



**DO YOU WANT TO STUDY ABROAD AT A PALACE?  
COME TO THE UNIVERSITY OF MANNHEIM!**

*INFORMATION FOR INCOMING EXCHANGE STUDENTS*





## AT A GLANCE

**12,000**  
STUDENTS  
IN 5 SCHOOLS

**MORE THAN 2,000**  
INTERNATIONAL  
STUDENTS FROM  
100 COUNTRIES



**450**  
PARTNER  
UNIVERSITIES  
AROUND THE  
GLOBE

**1,100**  
INCOMING  
EXCHANGE STUDENTS  
PER YEAR

TIMES HIGHER EDUCATION WORLD  
UNIVERSITY RANKING 2024:  
The University of Mannheim is among the  
top 10 percent of all universities.  
**#3 IN GERMANY**  
in Economics and Business Administration  
**#37 WORLDWIDE**  
in Economics and Business Administration

QS WORLD UNIVERSITY RANKING BY  
SUBJECT 2024:  
**#1 IN GERMANY**  
in Accounting and Finance  
**#2 IN GERMANY**  
in Business & Management Studies and  
Economics & Econometrics



Founding member of the European  
University ENGAGE.EU and the  
international alliance U7+







*"At the University of Mannheim you can meet a lot of international students. It is a well-known university and you can be proud to study here."*

*Sophia Schreiber Heilborn from  
Fundação Getulio Vargas, Brazil*

## SCHOOLS

The University of Mannheim offers excellent academic programs for undergraduate and graduate students at its five schools:



• **Business School**

• **School of Humanities**



• **School of Social Sciences**

• **School of Law**



**and Economics**



• **School of Business Informatics and Mathematics**

As an exchange student, you can choose from a wide range of courses taught in English – you can even study some degree programs entirely in English.

## WHY THE UNIVERSITY OF MANNHEIM?

### International Academic Calendar

We are the first German university to adopt the more commonly used international academic calendar. The fall semester runs from September to December, and the spring semester from February to June, making it easier for you to fit your exchange semester into the curriculum at your home university.

### Excellence in Teaching and Research

The University of Mannheim is recognized as one of the leading academic institutions in Germany and Europe. Our Business School is the first institution in Germany to be accredited by the three most important international accreditation organizations: AMBA, AACSB and EQUIS.



For a complete list  
of courses, please visit:







## STUDENT SUPPORT AND CAMPUS LIFE

### A Smooth Start

We know that the first few weeks in a foreign country can be challenging. The staff and student assistants at the International Office are here to support you while you settle into your new surroundings.

### Personal Support

While filling in your application you can ask to be matched with a local student through the Buddy program.



- Benefits: Buddies have usually studied abroad themselves and can offer insights into student life in Mannheim.
- Activities: Attend “Buddy Events” together or simply meet for coffee, fostering cultural exchange.

### Immerse Yourself

Our orientation sessions and campus tours during the Welcome Week give you a general idea of what student life in Mannheim is like. Additionally, we provide practical information on organizing your stay and arrange activities, such as an International Dinner, and cultural trips throughout the semester. International student organizations host many fun events, from city visits or weekend trips to language cafés.

## LEARNING GERMAN

### Pre-semester Courses

Four-week, intensive German language courses for all levels of proficiency are offered before the semester starts, either during the International Summer Academy, which takes place in August, or the International Winter Academy, which takes place in January. In addition to the language courses, you can also sign up for excursions and seminars on German life and culture. Attending the academy is also a great way to make friends and settle in before the semester starts.



### German Language and Culture Courses

During the semester, the University of Mannheim provides German courses for all levels of proficiency as well as specialized language courses on topics relating to business, culture, or politics, such as Germany Since 1870, Fit for Germany and German Art Through the Ages.



### Tandem Language Partner

Of course, you can also learn German outside of the classroom, and by using our Tandem Partner Search Portal, you can find a conversation partner to practice with.



*"I would recommend meeting as many new people as possible here and immersing yourself in the German culture every day. I think it is important for you to do things that are new to you. Whether it is learning the German language or going to the Schneckenhof parties."*

*Evelynne Xia from the University of New South Wales, Australia*



## UNIVERSITY SPORTS

Many students participate in the sports activities offered by the university's Institute of Sports. The facilities include gyms where you can workout and improve your fitness, and several courts and fields for team sports. Join one of our successful sports teams or participate in one of over 80 courses, most of which are free of charge. From **Beach Tennis**, **Lacrosse**, and **Meditation**, to **Pole Fitness**, **Road Cycling**, and **Yoga** – we guarantee there is something for everyone.



*"My best experience so far was probably playing volleyball with the locals. It's a great way to meet new people and combine your passion for sports with speaking a new language."*

*Sofia Toche from the  
University of Florida, USA*



*"I really enjoy going to sports, especially gymnastics, which I tried for the first time here. Back home, the facilities were so far away, but here, they are just a short train ride away. The sports program is great because there is so much on offer."*

*Andrew Majcen from the  
University of Adelaide, Australia*





*"It is easy to get around in Mannheim – everything you need is close by."*

*Chandler Norman from the University of South Carolina, USA*

## THE CITY OF MANNHEIM

Mannheim is a multicultural city in the state of Baden-Württemberg, and is about 70 km/ 43 miles south of Frankfurt am Main with its international airport. With a population of approximately 320,000 people, Mannheim has a city center which is small enough to explore on foot, but big enough to offer a vibrant urban culture with lots of cafés, movie theaters, cultural events, concerts, theaters and museums. The university campus is located right in the city center.

Additionally, Mannheim's central location makes a perfect starting point for discovering the rest of Germany and Europe, be it hiking in the beautiful Palatinate or taking a weekend trip to the Black Forest or even to France. There are many destinations nearby where you can take a break from the hustle and bustle of city life.



### Did you know?

The **bicycle** was invented in Mannheim.

The inventor Karl Drais started his famous **first ride** in front of the **palace**.



## CAMPUS FACILITIES

Most lecture halls are inside the Schloss, one of the largest baroque palaces in the world. Enjoy the unique atmosphere, where history meets a modern learning environment.

### Multicultural Study Environment

The campus has a truly international and diverse student population with over 2,000 international students.

### Social Activities

With over 40 student organizations, there is a club for nearly every interest, ranging from business to theater – ensuring your life on campus is vibrant and active.



## APPLICATION

The University of Mannheim welcomes over 1,100 exchange students each year and you can be one of them. If you are interested in spending one or two semesters at our university, please contact the International Office at your home university to find out the application requirements and deadlines.







*"It was very easy to connect with people. Everyone was open and looking to meet new people. I would recommend going th the ESN VISUM buddy events and excursions organized by the International Office. My first event was a trip to the Black Forest – we went hiking and then a tour guide showed us around Baden-Baden. I'm still in contact with a lot of the people I met on the trip."*

*Donavon Smith from the  
University of North Carolina at Greensboro, USA*

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