



ABTEILUNG INTERNATIONALES

Exchange Programs &
Scholarship Opportunities

TYPES OF ACADEMIC STAYS ABROAD

I. Studies

II. Internships

III. Language Assistantships

IV. Language Courses → funding through PROMOS (except English courses!)

V. Research for Bachelor's or Master's theses → funding through PROMOS

WHO CAN APPLY?

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

Important: applications for *graduate programs* often possible in your 4th undergraduate semester 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 assitantships: usually 1 school year (PAD sometimes less)
- important: **always within 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

→ <https://www.daad.de/de/laenderinformationen/> → select a country → „Studieren und leben in ...“ (information in German)

Criteria for your selection:

- 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+
- Individual programs:
 - DAAD (Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst),
 - Promos
 - Fulbright (USA only) → scholarships for graduate students; also offers travel grants
 - Foundations & similar organizations (see www.mystipendium.de)
- Regional programs (e.g. Fulbright, FORTHEM, DFH-UFA)
- 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 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
- Academically relevant plan of studies, well-founded interest in the host country & sound language competence required

DAAD-PROGRAMS

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

! Application deadline depends on destination country!

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

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)
- For summer schools
- For internships outside of the EU (travel grants only)
- For student field trips
- Usually a maintenance scholarship depending on host country (ca. 350 € per month), no tuition
- Travel grant depending on host country
- Application deadline March 31 & Oct. 31, 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 ASSISTANESHIPS

- Language assistanceships 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)

STUDY ABROAD & COVID-19

HOPE FOR THE BEST
AND PREPARE FOR
THE WORST!

- Plan ahead! (By now, conditions have improved a lot in all countries)
- Meet all application deadlines: you can defer your stay or withdraw your application, but you can't apply late
- Collect information about regulations for travel, vaccination, testing, quarantine, etc.
- Collect information about the current situation in your host country
- Make sure you have sufficient health insurance coverage!

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