



**UNIVERSITÄT
ERFURT**

**Welcome to the University of Erfurt
Information for international
students and guests**

PORTRAIT

The University of Erfurt is a campus university with more than 100 professorships and approximately 6,000 students. The reform university for the arts and humanities with a particular focus on cultural and social sciences offers an inspiring atmosphere for studying and conducting academic work. The close ties between the Faculty of Humanities; Faculty of Education; Faculty of Economics, Law, and Social Sciences; Faculty of Catholic Theology and the Max Weber Centre for Advanced Cultural and Social Studies help the university as a whole to forge new paths in teaching and research. Forward-looking academic programmes that combine subject-specific knowledge and professionalization, modern forms of teacher training, and the interdisciplinary general education programme are particular distinctions of the University of Erfurt. Our mentoring programme and excellent student-faculty ratio guarantee a high-quality education. Refounded in 1994 the University of Erfurt is one of the youngest public universities in Germany and stands out for not charging tuition fees and its certified family-friendly policy.

THE PROGRAMME FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ERFURT

- The International Office offers help and advice regarding bureaucratic matters prior to and during your stay at the University of Erfurt.
- Supporting German language classes are offered throughout the semester.
- Every student is assigned a faculty member as an academic advisor who will support in planning the personal curriculum.
- The Student Association International Campus Erfurt (ICE) organizes the International Welcome



Weeks as well as events and activities throughout the semester.

- The “Strangers become Friends” programme enables international students to meet people outside the university; the “Springboard to Learning” programme organizes teaching placements in local schools.

For exchange students:

- A 4-week German Preparatory Course prior to every semester that helps exchange students settle in in the new place of study.
- Every international exchange student is assigned a German student as an international student tutor who will meet you upon your arrival, show you round the campus and help you particularly during the first weeks in Erfurt.

COURSE OFFERINGS

BACHELOR PROGRAMMES

- Arts
- Catholic Religion
- Communication Science
- Economics, Law and Social Sciences – Social Science concentration
- Economics, Law and Social Sciences – Economics concentration
- Economics, Law and Social Sciences – Law concentration
- Educational Science
- English and American Studies
- German Studies
- History
- International Relations
- Literary Studies

- Management (minor only)
- Mathematics (minor only)
- Music
- Philosophy
- Primary Education
- Protestant Religious Education (minor only)
- Religious Studies
- Romance Studies (minor only)
- Slavic Studies (minor only)
- Special Education and Inclusive Pedagogy
- Sport and Physical Education (minor only)
- Teaching, Learning and Training Psychology
- Technology Education

MAGISTER DEGREE

- Catholic Theology

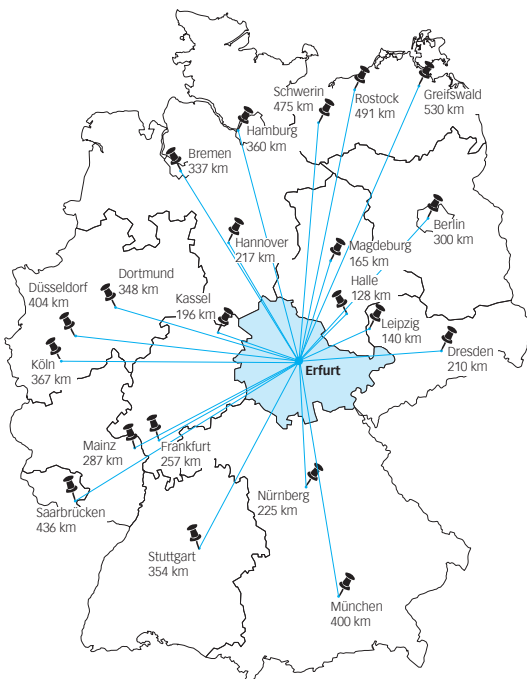
MASTER PROGRAMMES

- Applied Linguistics
- Children's and Youth Media Studies
- Democracy & Economy
- Economics, Law and Social Sciences
- Education Science
- Global Communication: Politics and Society (in English)
- Health Communication
- Literary Studies
- Master of Education Primary Schools
- Master of Education Secondary Schools
- Master of Education Special Needs Pedagogy
- Master of Education Vocational Schools
- Philosophy
- Psychology
- Public Policy (in English; tuition fee)
- Religious Studies (in English)

- Special Needs and Integrational Education
- Theology and Economics
- Transcultural History

RESEARCH

Research at the University of Erfurt is characterized by close ties between the four faculties and the Max-Weber-Kolleg as well as numerous interdisciplinary projects. The university-wide areas of specialization “Bildung. Schule. Verhalten.“; “Religion. Gesellschaft. Weltbeziehungen.“; “Wissen. Räume. Medien.“ (“Education, School, and Behaviour”; “Religion, Society, and our Relations to the World” and “Knowledge, Spaces, and Media”) are of key importance in shaping





the university's diverse research profile. These areas of specialization have been intensified by the creation of graduate schools and centres.

ERFURT IN THE CENTRE OF GERMANY

THE CITY OF ERFURT

Erfurt, a city of approximately 200,000 inhabitants and the capital of the free state of Thuringia, looks back over more than 1250 years of history. Located at the crossroads of important medieval trade routes, Erfurt was the region's commercial, political, and cultural centre. The biographies of many prominent thinkers, such as Meister Eckhart, Martin Luther, Ulrich von Hutten, Adam Ries, and Wilhelm von Humboldt, were closely connected to Erfurt's history.

The immediate vicinity offers many cultural treasures, too. Weimar, the city of Goethe, Schiller, Herder, Nietzsche and Liszt, as well as Eisenach, birthplace of Johann Sebastian Bach, are among the famous places nearby. Erfurt is located at approx. 2 hours by train from Berlin, Frankfurt/Main, Munich and only 5 hours away from Brussels, Paris, Amsterdam and Prague.

REASONS TO STUDY AT THE

UNIVERSITY OF ERFURT:

- wide variety of BA and MA programmes focused on humanities, social sciences and education
- no tuition fees (except for Public Policy and certificate programmes)
- campus university with on-campus accommodation and student restaurants, family-friendly facilities and childcare
- modern, well-equipped library

- Language Centre and self-access area for independent study
- modern Communication and Information Centre with PC pools
- possibility to get involved in numerous student associations and groups
- “semester ticket”: the student ID entitles students to use public transportation within and around Erfurt free of charge
- affordable cost of living in a centrally located, culturally lively and historically interesting city
- close by where Johann Sebastian Bach, Martin Luther, Johann Wolfgang von Goethe and Friedrich Schiller lived and worked

FURTHER INFORMATION

- www.daad.de
(German Academic Exchange Service)
- www.stw-thueringen.de
(Student Services)
- www.erfurt.de (City of Erfurt)
- www.hs-nordhausen.de/international/staatliches-studienkolleg
(Pre-university Programme)
- www.thaff-thueringen.de/en
(Thuringian Agency for Skilled Personnel Marketing)



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