TUM School of Computation, Information and Technology Technische Universität München



ERASMUS+, SEMP & Partnerships overseas at TUM CIT Informatics

Info event: November 19, 2024



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General Information

- In English with specific focus on international degree seeking students
- Won't be recorded
- But will be uploaded as a PDF at <u>www.cit.tum.de/en/cit/erasmus-informatics</u>
- Questions during the meeting in F&A section (Q&A)
- Questions in the end can be answered personally

Schedule:

- 1. Experience report (The Arctic University of Norway, UiT)
- 2. Information on program and application process

ERASMUS+ Program

- Stay abroad between 2 and 12 months
- Studying abroad (SMS) and internships abroad (SMP)
- 90 partner universities in Informatics
- Possible to go abroad during Bachelor's and Master's
- For all nationalities
- Swiss-European Mobility Program (SEMP) has same regulations
- www.cit.tum.de/en/cit/erasmus-informatics

ERASMUS+ Scholarship

- Monthly scholarship (depending on destination & duration of exchange stay), which does not necessarily cover all your costs abroad
- Additional financial support possible for certain students (e.g. working students, students with children, etc.)
- Responsible for scholarships: TUM Global & Alumni Office
- Slides of ERASMUS+ info events of TUM GAO on their website: <u>https://www.international.tum.de/en/global/erasmusstudies/</u>

How to decide?

- Study-related criteria:
 - Course offer, relevancy for your personal study progress
 - Conditions at host university (equipment, support & supervision, quality and form of instruction)
 - Required language skills and language certificates
- Other criteria:
 - Intercultural aspects, language, possibilities in free time
 - Personal preferences
 - Local living conditions & costs
- Sources for information:
 - Website of TUM CIT Informatics <u>www.cit.tum.de/en/cit/erasmus-informatics</u> links to <u>partner</u> <u>universities</u>
 - Experience reports of former outgoings: <u>https://tum.adv-pub.moveon4.de/global-experiences/</u>

Semester dates

- Northern Europe:
 - Fall term: mid/late August December (January) examination periods sometimes in January
 - Spring term: early January May
- Central Europe:
 - Semester 1: early September late January/Feburary
 - Semester 2: early/mid February June
- Southern Europe:
 - Semester 1: mid September mid February
 - Semester 2: mid February June
- www.cit.tum.de/en/cit/mobilitaetsfenster-informatics



Partner Univerities of TUM CIT Informatics

Overview of our ERASMUS+ partner universities:

https://www.cit.tum.de/en/cit/studium/internationales/informatics-outgoing/studium-im-

ausland/partneruniversitaeten/



Finland // Language of instruction: Englisch; Country's official language: Finnish

- Aalto University, School of Science 12, Espoo near Helsinki
- University of Helsinki Faculty of Science 🖸
- University of Jyväskylä 🖸
- Lappeenranta University of Technology 🖸
- University of Oulu Faculty of Information Technology and Electrical Engineering 🖸
- Tampere University Faculty of Information Technology and Communication Sciences 🖸 (Hervanta Campus)

All universities open for BSc & MSc; BSc students can partly attend Master's courses in English, if they meet the requirements; practical and project-orientated studies; bigger modules allow students to focus on one topic; smaller universities often offer interesting interfaces. Netherlands // Language of instruction: English; Country's official language: Dutch

- TU Delft 2, Faculty of Electrical Engineering, Mathematics and Computer Science
- Technische Universiteit Eindhoven 🖪, Department of Mathematics and Computer Science strategic partner of TUM (EuroTeQ 🖪
- University of Twente C, Enschede, EEMCS Electrical Engineering, Mathematics & Computer Science
- University of Groningen 🖸, Faculty of Science and Engineering
- Utrecht University 2 Faculty of Science

Open for Bachelor's and Master's; innovative teaching and very international universities.



ERASMUS+ Regulations

- **Requirements for participation** in Erasmus+ studies:
 - Be enrolled at TUM during your stay abroad
 - Bachelor students: completed first year successfully (at time of application)
 - Study abroad between 2 and 12 months (= 60-360 days)
 - Sufficient language skills in host university's language of instruction and if required, in official language of the country
- **Requirements for receiving** ERAMUS+ scholarship:
 - Pass at least 10 subject related ECTS
 - Submission of all required documents in time (e.g. experience report)



Requirements of TUM CIT Informatics

- Rule of thumb: basic modules at TUM, elective courses abroad
- Academic pre-requisites at specific partner universities
- Bachelor: <u>at least 50 ECTS</u> (subject-related) at time of application in 3rd Bachelor semester => i.e. 2nd year completed before stay abroad
- Master: <u>approx. 20 subject-related ECTS</u> passed in the 1st semester at TUM => i.e. 1st year completed before stay abroad (i.e. in total approx. 40 subject-related ECTS passed)
- Necessary language skills
- Reasonable integration of stay abroad in your TUM curriculum with study progress plan (www.cit.tum.de/en/cit/mobilitaetsfenster-informatics)
- Attend at least 20 subject-related ECTS at host university which are relevant for your degree program exception, if applicable, interdisciplinary degree program
- Language courses and support electives (ÜfG) can be attended additionally to the 20 ECTS.
- Commitment after you have accepted our place offer



Language skills and language certificates

- In most cases the language of instruction is English: at least level B2
- If the language of instruction is not English: at least level B1 in the national language at the time of application to the partner university, even if courses are partly offered in English
- In Portugal and Turkey (and English-speaking universities, e.g. Barcelona, Milan) at least level A2 is required in the national language, even if courses are offered in English
- For all other languages, we recommend at least a beginner's course in the national language before your stay abroad
- Decisive is the language level upon application at the partner university. => recommendation: prepare a detailled language plan for the respective language (≠ English) for the application at TUM (see <u>example</u> for Spanish on website)
- Please check the language requirements at the respective partner university

Partnerships overseas

- Carnegie Mellon University, Heinz College, USA (only spring semester January till May 2026 and Master's students)
- Hong Kong Baptist University (Bachelor's and, if applicable, Master's)
- Nara Institute of Science and Technology (NAIST), Japan (only Master's, focus on research)
- Applicants with an external Bachelor must show TUM grades for an application to one of the partnerships overseas.
- No ERASMUS+ funding, but there might be other scholarships: <u>https://www.international.tum.de/en/global/scholarships/</u>



Recognition of courses

- Recommendation: Elective courses & support electives
- Agreement on possible recognitions with the responsible degree program coordinator
- After return: Submitting a credit transfer application
- Information regarding recognition and credit transfer: <u>https://www.cit.tum.de/en/cit/studies/international/informatics-outgoing/study-abroad/planung-und-ablauf/anerkennungen-von-leistungen/</u>



Application at TUM CIT Informatics

- 1. Gather & evaluate information about unis and countries if required, please take advantage of our consultation offer before christmas
- 2. Prepare application documents
- 3. Apply for ERAMUS+ in time
- 4. If necessary, an individual interview may take place until mid February 2025
- 5. Notification of acceptance or rejection at the latest by mid March 2025
- 6. Nomination/Application at the partner university from end of March 2025
- Application only via online form of TUM CIT Informatics (not MoveOn): Mon, December 2, 2024 – Wed, January 15, 2025 (noon)

See point "Application documents" under <u>https://www.cit.tum.de/en/cit/studies/international/informatics-outgoing/study-abroad/erasmus-dd-partnerships/application-procedure/</u>

Selection criteria

- Suitable integration of the stay abroad into your TUM studies (see study progress plan incl. credits you've already achieved)
- Academic project
- Personal motivation
- Evaluation of the application documents, in form and content
- Language skills in the country's official language
- Grades of applicants

See point "Selection Criteria" under https://www.cit.tum.de/en/cit/studies/international/informaticsoutgoing/study-abroad/erasmus-dd-partnerships/application-procedure/

ΠΠ Explicit Information for International Students

• Studying in Germany means:

- Getting to know a new academic system
- Learning a new language (sign up for German language courses and get in contact with your German fellow students, e.g. buddy program, language café)
- Gaining study abroad experience
- It is especially important:
 - To consider potential visa issues for non EU-cititzens depending on the specific country
 - To consider earlier deadlines for application (see websites of partner universities) at partner university as a non EU citizen



Other interesting options

- Internships abroad or at a German company
- Research stays abroad
- Thesis abroad
- ATHENS Program (short stay of one week)
- Advantages:
 - Shorter preparation time in advance (about 6 months)
 - More flexbility regarding the integration in your individual study plan



Your Contact

Marlene Radinger



Study abroad

Lena Hengstler



Internships/research stays and theses abroad First contact for Information Engineering students (campus Heilbronn)

Contact and information on consultation (hours) under:

https://www.cit.tum.de/en/cit/studies/international/informatics-outgoing/

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Thank you for your attentation!

• Time for questions!

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