

Institutional Information

Institutional details

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Main contacts

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Recommended language skills

The sending institution is responsible for providing support to its nominated candidates so that they can have the recommended language skills at the start of the study or teaching period.

Type of mobility	Subject areas	Language of instruction	Recommended language level
Student Mobility	All	German	B1
Student Mobility	Selected Lectures*	English	B1
Staff Mobility for Teaching	All	German	B2

*There is a list with selected lectures held in English at the Institution

Nomination and Application Process

Nomination Deadline	<p>Winter Semester (October – February): 15th of May Summer Semester (April – July): 15th of November</p> <p>Please send Email with the following information: Student Name Area of Study / Bachelor or Masters Semester that the student will study in Weingarten Email Address</p>
Application Deadline	<p>Winter Semester (October – February): 15th of June Summer Semester (April – July): 15th of December</p>
Application documents to be uploaded in Mobility Online	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PHW Exchange Application • Official Transcripts • Language level certificate (German or English) • Letter of Motivation
Application procedures	https://www.ph-weingarten.de/en/studying/exchange-semester

Academic Calendar

	Winter Semester 2026/27	Summer Semester 2027
Arrival Day / Move-in	01 October 2026	01 April 2027
Orientation week	05 – 10 October 2026	05 – 10 April 2027
Classes begin	12 October 2026	13 April 2027
Christmas break (no classes)	23 Dec 2026 – 03 Jan 2027	n/a
Excursion Week (no classes)	n/a	18 – 22 May 2027
Class end	23 January 2027	17 July 2027
Examination Period	28 January – 3 February 2027*	19 - 24 July 2027*

*possible 2nd week if needed

Course information

Course load per semester	30 ECTS per semester is recommended. This is equivalent to about 8 – 10 classes that meet once a week, including a German course and school internship.
Course Information	https://lsf.ph-weingarten.de/qisserverwg/rds?state=wtree&search=1&trex=step&root120252=66294%7C66529&P.vx=kurz
Other courses	<p>Tagespraktikum Talschule: Internship in a German elementary / primary school (Also possible in English)</p> <p>German intensive Course before the semester German Courses throughout the semester (both German Courses are compulsory)</p>

Living and Travel Information

Visa

Incoming students from outside of the EU will be required to obtain a visa before entering Germany. Students visa, if required, must be applied at the German Embassy or Consulate located in the home country. We recommend that incoming students consult their local German Embassy or Consulate for further information.

Health Insurance

Please note that proof of a valid health insurance is required for enrollment at the University of Education Weingarten.

The following options are available to students from different home countries:

For students from outside of Europe

Health insurance with a German health insurance company after arrival (we assist you in the completion of health insurance)

- Contribution ca. € 130 – € 140 Euro per month

For students from Europe

Either proof of a valid European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) or Health insurance with a German health insurance company after arrival (we assist you in the completion of health insurance). See rates above.

The following health insurances from abroad **cannot be accepted** for the enrollment at the University of Education Weingarten: Health insurance with a limited sum insured, Travel health insurance, international health insurance.

Rates subject to change. (Stand 31.12.2025)

Housing

There are student dorms available to international students. Please note that there are strict deadlines for reserving a room. A room costs between 299 and 438 EUR per month depending on the size (subject to change). If they rent a room in the dorm, they must be rented for **five full months**. (Apr – Aug, Oct – Feb). The last rent will not be deducted from the deposit. Deposit + Service fee of **€900** but must be paid in full. The deposit (€850) will be refunded separately.

Arrival

Train station pickup	The International Office at PH Weingarten offers a pick-up service on the official Arrival Day from Hauptbahnhof Ravensburg (main train station in Ravensburg). We will provide more information before arrival.
Registration	The students will be accompanied to the all the necessary city authorities for registration as well as the student registrar's office.
Student Assistants	The student assistants are available throughout the semester.

Finances

Opening a bank account: Bring some money to deposit and your tax number from your home country. If you already opened a blocked account before arrival, the bank has this number.

Blocked account: Some students must open a blocked account *before* coming to Germany, with proof of about €992 per month. You will receive instructions in advance. Bring all required documents.

Proof of sufficient funds: Requirements differ depending on your country. Contact the International Office beforehand to find out which documents you need.

Student Life

Sport activities

The PHW and their sister university in Weingarten, Ravensburg Weingarten University, offer numerous sports activities on the campus of our neighboring university sports fields. From Zumba and aerobic to badminton and basketball, you will find what you are looking for.

Excursions

In cooperation with other Universities in the diverse cultural landscape of the Lake Constance region from sport / cultural events, city tours up to the 4-Country region of Germany, Austria, Liechtenstein and Switzerland.