GERMANY

UNIVERSITY OF ERFURT

Program Details

- Available for the spring, summer, and academic year
- Eligible for transfer credit
- Various on-campus accommodations available
- Language requirement: two semesters of college-level German

About Erfurt

This quaint little Fredericksburg-sized town is located in central Germany, making it easy to travel all over the country. Characterized by architectural brilliance, picturesque alleys, and cathedrals, Erfurt is considered one of the most attractive medieval city centers. It is one of the German cities that best survived the bombing raids during WWII. Erfurt is the oldest university in Germany and is Martin Luther's alma mater. Although it has been modernized by a convenient tram system, a large area of town is strictly for foot traffic, where visitors may stroll down narrow cobblestone streets lined with bakeries, small shops, and street vendors. The town center is always buzzing with people sitting in cafes, shopping in outdoor fresh markets, and enjoying aperitifs in traditional German pubs.

Study at the University of Erfurt

The Erfurt program is designed for students who have completed at least one year of college-level German. Before commencing their studies, students will take a three-week comprehensive language and orientation course that helps exchange students settle into life at the University of Erfurt. In addition to the German preparatory course, Erfurt offers preparatory courses in German culture, history, and politics. During the academic year, courses are offered as lectures, seminars, internships, and field trips in several disciplines such as humanities, economics, law and social sciences, education, and Catholic theology. For more information, visit www.uni-erfurt.de/international/incoming/teilstudium.

Excursions

Excursions are offered to students through the Exchange Student Network at the university. At a discounted price, students can travel to places like Hamburg, Munich, Bremen, Berlin — the destinations vary per semester.

The entrance of the university.

Shops over the Krämerbrücke (Merchant's bridge), in Erfurt.

Exchange students relaxing at a cafe in Weimar.
Eligibility

This program is open to undergraduate students who have completed 12 or more UMW credits and have a 2.5 GPA. One year of college-level German is required.

Academics

Students receive 12 to 18 credits per semester of study. All courses must be pre-approved by a UMW department chair. Elective credits may be approved by the Center for International Education. Students must receive a “C” or better for courses to transfer.

Services

Services include advising, German health insurance, comprehensive orientation upon arrival, and credit transfer. Each new student is assigned a German student “tutor” who will help acquaint him or her with the campus and academic life at Erfurt. Students must purchase German health insurance. It is recommended that students keep their domestic insurance policy active while abroad. No refunds are given for dual coverage.

Application Deadlines

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Housing and Meals

The University of Erfurt offers exchange students housing in residence halls on campus and apartments directly off campus. Depending on the housing one selects, different items and services are included or excluded from the program cost. A refundable deposit of 200 Euros is required. Students generally do not share a room. Residence halls are equipped with full kitchens, and students have the option of dining at the student cafeteria. The cafeteria offers breakfast and lunch during the week at reasonable prices. Vegetarian food is offered along with the standard menu.