



International Undergraduate Study Program (IUSP)

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Testimonials

"Everything has been amazing and I can not put a value on all that I have seen and done with the program."

"ENJOY THE TIME YOU HAVE HERE, BECAUSE IT IS GONE BEFORE YOU KNOW IT. GET INVOLVED! EXPLORE AS MUCH AS YOU CAN! YOU WILL NOT REGRET IT!"

"I am truly grateful to have the opportunity to experience the IUSP program."

"Enjoy your time abroad! There is no time to miss home, because who knows when you'll have the chance to study abroad again."

"The time goes so fast! It might not seem like it at the time, but somehow the days slip away and soon you'll find you have to go home. Explore Marburg. There are beautiful spots all over the city – from the Oberstadt to trails in the woods. Talk to as many people as you can. Make friends with all the other IUSP'ers – they'll become like family."

"Try to make friends with your neighbours and practice German conversation as much as possible. Make friends with Germans."

"It was a challenge adjusting to the culture but I learned a lot about people and myself."

"Great time, probably the best of my life. The trips were fun and the people were awesome."

"Get involved! You may have to step outside your comfort zone but it will be the best decision you've ever made."

"Get a tandem partner! It is a great way to meet people and practice German! Go out and be involved. It will be an amazing semester!"

"I am looking forward to my second semester here with the IUSP."

"I loved all the group activities this semester like movie nights, birthdays. I thought that was cool. Thanks for including us in the little things – they almost always mean the most and are mostly going to be remembered the longest."

"DEFINITELY TAKE THE WEEKEND TRIPS, THEY WERE SOME OF THE GREATEST TRIPS I TOOK IN MY TIME HERE."

Have you already heard that ...

- ... Marburg has more stairs in its alleys than in its houses?
- ... Marburg does not have a university; Marburg is a university?
- ... the most beautiful illustrations of the Fairy Tales of the Brothers Grimm were done in Marburg?
- ... an elevator will take you in Marburg from "Modern Day" to "History"?
- ... some of Marburg's houses can be reached only through a skylight?

Get to know Marburg with us ...

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Studying in Germany





What is the IUSP?

Although German as a foreign language has become less commonly spoken among students around the world, students’ interest in getting to know Germany and Europe during their studies has not diminished. Only a small number of German universities offer courses in English that would meet this interest while at the same time ensuring an academic level fully recognized by universities abroad. The IUSP has been designed to fill this gap.

An intensive German Language Course with a total of 120 hours is an essential part of the program. Participants are encouraged to attend regular university classes in German in order to become acquainted with their structure, strengthen personal German comprehension, and to get to know German students!

Target Audience

Undergraduate students from all over the world who are interested in German and European economics, politics, culture, psychology etc., and who want to get to know Germany and the German language within the context of an academic semester abroad, without missing out on classes (and credits) at their home university.

Academic Curriculum

German Language Courses:

- offered at 3 levels (beginner, intermediate, advanced)

German Culture Course:

- German History, Politics, Society and Economy

Seminars from a variety of subject areas:

- American Studies
- Anthropology/Religious Studies
- Business Administration and Economics
- English Studies
- German Studies
- History
- Linguistics and Language Technologies
- Media Studies
- Near and Middle Eastern Studies
- Peace and Conflict Studies
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Philosophy
- Sociology

Contact Hours / Credits

- 120 hours German Language Course
- 56 hours German Culture Course
- 48 hours seminar (class plus tutorial)
- 36 hours conversation class (optional)

A standard IUSP course load consists of the intensive German Language Course plus the German Culture Course, and two seminars.

Credits will be issued in European Credit Transfer System (ECTS) points, which can be easily converted into other credit systems.

Cultural Program

In addition to the regular study program, the IUSP program fee also covers an interesting cultural program with weekend excursions to important historical and cultural sites, e.g. Frankfurt, Berlin, Weimar, Eisenach, Dresden, Nürnberg, Köln, Heidelberg, München, Hamburg.

Beginning and Duration of Program

The academic calendar has been adapted to international standards. Students will be able to return to their home campus and continue their studies without missing the semester following their semester in Germany.

Spring Term: Mid-February until June

Fall Term: End of August until December

IUSP participants can enroll for one or two semesters.

Registration Deadline

December 15 for the Spring Term of the following year
June 15 for the Fall Term

Expenses

Program fee includes

- the German Language Course,
- the German Culture Course,
- a conversation course (optional),
- two seminars, as well as
- the cultural program,
- accommodations (single room in student dorm),
- a meal subsidy,
- a ticket for free public transport within Hessen,
- the semester administration fee.

There are special conditions for students from Partner Institutions. Please contact us.

