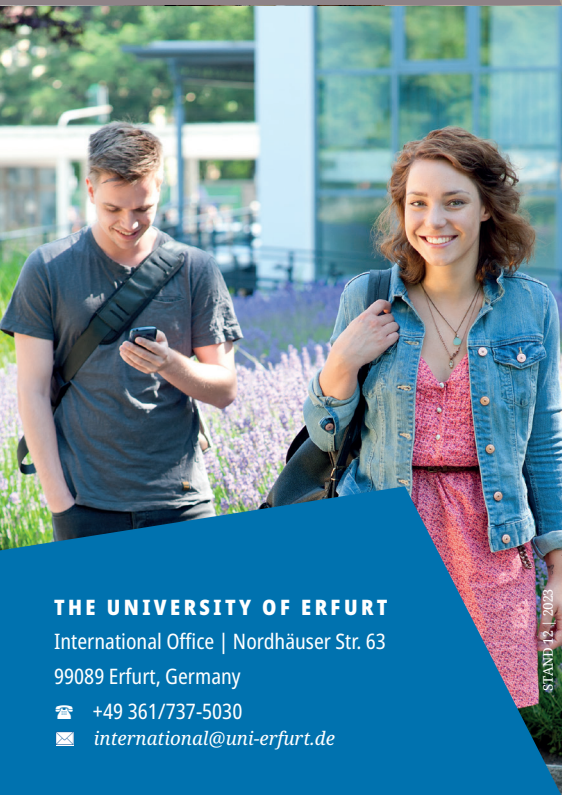




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STUDY ABROAD AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ERFURT

Do you want to study in a city where you can be fully immersed in the German language? Are you a full-time student, speak at least basic German, and are interested in spending one or two semesters abroad? *Come to Erfurt!*

THE UNIVERSITY OF ERFURT

Founded in 1392, closed in the 19th century, and reopened with an ambitious reform programme in 1994 following German reunification, the University of Erfurt is both – the oldest and one of the youngest institutions of higher education in Germany. It is particularly famous for its faculties of social sciences and humanities.

The educational concept at the University of Erfurt is based on scholarly excellence, interdisciplinary studies, open channels of communication, and a strong international profile.

FACTS AND FIGURES

Total enrolment: about 5700

International students: about 500

Faculties: Faculty of Humanities;
Faculty of Economics, Law
and Social Sciences;
Faculty of Education;
Faculty of Catholic Theology
and
Max Weber Centre for
Advanced Cultural and Social
Studies

Academic degrees: Bachelor of Arts;
Master of Arts;
Master of Public Policy;
Magister Degree;
PhD

COURSE OFFERINGS BACHELOR PROGRAMMES

Arts • Catholic Religion • Communication Science •
Economics, Law and Social Sciences – Economics con-
centration • Economics, Law and Social Sciences – Law
concentration • Economics, Law and Social Sciences
– Social Science concentration • Educational Science
• English and American Studies • German Studies •
History • International Relations • Literary Studies •
Management (minor only) • Mathematics (minor only)
• Music • Philosophy • Primary Education • Protestant
Religion (minor only) • Religious Studies • Romance
Studies (minor only) • Slavic Studies (minor only) •
Special Education and Inclusive Pedagogy • Sport and
Physical Education (minor only) • Teaching, Learning
and Training Psychology • Technology Education

MAGISTER DEGREE

Catholic Theology

MASTER PROGRAMMES

Applied Linguistics • Children's and Youth Media
Studies • Democracy & Economy • Economics, Law
and Social Sciences • Educational Science – Manage-
ment and Research in the Education System • Global
Communication: Politics and Society (in English) •
Health Communication • Literary Studies • Master of
Education Primary Schools • Master of Education
Secondary Schools • Master of Education Special
Needs Pedagogy • Master of Education Vocational
Schools • Philosophy • Psychology • Public Policy
(in English; tuition fee) • Religious Studies (in English)
• Special Needs and Integrational Education • Theo-
logy and Economics • Transcultural History

COURSE CATALOGUE

[https://sulwww.uni-erfurt.de/PublicServices/
Veranstungsverzeichnis](https://sulwww.uni-erfurt.de/PublicServices/Veranstungsverzeichnis)

COURSES TAUGHT IN ENGLISH

[https://sulwww.uni-erfurt.de/PublicServices/
Veranstungsverzeichnis/faecher_ten.aspx](https://sulwww.uni-erfurt.de/PublicServices/Veranstungsverzeichnis/faecher_ten.aspx)

SEMESTER DATES

Winter Semester: October through mid-February
Summer Semester: April through mid-July

ASSESSMENT / CREDIT TRANSFER

Assessment is based on the European Credit Transfer
System (ECTS).

INFORMATION / APPLICATION

[www.uni-erfurt.de/en/international/incoming/
exchange-studies](http://www.uni-erfurt.de/en/international/incoming/exchange-studies)



FACILITIES

- modern, well equipped library with computer labs and conference rooms
- campus Wi-Fi
- language centre with computer labs and programmes for independent study
- university sports centre with a lot of courses on offer
- student association, choir and orchestra
- faculties, administration and student dormitories located on-campus
- cafés and canteen (mensa)
- green campus area for reading and relaxing
- campus easily reachable by public transportation

THE PROGRAMME FOR EXCHANGE STUDENTS

STUDENTS

- The International Office offers help and advice regarding administrative matters prior to and during your stay at the University of Erfurt.
- A 4-week free-of-charge German intensive course (levels A1-B1) prior to every semester helps exchange students settle into their new place of study.
- An orientation week is offered for new exchange students not participating in the intensive course.
- Supporting German language classes are offered throughout the semester.
- Every international student is assigned a local student as a buddy/tutor who will meet you upon your arrival, show you around the campus, and help you during the first weeks in Erfurt.
- The “Strangers become Friends” programme enables international students to meet people outside the university; the “Springboard to Learning” programme organizes teaching placements in local schools.
- The culture ticket allows students to visit a selection of theatres, museums and cultural venues in Erfurt.
- The student card (thoska) includes public transportation in Erfurt and throughout Thuringia, serves as library card, and permits cashless payments on campus.

ACCOMMODATION

Single and double rooms in the student dormitories on-campus are available for international students. Housing is also available off-campus.

For information and prices see:

www.stw-thuringen.de/en/housing

THE CITY OF ERFURT

Erfurt is situated in the center of Germany, 300 km south of Berlin and 260 km east of Frankfurt in the state of Thuringia. The pretty streets, stores, cafes and student pubs define the image of Erfurt just as much as the historical landmarks of the city: the city hall, citadel, Merchants' bridge and St. Mary's Cathedral. This well preserved medieval city is host to one of the most famous Christmas markets in Germany every December and is home to approximately 215,000 residents, of which 10,000 are students.

Erfurt's proximity to Weimar, the home of Goethe and Schiller, and Eisenach, the location of the famous Wartburg Castle, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, makes it a true cultural capital. For nature lovers, the nearby Thuringian Forest and “Rennsteig” trail provide ideal opportunities for running and hiking in the summer as well as cross-country skiing in the winter.

