

TEMPLE UNIVERSITY EXCHANGE WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF HAMBURG IN HAMBURG, GERMANY

Through a reciprocal exchange agreement with the University of Hamburg, Temple undergraduate and graduate students can exchange places with Hamburg students and spend a semester or year studying at the University of Hamburg. The program is open to juniors, seniors and graduate students in good academic standing with at least two years of college level German by the time the program begins, and sufficient proficiency to enroll in university courses taught in German.

THE UNIVERSITY OF HAMBURG

On March 28, 1919, the parliament of the city-state of Hamburg passed a resolution to establish the University of Hamburg. The start of the young University in the 1920s included outstanding scholars such as Ernst Cassirer (Philosophy), Erwin Panofsky (Art History), Otto Stern (Physical Chemistry), and William Stern (Psychology). Today the University of Hamburg has approximately 39,900 students, 900 professors engaged in teaching and research, as well as an additional full-time academic staff numbering 2,800. About 1,000 part-time academic staff teach at the University, and an equal number of additional academic and other employees are engaged in research projects financed by parties outside the University. The University is spread over 270 buildings with a usable area of 345,000 square meters. The center of the University is its campus at Von-Melle-Park, which is situated close to the lake in the heart of Hamburg. Many more facilities belonging to the University are to be found in other parts of Hamburg. For more information, see the university's web site: www.uni-hamburg.de.

ABOUT HAMBURG

Situated in the north of Germany approximately one hour's drive from the Danish border, Hamburg is Germany's second largest city and home to 1.6 million people. With port facilities covering an area of roughly 100 km, the city is Germany's most important seaport; nearly 100 shipping companies are based in Hamburg. Hamburg is an exciting city with a lively cultural life, including theater, symphony, opera and museums, and many sports events. The copper-roofed brick architecture prevalent in Hamburg is very characteristic of northern Germany, and the luxurious parks and lakes within the city limits give rise to Hamburg's claim that it--not Stockholm--is the Venice of the north.

COURSES AVAILABLE

Students with appropriate academic background may choose from courses in a range of departments including: Anthropology; Art History; Astronomy; Biology; Business; Chemistry; Classical Archaeology; Computer Science; Economics; Education; Egyptology; English Language; Literature & Culture; Folklore; Geography; Geology; History; Journalism; Language, Literature & Culture of North America; Mathematics; Musical Theater Direction; Oceanography; Philosophy; Physical Education; Physics; Play Directing; Political Science; Protestant Theology; Psychology; Social and Economic History; Sociology, and Teacher's Training. The University also offers courses in a wide range of ancient and modern languages, in addition to German, and departments focusing on the languages and cultures of regions around the world. A four-week intensive language program offered by the Goethe Institute in Hamburg prior to the start of classes is available for students whose German language needs improvement. The cost for instruction is Euro 1,360 or approximately \$1,800.

LENGTH OF PROGRAM

Students may participate in the exchange program for an academic year or semester. The academic year begins in October and runs through mid-July. The fall semester concludes in early February; the spring semester begins in early April. There is a 10-day break in each semester. Because of the different academic calendar in Germany, students who want to spend only one semester in Germany usually go in the spring/summer.

HOUSING AND MEALS

Although housing is not guaranteed, Hamburg helps students secure accommodation in dormitories, apartments or rented rooms in Hamburg. Students normally shop for groceries and cook for themselves in available kitchen facilities and/or purchase meals in the university cafeterias.

FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS AND FINANCIAL AID

In advance of their departure, Temple University students pay tuition to Temple. In Germany, participating students are responsible for the costs of housing, meals, transportation, personal expenses, insurance and nominal education-related fees which are paid to Hamburg. Because participating students remain enrolled at Temple University during their time in Germany, eligible students may continue to receive most forms of their financial aid and apply these monies to the costs of studying in Germany.

LIVING EXPENSES

The *Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst (DAAD)*, the German Academic Exchange Service, recommends that students have available 600-700 Euros per month (\$800-900 at the current exchange rate) for living expenses. This amount is of course variable depending on personal lifestyle and spending habits. Per semester, students should budget the following:

Housing:	\$1500
Meals:	\$1000
Personal Expenses:	\$1000
Estimated Airfare:	\$ 900
Books:	\$ 300
Required Health Insurance:	\$ 300
University Fee:	\$ 250

Students should budget additional funds for the intensive German language and orientation program (\$1800), and any personal travel planned for the semester breaks.

UNIVERSITY OF HAMBURG STIPEND

Each year, Temple students may compete for one living expenses stipend awarded by the University of Hamburg. The stipend is dispersed in monthly increments of 425 Euros. To be considered for the stipend, students must have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 and submit a stipend application form available from Temple's International Programs office by March 1. All candidates are interviewed by a Temple University faculty committee.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS AND APPLICATION PROCEDURES

Students are selected for the exchange on the basis of their academic record and a personal interview. To be considered, students must have a minimum GPA of 3.0, at least four semesters of university level German, background in the subjects to be pursued at Hamburg, and at least junior-year status by the time they begin their study at Hamburg. Students must complete the Temple University Exchange Application and submit two academic references and transcripts for all university-work completed, in addition to a German language evaluation report.

The application deadline for academic year, fall or spring study is March 1.