Student Exchange Programs at TUM

Technical University of Munich
TUM Global & Alumni Office
Master's Days
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Zoom Etiquette

- **Chat** – Please write your questions in the zoom chat.
- **F&Q time**: 2 sessions (middle and end of the presentation)
- **Presentation slides** – available on the Masters’ Days page in the next days
Going abroad with TUM: Agenda

- Erasmus+ – Study stays and Internships in Erasmus+ program countries
- SEMP – Study stays in Switzerland
- TUMexchange – Study stays worldwide
- ATHENS – Study one week in Europe
- Double Degree – One study, two degrees
- Scholarships for stays abroad
- EuroTeQ – Virtual course catalogue
- TUMinternational international experience@home
- Housing Forum at TUM Global & Alumni Office
- TUM Language Center
Good Reasons to Go Abroad

- Gain more awareness for global challenges
- Improve your language skills
- Increase your career opportunities
- Intercultural competences
- Become a global citizen

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Erasmus+ Study Stays and Internships
Erasmus+ Study Stays

350 Partner Universities
32 Countries
Erasmus+ Study Stays

- **Financial Support** for your stay abroad
- **Social top up** for students with fewer opportunities
- **Recognition** of academic achievements completed abroad
- Application possible from the **1st year of study**
- Required level of the **language** of instruction B1/B2

**Application period AY 2025/26: 01.12.2024 – 15.01.2025**
How to choose the host country & the host university

Criteria relevant for studies:
- Course offer, relevance for your study plan
- Study conditions (facilities, supervision ratio, teaching quality)
- Required language skills and certificates
- Website of your TUM Department

Other criteria:
- Intercultural aspects
- Language
- Leisure activities
- Personal preferences
- Local living conditions
Erasmus+ Study Stays

“I have loved my stay at KTH (...) Being away from your usual environment can help you figure out what’s really important for YOU, while also making more friends all over the world 😊”

Zoe, KTH (Sweden), Architecture
Where to find information about host country/university

Where to find information:

- TUM website or contact person at your TUM School/Department
- Website of the host university you're interested in
- Experience reports from former students
- Country groups of the TUM Community: www.community.tum.de/tum-community/#weltweit
- Participating in Events by International Campus Life and TUMi www.international.tum.de/en/global/campuslife/

https://www.international.tum.de/en/global/erasmusstudies/
Erasmus+ Internships

- **Self-organized** internship (also practice-related theses can be funded)
- **Host institutions**: companies, universities, organizations, individual entrepreneurs, NGOs, associations, etc.
- **Duration**: from a min. two to max. twelve months (= 60 to 360 days)
- **Max earned salary**: 1000 € gross per month
- Also possible in the first year of study
- Enrollment at TUM (exception: graduate internship must be done up to one year after graduation)

**Application deadline**: 4 weeks before start of internship
Graduate internship:

- **Enrollment** at TUM at the time of application
- **Exmatriculation** before start of internship
- **Time** of internship: *within 360 days* after exmatriculation
- Also possible between BA and MA or after completion of studies
Erasmus+ internship worldwide

- **Limited number** of scholarships
- Allocation on a "**first come, first serve**" basis
- **Exceptions**: Theses and practical year of students of the Faculty of Medicine (funding via PROMOS)

**Application deadline for internships outside the EU**: 8 weeks
SEMP – Study Stays in Switzerland
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- **Exemption of tuition fees** at the partner university
- **Financial Support** for your stay abroad by the Swiss partner university
- **Recognition** of academic achievements completed abroad
- Application possible after two completed study semesters (Bachelor)

Application period starting in December
for the following winter and summer term
TUMexchange – Study Stays Worldwide
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30+ Countries
150+ Partner Universities
TUMexchange benefits

- **Exemption from tuition fees** at the partner universities
- **Recognition** of study achievements abroad
- **Scholarship for equal opportunities**
- **Erasmus+ scholarships**
- Training courses on **intercultural communication** at TUM Language Center
Application criteria

- **Matriculation at TUM** at the moment of application as well as during your whole stay abroad
- **Successful completion** of your Bachelor studies when starting your exchange semester
- **Grade point average (Bachelor grades only!)**
- **Motivational letter**
- **Level of the language of instruction** (English B2, Spanish/Portuguese/French A2)

**Important:**

once TUMexchange is accepted, no longer eligible for other exchange programs for the same period

**Online Application only once a year in October/November**

Exact date to be announced
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https://www.international.tum.de/global/tumexchange/
“My time in China was absolutely amazing. It's such a unique and fascinating country, and the way they do things differently was a breath of fresh air, allowing me to explore so many new experiences and break free from my daily routine in Germany. I'd go back in a heartbeat.”
Nicolai, Peking University (China), Informatics
“My stay abroad at UBC proved to be a transformative experience, catalyzing personal growth and fostering new found independence. Immersed in a foreign environment, I embarked on a journey of self discovery, pushing the boundaries of my comfort zone and embracing the challenges of building a life in a new land.”
Maximilian, University of British Columbia (Canada), Physics
Scholarships for TUMexchange participants

Scholarship for equal opportunities

• For TUMexchange participants only
• For students with difficult personal and socio-economic circumstances
• Application in March (for the winter term), in October (for the summer term)
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Erasmus+ scholarships

- Students selected for eligible partner universities automatically receive the scholarship
- Information about necessary documents for the scholarship sent via email from G&A
- Individual support: 700€/month
- Funded stay duration between 2 months and 12 months
- Check the list of eligible universities for updates in autumn 2024
Questions

• Erasmus+ application process, general topics like finding accommodations abroad and following the curriculum in another country
• How can lab rotations abroad be funded?
• Are the choices to go abroad also open for international students who received their bachelors in Germany?
• When is the best semester to go abroad, which grades should one have to be accepted for a semester abroad?
• What is the process like for a Non-EU citizen to go abroad?
ATHENS – Study One Week in Europe
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24 Partner Universities
14 Countries
ATHENS – Study One Week in Europe

- **One-week intensive course** on a wide range of topics, from engineering to social sciences
- Participation from the 3rd year of study (=Bachelor) recommended
- **Two sessions** per year: mid March and mid November
- Complementary **European Dimension Activity** (cultural programme)
- **Recognition** of academic achievements of 2 ECTS possible
- **ATHENS BIPs** - Blended Intensive Programmes – with the possibility to have recognised 3 ECTS
- „First come, first serve“

**Application periods:**

- September (November session) and January (March session)
Double Degree – One study, two degrees
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**Advantages**

- Acquisition of a second degree in addition to your TUM degree
- Mutual recognition of credits between both universities

**Requirements**

- Being enrolled at a TUM department offering a suitable Double Degree program
- Excellent level of the language of instruction at the partner university

For further information about the modalities of your application and the content and structure of a Double Degree program, please contact the International Affairs Delegate of your TUM school or department.
Scholarships for your self-organised stays abroad
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PROMOS individual scholarships (DAAD)

- Final thesis outside of Erasmus+ zone
- Stays abroad as part of the Practical Year (PJ) outside the Erasmus+ area.
- Financial support for up to 6 months (approx. 400 €/month)
- 2 application deadlines per year (31.05. and 30.11.)

PROMOS group travel

- Study-related travel inside or outside of the Erasmus+ zone
- Financial support for up to 12 days
- Has to be accompanied by a university representative (lecturer, research assistant) of TUM
TUM without Borders
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- Travel cost support for academic activities in developing countries
- Promotion of the developing country mobility
- Strengthening the developing country competence
- Establishment and expansion of the research and project cooperation
- Up to three persons per trip (students, PhDs, or employees)
- Funding of up to €1000 per person
TUM without Borders

**Toranam project in South India**

- Initiated by TUM students
- building a demonstration farm where farmers can learn how to get good crop yields using agroforestry and sustainable water management
Thinking Green – Climate Friendly Stay Abroad
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Erasmus+ Green Travel Grant

- Organize your trip environmentally friendly by train, bus or bicycle
- you will get an additional support for your travel

Erasmus+ Award

- Additionally reward of environmentally friendly travel to your Erasmus+ destination
- Send photos, report or link to your blog about your green journey by train, bus, or bike
- Most beautiful examples are awarded between 300 and 500 Euros – depending on the distance
Thinking Green – Inspiring Stories
Virtual Learning Opportunities with EuroTeQ
EuroTeQ – eight excellent technical universities
Virtual Learning Opportunities with EuroTeQ

What’s in it for TUM students?
- Over 130 virtual and hybrid courses at eight EuroTeQ partner universities
- Completely taught in English (except for the foreign language course offers)
- Free Participation
- Certificate or transcript of records upon completion, credit transfer possible

International learning experience from the comfort of your own home!
Get involved with ESN TUMi Munich
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Open for international and local students

Advantages for TUMi tutors

• Experience an international atmosphere in Munich
• Develop language and intercultural skills
• Volunteer
• Continue to live in an international community
• Apply before the start of each semester: https://tumi.esn.world/

All offers of TUMi are open to all students of TUM (not just to tutors)

• Language café, country evenings, game nights
• Excursions, trips, company visits, theater performances, sports activities & much more…
• Event dates published in the TUMi app: https://tumi.esn.world/
Housing Forum at TUM Global & Alumni Office
Rent your room / apartment to an international exchange student while you are away!

Your advantages at a glance
• Large selection of possible tenants
• Help for new exchange students
• No organizational effort

How it works
• Fill in the form for housing offers and send it to our incoming team
• All housing offers are published on the incoming website
• Interested exchange students receive your contact details via e-mail
• You decide who gets the accommodation
TUM Language Center
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- Courses in 18 languages
  - Free of charge for TUM students and staff
  - Courses during the semester and block courses during the semester breaks
  - Courses at all major TUM campuses

- Language Certificates (Level A1-C1)
- Intercultural Communication Trainings
- TUMtandem
- English Writing Center
Technical University of Munich
TUM Global & Alumni Office
https://www.international.tum.de/en/global-going-abroad