

INFORMATION FOR INCOMING ERASMUS STUDENTS

Guten Tag and Welcome to RWTH Aachen University!

If you are interested in coming to our university as an ERASMUS exchange student from a European country you will find useful information for planning your exchange here.

Do contact us if you have additional questions!

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Website for Incoming ERASMUS Students

<http://www.rwth-aachen.de/exchange-students>

Language of Instruction

The main language of instruction is German.

Courses offered in English

Various. Please search the websites of the respective departments or contact the appropriate coordinator for incoming exchange students.

Academic Calendar

Winter semester: 01st October – 31st March
Summer semester: 01st April – 30th September
For additional Information, please check <http://www.rwth-aachen.de/go/id/egv/lidx/1/>

Course Catalogue

Campus: <http://www.campus.rwth-aachen.de/>

Number of Exchange Students per Partner University

Dependant on number agreed upon in the Student Exchange Agreement between RWTH Aachen University and the Partner university.

Minimum Academic Qualification of Exchange Students

Students must have completed at least 2 years of academic study or be in the 5th semester as Bachelor students, unless otherwise stated in the Exchange Student Agreement.

Duration of Stay

1 or 2 semesters, starting in the winter semester unless otherwise stated in the Student Exchange Agreement.

Application Deadlines

31st May for winter semester and whole academic year

31st January for summer semester

unless otherwise stated in the Student Exchange Agreement

Application Procedure for ERASMUS Students

Students use the online tool in order to apply.

You can find the online application at <http://www.rwth-aachen.de/moveonincomings>

Required documents (see link on the website for Incoming Exchange Students)

- PDF of online registration (of RWTH Aachen University)
- Learning Agreement
- Transcript of Records
- Motivation Letter
- Registration Form: German Language Course

If you have any questions, please contact the ERASMUS Coordinator for Incoming Students listed above. Please send the completed online application form and accompanying documents via postal mail, email (one PDF document) or fax to the ERASMUS coordinator for incoming students.

Note: The Registration Form and the Learning Agreement must be duly signed by the student and the respective coordinator in charge at the home institution.

Language Proficiency

Proof of Language Proficiency is required according to the medium of instruction.

German Language Proficiency:

CEFR (Common European Framework of Reference): **B1 level** (http://www.coe.int/t/dg4/education/elp/elp-reg/cefr_EN.asp)

English Language Proficiency: B1

CEFR (Common European Framework of Reference): **B1 level**

TOEFL: 80/ibt, 550/pbt, IELTS: 6.0, B1 level

Accommodation

Housing is offered by the Studentenwerk Aachen (Association of Student Affairs).
Please visit their website: <http://www.studentenwerk-aachen.de/en/wohnen>

Please note that the International Office is not in charge of housing. Because the number of rooms in the student dormitories is limited, students should apply as soon as possible. RWTH Aachen University cannot guarantee that every applicant will receive a room offer.

Health Insurance

Compulsory. Insurance can be arranged after arrival (approx. 60 Euro per month). All students need health insurance coverage at all times of their stay in Germany. Until the final enrolment, a travelling health insurance is strongly recommended. EU nationals may be waived from compulsory health insurance in Germany upon presenting their European health insurance card to a German health insurance company after their arrival.

Living Expenses

Approx. 750 Euro per month

Buddy Program

Please visit: <http://www.rwth-aachen.de/bebuddy>
Contact: BeBuddy@rwth-aachen.de

Orientation Program

Organized by the International Office. The program will be offered at the beginning of the semester. For more information, please visit <http://www.rwth-aachen.de/orientierungstage>

Student Service Fee

A Student Service Fee (Semesterbeitrag) of approx. 225 Euro per semester is required after enrolment. This is not a tuition fee. The money is used to provide services for all students such as bus and rail ticket, cafeterias, and sports facilities.

Language Courses

Preparatory German language course in September (Intensive EURO Language Course)

Duration: 4 weeks/ 80 hours

Costs: 150 Euro

Separate application: Yes (through the International Office)

Proficiency level of A2 minimum is required

Regular German language classes during the semester

Costs: 50 Euro / 2 hours/week, 100 Euro / 4 hours/week

Separate application: Yes (through Language Center: <http://www.sz.rwth-aachen.de>)

Visa Requirements

Please check the website of the German Embassy of your home country.