

Study Abroad (2018)

Transcultural Studies, East Asian and South Asian Studies, History and Social Sciences

B.A., M.A., Ph.D.

APPLICATION DEADLINE 15 JANUARY

What we need

To apply for the exchange, please send the following documents to Ms. Nora Bartels at the Chair of Cultural Economic History:

studentexchange@asia-europe.uni-heidelberg.de

Sent directly by the lecturer:

- a. letter of recommendation from a university lecturer (Recommendation letters are NOT required for the general Erasmus exchange, except for the UK universities of Cambridge and SOAS London. Recommendation letters are NECESSARY for Kyoto University, Tokyo University, Seoul National University. MATS students should ask their teacher from a foundation class or their study focus advisor. Professor Fuess will not write recommendation letters since he is the head of the student exchange selection committee.)

AND all in one pdf-file:

1. letter of motivation, including the reason for choosing the partner university and a ranking of alternative choices and desired duration (1 or 2 semesters), the classes you expect to take abroad and your career goals
2. CV including extracurricular activities
3. university certificates and transcripts of records
4. proof of English proficiency (TOEFL/IELTS) if you did not obtain a B.A. in an English-language program (TOEFL iBT minimum 100 for Cambridge and Yale and 105 for SOAS)
5. knowledge of other languages

All application materials have to be in English

MATS Applicants Requirements

1. All MATS students must **PASS** the Transcultural Studies Introduction Class
2. ALL MATS students must **COMPLETE 60 ECTS** before leaving Heidelberg for study abroad. Please submit *a list of your summer semester classes* with your application
3. All MATS students must **OBTAIN 28 ECTS** during the study abroad semester
4. In your application identify a potential theme and supervisor for **your M.A. thesis** in the fourth semester and explain your choice

Applicants by other Departments

Statement of your study advisor that your study abroad program will be recognized by your degree program

Heidelberg University Study Abroad in Asian and Transcultural Studies

Frequently asked questions regarding the Study Abroad (FAQ)

Can I also choose a university that is not a listed as a partner above?

Ask at another institute in Heidelberg University that has an Erasmus exchange agreement with your European university of choice. You are free to study at any other university in Europe or overseas upon approval of your academic advisor but please be aware that you may have to pay full tuition fees, unless you can obtain an individual tuition waiver.

Where can I read about former participants' experiences?

In the info-room of the [Erasmus Office](#) and here: <https://www.uni-heidelberg.de/international/erasmus/berichte/> (German only)

Which requirements do I have to meet?

You have to be a student of Heidelberg University and you have to have the necessary language and research skills in order to participate in the exchange.

What happens after I sent in my application?

Usually the applicants are informed by mid-February, whether they have been accepted. Sometimes they are invited to an interview to verify their language and research skills.

Is there an info event that I can participate in?

Yes, there will be one in the Winter semester in the Karl Jaspers Centre.

What is the value of the Erasmus scholarship and what are the criteria by which people are chosen?

All accepted exchange students to study in Europe will receive an Erasmus mobility scholarship. You can find information on the value here: <https://www.uni-heidelberg.de/international/erasmus/outgoing/stipendium.html>

Are there other/ additional possibilities to get a scholarship?

You can also apply for other scholarships, for example from the DAAD.

You can search for scholarship options on the following homepages: <https://www.stipendienlotse.de/> or www.mystipendium.de/ (German only)

Do I have to pay study fees to the university abroad?

Erasmus students are exempt from study fees at European universities.

Educational Cooperation with Universities

WITHIN EUROPE

Erasmus Scholarships:

Barcelona Autònoma, Spain

Basel, Switzerland

Budapest, Hungary

Cambridge, UK (Japan only)

Cracow, Poland

Ghent, Belgium

SOAS London, UK

Paris (INALCO, Paris 7), France

Prague, Czech Republic

Leiden, Netherlands

Leuven, Belgium

Madrid Autònoma, Spain

Oslo, Norway

Venice Ca. Foscari, Italy

Zurich, Switzerland

OUTSIDE OF EUROPE

Study without fees:

Yale University, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences (3 slots)

---DAAD scholarships for M.A. (*not decided*)

Kyoto University, Graduate School of Letters and Graduate School of Economics (5 slots)

---DAAD, JASSO scholarships for M.A.

Tokyo University, Graduate School of Public Policy (2 slots)

--JASSO scholarships possible for M.A.

Seoul National University, Graduate School of International Studies (3 slots)

National Taiwan University in Taipei and **Nankai University** in Tianjin (5 slots)

Dehli Shiv Nadar University, Jamia Millia Islamia University (3 EM scholarships)

JOINT AND DOUBLE DEGREES

M.A. in Transcultural Studies with Kyoto University Graduate School of Letters

Ph.D. in Asian and Transcultural Studies with Venice Ca. Foscari University, Faculty of Asian and North African Studies

Ph.D. in International Japanese Studies with Tohoku University Graduate School of Letters and Ph.D with Tohoku University Graduate School of Law