

Central Exchange Program: Incoming Exchange Student Information

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Incoming Exchange Information	Exchange info: www.uni-hamburg.de/en-central-exchanges-incoming Brochure „To-Dos“: www.uni-hamburg.de/piasta/welcome.pdf Events/seminars/advising: www.uni-hamburg.de/piasta_e.html Buddy programs: www.uni-hamburg.de/piasta/welcome-buddy_e.html
Language Requirements	German level B1 CEFR (B2 CEFR is recommended)
Courses in English (graduate level only)	A limited number of courses on the graduate level are taught in English . Please note: The list of English language master programs of Universität Hamburg provides an overview on subjects taught in English, but not all programs accept exchange students. If graduate students plan to take courses in English, please contact us before their nomination. For courses in English, graduate students must provide proof of their English language proficiency (level B2 CEFR).
German Language Courses	Incoming exchange students can take German language courses free of charge if space is available. Pre-semester intensive language courses (usually A1-B1) start approx. two weeks prior to the start of the semester.
Course Catalog	A detailed course catalog (<i>kommentiertes Vorlesungsverzeichnis</i>) for each subject is available online. www.stine.uni-hamburg.de → Vorlesungsverzeichnis
Program and Course Restrictions	All faculties of Universität Hamburg are open for exchange students. The

	final decision on acceptance is taken by the faculties. Closed for exchange students: dentistry, pharmacy. The Faculty of Medicine will accept applications only once per year. Please make sure to nominate students interested in studying at the Faculty of Medicine in the following academic year before the nomination deadline of 10 April. Students need to have completed at least three years of studies prior to exchange and provide proof of German language proficiency level B1 CEFR.
Semester Fees	All students of Universität Hamburg, including exchange students, pay a mandatory contribution fee per semester (summer semester 2019: EUR 278), which includes a public transport pass for the Hamburg Metropolitan Area.
Academic Calendar	Winter semester: 1 Oct.-31 March; summer semester: 1 April-30 Sept. For the lecture periods, see the website of Universität Hamburg.
Nomination Deadlines	Winter semester: 10 April (email to zentralaustausch@uni-hamburg.de , including statement of: name, field of study, study level, language level)
	Summer semester: 10 October (email to zentralaustausch@uni-hamburg.de , including statement of: name, field of study, study level, language level)
Application Process	Application deadlines: Winter semester: 1 May; Summer semester: 1 November
	Application documents (German or English) must be submitted by the partner university by E-Mail to zentralaustausch@uni-hamburg.de: 1. Statement of motivation 2. Tab. CV 3. Proof of German language proficiency (Level B1 CEFR) 4. Official transcripts 5. Two academic references 6. Preliminary course plan 7. Passport copy Applications are reviewed by the faculties. In case of acceptance, the exchange coordinator sends an invitation letter to the student (winter semester: end of May; summer semester: end of November). The student gets access to the online manual „International Guide“ guiding students through the registration process at Universität Hamburg and providing additional information on housing, course selection etc.
Welcome Week and Welcome Days	Welcome Week and Welcome Days with a special program for international students take place shortly before the official start of the semester.
Orientation Sessions	Most departments offer orientation sessions at the beginning of the winter semester, some at the beginning of the summer semester.

Accommodation in Student Residence Halls	A limited number of rooms in student residences are available for incoming exchange students; rents vary (EUR 290-390).The housing application form provided by the exchange coordinator must be submitted by 15 June for the winter semester, by 15 December for the summer semester. If students have special needs concerning housing (disabilities etc.), please inform us well before the deadline!
Private Accommodation	Incoming exchange students are free to search for accommodation on their own. Rents vary according to size and location, but are usually much higher than in student residence halls. Please note that it is not easy to find private accommodation in Hamburg! http://wohnboerse.alumni-uhh.de www.wg-gesucht.de/wohnungen-in-Hamburg.55.2.1.0.html www.immonet.de/hamburg/wohnung-suchen.html
Health Insurance Requirements	Non-EU exchange students are required to take out German statutory health insurance (approx. 85 EUR/month for students). A list of all statutory health insurance providers in Germany can be found at https://www.gkv-spitzenverband.de/english/english.jsp .
Living Expenses	Living expenses (excluding rent) amount to approx. EUR 350-500/month.