

Germany

In 2012-2013, 9,544 U.S. students studied abroad in Germany for academic credit.

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Education System Overview

Academic year: Varies throughout Germany

Major school holidays/break:

- Christmas (2 – 3 weeks)
- Easter (2 – 3 weeks)
- Summer (6 weeks)
- Fall (1 – 2 weeks)

Major exam period(s): March – May

Structure of the university system:

- **Years of study required to earn a bachelor's degree:** 3 years
- **The language of instruction in universities:** German, with 10% English language programs on the graduate level
- **Years of required English instruction in universities:** None
- **Degrees offered:** Bachelor's, Master's, and Doctorate

Resources:

Organization: Edu Server - a resource provided by federal & state authorities

Website: www.eduserver.de

Organization: Kultusministerkonferenz - standing conference of ministries of culture

Website: www.kmk.org/wir-ueber-uns/institutionen-der-kmk/plenum.html

Organization: Hochschulrektorenkonferenz - association of state and state-recognized universities and other higher education institutions in Germany

Website: www.hrk.de



Know Before You Go

- **How to Apply for your U.S. Passport**
- **Country Specific Travel Information**

U.S. Government-Sponsored Study and Exchange Programs

- **Congress-Bundestag Vocational Youth Exchange**
- **Fulbright English Teaching Assistant Program**
- **Fulbright U.S. Student Program**
- **Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program**
- **Gilman International Scholarship**