroad and what will you gain from it? How do you prepare for the semester abroad and which experiences do you bring in?**
  - Please describe your motivation for studying abroad as well as the professional and personal goals you hope to achieve. How are you personally preparing for your stay abroad and what experiences do you have so far?
- **What do you think will be the main challenge while studying abroad, personally and academically?**
  - Explain the potential challenges, both personal and academical, that you might encounter during your semester abroad and describe how you will deal with them.
- **Please describe why you would like to attend each of the universities you prioritized in your application and why you would like to study abroad in those countries / cities specifically (both personally and academically).**

**Tip:** Write your answers in Word and the copy and paste the text into Mobility online

# DAAD – Proof of Language Proficiency

## How do I get a language certificate ?

### ✓ Requirements

- You are **enrolled** at the Frankfurt UAS
- You need proof of your B2-Level language skills in English, French or Spanish (or in another of the languages taught at the Fachsprachenzenter)
- Even native speakers need a language certificate

### 📌 Good to know

If you have **successfully attended** a course at the Language Center or a specialized language module in your degree program in the respective language and this course was taken **no longer than two years ago**:

- Please fill out [this PDF form](#) with your personal data and the details of the course you passed and send it to [sek\(at\)fsz.fra-uas.de](mailto:sek(at)fsz.fra-uas.de) with „DAAD Sprachnachweis“ in the subject line.
- After registration, you will receive information from the secretary's office on the further procedure

**Attention:** [Special rules](#) apply for the General English Courses

If you have **not yet completed a language course** at the Language Center or the **course you attended took place more than two years ago**, you will have to do a **test**. We recommend the DAAD-Test at the FSZ..

- It costs 30,00 EUR.
- The test consists of an oral and written examination.

**NEW:** You can register for the DAAD language test at the FSZ in our [registration portal](#) on campUAS. You will also find information **about the test there**.

**Attention:** The whole process takes at least two weeks so apply for it early enough to not miss the semester abroad application deadline.

### 💬 Questions? Uncertainties?

All important information can be found on the FSZ-Website.

# Financing Options

The following financing options are available, for example:

- **Savings** or family support
- **AuslandsBAFöG**  
(Application at least 6 month in advanced)
- **Scholarships and Scholarship Databases:**
  - PROMOS-Scholarship (see on the right)\*
  - Fulbright (USA)\*
  - Stiftung des deutschen Volkes\*
  - DAAD-Jahresstipendien\*
  - DAAD-Stipendiendatenbank, e.g. [HAW Stipendium](#)\*
  - mystipendium.de

Please **inform yourself** about scholarships and apply within their **deadlines**. These sometimes end up to two years before the planned stay abroad.

- **Credits:**
  - Education loans of the KfW
  - Federal Government Education Loan Program
  - Interest-free loan from the Mainswerk

## „What costs will I have to pay?“

A good way to estimate the costs of a semester abroad is to read reports of former exchange students (which can be found in our CampUAS course) and to do research on the websites of the partner universities.

\* FRA-UAS Studierende wurden mit diesen Stipendien gefördert.

## DAAD PROMOS Scholarship\*\*

- Partial scholarships for **study and internship stays** in non-European countries (up to 6 months) for stays at partner universities or mandatory internships.
- Students who are enrolled at the Fra-UAS can apply
- Selection is based on qualifications, existing language skills, the content of the application letter, and evidence of extracurricular qualifications and other activities

### Application documents for mandatory interns

- Completed and signed DAAD PROMOS application
- Proof of study achievements
- DAAD language certificate (issued by the Fachsprachenzentrum)
- Letter of recommendation from a lecturer
- Letter of Motivation (english, 1 A4-page), please use your own words
- CV
- Erasmus+ funding is possible for mandatory internships in Social Work Transnational

### Application documents for a stay at a partner university

- Completed and signed DAAD Promos application form
- Proof of current academic performance
- Letter of Application (english, 1 A4-Seite), please use your own words

### Application deadlines

(Please ensure that you submit your complete application documents in time):

- **Funding Period July – December 2026: 15.04.2026**
- **Funding Period January – June 2027: 15.11.2026**

\*\* Subject to the allocation of funds by the DAAD

# Social Engagement

gives you an advantage when applying for a job, as you stand out positively from competitors.

## Buddy Programm

What is already difficult for German first-year students can quickly become a challenge for international students. The International Office is therefore looking for interested students who can help the "newcomers" in the first few weeks, act as cultural mediators and, above all, as friends.

For yourself, the program offers the opportunity to **volunteer**, **make international contacts**, **improve your foreign language skills**, and prepare for or **follow up on your own stay abroad**. At the end of the semester, you can also request a **certificate** of your volunteer work.

So if you are interested in becoming a buddy, please contact:

Everybody needs some buddy! 😊

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uas.de)

# The next steps



## 1. Research

- Information about partner universities (e.g. courses offered) and about the respective countries, cities and cultures, read experience reports on CampUAS:  
„Auslandsvorbereitung“
- **Semester dates** at the partner university (sometimes they differ considerably from our term dates).
- Required **language skills** – attend language courses at the Language Center!
- **Accommodation** (shared apartment, dormitory).
- **Costs** (living expenses, flight, insurance, visa) check on: expatistan.de
- **Application deadlines** and documents at the International Office
- Applications deadlines for **scholarship programs** (e.g.. DAAD-Jahresstipendien)
- Prepare and submit applications for **BAföG** abroad
- Information on travel and **security advice** from the German Foreign Office (in particular visas, medical check-ups, vaccinations, security situation and local risks).

## 2. Complete application in Mobility Online

- Multiple applications for country programs and Overseas Student Exchange possible.

## 3. You will receive feedback approximately 3 weeks after the deadline as to which university you have been selected for.

## 4. Consultation with study program director / international representative

- Course selection (Learning Agreement)

## 5. Application at the Partner University

- You will receive the further information and documents from us in time.
- Country-specific preventive medical checkups may be mandatory, if applicable.
- The presentation of a bank statement with a certain amount of money may be prerequisite for the visa.

## 6. Conclusion of insurance (especially foreign health and accident insurance, liability insurance) and (if necessary) application for a Visa)

## 7. Application DAAD Promos Scholarship