

A young woman with blonde hair is jumping joyfully in front of the University of Erfurt building. She is wearing a light beige trench coat over a white and black striped shirt, maroon pants, and light pink sneakers. She is holding a purple and white 'CAMPUS' magazine in her left hand and waving with her right hand. The building behind her has large blue letters spelling 'UNIVERSITÄT ERFURT' on its facade. The sky is blue with some white clouds.

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International Office

University of Mary Washington

virtually travelling to...

the **University of Erfurt**
on September 22, 2020

Erfurt – Studying in the heart of Germany

Centrally located

Capital of the federal state of **Thuringia**

Home to approx. **215.000 inhabitants**

Medieval city center area

Merchant's Bridge (**Krämerbrücke**) - one of the few remaining inhabited bridges in Europe



Cathedral (Dom)



Merchant's Bridge



Facts & Figures about the University of Erfurt

- founded in **1379**, re-founded in **1994**
 - one of the oldest and youngest universities at the same time
- key areas: **Education, Arts & Humanities, Religion, Social Sciences**
- **4 faculties**
 - Arts & Humanities
 - Economics, Law and Social Sciences
 - Catholic Theology
 - Education
- **Max-Weber-Kolleg** for post-graduate studies
- **Willy Brandt School** of Public Policy
- about **6.000** enrolled students (winter semester 2019/20)
- **509** international students (winter semester 2019/20)
- about **84** European partner universities
- about **57** Non-European partner universities
- **Martin Luther** studied at the University of Erfurt from approximately 1501 - 1505



Faculty of **Economics, Law & Social Sciences**



Faculty of **Catholic Theology**



Programs

- **26 Bachelor** programs (6 semesters)
International Relations, German Studies, Communication Science, History, English Studies,...
- **16 Master** programs (4 semesters)
Global Communication, Religious Studies (both entirely in English), History, Psychology, ...
- **1 Magister** degree in Catholic Theology (10 semesters)
- **Ph.D.** programmes (3-4 years)
- Exchange students can attend courses **across all programs and faculties**
 - exceptions: MA Public Policy; BA Sports, Arts, Music Education
 - enrolment in MA courses usually require a **finished first degree** (BA)
- exchange students are enrolled in a program that is **closest** to the one they study at their home university
- Language Center offers free-of-charge **German language courses** at all levels during the semester



Communication & Information Center



Campus Library

Application for exchange studies

All **application information** can be found on our website:

<https://www.uni-erfurt.de/en/international/incoming/exchange-studies>

Application deadline for **fall** semesters : **June 15** of each year (nomination: by June 1)

Application deadline for **spring** semesters : **November 30** of each year (nomination: by November 15)

Application documents:

- online application form
- Transcript of Records
- CV
- passport copy
- proof of German skills (recommended at least A2)
- registration form for German Preparatory course (if applicable)
- housing application confirmation



Accommodation

- **Student housing residences** on campus: <https://www.stw-thueringen.de/english/housing/wohnen.html>
- five of the ten housing facilities are on or close to campus
- if exchange students apply in time, they are sure to get a room in one of the student housing facilities
- prices range from 150€ to 250€



Student Housing near campus





Semester preparation programs

German Language Preparatory Course

- 3 weeks, 60 hours of German, free of charge
- levels: A0/A1 – B1 (not for German Studies students after year 1)
- German lessons in the mornings & administrative steps for enrolment, information meetings, work shops & events in the afternoons
- fall semesters: September (2020: October)
- spring semesters: March

Introductory Week

- For students who do not attend the German Prep Course
- administrative steps for enrolment, information meetings, work shops & events
- fall semesters: October
- spring semesters: April

Exchange students **either** attend the Prep Course or the Intro Week!



Students in **German class**



Student from UMW Summer Semester 2019



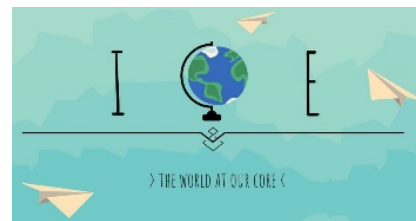
Student from UMW Winter Semester 2019/20

Support in preparation & during the semester

- first point of contact: [International Office](#)
- student **tutors** (each exchange student gets assigned a local student tutor)
- **Mentoring** programme (academic contact person)

- **International Campus Erfurt (ICE)**

student association



- **Café International**

usually a combination of a presentation about a certain country and the sharing of typical food of that country



- **Strangers Become Friends** (Fremde werden Freunde)

award-winning project that connects residents of Erfurt (usually not students) with international students



- **Tandem language learning**

two people teach each other their native language(s)

- **University Sports Club**

- ...



Entrance to the **International Office**



7. Helpful links

University of Erfurt Homepage

<https://www.uni-erfurt.de/>

Exchange Studies

<https://www.uni-erfurt.de/en/international/incoming/exchange-studies>

University of Erfurt Language Center

<https://www.uni-erfurt.de/sprachenzentrum/>

Facts about Germany

<https://www.tatsachen-ueber-deutschland.de/en>

Accommodation (student housing)

<https://www.stw-thueringen.de/english/housing/wohnen.html/>

[Short film about Erfurt](#)



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