

München, the heart of Bavaria!

Technische Universität München (TUM) is one of Europe's leading research universities. With roughly 400 professors and 7,000 additional staff, it offers academic and research opportunities to nearly 23,500 students.

More than 15 % of its staff and almost 20 % of its students come from abroad, creating a university culture which is cosmopolitan and hospitable. In Europe and worldwide, TUM maintains 400 university partnerships, and collaborates with many international research institutions.

The university is situated in Munich, a thriving, cosmopolitan city with traditional Bavarian customs. Not only do the Oktoberfest and the beer gardens contribute to the city's wonderful flair; throughout Germany, Munich is known for its high recreational value.

Munich is simply a great place to live. With its 1.3 million inhabitants, it is often referred to as a small town with the advantages of a bustling metropolis. The city is not only clean and safe, but also has an efficient transportation system that makes everything very easy to reach. Last but not least, Munich is known for its high-tech companies situated in and around the city. Close links to high-tech companies, such as BMW and Siemens, Infineon, MAN or EADS, facilitate internships for students and help fund research.

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Pre-Study Course

Language, Culture and Technology at TUM

September 05 – September 30, 2011



Pre-Study Course

The Summer University Pre-Study Course prepares international or exchange students enrolled at TUM for a period of study at the university.

The course is an ideal way to improve German language skills, make friends and become familiar with the university before the semester begins.



Program Description

Language course

Professionally trained teachers conduct the German language and culture courses.

In the beginners' course students learn how to communicate in German at a basic level, to lead short discussions on topics such as the weather, their home country and hobbies. They also learn to read short newspaper articles and excerpts from books as well as to write personal letters and emails.

Advanced learners participate in discussions on more complex topics of their own choice and learn to read more difficult texts.

Workshops

The workshops present an introduction to the study of mechanical, electrical and civil engineering, computer science, life sciences, business administration as well as social sciences in Germany. There will also be an introduction to intercultural communication and German culture and history.

Language of instruction: English

Culture and excursions

The program includes trips to cultural and historical sights in and around Munich, e.g. to Augsburg, the town which has been known for its religious tolerance since the Middle Ages, as well as to Neuschwanstein, one of the fairy tale castles of King Ludwig II, the founder of TUM.

Language of instruction: English

Goals

The course aims to highlight innovative technology and business in Germany while at the same time offering students the opportunity to try out different subjects of study and experience European and German culture first hand. Participants will receive an introduction to the German automotive industry as well as state of the art research at TUM.

This is a unique chance to discover new fields of interest in science and technology while living in an intercultural environment surrounded by the cultural traditions of society in modern Germany.

Program Overview

- An intensive German language course (80 hours, 4 credits ECTS)
- Project work and lectures on German and European culture
- Workshops in technology, science and business (50 hours, 3 credits ECTS)
- Visits to state of the art TUM research labs
- Social and cultural activities, including trips to cultural and historical sights in Munich and Bavaria

Costs

1. All inclusive

German course, language tutorial, TUM workshops, cultural program, excursions, health insurance, half board (Mon – Fri) and public transportation pass 1200 € with accommodation in a student dorm

2. Full program without accommodation and board

German course, language tutorial, TUM workshops, cultural program, excursions, health insurance 800 €

3. German course only

German course, language tutorial, books and other materials 400 €

Attention!

If you plan to look for your own accommodation, please note that youth hostels are usually fully booked in September because of the Oktoberfest.

Application Deadline

July 31, 2011

Send us an email at sommeruni@zv.tum.de, and we will send you the application form and other necessary information. The deadline for the applications is July 31, 2011.

Please feel free to contact us if you have further questions.

Please, note!

The Summer University provides students dormitory accommodation for the duration of the course. From October onwards students will have to look for their own accommodation. At this time TUMexchange students will need to move to their semester housing assignment.