Exchange Programme in Adult and Continuing Education & Lifelong Learning

for Master and Doctoral Students

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1 About the Programme

The exchange programme for master's and doctoral students in adult and continuing education & lifelong learning is dedicated to bringing together students and scholars from around the world in Würzburg, Germany. They will study and teach together with the colleagues and students from the Institute of Education at Julius-Maximilian-University Würzburg.

Students

The University of Würzburg has applied for a range of scholarships to help funding students studying in Germany (see scholarships and registration). The programme intends to bring together master's and doctoral students from countries such as Canada, India, Serbia, Nigeria, Palestine or South Korea, for one semester in Würzburg. Furthermore, the programme is also offered as part of the inner-European ERASMUS exchange. This means that we expect students from the European Union as well. It is furthermore possible to register as free-mover students.

We expect 5-10 international students each semester. The programme will feature intensive exchanges and close interactions with students from Würzburg and other universities.

Supervision & Guidance

The teaching staff at the Professorship of Adult and Continuing Education gladly supports you during your studies in Würzburg. Once you arrive, the Würzburg International Office will provide you with assistance and support to help you settle. If you are interested, we are happy to arrange a tandem exchange with German education students.
1 About the Programme

International guest scholars

Besides the teaching staff at the Professorship of Adult and Continuing Education, several international scholars will teach in Würzburg in the winter term 2019/20.

- We have invited the following academics from our partner universities to stay and lecture in Würzburg: Prof. Dr. Alan Tuckett from University of Wolverhampton.

Study programme

The study programme is focusing on questions of adult and continuing education and lifelong learning from transnational perspectives and from several national perspectives. The focus will be on analyzing transnational discourses and connecting these with in-depth insights from selected countries.

You will approach these issues from macro, meso and micro perspectives:

- **Macro**
  
  Adult Education and Lifelong Learning in Asia: Policy and Practice in Selected Countries;
  
  International Adult Education Policy: Creators, Issues, Mechanisms

- **Meso**
  
  Historical sketch on adult learning and education – from desert tent to the online platform;
  
  Gender in Adult Education

- **Micro**
  
  African Indigenous Teaching Methods; Theoretical approaches to adult learning and education
International Winter School

If you cannot study in Würzburg for a whole semester, it is possible to join only for the International Winter School. In this case, please have a look at www.lifelonglearning.uni-wuerzburg.de

The International Winter School on Comparative Studies in Adult and Lifelong Learning will combine mega, macro, meso and micro perspectives and strengthen comparative aspects of adult and lifelong learning. Furthermore, we will do several field visits in adult and continuing education centres, which will provide you with insights into different practices.

“I attended three international courses with the professionals from different parts of the world: Africa (Nigeria), Asia (India) and south-eastern Europe (Serbia). That was a perfect opportunity to get closer with completely different approaches and systems of adult education and to try to make a comparison on similarities and differences between them. The lectures were more than interesting, very creative, dynamic, interactive. [...] Beside the learning part of my exchange, I had a lot of free time activities. Würzburg is wonderful city, which offers a lot of new experiences in any sense.”

Aleksandra Milicevic, Exchange Student at University of Wuerzburg from University of Belgrade, Serbia, in winter semester 2016/17.

Save the date!
International Winter School
03. – 14. February 2020
Winter term: September - February 2020

2.1 International Autumn School

Stefanie Kröner, M.A., JMU Würzburg

Two weeks in September 2019 – exact dates are following

5 credit points

Recognition: M.A. Educational Science, exchange programme, Graduate School of Humanities

Description

The two-week program includes workshops at Delhi University and the International Institute for Adult and Lifelong Education, which addresses issues related to University Extension and Adult Education for Marginalized Groups. In the summer semester, preparation takes place in seminars offered at the Professorship of Adult and Continuing Education.
2.2 Reading the world: Adult learning, advocacy and social change

Prof. Dr. Alan Tuckett, University of Wolverhampton

Weekly during the winter semester 2019/20

3/5 credit points

Recognition: B.A. Pedagogy, GSiK

Description
2.3 Needs, wants, demand and supply: Engaging adults in learning.

Aims and objectives of the course

Prof. Dr. Alan Tuckett, University of Wolverhampton

Weekly during the winter semester 2018/19

3/5 credit points

Recognition: M.A. Pedagogy

Description

The overall aim of the course is to identify effective strategies for engaging adults, and in particular those from marginalised groups in adult learning and education. The course will examine the patterns of adult participation in formal, non-formal and informal learning, and identify under-represented groups, drawing on the range of participation studies and frameworks developed over the last 20 years. It will look at the economic, social and civic benefits observable from participation. It will note the framework of European lifelong learning policy, its identification of core adult competences, and the 2020 participation target. It will then examine local and national, business and community-based strategies which have been used to engage adults in learning, and how they shape demand and supply; it will look at groups under-represented in adult learning, the barriers to their participation, and how these can be overcome.
2.4 The role of adult learning and education in the different perspectives on lifelong learning offered by UNESCO, OECD and the European Union

Prof. Dr. Alan Tuckett, University of Wolverhampton

Weekly during the winter semester 2019/20

3/5 credit points

Recognition: M.A. Pedagogy, GSiK

Description

This course introduces students to the radically different visions of lifelong learning embodied in the work of UNESCO, in the work of the Organisation for Economic Development and of the European Union, which influence policies and practices in national contexts, their evolution and current focus. It does this in the context of exploring the role adult learning and education can play in addressing the range of challenges facing modern society as highlighted in the UN Sustainable Development Goals, and the emergence of a fourth industrial revolution.

On the one hand, the UNESCO approach is grounded in the affirmation of education as a human right. This is reflected in the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals and its 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development adopted in December 2015, which emphasises the link between education and sustainable development, and the inter-sectoral approaches to adult education and lifelong learning adopted by the UNESCO Institute of Lifelong Learning.

On the other hand, OECD has developed a range of analyses of lifelong learning policy, and practice informed by the perspective of human capital theory. We will in the course, look in particular at the findings of the 2013 publication, Survey of Adult Skills, which constituted the first key findings of OECD’s Programme of International Assessment of Adult Competences, with its primary focus on the extent of adults’ skills in literacy, numeracy and problem solving in technology rich contexts.

A third perspective, on the focus and range of adult learning and education is offered in the policies of the European Union.

During the course students will learn the key elements of these different perspectives, and will analyse critically the strengths and weaknesses of these approaches in the light of the technological, ecological, demographic and civic challenges facing modern society, and the striking increase in inequality in what is overall a more prosperous world. They will also evaluate their comparative impact on a single national country. For this activity students will have two key texts – the third UIL Global report on Adult Learning and Education (GRALE 3) published in 2016, and the PIAAC Survey on Adult Skills of 2013.
2 Course Descriptions

2.5 German language courses

The Language Center of the University of Würzburg offers German courses at all levels for program students and FreeMovers before and during the semester break. The courses are free of charge for exchange students.

- Intensive courses in March and September (3-4 weeks with 5 lessons per day, also includes cultural studies).
- DSH courses in March and September; DSH examination in April and October
- German courses during the semester; Face2Face courses, tutors

Detailed information and course dates can be found online under http://www.zfs.uni-wuerzburg.de/sprachen/deutsch_als_fremdsprache/ For admission to the courses, students need to bring their Letter of Admission to the placement test on the first day of class.

Registration

- The intensive courses begin with a mandatory placement test on the first day (you will receive the date in your letter of acceptance). Please show your letter of acceptance and your passport or identity card.
- For language courses during the semester, you must register personally at the beginning of the semester at the Language Center. For registered exchange students there are no extra costs - except the DaF Summer Academy
- For further and updated Information see http://www.international.uni-wuerzburg.de/en/studying_in_wuerzburg/

exchange students After arrival exchange students German courses
Registration

It is possible to attend the whole programme or single courses. Therefore, please register as exchange student at the international office.

https://uni-wuerzburg.moveonnet.eu/moveonline/incoming/welcome.php

Registration Deadline:

Scholarships at the University of Würzburg

The International Office is offering general information about scholarships.

http://www.international.uni-wuerzburg.de/en/studying_in_wuerzburg/

Students under ERASMUS regulations

Please apply at your university for an ERASMUS-grant. If there is no contract between your university and Julius-Maximilian-University of Würzburg, please ask the international programme coordinator to contact regina.egetenmeyer@uni-wuerzburg.de

Students from India (Delhi University), Palestine (Bethlehem University) and Serbia (University of Belgrade)

We have successfully applied for a fund under the programme ERASMUS+, International Dimension. Within this programme, you can receive a scholarship of 800€/month plus a travel lump sump according to the EU Travel-Calculator.

http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/resources_en#tab-1-4

Registration Deadline for all students:

Please send us your application including a motivation letter and a CV. Information on the approval of your scholarship will be given in

Further Scholarships of the German Academic Exchange Service

Apart from that, the DAAD is offering a variety of scholarships. For more information, see

4.1 International Office
The International Office is provides information about the exchange programme

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https://www.uni-wuerzburg.de/en/international/home/

Office Hours: Mon, Tue, Wed, Fri 8-12; Wed 14-16; Thu 8-11:30

4.2 Benefits for exchange students
- Simplified application procedure for ERASMUS students
- Guaranteed accommodation (if applications are received by 15 January/15 June)
- Intensive German language courses and semester German language courses
- Access to libraries, computer labs, university internet, sports facilities
- Assistance through international tutors
- Cultural semester program
- Würzburg English language program

No tuition fees. Social support fee: currently €102,70 (including free local and regional public transportation for six months, reduced prices for meals in cafeterias, and for dormitories run by the Federal Organization for Student Services “Studierendenwerk”)

4.3 ERASMUS information
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4.4 Application process

Application Deadline
June 15 for the winter semester – 15 January for the summer semester.

Online Application
http://www.international.uni-wuerzburg.de/en/studying_in_wuerzburg/
Exchange students Application and admission for exchange students

Course Catalogue
Students put together their schedule independently; tutors and academic coordinators offer assistance http://www.uni-wuerzburg.de/fuer/studierende/vorlesungsverzeichnis/

Language Requirements
Sufficient language skills to follow the courses, but no specific level of proficiency in German. Specific German language skills for some subjects (Medicine: B2, Media Communication: B1; Pharmacy and Biology: A2 in German or B1 in English).

4.5 Preparation prior to your stay

Please check if visa requirements apply for you http://www.international.uni-wuerzburg.de/en/studying_in_wuerzburg/exchange_student/before_arrival_exchange_students/vis/a367510

Insurance Requirements can be found at http://www.international.uni-wuerzburg.de/en/studying_in_wuerzburg/exchange_students/before_arrival_exchange_students/health_insurance/a367535

Learning Agreement
If you are studying in Würzburg over the ERASMUS+ programme, please prepare your learning agreement prior to your arrival. You can find more information about the learning agreement here:
https://www.uni-wuerzburg.de/international/studieren-im-ausland/bewerbung-formulare-downloads/
4.6 Academic dates

Study period
Summer semester 2019: 01.04.2019 - 30.09.2019

Since there is no official examination period, exams might reach into the semester break. Students should consider this before booking return flights.

Orientation day
Orientation day will take place in the beginning of the semester for international students, including a guided sightseeing tour through Würzburg, a welcome speech by University Officials, and a reception. Orientation sessions for all specific subjects are offered directly by the faculties.

4.7 Accommodation

Exchange students who apply for a room in a dormitory within the given deadline (June for winter semester and January for summer semester) will have guaranteed accommodation!

The Student Housing Service is responsible for ten dormitories in various locations in Würzburg.

Amenities: Single furnished apartments or single rooms in shared apartments, in which two to four students share a kitchen and bath room; Dishes, kitchen accessories, bedding and towels are not provided.

Rental prices range from € 160,00 to € 350,00 per month, depending on the size of the room/apartment and its equipment. For further information about the individual dormitories see http://www.studentenwerk-wuerzburg.de/wuerzburg/wohnheime.html

Length of stay: Student accommodations are granted for six months (beginning with the semester on April 1 or October 1) or 12 months (for a stay of one year). A shorter rental period is not possible; Participants who participate in intensive language course the semester can rent a dorm room one month earlier, so that the length of the contract increases to 7 or 13 months.

Costs for living: approx. 600-800 €/month (depending on your life style and apartment rent).
4 General Information

4.8 Credits and grading

Taking in consideration the European Bologna-Process, the University of Würzburg is crediting its courses with ECTS-Points (European Credit Transfer System-Points). For a full semester (6 months study) students can acquire around 30 ECTS-Points.

Allocation of ECTS Credit Points

As an exchange student, you can decide on the courses in this booklet, if you intend to acquire 3 or 5 ECTS-Points for one course. If you intend receiving 3 ECTS, we expect an active participation in the course. If you intend receiving 5 ECTS, a written examination will be required additionally to the active participation. Please ask the professors for further details about the paper individually, at the beginning of each course.

Submission of written examinations

Please submit the seminar paper as printout and in a digital version. Further information about submission requirements will be provided through a guideline in each seminar.

Grades

Student performances are graded individually and not on a statistical basis. The University of Würzburg uses the grading system from 1,0-4,0 or by using the „pass“ / „fail“ distinction.

Transcript of Records

Please note that transcripts might be issued up to 3 months after the exam period and only upon request. For receiving your transcript of records, please forward all the required documents to the Professorship of Adult and Continuing Education. We will forward this information to the International Office, which will provide you a transcript of records. Please contact our International Office for receiving the transcript of records.
### 4.9 Other information

**Arrival and public transport**

**Arrival by plane:** Airport Frankfurt/Main, Nürnberg, Munich or Stuttgart. You can reach Würzburg from one of these airports easily by train or bus. For connections, check [www.bahn.de](http://www.bahn.de) or [www.flixbus.com](http://www.flixbus.com).

**Local public transport:** The WVV provides local public transport from/to university builds, to student dormitories and the city center by bus or tram.

**Student Tutoring Program** Students who know their way around the University and city are glad to assist exchange students, especially during the first few days. You will find a list of tutors here:

[https://www.uni-wuerzburg.de/en/international/studying_in_wuerzburg/information_for_all_foreign_students/assistance/student_tutors](https://www.uni-wuerzburg.de/en/international/studying_in_wuerzburg/information_for_all_foreign_students/assistance/student_tutors)

### Extracurricular clubs

**University Sports center facilities:**

[http://www.sportzentrum.uni-wuerzburg.de/](http://www.sportzentrum.uni-wuerzburg.de/)

**University Choir:**

[http://www.hochschulchor.uni-wuerzburg.de/ie/home/index.php](http://www.hochschulchor.uni-wuerzburg.de/ie/home/index.php)

**University Orchestra:**

[http://www.orchester.uni-wuerzburg.de/](http://www.orchester.uni-wuerzburg.de/)

**AK Internationales (international club):**

[http://www.stuv.uni-wuerzburg.de](http://www.stuv.uni-wuerzburg.de)
Julius-Maximilian-University Würzburg

The Julius Maximilian University of Würzburg (JMU), founded in 1402, is one of the universities in the German-speaking world that have a long and rich tradition. Numerous famous scholars and scientists have made their mark here, such as Carl Siebold, Rudolf Virchow, and Franz Brentano. So far, 14 Nobel laureates have conducted their research here, including Wilhelm Conrad Röntgen, who discovered X-rays at Würzburg. In 1985, the physicist Klaus von Klitzing received this distinction for his discovery of the quantum Hall effect. Harald zur Hausen was given the Nobel Prize in Medicine in 2008 for discovering that viruses trigger cervical cancer. In addition, ten scientists from the University of Würzburg have received a Leibniz Prize – the most prestigious German research prize.

The Julius Maximilian University is constantly expanding: Since the 1960s, it has been spreading out onto a hill on the eastern edge of the city, called Hubland. A green campus has sprung up there, bringing together large sections of Science and Humanities. This is also home to the University Library, the Mensa dining hall, the Hubland Campus and the University Sports Facilities. In 2011, this area was expanded by a further 39 hectares, offering a huge amount of space for new institute premises and seminar rooms.

More than 27,000 students, including some 2,100 young people from abroad, are registered with ten faculties. These can be divided into four main areas: Humanities, Law and Economics, Life Sciences, and Natural Sciences and Technology. The university and its hospital provide employment for 10,000 people. Around 3,000 are on the academic staff, more than 400 as professors.

Resource: https://www.uni-wuerzburg.de/startseite/universitaet/
Study in Würzburg
The University of Würzburg offers more than 200 study programmes. In addition to this, there are parallel courses and postgraduate courses in Experimental Medicine, European Law, and other study fields. The university also offers some further education courses, such as Psychological Psychotherapy, Purchasing and Supply Management. The Center for Continuing Education coordinates the part-time educational courses for professionals, which are expanded continuously. As an important element in the promotion of young talent, the Julius Maximilian University offers doctoral degrees in all study areas, even in interdisciplinary fields, with intensive tutoring and supplementary multidisciplinary courses. The University of Würzburg Graduate Schools for doctoral students from all disciplines were set up for this purpose.

Research
The university boasts numerous collaborative research centers, graduate schools, and research groups, which are funded by the German Research Foundation (DFG). These top-level research facilities have been secured for Würzburg despite tough competition from other higher education institutions. The Julius Maximilian University is among the most successful German institutions of higher education. This can be attributed to its high-caliber scholars and scientists as well as its interdisciplinary research centers, which have been set up in the fields of Medicine, Science, and Humanities. The university was a pioneer in creating these centers, starting the process as early as the 1990s.

Cosmopolitan
The Julius Maximilian University maintains numerous partnerships with universities in Africa, America, Asia, Australia, and Europe, and strengthens these relationships continuously. In addition, there are considerable relations at the level of institutes and departments. Internationalization is a top priority for the University of Würzburg.

http://www.international.uni-wuerzburg.de/en/experience_wuerzburg

The city of Würzburg

A lot of student activities take place alongside the River Main with its promenades, meadows, and beer gardens: discovering the music and culture of our neighboring continent on the Main meadows during Europe’s biggest Africa festival, walking barefoot in the sand at the city beach, or enjoying concerts and theater performances on a floating stage during the Würzburg Docks Festival – all this and more is on offer in Würzburg. Another popular event is the Mozart Festival, where “Serenade No. 13” is performed in a relaxed atmosphere in the Court Garden of the Residence. The distances within Würzburg city center can be covered easily on foot. Sporty people can reach all destinations by bicycle.

There is no lack of sports options in the city; there are cycling, running and Inline skating routes, leading along the River Main or through the vineyards. The university offers a broad spectrum of sports activities, ranging from basketball to yoga.

The university also culturally benefits the city and the wider region: concerts by the Institute of Music Research or exhibitions in the university’s museums enrich the cultural scene. For the general public, the university organizes lectures, readings, and other public events. In addition, there are laboratories for school pupils, a children’s university, a school pupils’ university, and study programs for senior citizens. All these events combine with other cultural offerings and leisure facilities in Würzburg – theaters, concerts, open-air festivals, and wine festivals – to create an attractive environment in which to live and work.
