

	International University
Student Exchange Fact Sheet for 2015/2016	
Name of the Institution:	Karlshochschule International University
Location:	Karlsruhe, Germany
ERASMUS Code / EUC-Nr.	D KARLSRU08 / 228223
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ACADEMIC CALENDAR:	
Fall semester dates:	
Intensive German course for beginners:	September 1 – 18, 2015
Official arrival days:	September 17 – 18, 2015
Orientation period:	September 21 – 25, 2015
Teaching period:	September 28, 2015 – January 29, 2016
Final exams:	January 2016
Spring semester dates:	
Intensive German course for beginners: Offical arrival days:	February 2016 February 24 – 25, 2016
Orientation day:	February 26, 2016
Teaching period:	February 29, 2016 – July 1, 2016
Final exams:	June 2016
APPLICATION PROCESS:	
Language requirements:	 level of B2 or above according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages or IELTS of 6.0 or above or Internet-based TOEFL score of at least 80 points or Online Accuplacer English as a second language (ESL) assessment

Not applicable for native speakers.



Documents required for application:	 Online Application http://application.karlshochschule.de/en/ Official transcript of records Course list Resumé (curriculum vitae) Passport-sized photograph (pdf) Passport copy Proof of English language skills 	
Fall semester deadline:	31 May	
Spring semester deadline:	15 November	
ACADEMIC INFORMATION:		
Language of instruction:	English	
Course catalogue:	Partners and nominated students receive the list of courses offered. See also course structure under programme pages on http://karlshochschule.de/en/	
Grading system:	1.0-1.5 = "excellent" 1.6-2.5 = "good" 2.6-3.5 = "satisfactory" 3.6-4.0 = "fair" / "sufficient" (minimum passing grade) 4.1-5.0 = "insufficient"	
PRACTICAL INFORMATION	:	
Services available to exchange students	 Pick-up service from Karlsruhe train station Student advisers Facebook forum for exchange students Semester ticket for public transportation Social activities, e.g. get-togethers and trips Guide for International Students with information about academic and organizational matters, such as registration in Germany, opening a bank account etc. (will be sent to accepted students before the start of the orientation) 	
Health insurance information	Exchange students need proof of health insurance coverage for the duration of their studies at Karlshochschule in order to be enrolled. EU-Citizen have to bring their European Health Insurance Card. Non-EU-citizen can sign up for a German health insurance (approx. 65 € / month) or can purchase one in the student's home country. The minimum health insurance coverage applies for enrolment: 60.000 € − 80,000 € for one semester 100,000 € − 120,000 € for two semesters, whether or not the requirements for visa might be lower. Health insurances with lower coverage cannot be accepted.	



Housing information	The International Office provides recommendations on how to find accommodation (see separate sheet). Exchange students are recommended to make housing arrangements as early as possible. The student dorms often require an application a few months before the start of the semester, but students should also start applying early if they choose to take a room in a shared apartment. We recommend for students to pursue a variety of options, contact different landlords or students offering a room in shared flats and place their own announcements on housing portals such as www.wg-gesucht.de , writing an in-depth introductory letter. When new offers are coming in, it is crucial to react fast.
Karlsruhe Student Union (Studentenwerk Karlsruhe)	All students who wish to be enrolled in a German university need to pay the semester fee to the <i>Studentenwerk Karlsruhe</i> (Karlsruhe Student Union), which is in charge of the canteens and residence halls and offers psychological counseling, legal and other services. This amount includes insurance fees for a liability insurance that covers cases of damage which are directly related to your studies. You can find more information about its services at http://www.studentenwerk-karlsruhe.de/en .
	The fee for the Student Union is € 67.70 per semester. The fee for the Karlsruhe Student Union needs to be paid by the start of each semester.
Transportation	Karlsruhe offers a well developed system of public transportation (bus, tram, city and regional railway) so that all districts can be reached easily and quickly.
	The Karlsruhe Student Union and the local transport system (KVV) have initiated the so-called "semester ticket" that allows all students enrolled at universities in the Karlsruhe region to use local transportation (trams, buses and regional trains) for a reduced fee. It is valid for one semester (6 months) and costs € 141.50. Students who register with the city of Karlsruhe as new residents receive a voucher for their first semester ticket as part of their welcome package.
Estimated personal expenses per month:	
Accommodation:	€ 280 – 380
Food:	€ 180
Health insurance:	€ 65
Books, transport, other:	at least € 120
Total per month:	€ 650 - 800 on average