

Fact Sheet

Information for Incoming Exchange Students

Friedrich-Alexander-Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg (FAU)	
Country	Germany
Erasmus Code	D ERLANGE01
Web	https://study-at-fau.de/ https://www.fau.eu/study/international/from-abroad/

Contact	
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Application for exchange students	
Nominations	Name, duration of stay, study field, e-mail address of the students need to be sent to erasmus@fau.de (Europe) or exchange-overseas@fau.de (Overseas) via e-mail. Deadlines are April 30th for the following winter semester October 31st for the following summer semester
Application deadlines	May 15th for the following winter semester November 15th for the following summer semester Double degree students need to keep to the deadlines given in the cooperation agreement.
Application process	Exchange students will receive information upon the application after the nomination by their home institution (link to the application form, necessary application documents and application deadlines). The application must be submitted within the deadlines. Only complete applications can be processed! After applying successfully, exchange students can download their admission letter via FAU's online application platform.

Application documents	Documents that are always required: • Transcript of Records: list of all grades obtained during university studies • If applicable: bachelor diploma • Language certificate for German and English (see also below). FAU accepts all official and common language certificates and confirmations by language teachers (only acceptable with the form provided on this website):: https://www.fau.eu/study/international/from-abroad/exchange-programme-placement/semester-abroad-at-fau/admission-requirements/) • Copy of ID or passport (personal data and picture) The different programmes may ask for additional documents.
Language requirements	Students are required to meet the language requirements according to the cooperation agreement of the exchange. We recommend a language level of at least B2 in the language of study. For daily life in Germany, we recommend a language level of at least A2 in German.
Research projects/final thesis	If exchange students only come to FAU to write a final thesis or do a research project (e.g. a laboratory project) and do not want to take any lectures they will have to hand in a confirmation of supervision by a professor at FAU. A template of this form can be found here: https://www.fau.eu/study/international/from-abroad/exchange-programme-placement/semester-abroad-at-fau/admission-requirements/

Academic Information	
Language of instruction	German, English lectures offered (see below)
Study programmes	All degree programmes: https://www.fau.eu/study/degree-programmes/all-degree-programmes/ Faculty of Humanities, Social Sciences, and Theology https://www.phil.fau.eu/study/degree-programmes/ School of Business, Economics and Society, School of Law https://www.wiso.rw.fau.eu/study/study-options/ www.jura.rw.fau.de/studium/im-studium/studiengaenge/ Faculty of Medicine https://www.med.fau.eu/study/ Faculty of Sciences https://www.nat.fau.eu/studying/study-programmes/ Faculty of Engineering https://www.tf.fau.eu/studying/prospective-students/degree-programmes/ Exchange students are generally permitted to choose lectures from different departments and study fields. A permission from the responsible departmental coordinator is always necessary.

Restrictions	Non-Erasmus students cannot be admitted to medicine, dentistry and pharmacy. Admission to certain lectures in law, psychology and sport sciences is restricted.
Lecture directory	https://univis.fau.de/
Lectures offered in English	Programmes taught entirely in English can be found here: www.fau.eu/study/prospective-students/degree-programmes/international-degree-programmes/degree-programmes-taught-exclusively-in-english/ English lectures can be found here: Faculty of Humanities, Social Sciences, and Theology: www.phil.fau.eu/international/incoming-students/courses-taught-in-english/ Faculty of Engineering: https://www.tf.fau.eu/international/studying-abroad/international-degree-programmes-and-lectures/ School of Business, Economics and Society, School of Law: https://ib.wiso.fau.de/income/studying/course-offer/ Centre for Applied Philosophy of Science and Key Qualifications (ZiWis): https://www.ziwis.fau.eu/home/courses/key-qualifications/ (Lectures offered especially for exchange students)
Lecture registration	Will be possible after enrolment
Double/Joint Degree Programmes	https://www.fau.eu/study/degree-programmes/double-degree-programmes/ Students in Double/Joint Degree Programmes are obliged to attend the welcome week for exchange students.
Credits	FAU does not require exchange students to attend lectures for a certain amount of ECTS. Attending lectures for 20 to 30 ECTS is recommended (4 to 6 lectures per semester). Exchange students should consult their home universities about the required amount of ECTS.
Grading system	https://www.fau.eu/study/international/from-abroad/exchange-programme-placement/semester-abroad-at-fau/starting-your-studies/ects-and-german-university-grades/
Transcript of Records	Is not automatically issued. Exchange students will receive their transcript of records after all grades are registered before or after their departure upon request.
Language courses during the semester	The FAU language centre offers free language courses at all levels. Further information: https://sz.fau.eu/courses/
Preparatory language courses	A preparatory German course will be held before the start of lectures. The course fee and it's credits will be published on this website: https://sz.fau.de/sprachkurse/ferienintensivkurse/

Support at FAU	
Support for exchange students	Exchange students are supported by the Central Office for International Affairs in all questions on formalities, daily life and other issues (contact data see above). It is important for all exchange students to attend the welcome week. All formalities will be explained, the exchange students can get to know each other, there will be an intercultural training and cultural activities.
Departmental coordinators	Departmental coordinators can answer all academic questions (lecture selection, language requirements, performance requirements etc.). Exchange students will receive the contact of their departmental coordinator with the admission letter.
Information on accommodation in Erlangen, Nürnberg and surroundings	https://www.fau.eu/study/student-life/accommodation-2/

The semester at FAU	
Academic calendar	https://www.fau.eu/study/study-organisation/semester-dates/
Welcome week	The welcome week in Erlangen and Nürnberg takes place in September/March (for participants of the preparatory language course) and in October/April for three days, starting on the third working day of the month.
Lecture period	Mid-October/April to Mid-February/July
Examination period	Published by the beginning of each semester

Further information	
Costs of living	https://www.fau.eu/study/information-for-parents/what-will-it-cost/ Non-EU citizens who need to apply for residence permit or travel to Germany within the REST-Directive will need to hand in a financial proof of 853 euro per month.
Scholarships	FAU does not offer scholarships for exchange students. Excepted are students participating in Erasmus+ for partner countries. Students need to consult their home universities on available funds.
Welcome programme	https://www.fau.eu/study/international/from-abroad/welcome-programme-for-international-students/
Travel health insurance	Non-EU citizens should have travel health insurance at least valid until the start of lectures. Please be aware that international travel insurances are not sufficient and will not be approved by FAU and German authorities.

Health insurance	German health insurance is obligatory. Sufficient insurance cover is required for the enrolment at FAU and in order to receive the residence permit. Accident insurance and liability insurance is highly recommended. All insurances should cover the whole stay in Germany. Excepted from the obligatory German insurance are all students with European health insurance and EHIC. Students under 30 need to buy a German statutory health insurance after their arrival in Germany. Students over 30 need to buy private insurance. Both insurances are about 90-150 euro per month.
Entering Germany	EU citizens can enter Germany without a visa. Non-EU citizens have to get information about how to enter Germany at the German embassy in their home country. Non-EU citizens with residence permit for the Schengen area can enter Germany without visa but will be asked to hand in documents for the Federal Office for Migration and Refugees (Information will be given during the application at FAU). Non-EU citizens will have to apply for a residence permit within 90 days after their arrival in Germany. Exceptions are students with visa covering the whole length of their stay.
Studying with a disability	Students with a disability will receive support from FAU. Exchange students with a disability need to contact the Central Office for International Affairs during the application process. Further information on studying with a disability or chronic illness can be found here: https://www.fau.eu/study/advice-and-services/support-services/students-with-disabilities/
Studying with children	Student parents will receive support from FAU. Exchange students planning a stay with their children need to contact the Central Office for International affairs during the application process.