Go abroad
Exchange Programs

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• Participants are muted
• General questions in chat
• Slides available online
JKU’s top student exchange programs

• Erasmus+
  ◦ Member states of the EU and Iceland, Norway, Turkey, UK

• Bilateral exchange („Joint Study“)
  ◦ Non-European countries
  ◦ Switzerland

• ISEP
  ◦ Mainly USA
Exchange Programs Advantages

• No tuition fees
• Scholarship
• Improving language skills
• Making new friends from around the world
• Leaving comfort zone and broadening horizon
• Improving chances on job market
Host universities

• 200 universities … 50 countries … 5 continents
Destinations

• **Info Platform for Exchange Spots**
  ◦ Filter by degree program,

  ◦ Factsheets
  ◦ Required language skills
  ◦ Links
  ◦ Reports
• Listed partner universities usually offer sufficient courses for the recognition at the JKU
• You may also filter by similar degree programs (usually limited recognition!)
Study abroad with ISEP

Where?
• USA
  ◦ More than 100 universities
• Selected number of countries around the world
  ◦ To be discussed before applying

What makes ISEP special?
• Application in two steps
• Application for up to 10 universities
  ◦ ISEP info sheet

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Duration

• Semester
• Academic year
• Beginning with our winter term only
• Stay cannot be extended
• Spring term in North America, Scandinavia,.. starts in (early) January
Prerequisites
Academic performance

At time of application:

• Active, degree seeking student at the JKU

At beginning of stay:

• On Bachelor’s level
  ◦ min. 2 semesters and min. 40 ECTS plus the “StEOP“ successfully completed at the JKU

• On Master’s level
  ◦ min. 1 semester and min. 20 ECTS successfully completed at the JKU, if Bachelor was not completed at the JKU

• Actively taken exams
  ◦ total of 16 ECTS successfully completed in past two semesters
Prerequisites
Language skills

• In language of instruction at beginning of stay
  ◦ B2 in English
  ◦ Additionally, A1/A2 in national language
    ❧ When selecting courses in English in French, Italian, Russian or Spanish speaking countries
  ◦ A2/B1 in all other languages of instruction

• Costs for basic language courses in Spanish, French or Italian can be refunded if studying abroad

• Host universities may have different prerequisites
Scholarships

• Erasmus+
  ◦ Erasmus+ scholarship
  ◦ Additionally for recipients of the Study Grant (Studienbeihilfe):
    ▪ Study Abroad Grant
    ▪ 250 EUR per month

• Bilateral Exchange
  ◦ JKU scholarship or
  ◦ Study Abroad Grant for recipients of the Study Grant (Studienbeihilfe)

Additionally, students with main residence in Upper Austria for min. 1 year at beginning of stay
  ◦ IPS: max. 100 EUR/month and travel allowance
**Prerequisites**

**Scholarship**

- Recognition of min. 3 ECTS/ month

- Erasmus+ stays in combination with working on diploma thesis, Master thesis or dissertation:
  - Letter from supervisor confirming progress
Required Workload Abroad

• 30 ECTS (full workload) per semester
• Taken into account if re-applying for another stay abroad
• Compulsory in the USA, Canada, Australia and New Zealand
Recognition of Credits

• Integral part of exchange program
  ◦ Application for recognition before and after stay is compulsory

• Details and info sheets

• SOWI/ RE: online (AUWEA NG)

• TN/ MED: in paper form
Application

- Online application
- max. 3 destinations
- Pay attention to semester dates at host university

Q&A session: January 12th, 11:00 via Zoom
Application documents

• Passport photo
• Transcript of records
  ◦ download from KUSSS „Dokumentenservice“
• Letter of motivation
  ◦ in language of instruction and in English
  ◦ including preliminary course list at host university
• CV
  ◦ in language of instruction and in English
• Proof of language skills
  ◦ School leaving exams („Maturazeugnis“) are not sufficient
Application deadlines 2022/23

• December 1st, 2021
  ◦ USA, Australia, Canada, New Zealand, South Africa and ISEP
    ▪ No applications in the first semester of a Bachelor’s or Diploma program at the JKU
  ◦ Global Business programs ACT, PAC and TROIKA
  ◦ Double degree programs Troyes/France and STUST/Taiwan

• January 31st, 2022
  ◦ all other exchange spots
Selection

- By the respective coordinator
  - Application until 1 December: usually before Christmas
  - Application until 31 January: in March
  - Interviews (partly)

- Criteria
  - Academic performance
  - Academic progress
  - Language skills
  - Motivation
  - Preliminary course program
Next steps

Step by step guidelines

Checklists

Info session in spring
Brushing up language skills

• Course at Centre for Languages and Intercultural Communication

• Mentoring program

• Intensive language course abroad
  ◦ funding possible

• Erasmus+: Online language courses
  ◦ available after online language assessment
Covid-19

• You can still go abroad on exchange (JKU), but flexibility is key

• Countries with travel warning (www.bmeia.gv.at) are not recommended – no liability, no JKU scholarship

• Some universities moved to remote studying or suspended student mobility altogether (check host uni’s website)

• Short-term changes, deferrals, withdrawals or cancellations will be handled with as much flexibility as possible

• Remote studies from home (entirely online) will not be funded
Further information...

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