

TYPES OF ACADEMIC STAYS ABROAD

- I. Studies
- II. Internships
- III. Language Assistantships

- IV. Research for Bachelor's or Master's theses → funding through Promos
- V. Short Stays: e.g. FORTHEM, Santander Short Stays
- VI. Language Courses



WHO CAN APPLY?

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

Important: applications for *graduate programs* are often possible at the end of your undergraduate studies 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: often 1 school year (PAD sometimes less)
- → important: length of stay always depends on 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

→ www.daad.de/de/laenderinformationen/ → select a country → "Studieren und leben in …" (information in German)

Criteria for your choice of the host institution:

- 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+, FORTHEM
- Individual scholarships (you choose your destination yourself):
 DAAD (Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst: www.auslands-stipendium.de),
 Promos
 - Fulbright (USA only) \rightarrow scholarships for graduate students; also offers travel grants Foundations & similar organizations (see www.mystipendium.de)
- Regional programs (e.g. Fulbright, FORTHEM, DFH-UFA)
- Short-stay programs (e.g. FORTHEM)
- AuslandsBAföG (under certain conditions also available for international students)

ERASMUS+ (STUDIES)



- Specific departmental cooperations within Europe (see jgu.to/studium/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 the host country)
- administrative support both at the home and the host institution

UNIVERSITY PARTNERSHIPS

- Special partner universities (see jgu.to/studium/hochschulpartnerschaften-und-kooperationen)
- Interdisciplinary exchange
- Full tuition waiver from the partner university
- Sometimes also a maintenance scholarship from the partner university
- Administrative support on both sides
- Prerequisites: Academically relevant plan of studies, well-founded interest in the host country & sound language competence required

Cf. also university cooperations with a partial tuition waiver: jgu.to/studium/hochschulpartnerschaften-und-kooperationen (in the U.S.A. & South Africa)

DAAD-PROGRAMS

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

 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 (for German students wishing to study abroad)
www.funding-guide.de (for international students wishing to study in Germany)

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) [currently paused]
- For summer schools
- For internships outside of the EU (travel grants only)
- For student field trips
- Usually a maintenance scholarship depending on the host country (ca. 350 € per month), no tuition
- Travel grant depending on the host country
- Application deadline March 31 & Oct. 15, 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 assitanceships organized by PAD (www.kmk-pad.org/programme/fremdsprachenassistenz)
- GET Across Borders [currently paused]
- 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)

Our website in English: jgu.to/studium/stays-abroad

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