Application & Deadline

You may apply between December 10, 2018, and February 15, 2019, via the following website http://www.summerprogram.tu-dortmund.de

As a student from a partner university, you need to be registered at your own university and to be nominated by your study abroad coordinator via e-mail. In exceptional cases, students from non-partner universities may inquire about the possibility of participating as guest students. Please get in touch with the International Office prior to your application.

Expenses

Since this is a program for students from partner universities, you only pay the costs for the ISP service package. Academic and language courses are covered through the exchange agreement between your home university and TU Dortmund University and the tuition you are paying there. The service package at the price of 1,950 EUR includes the following benefits:

- Accommodation (from May 23 to July 30)
- Health insurance (from May 23 to July 30)
- Public transportation ticket
- Cultural program and excursions
- Pick-up service from Dortmund’s central train station

Additional costs of living (food & incidentals) are approx. 250 EUR per month.

The University

Since its founding 50 years ago, TU Dortmund University has developed a special profile, encompassing 16 faculties ranging from science and engineering to social sciences and cultural studies. The university currently has circa 34,600 students and 2,300 academic staff members, including 300 professors. The various scientific disciplines share a common university spirit in which interdisciplinarity, communication and cooperation are not only taught, but lived and experienced.

The City

A large and diverse city in the Ruhr valley, Dortmund offers all the advantages of urban life in a metropolitan area of some 5 million people. At the same time, half of the city’s spaces are green. Whereas the traditional coal and steel mills have been transformed into creative spaces and cultural hotspots, Dortmund has retained its soccer culture with some of Germany’s most fun and enthusiastic soccer fans celebrating their team in Borussia Dortmund’s 80,000 seat stadium. When you come to Dortmund, you will recognize immediately that you are not in a typical study abroad location. It is a territory you can discover for yourself, making new friends in a remarkably welcoming environment.
Welcome to the International Summer Program!

TU Dortmund University is part of the University Alliance Ruhr, in the heart of one of Europe’s most important metropolitan areas. The International Summer Program (ISP) is designed to offer excellent students innovative, hands-on study opportunities in upcoming fields designed to build your resume and experience, extend your network, and give you a unique European/transnational set of skills in your field of study. Credits will transfer directly to your home institution after the successful completion of the program.

All courses are in English, and you will have wonderful opportunities to acquire basic German language skills and develop your German cultural competences.

A unique feature of the ISP is that its participants are integrated into regular summer semester courses, along with German and international students.

Program Features

German Language Course
The German language course is a mandatory part of the program. Language classes on different levels (beginners, intermediate, advanced) will be offered to improve existing language skills or help you to get started in German. From May 27 to July 10 the German language course will be part of your schedule twice a week for three hours each.

Cultural Program and Excursions
A cultural program and excursions are included in the program. You may explore the Ruhr Area, Germany’s largest - and greenest - metropolitan area, historical cities like Cologne and Münster, and participate in a number of activities in and around Dortmund such as a visit to Germany’s largest soccer stadium or the impressive Art Nouveau coal mine at Zeche Zollern.

Dortmund Doubles Program
You will be teamed up with German students who will help you become part of campus and city life.

Research Project
You can also undertake a research project in addition to or instead of the regular ISP program. This means that you can work with a specialist in your area of interest adding a new perspective and expanding your academic network in a particular area.

Target Group
This track is designed for students from partner universities from all over the world in their third or fourth year. It is also suitable for graduate students. Track A students are also welcome to enroll in German & European Studies courses.

Track A:
Engineering
Features
• You can select from a catalogue of courses taught in English in the following fields:
  - Applied Mathematics
  - Automation & Robotics
  - Biochemical & Chemical Engineering
  - Computer Science
  - German Culture
  - Business & Economics
• Focus on Engineering and Business & Economics complemented by two mandatory courses in German language and culture
• You will be fully integrated in regular classes and campus life
• Hands-on project work to gain practical experience
• Computer labs are integrated in several courses
• You will have an exam period after regular classes end

Target Group
This track is offered for American and other international students interested in German language, literature and culture in European and global contexts. Track B students are also welcome to enroll in Engineering and Business & Economics courses.

Track B:
German & European Studies
Features
• You can select from classes mostly dealing with German culture in European, transatlantic and global contexts
• You will be fully integrated in regular classes and campus life
• If you have knowledge of German, you will be able to register in regular Dortmund classes as well
• In the cultural studies classes, ISP students will join German students in order to explore together and from different points of view new developments in German and European culture
• If you are interested in a special academic topic, you will be assisted in independent study projects by professors and specialists from different fields

Target Group
This track is designed for students from partner universities from all over the world in their third or fourth year. It is also suitable for graduate students. Track B students are also welcome to enroll in Engineering and Business & Economics courses.