



ABTEILUNG INTERNATIONALES

Exchange Programs &
Scholarship Opportunities

TYPES OF ACADEMIC STAYS ABROAD

I. Studies

II. Internships

III. Language Assistantships

IV. Language Courses → funding through PROMOS (except English courses!)

V. Research for Bachelor's or Master's theses → funding through PROMOS

WHO CAN APPLY?

- All students, beginning in the 2nd Bachelor semester
- Degree-seeking students at JGU (usually, nationality does not matter)
- Bachelor *and* Master (and beyond)

Important: applications for *graduate programs* often possible in your 4th undergraduate semester already! (e.g. Fulbright)

DURATION OF STAY ABROAD

- Studies: 1 semester (e.g. ERASMUS+, PROMOS, Fulbright)
 - Studies: 1 academic year (e.g. DAAD, Fulbright, Direct Exchange of the Obama Institute)
 - Language assistantships: usually 1 school year (PAD sometimes less)
- important: **always within the academic calendar of the host institution!**
- Internships: 6 weeks – 3 months, sometimes longer
 - Research internships (RISE *weltweit*, ISAP): depending on the program

CHOOSING A UNIVERSITY FOR STUDY ABROAD

→ <https://www.daad.de/de/laenderinformationen/> → select a country → „Studieren und leben in ...“ (information in German)

Criteria for your selection:

- Solely academic criteria! (no personal ties)
- Integration into your studies at the home institution!
- Supplementing your studies at JGU (e.g. courses not offered at JGU)
- Specialization within your field of studies
- Exam preparation (especially research for your thesis)
- Check credit transfer options in advance with your academic adviser → *but courses don't necessarily have to be transferable!*

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS & FUNDING OPTIONS

- Cooperation programs: University Partnerships, ERASMUS+
- Individual programs:
 - DAAD (Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst), Promos
 - Fulbright (USA only) → scholarships for graduate students; also offers travel grants
 - Foundations & similar organizations (see www.mystipendium.de)
- Regional programs (e.g. Fulbright, FORTHEM, DFH-UFA)
- AuslandsBAföG (under certain conditions also available for international students)

ERASMUS+ (STUDIES)



- Specific departmental cooperations within Europe (see www.uni-mainz.de/austauschoptionen)
- for 1 or 2 semesters
- requirement: at least 2 semesters of studies in that particular field completed at the time of departure (Bachelor); graduate students can apply in the 1st semester
- language competence
- full tuition waiver, maintenance scholarship (depending on host country)
- administrative support both at the home and the host institution

UNIVERSITY PARTNERSHIPS

- Special partner universities (see www.uni-mainz.de/bewerbung-partneruni)
- Interdisciplinary exchange
- Full tuition waiver from the partner university
- Sometimes also a maintenance scholarship from the partner university
- Administrative support on both sides
- Academically relevant plan of studies, well-founded interest in the host country & sound language competence required

DAAD-PROGRAMS

- Scholarships for one academic year to complement, specialize and expand your studies at home (for undergraduates and graduates, different rules for ERASMUS+ countries)
- Further scholarship programs specific to certain fields of study or certain destination for students of all levels (at JGU e.g. Chemistry, Journalism)
- Usually funding for tuition, living expenses, travel expenses, insurance etc.



Application deadline depends on destination country!

Read the program description carefully to make sure you meet all requirements!

For further programs for Ph.D. students, post-docs, researchers, professors, etc., see

www.auslands-stipendien.de

PROMOS

- For studies of 1 semester (*not* for ERASMUS+ partner universities)
- For research for your Bachelor's or Master's thesis
- For language courses (except English)
- For summer schools
- For internships outside of the EU (travel grants only)
- For student field trips
 - Usually a maintenance scholarship depending on host country (ca. 350 € per month), no tuition
 - Travel grant depending on host country
 - Application deadline March 31 & Oct. 31, different deadlines for internships & student field trips

ERASMUS+ INTERNSHIPS (EU-SERVICEPOINT)

- Internship has to relate to your studies at JGU
- Internship has to take place in an ERASMUS+ country (exceptions possible)
- Internship has to last at least 2 months (60 days)
- Proof of language competence required
- Internship has to be recognized by home dept. (e.g. credit transfer)
- Monthly maintenance scholarship, depending on host country

OTHER INTERNSHIP FUNDING

- PROMOS (not for ERASMUS+ countries)
- DAAD: *Kurzstipendien für Praktika* (select internship providers)
- RISE (Research Internships in Science & Engineering; undergraduates only)
- IAESTE, AIESEC, bvmd, ZAD, DCGM
- DAAD-Program Lehramt.International for future teachers of *all* disciplines

See also www.auslands-stipendien.de

Important: check whether you need a visa and/or work permit!

LANGUAGE ASSISTANCESHIPS

- Language assistanceships organized by PAD
(www.kmk-pad.org/fsadia)
- GET Across Borders
- Direct Exchange in American Studies (Obama Institute)
- DAAD-Program Lehramt International for future teachers of *all* disciplines
- Assistantships for teaching German (e.g. Goethe Institute)

STUDY ABROAD & COVID-19

HOPE FOR THE BEST
AND PREPARE FOR
THE WORST!

- Plan ahead! (By now, conditions have improved a lot in all countries)
- Meet all application deadlines: you can defer your stay or withdraw your application, but you can't apply late
- Collect information about regulations for travel, vaccination, testing, quarantine, etc.
- Collect information about the current situation in your host country
- Make sure you have sufficient health insurance coverage!

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