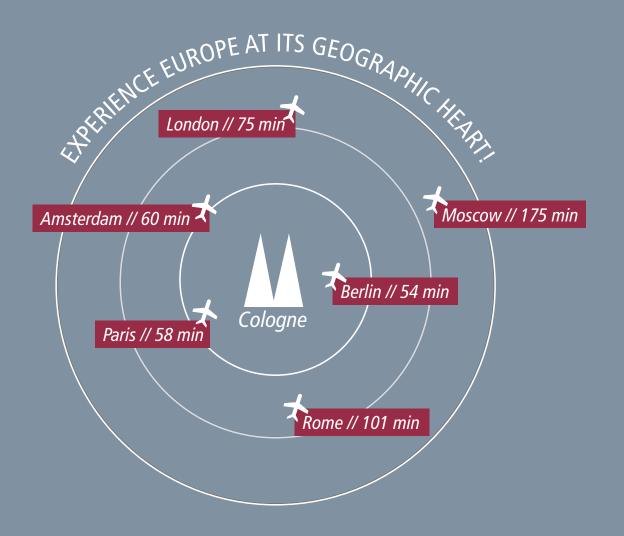


# THE COLOGNE GLOBAL STUDY PROGRAM

**Contemporary European Studies** 





3 Liaison offices: Beijing, Delhi, New York

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500 Exchange Programmes

Experience Europe at its geographic heart! Cologne is the fourth largest city in Germany. It is well connected to its neighboring countries, such as Belgium, the Netherlands, and Luxembourg. It is just four hours by train from Paris/France, five hours from Berlin, and with its international airport only a few hours away from the rest of Europe.

FIND US ONLINE: international.uni-koeln.de/cgsp.html



# **GREETINGS FROM COLOGNE!**

Founded in 1388, the University of Cologne is one of the oldest institutions of higher education in Germany and among the 11 German Universities of Excellence, distinguished for its outstanding research performance and excellent study programs.

Currently, about 50.000 students are enrolled in more than 300 B.A.- and M.A.-programs at our six faculties.

As a student from one of our partner universities you are kindly invited to join the University of Cologne. You can participate in our regular B.A./M.A.-programs or the Cologne Global Study Program (CGSP).

The Cologne Global Study Program was especially designed for exchange students with no or little command of German who would like to study German and take classes in Contemporary European Studies taught in English at our university.

Please enjoy reading this brochure and do not hesitate to contact the CGSP-team if you have any further questions.

We would be delighted to welcome you here!

Prof. Dr. Axel Freimuth Rector of the University of Cologne **Dr. Johannes Müller** Head of Department International Science



Prof. Dr. Axel Freimuth



Dr. Johannes Müller



#### **UoC PARTNERSHIPS**

The University of Cologne holds official partnerships with several universities throughout the world. Here are some of them:

#### **AUSTRALIA**

The University of Sydney
Monash University, Victoria
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#### **BRAZIL**

Universidade Federal de Pernambuco, Recife Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio de Janeiro Universidade Federal Fluminense, Niterói Pontifícia Universidade Católica de Minas, Belo Horizonte

#### **CAMEROUN**

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Simon Fraser University Université de Montréal University of British Columbia University of New Brunswick

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Universidad Alberto Hurtado, Santiage de Chile

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#### **COLUMBIA**

Universidad de Antioquia

If your university is not listed here, please check with your International Office if there is an exchange agreement with the University of Cologne.

#### **CUBA**

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University of Namibia

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#### **TAIWAN**

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#### **TURKEY**

Istanbul University
Bogazici University, Istanbul
Turkish-German University, Istanbul
Ankara University
Middle-East Technical University, Ankara
Hacettepe University, Ankara
Bahecesehir University, Istanbul

#### USA

Allegheny College, Meadville (undergraduate students only)
Duquesne University, Pittsburgh
University of California, Berkeley (graduate students only)
University of Colorado, Boulder
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
University of Mississippi, Oxford

# CONTEMPORARY EUROPEAN STUDIES

The Cologne Global Study Program (CGSP) is an academic certification program designed for students of the University of Cologne's partner universities. It combines classes on **Contemporary European Studies** (taught in English) and German language courses.

The program's main goal is to provide an excellent academic environment for exchange students who do not speak German, but wish to study at the University of Cologne. This program strengthens the collaboration between the University of Cologne and its partner universities and fosters an international atmosphere on campus.

#### THE PROGRAM'S MANY BENEFITS INCLUDE:

- → Academic Excellence: custom-tailored courses in Contemporary European Studies and select complementary courses from the university's course catalog
- → English-taught Courses: no previous knowledge of German is necessary in order sign-up for the CGSP
- → German Language Skills: intensive German classes are an essential part of the curriculum
- → Certification: earn academic credits and receive a certificate and transcript upon successful completion of coursework
- → Flexible Duration: choose how long you want to stay one semester, a full academic year, or four months ("early-leaver" track)
- → Tuition-free: the program is free of tuition for exchange students from official partner universities
- → Intercultural Learning Environment: classes are open to international and German students
- → CGSP Support Services: all students receive special support and advising
- → Excursions: enjoy study trips specifically designed for international students and an excursion only available to CGSP participants
- → Campus Community: as full members of the university, exchange students have access to our libraries, sports and recreational facilities, state-wide public transportation, student restaurants, events, student groups, ...

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#### WHAT TO EXPECT

#### CORF CORSES

'Core courses' in Contemporary European Studies are clustered in three different subject areas: History and Culture, Economy and Society, and Politics and Law. The core course catalog is updated each semester.



<sup>\*)</sup> examples for possible courses

#### GERMAN AS A FOREIGN LANGUAGE

German language courses are provided by the Department of "German as a foreign language" and organized as pre-semester block courses or regular semester courses. Class-size is limited to 20 students. Courses for all proficiency levels are offered. In addition to the standard course (2x4 hours per week) there are complementary courses in Grammar, Reading/Listening Comprehension, (Academic) Writing, and Conversation that can be chosen in order to further develop language skills. A language lab is also available for self-study.

#### UNIVERSITY-WIDE COURSE CATALOG

For their elective module, students can choose from additional courses in the thematic field of European Studies. These courses are carefully selected by the program coordinators from the 250+ B.A. and M.A.-programs spanning the six faculties of the University of Cologne: Management, Economics and Social Sciences; Law; Arts and Humanities; Human Sciences; Mathematics and Natural Sciences; Medicine.

#### SPECIAL COURSE OFFER: INTERCULTURAL ISSUES IN ACADEMIA

This course offers strategies on how to deal with intercultural challenges that may arise when studying abroad. As academic systems can be quite diverse, this course is designed to gain a better understanding of the German system. Students acquire a range of competences that can be helpful in classroom situations.

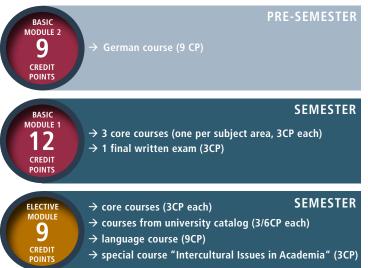
#### **CURRICULUM**

The Cologne Global Study Program is structured in two basic modules and one elective module.

#### 1-SEMESTER-PROGRAM: THE CERTIFICATE OF CONTEMPORARY EUROPEAN STUDIES

If you stay in Cologne for one semester, you can obtain the Certificate of Contemporary European Studies, consisting of 30 credit points (CP)\*. All credit points will be documented in a *Transcript of Records*, as they may be transferred to your home university. You can start the 1-semester-program ahead of the semester (pre-semester arrival). This will provide you with more flexibility during the semester.

#### **PRE-SEMESTER** ARRIVAL



#### **SEMESTER** ARRIVAL



#### 2-SEMESTER-PROGRAM: THE ADVANCED CERTIFICATE OF EUROPEAN STUDIES

If you are staying in Cologne for the entire academic year, you can obtain the Certificate of Advanced European Studies, worth another 30 CP. The structure of the second semester is identical with the first semester. Our counselling team will help you choose the classes that will complement best the knowledge that you have already gained.

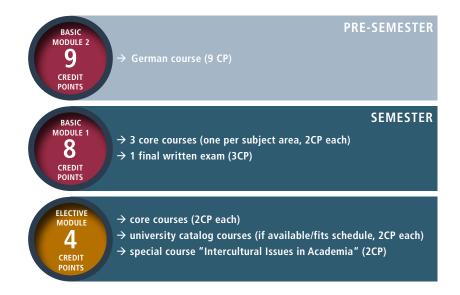


<sup>\*)</sup> One credit point represents the workload of 25 to 30 hours per semester as defined by the European credit transfer system.

# "EARLY-LEAVER"-PROGRAM: CERTIFICATE OF CONTEMPORARY EUROPEAN STUDIES

If you can stay only for a short time at the University of Cologne, you can still take part in the program and gain 21 credit points. We have designed the "early-leaver" track for you, which is offered once a year.

#### **PRE-SEMESTER** ARRIVAL



# THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS HAVE TO BE MET IN ORDER TO RECEIVE A CERTIFICATE IN EITHER PROGRAM:

- → regular and active participation in all courses
- $\rightarrow$  graded essays and class minutes in each of the core courses
- → written final exam in basic module 1
- → written tests in the "German as a Foreign Language"-classes

Requirements in courses chosen as electives are subject to individual course regulations.

# STUDY TRIP TO FRANKFURT (OCT. 2016)







Johannes Müller, CGSP-program director and Frankfurt native, gave the students a tour of the historical sites of the city.









What does the euro mean to you and the people of Europe? What does the future hold for the common currency of the eurozone? The president of the Deutsche Bundesbank, Jens Weidmann, and Klaas Knot, the President president of De Nederlansche Bank, debated these questions with a selected group of international students — including the participants of the Cologne Global Study Program. The latter could also explore the Frankfurt Book Fair, where the dicussion was held.



#### DATES AND DURATION

The duration of the program is one or two semesters.

#### WINTER SEMESTER 2017/18:

Pre-semester: Mid-August – 29 September 2017

Semester: October 2, 2017 – 26 January 2018

Early-leaver program: Mid-August – 22 December 2017

#### **SUMMER SEMESTER 2018:**

Pre-semester: Early March – 6 April 2018 Semester: April 9, 2018 – 20 July 2018

Detailed program information and course descriptions will be provided online in July 2017.

We highly recommend starting early by taking the pre-semester German language course.

## LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

The principle teaching language is English. Applicants to the program whose primary language is not English and who currently attend a university where the language of instruction and examination is not English must submit an official score report of English proficiency (at least Level B2 of the Common European Framework of Reference (CEFR)). Accepted are:

- → Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL iBT) with a minimum score of 80
- → International English Language Testing Services (IELTS) (5,5) or equivalent tests.

Proficiency in German is not required.

#### **HOW TO APPLY**

- 1. Ask your International Office to be nominated as an exchange student for the University of Cologne.
- 2. Nominated students will receive an information package from the University of Cologne and a link to our official application form.
- 3. If you have decided to participate in the Cologne Global Study Program "Contemporary European Studies" you must select the program on the online-application form.

PLEASE NOTE: Your application does not guarantee participation in the program.

ADMISSIONS OFFICER: Ms. Nicole Conde | +49 221 470 7946 | n.conde@verw.uni-koeln.de | international.uni-koeln.de/studyincologne.html?&L=1

# How do I know if I am eligible?

Please check with your International Office if they can nominate you as an exchange student for the University of Cologne.

## What courses will I take?

Language courses: The program consists of German classes for beginners if you have not studied German previously or advanced German classes if you already speak German.

Content courses: You can choose between various core and elective courses in Contemporary European Studies.

# Do I have to take courses that are not part of the program?

You should check with your home university before leaving whether it is required for you to take courses in your major/minor.

# Can I take courses that are not part of the program?

You are welcome to take courses outside the CGSP-program, but you have to ask the CGSP-coordinators if they can be credited for the program.

# How do I know if my university is a partner university?

Please ask the International Office of your home university.

# How can I apply for a visa?

Where will I live?

## Do I have health insurance?

Please check http://ukoeln.de/LAS3B for more information.

# How much does the program cost?

There is no extra tuition fee for students from partner universities. Please check http://international.uni-koeln.de/11116.html for more information on the costs of living in Cologne.

# Will I be able to transfer credits to my home university?

Please check with your home university, what kind of courses/credits can be transferred before you leave. Upon completing your course work and exams here, you will receive a certificate and a transcript of records from us that will indicate your classes, grades, and credit points.

#### CONTACT INFORMATION

The International Office at the University of Cologne will be more than happy to welcome you in Cologne. To facilitate your arrival and stay, please contact the following persons for support and assistance.

# APPLICATION, REGISTRATION AND ADVICE FOR INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE STUDENTS

Please note: **Your application** will be handled by the International Office of your Home University, as your nomination has to be submitted officially.

After your nomination, the contact person at the University of Cologne is:

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#### **GERMAN AS A FOREIGN LANGUAGE (DAF)**

Specific issues regarding the German language classes may be handled by the experts at the Department of "German as a Foreign Language":

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# PROGRAM COORDINATION "COLOGNE GLOBAL STUDY PROGRAM" / STUDENT COUNSELLING

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#### AFTER YOUR STAY: KEEPING IN TOUCH THROUGH KÖLNALUMNI WELTWEIT

Remain an active member of the University of Cologne's worldwide Alumni network after returning home!

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