Hessen-Queensland Student Exchange Program





- Choose from 13 Universities, Universities of Applied Sciences or Universities of the Arts with more than 300
- high-quality degree programs, cutting-edge technology and top research
- A growing number of English-taught courses allows without speaking German.



GERMANY



WHY HESSEN?

Wouldn't it look good to have a German University listed on your resume? Don't you think that potential employers would pause and take a closer look at your credentials

Studying at a university in Hessen means that you will gain German language skills and valuable intercultural experience. It means that you will study in a top-notch higher education system, with access to advanced technology and research. You will receive indepth instruction, learn to problem-solve and return more confident, more knowledgeable and with a much broader perspective of your life.

For any international student, Hessen has a lot to offer:

- Internationally renowned universities, bustling cities, historic small towns, beautiful nature, a lot of cultural events and a very international student population.
- You can choose from 13 Universities, Universities of Applied Sciences or Universities of the Arts with countless areas of study.
- Whether you prefer a large university or a more intimate campus and a smaller community - Hessen has it all. Courses are available at the undergraduate, graduate and doctorate level.

You don't necessarily have to speak German to study in Hessen. There are a growing number of English-taught courses in many disciplines. In addition, all institutions offer intensive German language programs.

You will have plenty of opportunities for leisure activities with your new German friends, such as excursions to other cities and tourist attractions, museum visits, sports and nightlife. Embark with us on an exciting academic voyage and add this valuable German dimension to your career.

WHERE IS HESSEN?

Hessen is the fifth largest of the German federal states, situated right in the middle of Germany. The state capital is Wiesbaden. Frankfurt am Main is the largest city, with an international airport that serves as one of the most important transportation hubs in

Visiting Hessen is like time travel through the architecture of the ages, from medieval castles and picturesque half-timbered houses to post-modern industrial design. The state is cosmopolitan and open-minded but also deeply rooted in its heritage and history. Frankfurt, a fast-developing financial metropolis, is just half an hour away from the UNESCO world heritage Rhine Valley scenery with its historic castles and vineyards. It is a land of nature and one of the most densely wooded states in Germany. From Kassel in the North to Darmstadt in the South, the cities of Hessen are unique in their cultural offerings, tradition, architecture and food.

In Hessen you are in the heart of Europe. Take a weekend excursion to Berlin in just 3.5 hours with the fast ICE Sprinter train or visit other European cities using a European rail pass or a low budget airline. As an international student in Hessen, your life will not stop at the university gates. You will be able to enjoy many activities nearby, and you will get the chance to travel to other exciting parts of Germany and Europe.

MORE INFO

Hessen-Queensland Academic **Exchange Program**

www.gueensland.hessen.de







WHAT CAN I STUDY?

Incoming students can choose between short-term study in summer or winter, and semester or academic year exchanges.

SHORT-TERM PROGRAMS

The Hessen-Queensland Exchange offers short-term study abroad options twice a year, during summer and in January. Seminars may be in English, German or both and are open to undergraduate and graduate level students. The monthlong (or less) intensive programs have a specific academic focus and provide German language courses at the beginning, intermediate and advanced level. They also incorporate regional and cultural programming and excursions to introduce students to Germany.

The Hessen International Summer University (ISU) is a unique four-week summer study program which takes place in Frankfurt, Fulda, Giessen, Kassel and Marburg between June and August. Each ISU has its own thematic focus. Please visit their website www.isu-hessen.de to learn more.

The International Winter University (IWU) takes place in Kassel during the winterim (J-) term for three weeks. The thematic focuses are either Environmental Engineering or German Cultural Studies. More information on the IWU: www.uni-kassel.de/iwu

All programs carry credits. No previous German language required!

SEMESTER PROGRAMS

Get the most out of your study abroad experience, personally and academically. Semester students are welcome, however a year abroad is the most intense adaptation and integration experience. It takes time to make the transition from tourist to resident. During the first semester you will be learning and getting used to a lot of things, not only the language but also the culture, the surroundings, the people and of course the academics. During the second semester you will be able to apply and use what you have learned and you will finally feel at home.

No German? No Problem!

Most of the courses will be in German, but fluency in German is no prerequisite for many programs. A growing number of classes are taught in English.

All Hessen universities offer pre-semester German language courses for exchange students. In addition, there is a language training program along with course work during the semester especially designed for visiting students.

Please visit our website for details on our Academic Programs: www.queensland.hessen.de

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Students who

- are enrolled at one of the participating Queensland universities
- have completed at least one year of study at the time of participation
- are in good academic standing are eligible to apply. You must be nominated by your home institution.

APPLICATION DEADLINES

April 1: International Summe Universities and Fall Term
October 15: International Winte University and Spring Term

Please note that these are the deadlines in Hessen. Home campus deadlines may vary.

ACADEMIC CALENDAR

Winter semester: October – February Summer semester: March/April – July

The International Winter University takes place in January.

The International Summer University takes place between June and August.

GERMAN LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

There is no German language requirement. Short-term programs are completely in English. For semester programs we recommend some basic knowledge in German, but this is not a must if you take English-taught classes. All Hessen universities offer pre-semester German language courses free of charge for exchange students. In addition, there is a language training program along with course work especially designed for visiting students.

ESTIMATED EXPENSES

	Semester (4-5 months) or Academic Year (9 months)	Summer/Winter Short- term (3-4 weeks)
Housing	€ 280 - 400 / month*	n.a.
Housing deposit (refundable)	€ 200 - 600 *	n.a.
Meals (estimate)	€ 250 – 300 / month	€ 250 - 300
German Semester Fees	€ 250 – 350*	n.a.
German Health Insurance	€ 80 / month	n.a.
German Residence Permit	€ 100	n.a.

*Amount varies by campus.

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