## Town of Tübingen



#### Young, colourful and picturesque

Tübingen does not have a university, it is a university. The picturesque historical town center and its attractive position on the Neckar River offer a high quality of life whether you are studying, working, or taking a break.

#### Located at the heart of Europe

Located in Baden-Württemberg, a southern German region with strong European traditions, Tübingen is close to Strasbourg, France, seat of the European Parliament, and equally close to Frankfurt, seat of the European Central Bank. Stuttgart airport nearby serves many international destinations, putting Tübingen just a stone's throw away from cities in Europe like Paris, London and Barcelona.

#### Close to Stuttgart - a high-tech region

Stuttgart, the capital of Baden-Württemberg, can be reached in just 30 minutes by train. With over 5 million inhabitants, the Stuttgart Metropolitan Region is one of the biggest in Germany. Home to companies such as Bosch, Daimler and Porsche, it has been a center of technological innovation for over a century. Stuttgart has very good rail connections, putting it just a few hours away from Munich, Berlin and Hamburg.

### **University of Tübingen**

Innovative. Interdisciplinary. International. Since 1477. These have been the University of Tübingen's guiding principles in research and teaching ever since it was founded. With this long tradition, the University of Tübingen is one of the most respected universities in Germany. Recently, its institutional strategy was successfully selected for funding in the Excellence Initiative sponsored by the German federal and state governments, making Tübingen one of Germany's eleven universities distinguished with that title of excellence. Tübingen has also proven its status as a leading research university in many national and international competitions – in key rankings Tübingen is listed among the best universities for the Humanities and Social Sciences as well as for Science and Medicine.

With its broad spectrum of subjects, the University of Tübingen provides a wealth of opportunities for interdisciplinary collaboration. And such cooperation extends beyond the University and around the world. The University of Tübingen has joint research projects at all levels with other institutions of higher education, with research institutes and with industry.

The University's excellence in research offers optimal study conditions to students who come to Tübingen, combined with the opportunity to emphasize individual interests along the way. The attractive study environment is reinforced by many additional services, such as the Language Centre, interdisciplinary lectures in the Studium Generale and the state-of-the-art University Library. The University motto speaks for itself: attempto – I dare!

We look forward to welcoming you!

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# INTERNATIONAL & EUROPEAN STUDIES



## **Summer Programs 2015**

1 June – 26 June 13 July – 21 August

Introductory Courses on Europe and the EU at the University of Tübingen



#### **PROGRAM OVERVIEW**

Study Europe and the European Union from the unique vantage point of one of Germany's most prestigious universities! The summer programs "International & European Studies" at the University of Tübingen offer international students from all over the world seminars taught in English by renowned Tübingen researchers on interdisciplinary topics as well as courses on German language and culture.



You will benefit from the expertise of Tübingen academics and will gain insights through excursions and field trips. Intercultural exchange will be encouraged via various social activities, and you will be involved in student life in Tübingen.

#### **DATES**

01 June - 26 June 2015 (4 weeks)

13 July – 21 August 2015 (6 weeks)

#### **ADMISSION**

The summer programs are designed for undergraduate and graduate students with different academic backgrounds interested in a general introduction to International & European Studies. Students must be at least 18 years old and have completed one year of higher education.

**Number of Places: 24** 

#### **MODULES AND COURSES**

#### Module "International & European Studies"

#### **Academic introductory courses**

- The European Union: Institutions and politics
- Modern European history
- Doing business in Europe
- The European legal landscape

#### **Excursions and field trips**

- European Parliament in Strasbourg
- · Historic center and government district of Berlin
- European Central Bank in Frankfurt
- Center for European Affairs in Stuttgart

The program is complemented by interviews with EU politicians and decision makers as well as visits to influential companies in the economically strong region of Baden-Württemberg such as Mercedes-Benz.

#### Module "Language & Culture"

#### German language courses

 Develop and improve your German language skills in comprehension, speaking, reading and writing on different proficiency levels

#### Intercultural workshop

 Reflect on your study abroad experience and intercultural and interdisciplinary learning process

#### **Buddy Program**

Within the Buddy Program a student of the University of Tübingen teams up with a summer program participant. One German "buddy" will take care of you before and during your entire stay in Tübingen. This will allow you to get to know German students, and experience student life first-hand.

For full details and registration, please go to www.uni-tuebingen.de/european-studies

#### **CREDITS AND TRANSCRIPT**

After successful completion of the courses, students will obtain ECTS credits and will receive a certificate of attendance and an official transcript.

4-week program: 8 ECTS credits 6-week program: 12 ECTS credits





#### **ACCOMMODATION**

Participants will be housed in one of the university halls of residence or will live with a host family.

#### **PROGRAM FEE**

The program fee includes all courses, excursions and field trips of both modules, cultural and social activities, a 3-day stay at a guesthouse, accommodation and a public transport ticket for use within Tübingen.

4-week program: €2,000 (early bird: €1,800 by 28 Feb.) 6-week program: €2,800 (early bird: €2,400 by 15 Apr.)

#### **APPLICATION & SCHOLARSHIPS**

Students applying to the summer program must submit the following documents: application form (available on the website), letter of motivation, transcript of records.

A limited number of scholarships is available within the summer programs. The scholarships are awarded on the basis of academic achievement and financial need.

**Application deadline:** 

4-week program: 31 March 2015 6-week program: 15 May 2015