

# Partner University & Exchange Programme Information Sheet

- ACADEMIC YEAR 2016 /17-

University - General Information	
Name of University	Universität zu Köln, Deutschland   University of Cologne, Germany
Rector   Vice-Rector for International Relations	Prof. Dr. Axel Freimuth (Mr.)   Prof. Dr. Gudrun Gersmann (Ms.)
University URL	<a href="http://www.uni-koeln.de">www.uni-koeln.de</a>
University Profile	The University of Cologne is a modern university in the heart of Europe. Academic excellence, internationality and widely varied curricula create a vibrant and inspiring environment for students, scientists and scholars. It has a strong reputation in business, humanities and life sciences. Since its distinction in the frame of the German Excellence Initiative 2012, the University of Cologne belongs to the small group of elite universities in Germany.
Total Number of Students	45.000
Total Number of International Students	5.000
Faculties	Faculty of Arts and Humanities Faculty of Math and Natural Sciences Faculty of Law Faculty of Human Sciences Faculty of Management, Economics and Social Sciences Faculty of Medicine
Campus Map	<a href="http://lageplan.uni-koeln.de/">//lageplan.uni-koeln.de/</a>

International Office - General Information	
Name of International Office	Dezernat 9 – Internationales   International Office
Head of the International Office	Dr. Stefan Bildhauer (Mr.)
Head of the Department <i>International Students</i>	Dr. Susanne Preuschoff (Ms.)
Contact for incoming students	Daniela Simut-Perent (Ms.), Head of Counselling Section Nicole Conde (Ms.), Incoming Students Coordinator
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URL of the International Office	<a href="http://www.international.uni-koeln.de">www.international.uni-koeln.de</a>

Academic Information		
	Summer Term 2016	Winter Term 2016/17
Recommended arrival for the pre-semester	by the end of February	by the end of August
Pre-semester (one month)	March	September
Orientation Session	in the beginning of March	in the beginning of September
Semester dates	April 1 – September 30	October 1 – March 31
Lecture dates	April 11 – July 22	October 17 – February 10

Online Syllabus	Courses for the summer term 2016 and the winter term 2016/17 are not scheduled yet. The current semester schedule of the winter term 2015/16 may be found here: <a href="https://klips.uni-koeln.de/qisserver/rds?state=user&amp;type=8&amp;topitem=lectures&amp;breadCrumbSource=portal&amp;noDBActiony&amp;init=y">https://klips.uni-koeln.de/qisserver/rds?state=user&amp;type=8&amp;topitem=lectures&amp;breadCrumbSource=portal&amp;noDBActiony&amp;init=y</a>
Language of Instruction	German and English
German Language Courses	German language courses are offered during the pre-semester (intensive) and during the semester. They are free of charge for exchange students. For more information please consult: <a href="http://international.unikoeln.de/6892.html?&amp;L=1">http://international.unikoeln.de/6892.html?&amp;L=1</a>
Recommended Course Load	30 ECTS per term
Explanation of Credit/Grading System	ECTS (European Credit Transfer System)
Transcript Information	Please contact the Examination Offices („Prüfungsämter“) or the Centres for International Relations („ZIB“) in the respective faculty; more information upon arrival of the exchange students

Admission Requirements	
Level of Study	Undergraduate and Graduate level
Faculties/Schools available to Exchange Students	Arts and Humanities Math and Natural Sciences Law Human Sciences Business ( <i>with restrain</i> ) Medicine ( <i>with restrain</i> )

Language Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>German:</b> Common European Framework (CEFR) level B2 recommended or German language proficiency test by home professor.</li> <li>• <b>English:</b> CEFR level B2 recommended</li> </ul>
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Application		
	Summer Term 2016	Winter term 2016/17
Application Deadline	January 15, 2016	July 15, 2016
Required Application Materials	Student Application Form, nomination by home university, Curriculum Vitae, motivation letter, secondary school leaving certificate, university transcript, German language certificate (or equivalent), photo, passport copy	
Submission of Application Material	By email in advance and by postal mail until the application deadline	

Housing and Accommodation	
Housing Information	<p>The students' dormitories are managed by an autonomous institution, the „Kölner Studierendenwerk“. The dormitories are located off-campus. Depending on the dormitory, the distance to the campus is of 10-25 minutes. For more information please consult:</p> <p><a href="http://www.kstw.de/index.php?option=com_content&amp;view=article&amp;id=315&amp;Itemid=11&amp;lang=en">http://www.kstw.de/index.php?option=com_content&amp;view=article&amp;id=315&amp;Itemid=11&amp;lang=en</a></p>
Assistance with Accommodation	Both the International Office and the Centres for International Relations in the faculties apply for exchange students.
Price of Accommodation	200 - 300 EUR per month

Other Information	
Semester fee	Students enrolled at the University of Cologne will have to pay a social contribution fee („Semesterbeitrag“) each semester. The semester fee currently is amounting to 248,82 EUR and will be adjusted every six months. The semester fee includes a transportation card for public transportation in the federal state of North-Rhine Westfalia (Nordrhein –Westfalen, NRW) and accident insurance on campus. <b><u>Please note:</u></b> the University of Cologne does not charge any tuition fees.
Estimated Cost of living (incl. rent)	About 750-800 EUR per month
Airport Pick-Up	Unfortunately, we are unable to provide airport pick-up
Health Insurance Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Pre-semester:</u></b> Students are asked to bring a travel health insurance for the pre-semester, i.e. March or September</li> <li>• <b><u>Semester:</u></b> We accept a health insurance from the home country. However, we recommend a public German health insurance which costs approx. 80,- EUR per month. It can be obtained from the beginning of the semester, i.e. April or October.</li> </ul>
Visa Requirements	90 days after arrival a <b>Residence Permit</b> must be applied for. The International Office provides detailed information to the students at the Orientation Session in the beginning of the pre-semester.