Saarbrücken, Germany

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Why Saarbrücken?

This reciprocal exchange program allows Boise State students to attend Saarland University (Universitaet des Saarlandes) at its main campus in Saarbrücken, Germany. The university was established with French assistance in 1948.

Saarland University, with a student population of approximately 17,000 students, is known throughout Germany for its business school and modern curriculum. The faculties are Law and Economics, Medicine, Computer Science and Engineering, Humanities/Social Science, and Mathematics/Natural Sciences. Many French and Belgian students study in Saarbrücken, and many classes are also offered in French. Information for students may be found here under exchange programs (Austauschprogramme).

Location

Saarbrücken is a modern city with a population of 178,000. The city contains many gothic churches, post-modern museums, and industrial parks, which are connected to the cosmopolitan downtown via a transit system. The city's proximity to France, Belgium and Luxembourg has produced a blend of French and German culture and allows for rich cultural experiences.

Host University

Universitaet des Saarlandes

Academic Calendar

Fall: early September - February
Spring: March - July

Eligibility

GPA: 2.75
Majors: All majors
Grade level: Sophomore and above

Application Deadlines

Fall semester: April 1
Spring semester: October 1

Academics

The program begins with four to five weeks in the Studienkolleg, an intensive German language program to prepare students for the required German language exam (DSH). Students can continue with coursework at the Studienkolleg during the semester and/or enroll in classes in the regular university system. Upon passing the DSH, students will earn 12 credits in upper-division German. Academic year participants usually attend the Studienkolleg and audit classes during the first semester, then enroll in regular classes during the second semester. Semester participants normally focus most of their studies at the Studienkolleg.
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Costs

- Tuition/fees: Boise State fees *
  *non resident tuition will apply if applicable

- WUE/GEM/Treasure eligible: Yes

- Boise State employee dependent fee waiver: Yes

- Application fee: $100

- Study abroad/exchange fee: $400

- Housing: €25 - €300/month (varies)

- GeoBlue insurance: $13/week

- Airfare: $1,500 (varies)

Academic Calendar

The fall term begins in early September and ends in February. The winter semester begins at the beginning of March and courses end in mid-July. Students cannot depart Germany before their final exams.

Housing

Students at Saarland University live in residential halls with other German and international students. For detailed information about housing, please look here.

How to apply

Apply on our application portal
https://boisestate-glo.via-trm.com/

Materials needed to apply

- Application form
- Essay
- Official transcript
- Letter of recommendation

Exchange students are interviewed by the Global Learning team after their application is submitted.

Contact us

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