

Exchange Students from Partner Universities

Study Programs

1. Regular Exchange Program

Faculties available to Exchange Students:

- » Arts and Humanities
- » Mathematics and Natural Sciences
- » Law
- » Human Sciences
- » Medicine (with limitations)
- » Management, Economics and Social Sciences (with limitations)

Website ukoeln.de/FKJVA

Language Requirements
Recommended:

- » level B2 of the CEFR or
- » German language proficiency test by home professor

2. Cologne Global Study Program (CGSP)

The CGSP is a certification program which combines classes on Contemporary European Studies (taught in English) and German language courses.

Website ukoeln.de/CCLDQ

Language Requirements
Recommended:

- » level B2 of the CEFR or
- » TOEFL score of 80 or
- » IELTS score of 5.5

Recommended Course Load
30 ECTS per semester in each program

German as a Foreign Language

German Language Courses
Regular exchange students can take part in one of the courses. They are free of charge for students from partner universities.

Pre-semester Course Intensive course with 20h/week
Semester Course Regular course with 8h/week

Level A1 - C1 of the CEFR

Academic Information 2020/21

Summer Semester April 1 - September 30
Pre-semester March 2021
Lecture Dates April 12, 2021 - July 23, 2021

Winter Semester October 1 - March 31
Pre-semester September 2021
Lecture Dates October 4, 2021 - January 28, 2022

It is not yet clear whether the summer semester 2021 will take place in hybrid form (online and, if applicable, classroom teaching) or in presence. The planning depends on the course of the pandemic and can be changed at short notice.

Application

Application Deadline
Summer Semester January 15
Winter Semester July 15

Necessary Documents
Photo
Passport copy
Curriculum Vitae (CV)
Motivation letter
High School Diploma
Current transcript of records
German language certificate
English language certificate (only for CGSP)

Application Procedure
Online at:
<https://form.jotform.com/203244867809363>

Postal mailing of the documents is not necessary.

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University Profile

The University of Cologne (UoC) is a modern university in the heart of Europe. Academic excellence, internationality and widely varied curricula create a vibrant and inspiring environment for students, scientists and scholars.

Cologne's open and friendly atmosphere and its international outlook make it a place where people from all over the world feel easily at home. Cologne is Germany's fourth largest city with a population of about one million people. It is home to a total number of over 150,000 students at 19 different institutions of higher education.

Accommodation

Assistance with Accommodation

The International Office can offer a restricted number of rooms in the students' dormitories of the »Kölner Studierendenwerk« (KStW). Additionally, the International Office provides selected private housing offers. However, it is strongly recommended that you by yourself look for housing options right after having received the admission.

Website

www.kstw.de

Estimated rent per month

Students' dormitory: 200-300 EUR
Private housing market: 350-450 EUR

Estimated Cost of Living (incl. rent) per month

850-950 EUR



General Information

Contact

Health Insurance

Only applicable if you come to Cologne

Pre-semester (March or September)

Travel health insurance

Semester (October or April)

You need a proof of health insurance coverage from a German statutory health insurer or – if you are already insured in your home country – an exemption certificate from a German statutory health insurer for your enrolment. A German statutory health insurance costs approx. 110 EUR per month.

Visa Requirements

Please inform yourself in your home country about visa conditions for your entry to Germany. At the latest 90 days after arrival in Germany, a residence permit must be applied for.

Semester Fee

The UoC does not charge any tuition fees. However, all students (whether they come to Cologne or study remotely) must pay a social contribution fee of around 280 EUR per semester. This fee also includes a ticket for public transportation (busses & rail) in North Rhine-Westphalia.

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Information on COVID-19

The Rectorate of the University of Cologne published a comprehensive website on various measures taken in regard to Covid-19. The website is updated on a regular basis: <https://portal.uni-koeln.de/en/coronavirus>

