## Information Sheet

**European Exchange Programs: Erasmus+/Double Degree**

**Winter Semester 2024/25 and Summer Semester 2025**

Technische Universität Darmstadt - International Relations Europe & Unite!

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| Homepage            | [www.tu-darmstadt.de/europe-incomings](http://www.tu-darmstadt.de/europe-incomings) |
### Application Information

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#### Terms/Semester Dates

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Orientation weeks for exchange students:

[www.tu-darmstadt.de/xweeks](http://www.tu-darmstadt.de/xweeks)

General semester dates:


### Online-Applications

[www.tu-darmstadt.de/europe-incomings](http://www.tu-darmstadt.de/europe-incomings)

### Nomination

- for the winter semester: 31st of March
- for the summer semester: 30th of September

Nominations are to be sent by email from the international office including the following information:

- Home institution: xxx
- Host institution: Technische Universität Darmstadt
- Exchange programme: Erasmus (SMS)
- Surname, first name (student): xxx, xxx
- Gender: Female/Male/Divers
- Date of birth (dd/mm/yyyy): xx/xx/yyyy
- Nationality: xxx
- Field of study (ISCED): xxx
- Study cycle: Postgraduate / Master / Bachelor
- Exchange period (according to Germany): winter term 20xx/20xx / summer term 20xx (1 / 2 semester)
- Email (student): xxx@xxx

Please send your nomination to europe-incomings@zv.tu-darmstadt.de

### Application Deadlines

- for the winter semester: 30th of April
- for the summer semester: 31st of October

### Incoming Publisher

In our database, you will find the current exchange opportunities at TU Darmstadt. Please note: they are only available for students of partner universities, with which we are currently having an active exchange agreement. This is the prerequisite for an exchange.

[https://tuda.adv-pub.moveon4.de/home-page-3307/](https://tuda.adv-pub.moveon4.de/home-page-3307/)
### Confirmation of Application

The filled “Confirmation of Application” document has to be signed and stamped by the responsible coordinator and then it has to be sent to [europe-incomings@zv.tu-darmstadt.de](mailto:europe-incomings@zv.tu-darmstadt.de) by email attachment within the application deadline. Without this document, an application is not complete. The form can be found on our website in the section “Downloads”: [www.tu-darmstadt.de/europe-incomings](https://www.tu-darmstadt.de/europe-incomings)

### Project work (BA or MA Thesis)

European Exchange Students planning to do a project work at TU Darmstadt are asked to find both topic and supervising professor at TU Darmstadt in advance to their stay. They have to inform themselves on the website of the TU Da departments [https://www.tu-darmstadt.de/universitaet/fachbereiche/index.en.jsp](https://www.tu-darmstadt.de/universitaet/fachbereiche/index.en.jsp) and contact the prospective professor. As soon as they have found a supervising professor, they should fill out the form and write an email to [europe-incomings@zv.tu-darmstadt.de](mailto:europe-incomings@zv.tu-darmstadt.de). The form can be found on our website in the section “Downloads”: [www.tu-darmstadt.de/europe-incomings](https://www.tu-darmstadt.de/europe-incomings)

### Learning Agreement

There are two kinds of Learning Agreements (LA) accepted at TU Darmstadt. The normal/pdf one (Download area at [www.tu-darmstadt.de/europe-incomings](https://www.tu-darmstadt.de/europe-incomings)) and the Online Learning Agreement (OLA) within Erasmus without Paper (EWP). The LA is submitted in two parts: one together with the online application and the other one after admission:

- **LA with Application**: please download the LA pdf form and fill in the courses you plan on attending during your stay. This is only a draft and can later be updated. For the online application only two signatures are required, one from the student and the other one from the home university coordinator.
- **LA/OLA after Admission**: After having received the letter of admission it is possible to submit an OLA following the home university's instructions in order to initiate the OLA.

Nevertheless, the LA in pdf as mentioned above is still valid.

**Please note that all questions of academic nature (selection of courses, language in courses, credits, content etc.) are answered by the departmental coordinators, they are also the contact persons at the OLA.** [www.tu-darmstadt.de/departmental-coordinators](https://www.tu-darmstadt.de/departmental-coordinators)

### Language Requirements

Although some courses are held in English, our language of instruction is mainly German and the majority of our lectures and courses are taught in German. To have a successful study experience at TU Darmstadt, we therefore ask our incoming exchange students to prepare their German language skills thoroughly before they come to Darmstadt. For this reason, along with their application, they have to send a German language certificate, at least level A2 (CEFR) written either in English or in German. Generally, most universities or language institutes offer corresponding language courses and are going to issue the A2 certificate. **If the German level of the student is only A2, the participation in the Intensive German language course is mandatory.**

If students are planning to take English taught courses only (no German study program at all), they have to provide us with an English proficiency certificate of at least level B2 (instead of the German language certificate) either written in English or in German. Precondition is that they select adequate English taught courses out of the range of English courses offered at TU Darmstadt. The respective learning agreement completed with the selected English taught courses has to be uploaded with the online application. The range of English taught courses at TU Darmstadt can be found [here](https://www.tu-darmstadt.de/europe-incomings).

### Intensive German Language Course before the Semester

One month before the start of our semester, we offer an Intensive German Language Course. This course takes place during March for the summer semester and during September for the winter semester. It is free of charge and participants may obtain 6 ECTS. More information can be found here: [https://www.spz.tu-darmstadt.de/spz_kurse/spz_incomings/index.de.jsp](https://www.spz.tu-darmstadt.de/spz_kurse/spz_incomings/index.de.jsp). **We strongly recommend our incoming students to participate in this course since it is a great opportunity to have a good start in Germany**, especially as they get to know other exchange students.
Each year in March and September, we organize the TU Darmstadt Experience Weeks in order to simplify the start for our incoming students at TU Darmstadt. Along with the Intensive German language course, we will offer several activities to get to know Darmstadt, the TU, as well as other exchange students. Special tutors will help with the enrolment and other official issues. More information can be found on our website: www.tu-darmstadt.de/xweeks

In addition to this Intensive Course, there will be accompanying German language courses during the semester. These will be adapted to the level of German of the student. In order to do so, a compulsory grading test will be done at the beginning of the semester. The result of that test will decide about the course the student will be assigned to. Further information about the language courses during the semester can be found here.

In addition to the broad range of courses offered in German, there is a variety of courses taught in English as well. Although we do encourage every student to attend courses in German, these courses may be an addition to a student’s schedule based on their field of studies and personal interest. An overview of courses offered in English sorted by departments can be found here.

Accommodation is available in dormitories of Studierendenwerk Darmstadt. With the letter of admission, the students will get information how to apply for a room in the Studierendenwerk. Due to limited capacities accommodation unfortunately cannot be guaranteed. Thus we are offering helpful tips and links to find accommodation in Darmstadt and surroundings on our website. Until students have found accommodation, they may also stay at Darmstadt’s youth hostel for the first couple of days: http://www.djh-hessen.de/jh/darmstadt.

Proof of health insurance is needed to get enrolled at TU Darmstadt. There are three possibilities:

1. European Health Insurance Card (EHIC). This card must be valid until the end of the exchange stay at TU Darmstadt or
2. Confirmation of existing health insurance written in English. This confirmation is going to be proved by a German compulsory health insurance or
3. Purchase of a German Health Insurance. Costs are approximately 120 -125 EUR per month, contract period per semester.

Please have a look at our website with all important information about health insurance.

The European Health Insurance Card often only covers the costs in case of emergencies and urgent illness. Students have to be informed about the services and treatments that are covered by their health insurance before they come to Darmstadt! Treatments for chronic diseases will be billed. In these cases, it will be necessary to arrange an additional health insurance in the student’s home country.

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