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International Office - Information for Exchange Students 2025/26

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Winter Semester 2025/26: Important dates

Application period:	01/04/2025 – 15/06/2025	
Nomination deadline:	01/06/2025, nomination by e-mail to: io.incoming@uni-erfurt.de	
Semester preparation:	Participation <u>either</u> in <u>German Intensive Course</u> * (planned for September 2025) or in	
	Orientation Week (planned for early October 2025)	
Arrival:	A few days before the Intensive Course or Orientation Week start, respectively.	
Lecture period:	13/10/2025 – 06/02/2026, exams will follow // stay recommended until 28/02/2026	

Summer Semester 2026: Important dates

Application period:	01/10/2025 - 30/11/2025	
Nomination deadline:	15/11/2025, nomination by e-mail to: io.incoming@uni-erfurt.de	
Semester preparation:	Participation <u>either</u> in <u>German Intensive Course</u> * (planned for March 2026) or in	
	Orientation Week (planned for early April 2026)	
Arrival:	A few days before the Intensive Course or Orientation Week start, respectively.	
Lecture period:	07/04/2025 – 11/07/2025, exams will follow // stay recommended until 31/07/2026	

*German Intensive Course

The **German Intensive Course** comprises German lessons, enrolment procedure and study preparation. Free comprehensive language and orientation course to improve German skills. Listening and reading comprehension, writing and oral expression, German culture, history and politics. Get to know the campus, the city of Erfurt & its surroundings. **Language levels: A0 - B1.1**. **Upon** successful participation, **6 ECTS** will be obtained.

Participants / requirements:	Basic German knowledge is recommendable but not mandatory.
	Students with intermediate level of German or second-year students of
	German Studies will not be admitted to the Intensive Course.
Duration:	4 weeks, Monday to Friday, 80 lessons of German
Prep Weeks Winter Semester 2025/26:	September 2025 (students will be informed about exact dates in time)
Prep Weeks Summer Semester 2026:	March 2026 (students will be informed about exact dates in time)

Bachelor programmes (for Master classes a finished first degree is required!)

Faculty of Philosophy	Communication Sciences (English B2 required)
(courses largely taught in German, at least	English Studies (Most courses taught in English)
B1 required for courses taught in German)	German Studies
	History (Some courses may be taught in English)
	Literature
	Philosophy
	Religious Studies
	Romance Studies
	Slavic Studies
Faculty of Economics, Law and	Economics
Social Sciences (courses taught in English	Law
available, English B2 required)	Social Sciences
	International Relations
	Management (minor only)





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Faculty of Education Faculty of Education	Art (aptitude test, usually not accessible for exchange students)
(courses largely taught in German, at least	Education
B1 required for courses taught in German)	Mathematics for Teaching at Primary and Secondary Schools
	Music (aptitude test, usually not accessible for exchange students)
	Physical Education (aptitude test, usually not accessible for exchange
	students)
	Primary Education
	Protestant Theology
	Teaching/Learning and Training Psychology
Faculty of Catholic Theology (courses	Catholic Theology
largely taught in German, at least B1	
required for courses taught in German)	

Accommodation

Erfurt's residence halls also provide housing for exchange students. Information can be found here. Short contracts are possible for 6 and 12 months. The housing application must be effected online (form in English and German). Students must provide a screenshot of their application info mail to the International Office together with their application as early as possible! Application for housing for winter semesters possible from April 1 and for summer semesters from October 1! Students must apply for housing as early as possible!

Meals

The university's student cafeteria (*Mensa*) offers breakfast and lunch from Monday through Friday at reasonable prices. Vegetarian and vegan food is on offer, too. All the student halls of residence have cooking facilities.

Formalities

Application:	Deadline winter semesters: June 15
P.P. See See	Deadline summer semesters: November 30
	Application information and documents to be sent (How do I apply?)
Health Insurance:	EU countries : Exchange students must present the European insurance
	card (EHIC) obtained from their domestic national insurance.
	Non-EU countries: Health insurances are not recognised. Students must
	buy statutory health insurance in Germany. Costs for statutory student
	health insurance: approx. €150 /month.
	Countries with bilateral agreement: Students from Turkey can use an
	AT11 certificate for enrolment, but should consider buying an additional
	German private insurance.
Semester contribution:	Total costs: approx. €300/semester
	The student identification card includes the semester ticket which
	entitles you to travel on the city routes of the Erfurt transport system
	and on the local trains within Thuringia.
University of Erfurt Exchange Studies	https://www.uni-erfurt.de/en/international/incoming/exchange-
Website:	studies (Application / Accommodation / Studies / Arrival / Onboarding)

The European Credit Transfer System (ECTS): Recognition of Records

Workload:	30 credit points should be obtained per semester. One ECTS-credit
	corresponds to one <i>Leistungspunkt</i> (LP = credit point) at the University
	of Erfurt

The courses on offer can be found in the <u>course catalogue</u> which is published 2-3 months before the beginning of each semester. Course catalogues of previous semesters can be used as a rough guide for courses on offer to create first Learning Agreements (especially Erasmus+). Courses taught in English must be sought in the section *Taught in English*. A course catalogue guide is provided to the students after nomination together with the application information.

