Partner Information Form
For Prospective Erasmus+ – and Swiss European Mobility Incoming Students

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Application Deadline

Application period
Winter term (or for an entire academic year at TUM):
Mid of March – May 15
Summer term:
Mid of September - October 31

Nominations and applications need to be at TUM latest by May 15/ October 31.

Application Procedure

e-Nomination & necessary application documents
Partner university selects students according to performance, commitment and language skills and nominates them for the exchange semester stay via our nomination platform. TUM accepts students for a maximum of three exchange semesters (in their whole university career!) within the scope of the exchange agreement. After an acknowledgement-email from TUM, students apply within our application period as mentioned on our homepage (see link below). Applications need to be done online and via e-mail! Applications should include the following documents:

1) Online application
2) One (max. two) page letter of motivation (either in German or English)
3) Curriculum vitae (either in German or English)
4) Learning Agreement / Study plan (courses students want to attend at TUM)
5) Transcript of records (all grades attained at home university), signed and stamped by the students’ home institution
6) Document listing the courses students attend in their current semester (and are not yet listed in the transcript).
7) Language certificate (can be issued by home institution or a language school)

Further information
General Information about TUM

School Transformation

With TUM Agenda 2030, TUM is systematically further developing its transformation. While preserving the academic diversity and valuable specifics of individual subject cultures, today’s departments are being transferred to larger TUM Schools to dynamize dormant interaction potential and create system-integrative networks. By the winter semester of 2023/24, seven Schools are be created.

TUM Schools

A list of all TUM Schools can be found here: https://www.tum.de/en/about-tum/organization

Nominations

Currently, our partner universities still nominate for the former known TUM departments (in our student application form named as: subject area).

Overview of which subject area belongs to which School

School of Engineering & Design (ED): Architecture; Civil, Geo and Environmental Engineering; Aerospace and Geodesy; Mechanical Engineering; Engineering Science (former Munich School of Engineering)

School of Natural Sciences (NAT): Chemistry; Physics

School of Social Sciences and Technology (SOT): Education; Governance

School of Computation, Information and Technology (CIT): Electrical and Computer Engineering; Informatics; Mathematics

School of Medicine and Health (MH) (from Oct. 23): Sport & Health Sciences; Medicine

The TUM School of Life Sciences (LS) and the TUM School of Management (MGT) have kept their former subject areas.

Locations

TUM spans four large sites in Bavaria: Munich, Garching, Weihenstephan and Straubing. As well as one site in the state of Baden-Württemberg: Heilbronn.

Please note that, even after the School transformation, the different disciplines will remain spread over the different TUM locations.

For more information: https://www.tum.de/en/about-tum/locations/

Please note that not all partner can send students to all locations. See arranged agreement places.

Academic Information

Semester dates

Winter term: October - March
Summer term: April - September


Course catalogue and descriptions


Students should NOT login TUMonline, only click button “continue without login”!
Next, students can look for courses either in the “Module Catalogue” or under “Courses” If there are no courses listed for the semester they want to study in (which usually is the case as they are planning their studies in advance of faculty timetabling), they should
just choose the same semester for which they are planning to come but for the previous year (the offered courses in each semester usually stay the same).

### Languages of Instruction

The number of courses offered in English is constantly increasing. About half of TUM’s Master’s programs are entirely conducted in English and some more are taught bilingually in German and English. Students are advised to check the language of instruction for the desired courses in advance.

### Language Level & Proficiency

In most cases, the required level is at least B1 or B2, this depends on the TUM School. Please check the webpage of the TUM School, which you can find under Information on courses or modules, exams, the study plan at TUM or (online) Learning Agreement and other academic matters at TUM.

Proof of language proficiency in the respective language of instruction of the chosen course is required: German proficiency for courses taught in German, while English proficiency for courses taught in English. While not mandatory for all exchange students, some German proficiency is highly desirable even for students who are only taking courses in English in order to fully participate in the wider community and life.

### Language courses

TUM offers German language courses for international students during the semester. For details please see: https://www.sprachenzentrum.tum.de/en/sprachenzentrum/homepage/

### Semester workload

15-20 ECTS credits recommended (Note: 60% of exchange students’ TUM study load must be completed at their main host subject area / School.)

### Examinations and academic transcripts

If the examination time does not fit into your student’s plan at home, be aware that earlier or extra examinations for exchange students cannot be arranged at TUM! Exchange students need to attend the exams at the official examination dates. Examination dates vary between the TUM Schools, but generally take place between February and March (winter term) and between July and September (summer term). For the exact dates, please contact the subject area’s / School’s coordinator. Transcripts can be downloaded online, even after students have left TUM.

### For questions regarding courses & examinations

Please contact the subject areas or Schools: https://www.international.tum.de/en/global/school-contacts/

Or see here under “Information on courses, exams, the TUM study plan or (online) Learning Agreement and other academic matters”: https://www.international.tum.de/en/global/exchangestudents/study-at-tum-with-erasmus-or-semp/#c9055

### Recognition of TUM courses

Need to be answered by the home university.

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### Accommodation

In general

For all locations except Straubing, Heilbronn and Weihenstephan: The participation in Erasmus+ and SEMP does not include any accommodation offer. For further details please see “Information for exchange students of other programs, e.g. Erasmus+” on the following website: www.international.tum.de/en/accommodation/#c5698.
For Weihenstephan:  https://www.wzw.tum.de/index.php?id=452&L=1
e-mail: accommodation.co@ls.tum.de

For Straubing:  https://www.cs.tum.de/prospective-students/housing/?lang=en
e-mail: studieren.straubing@tum.de

For Heilbronn:  https://www.wi.tum.de/student-life/living-in-heilbronn/#finding
e-mail: servicepoint@chn.tum.de

Rents
For Munich & Garching: average price € 650 / month (single room with utilities included) / € 1000 / month (studio apartment with utilities included)

For all other campuses: Please check the accommodation website of the respective campus.

Orientation Program

The TUM Global and Alumni Office provides an orientation program designed to help students find their way. Most activities are organized in cooperation with the student association ESN TUMi München. The program takes place the first two weeks of October (winter term) and the first two weeks of April (summer term).

The program is also open to students studying in Weihenstephan, Straubing and Heilbronn. Additional activities will though be organized on Straubing and Heilbronn Campus.

https://www.international.tum.de/en/global/campuslife/

Estimated Costs of Living (current status)

Semester fee
This fee needs to be paid per semester by all TUM students incl. exchange students:  https://www.tum.de/en/studies/fees
It is divided into TUMs three campus: Munich, Garching, Weihenstephan / Straubing / Heilbronn. Please keep yourself updated, as this fee can also change on short notice before the semester starts.

Public transportation ("Deutschlandticket")
In 2023 the optional "Deutschlandticket" was released. From winter semester 23-24, it will replace the current semester ticket. If all happens as planned: the ticket is valid for the whole public transportation and regional train within Germany (long distance trains are excluded). For further information please see the TUM website:
https://www.tum.de/en/studies/semester-ticket

Food/meals
Approx. €300 per month

Books and supplies
Approx. €40 per month for books, lecture materials

Personal expenses
€150 per month (according to individual needs as phone, clothing, leisure time, etc.)

Health insurance
Around €120 per month (not for students with an EHIC-card)
Further information

General information for international students at TUM – Preparing for your stay: to dos after admission:
https://www.international.tum.de/en/global/exchangestudents/general-information-for-international-students/preparing-your-stay/

Visa Requirements/Residence Permit Application

Entry regulations to study in Germany

Applicants from EU/EFTA nations as well as some other nations do not need a visa.

Applicants without EU/EFTA citizenship that study in an EU member state with a valid residence permit for study purposes in that EU member state if coming on exchange to TUM for up to 360 days: those students either need to obtain a confirmation of the German BAMF (affected students will be contacted by us) or need to apply for a visa (on their own). If a visa application is necessary, students should start the process at least 2 months ahead of time. Students cannot travel to Germany on a tourist visa, since this cannot be changed into a student visa! Students that are in Germany on a tourist visa are not entitled to study.

Applicants from Switzerland who are allowed to enter Germany without a visa have to fill out a residence permit application, which can be obtained at the local Foreigner’s Registration Authority.

Further information

https://www.international.tum.de/en/global/exchangestudents/general-information-for-international-students/preparing-your-stay/#c7178

Health Insurance

Are students required to purchase health insurance?

Yes, in Germany health insurance is mandatory. Students need proof of a German national health insurance to register at TUM. Students originating from countries in the European Union (EU/EFTA) nations must obtain the International Health Insurance Certification (former E111 or E128) or EHIC-Card from their health insurance provider in their home country and present it to a German statutory health insurance provider to get approval. Students originating from countries outside the EU: To ensure that coverage is sufficient to meet German national standards, it is recommended that students purchase an in-country medical insurance plan. For the amount of full coverage for students please see under “Estimated Costs of Living (current status)”. Travel insurances are not accepted.

Further information

https://www.international.tum.de/en/global/exchangestudents/general-information-for-international-students/preparing-your-stay/#c6930
Banking

Must students open a bank account while studying in Munich?
It is highly advisable to open a bank account in Germany. German banks offer accounts free of charge for students. Debit cards from German banks are accepted throughout Europe.

Tax-ID
It is obligatory to show a tax-ID for opening a bank account: When coming to Germany, students should bring their own tax-ID from their home country. Please help them with this matter! They could also get a German tax-ID. But this is much more difficult and needs a lot of time (6-8 weeks): this is often too late for opening a bank account, as e.g. landlords, TUM sports (if taking part) need bank data earlier. So it is not really an option.

What are acceptable credit cards in Munich?
In Munich all major credit cards are accepted. More and more stores (but not all) take credit cards; some shops only accept cash payment.
In smaller cities and towns outside of Munich, credit cards are not widely accepted.

Signatures of TUM

Confirmation of stay
Signature of arrival:
Will be signed by TUM School only AFTER the first academic activity at TUM (e.g. Orientation weeks, language course). Not earlier.

Signature of departure:
Will be signed by TUM School only at the time of the LAST academic activity at TUM (e.g. end of courses, exam, end of thesis). Not earlier or later.

Learning Agreement / OLA
Will be signed by the TUM School (not TUM Global & Alumni Office). Signatures are available at earliest after students received their TUM admission letter (winter term from July / summer term from December). Students need to contact their TUM School to receive the signed version, as in most cases it will not be done automatically. This can be done via e-mail or when students are at TUM.

Contacts for signatures and the OLA dashboard
https://www.international.tum.de/en/global/school-contacts/

Additional Information

TUM welcomes students with disabilities and special needs
Learn more at: https://www.international.tum.de/en/global/exchangelstudents/offerrings-for-students-with-special-needs-or-fewer-opportunities/
Contact at TUM Global & Alumni Office: Amanda Gesang (gesang@zv.tum.de)

Health and Safety Information
Please find an overview of the most important health and safety aspects in Germany here: http://go.tum.de/625213
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**General Information**  
Brochure “Going to TUM on Exchange”  

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