

Off to Munich!

Going to TUM on Exchange



Why you should go to TUM

As one of Europe's leading universities, TUM combines top-class facilities for cutting-edge research with unique learning opportunities for students from all over the world. Ranked among the top ten institutions globally for the employability of our students, we aim to create lasting value through excellence in education and research, active support of diverse talents, and a strong entrepreneurial mindset. Our 15 departments are home to over 41,000 students. More than 12,000 of our students come from abroad, creating a beautiful multicultural and truly inspiring international atmosphere.

How it works

You can come to Munich and study at TUM for one or two semesters. You will be officially nominated for a spot in one of the exchange programs by your home university. Ask at the International Office of your home university which exchange schemes with TUM are available to you. Usually you will continue to pay tuition fees to your home institution. At TUM, you will only pay the so-called semester fee which includes your student union fee and a solidary fee for the basic semester transit ticket.



Students sitting in front of the Audimax on Munich City Campus

Language requirements

To attend the international courses at TUM, you need to provide proof of your language skills. Proficiency in English is required for courses in English, as proficiency in German is a prerequisite for classes in German. Depending on your department, you will need at least level B1 or B2 in the language of the courses you are taking. If you attend courses in both languages, you will need to hand in certificates for your English as well as your German skills.

Dates and deadlines

Semester	Winter term	Summer term
Time frame	October 1 until March 31	April 1 until September 30
Apply by	May 15	October 31
Lectures	October until mid-February	April until mid-July
Exam period	Mid-February until end of March*	Mid-July until end of September*

*Please contact your TUM department for specific information on the examination schedules. You can find an overview of TUM's International Affairs Delegates at www.international.tum.de/en/internationalaffairs

Don't forget to check the internal application deadline at your home university. Once you've decided you're interested in coming to TUM on exchange, please don't hesitate to get in touch with TUM Global & Alumni Office

www.international.tum.de/en/exchangestudents

Our campuses

Munich City Campus

Since its founding in 1868, the heart of TUM beats in central Munich. TUM's main campus houses the departments of

- Architecture
- Civil, Geo and Environmental Engineering
- Electrical and Computer Engineering
- TUM School of Management
- TUM School of Governance

The TUM School of Education, TUM School of Medicine, the University Hospital, Sport and Health Sciences as well as the Aerospace and Geodesy department are also located within Munich.

Garching Campus

The Garching campus north of Munich is the center of natural sciences and technology at TUM. Housing the departments of

- Chemistry
- Informatics
- Mathematics
- Mechanical Engineering
- Physics

it is about the same size as the City Campus. Garching is within easy reach from downtown Munich. The travel time via the subway line U6 is about 25 minutes. Especially in the summertime it is also nice to bike there along river Isar.

TUM School of Life Sciences Weihenstephan

Located on the outskirts of the old cathedral town of Freising, this campus comprises the agricultural and life sciences. With over 90 professorships, the TUM School of Life Sciences Weihenstephan is TUM's second largest department. Travel time from Munich city center is about 45 minutes by train.

Campus Straubing for Biotechnology & Sustainability

The main research areas of Campus Straubing are material-chemical utilization and energy utilization of renewable raw materials, as well as economic aspects related to their production, marketing and usage. Straubing is in Lower Bavaria, about two hours away from Munich.

Campus Heilbronn

Since its opening in the winter semester 2018/19, Campus Heilbronn offers the special combination of business administration and technology in two English-language programs. Heilbronn is located in Baden-Württemberg. Travel time from Munich main station is about three hours.

Programs in English

Undergraduate courses at TUM are primarily held in German, whereas at the Master's level a substantial part of courses is taught in English. Advanced undergraduate exchange students (3rd or 4th year) may choose classes at the Master's level, assuming they hold the correct prerequisites. Some Master's programs can be studied entirely in English and are open to exchange students. The decision whether you can attend them is up to your department at TUM.

Departments that do not run complete Master's programs in English sometimes offer a good part of their postgraduate courses in English. As an exchange student, you can attend classes from all departments, but you should select 60 percent of your courses from the department you will register with.

www.tum.de/nc/en/studies/degree-programs

Living in Munich

The capital of Bavaria

As one of the world's most livable cities, Munich is a bustling, yet safe and clean metropolis, offering an impressive range of leisure activities. The prosperous city is also home to several renowned global companies such as Siemens and BMW, and is a technology hub boasting excellent job and internship opportunities. Situated in the heart of Europe with outstanding flight and train connections, Munich is an excellent base to explore Germany's nine European neighbors and beyond.



Welcome to Munich – a beautiful and lively city in the heart of Europe

Accommodation

If you join us as an exchange student through the program TUMexchange (independent from Erasmus+ Europe), we can offer you accommodation in student housing. There is a shortage of student accommodation in Munich, therefore we strongly recommend that TUMexchange students accept the offered housing space. We cannot provide accommodation for students coming to TUM through other mobility programs (e.g. Erasmus+), however we can assist you with the search. To find out if you can join us via TUMexchange, please talk to your International Programs Office at your home university.

Living costs

Depending on your life style and accommodation costs you'll need about 800 to 1000 euros per month in Munich. This would include public transport, food, rent as well as health insurance and some pocket money for recreational activities.

Things to do in and around Munich

The list of exciting things to do in and around Munich is endless. You can hike or ski in the Alps, go to the Oktoberfest, watch Bayern Munich play, take a stroll through the English Garden, visit King Ludwig's fairytale castles, enjoy Eisbach river surfing in central Munich, watch the performance of international top stars at the Olympic stadium, or explore Munich's countless restaurants, bars, cinemas, and theatres.



TUMi offers tours to the famous Neuschwanstein Castle

Discover TUMi

You may also join TUMi, the Global & Alumni Office's program for international students. TUMi provides support for inter-national students at the beginning of their studies in Munich and offers a comprehensive program of cultural activities throughout the semester. The program is aimed at international exchange students as well as full-time students at TUM.

www.international.tum.de/en/tumi

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