

Semester dates

Academic year from October 1st to September 30th
(Winter & Summer Term) Lectures and Exams: until mid of July

Winter term Semester: October 1st to March 31st
Lectures and Exams: until February
Winter break: ca. December 20th to January 2nd
(Semester break: mid of February until end of March)

Summer term Semester: April 1st to September 30th
Lectures and exams: until mid of July
(Semester break until end of September)

Please note: Participating in the facultative [language and orientation course](#) (enrolment required) means an arrival approx. 3 weeks prior to the semester start.

Exchange application procedure

Step 1 Apply at your university for being nominated as an exchange student for Leipzig University

Step 2 Your home university informs the exchange coordinator at Leipzig University of the nominated exchange students - recommended

Step 3 Apply online at Leipzig University for admission:

- **Deadlines:**

Winter term and Academic year

June 1st

Summer term

December 1st

- Website: [Online application for Incoming exchange students](#)

- Necessary documents to be uploaded within the online application:

- ✓ Transcript of records
- ✓ Study plan for the exchange semester
- ✓ Language proof of German (min. B1, better B2 CEFR) (for English taught program: English language proficiency, min. level B2 CEFR)
- ✓ Nomination letter from your home institution
- ✓ Photo

Step 4 Get your acceptance letter from Leipzig University (including an e-mail with useful information for the semester start).

Step 5 Apply for housing and start to prepare for your academic schedule until orientation (e.g. search for courses, prepare your journey etc.)

Step 6 Arrive in Leipzig and start your exchange experience with the language and orientation course or directly with the semester

Subject courses

Course credits

A course (German: Modul) values usually 10 ECTS and usually consists of 3 parts: lecture/seminar/exercise

Available Courses

in German (for exchange students with a min. B1, better B2 CEFR)

- more than 140 study programs are open to exchange students
- exchange students attend regular courses – available from mid-August (Winter term) resp. mid-February (Summer term) online via the [course list](#) (search for > *semester* > *faculty* > *institute* to find courses for the corresponding semester)

in English

Leipzig University offers a few [international study programs](#) taught in English (min. language level English B2 required / German A2 recommended), as:

Undergraduate:

International Physics Study Program
American Studies
British Studies
Some Courses in Education
and in the humanities

Graduate:

International Physics Study Program
Chemistry (Spectroscopy, Advanced Spect.)
Economics
African Studies
European Studies
American Studies
Anthropology

Course Registration

During the Welcome week at the beginning of the semester

Accompanying German language courses

Courses offered

- Courses focusing German language acquisition: subject related German language courses, conversation, phonetics, text production or grammar etc. (free of charge for exchange students!) OR courses for language beginners (fees apply with 150 EUR for the whole semester).
- Each course values 3 -10 ECTS (depending on the weekly workload).

Course inscription

During the Welcome week at the beginning of the semester.

General information

Social semester fee

216 EUR – the social semester fee supports the student services in Leipzig as: free public transport within the city of Leipzig and the greater region, reduced prices in the cafeteria, for housing and other services, free or reduced access to a lot of sports activities at the University

Health insurance

A German student health insurance can be bought before the arrival or within the welcome week at one of the relevant German insurance companies (about 85 EUR per month, health insurance card included).

If you have bought a health insurance in your home country valid in Germany, hand in the ["confirmation of health insurance coverage"](#) (health insurance waiver)
- signed and stamped by your insurance company, at least at the day of your registration.

We will not be able to enrol you without proof of a valid health insurance.

Housing

You can apply for a room in a student dorm (offers will be sent in August resp. in February for the summer term) [here](#). Please, wait until you get your acceptance letter as an exchange student. Exchange students get priority offers.

This [website](#) gives information about all housing possibilities, student dorm and other.

Costs for housing, groceries, material etc.

Around 700 EUR per month are necessary to cover the expenses (including rent)