Go abroad
Exchange Programs

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JKU's top student exchange programs

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

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

• ISEP
  ◦ 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!)

Additionally, please have a look at more detailed info regarding Human Medicine, Education, Medical engineering, Cultural Studies and Digital Society.
Study abroad with ISEP

Where?
• USA
  ◦ More than 100 universities

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

Coordinator: Mag.a Esther Wöckinger, BA, International Office
Duration

• Semester or 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 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+ Exchange**
  - Erasmus+ scholarship
  - Additionally Study Abroad Grant for recipients of the Study Grant (=Studienbeihilfe):

- **Bilateral Exchange**
  - JKU scholarship
  - Additionally 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/MED: online (AUWEA NG)

• TN: in paper form
Application

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

Q&A session: January 10th, 11:00 via Zoom (mainly in German)
Application documents

• Passport photo
• Transcript of records
  ◦ download from KUSSS „Dokumentenservice“
• Letter of motivation
  ◦ in English
• preliminary course list at host university
• CV
  ◦ in English
• Proof of language skills
  ◦ School leaving exams („Maturazeugnis“) are not sufficient
Application deadlines 2024/25

• December 1st, 2023
  ◦ 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 and PAC
  ◦ Double degree programs Troyes/France and STUST/Taiwan

• January 31st, 2024
  ◦ 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
- Intensive language course abroad
  - funding possible
- Erasmus+: Online language courses
Further information...

...on our website!
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