

Universität  
zu Köln



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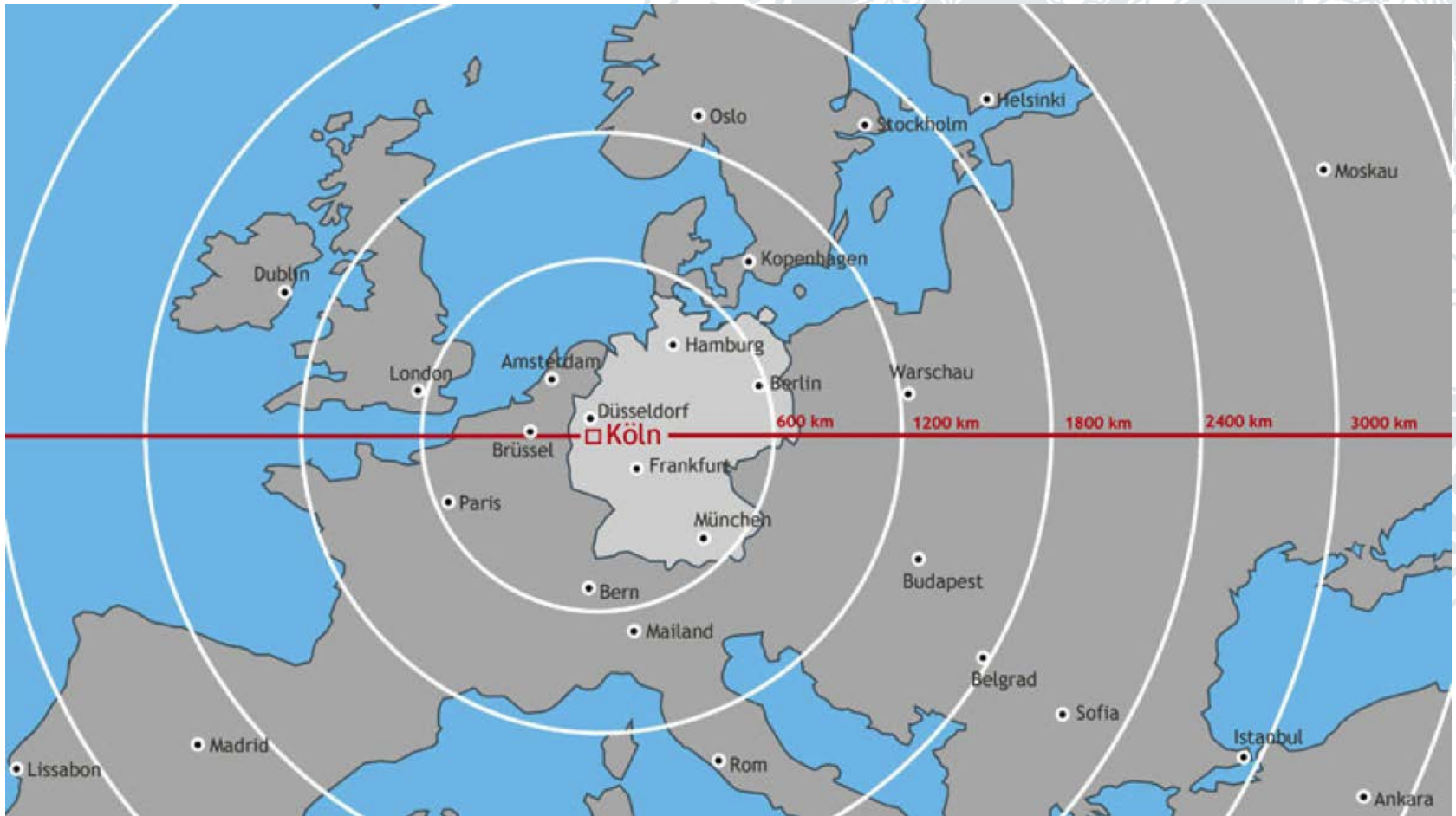
# Fast Track to the UNIVERSITY OF COLOGNE

University of Cologne- Good ideas since 1388.  
University of Cologne/ International Office

# Overview

- City of Cologne
- University of Cologne
- Fast Track - Studienstart International
- Application Requirements

# City of Cologne





# City of Cologne

- Fourth largest city in Germany
- One of the oldest cities in Germany
- Economic centre of North Rhine-Westphalia
- Cultural centre
- Accessible city
- 13 different universities







# City of Cologne



Carnival



Cologne Cathedral

Rhine Promenade



Rhine Park



Chocolate Museum and Crane Houses

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# University of Cologne

- Founded in 1388
- One of the largest German universities
- ~ 50.000 students
- ~ 4.000 international students
- 300 cooperative partnerships and exchange programs







# University of Cologne

- Over 3000 academic staff members
- 6 faculties
- 8 interdisciplinary research institutes and 26 faculty specific institutes
- Clusters of Excellence / Excellent Graduate Schools

Faculty of Management,  
Economics and  
Social Sciences

Faculty of Arts and  
Humanities

Faculty of Law (no Fast Track)

Faculty of Mathematics  
and Natural Sciences

Faculty of Medicine

Faculty of Human  
Sciences







# University of Cologne

- No tuition fees – subsidized higher education
- Semester campus maintenance fee
- Campus groups
- International and open atmosphere





# University of Cologne



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# University of Cologne



Student Service Center



Cafés



Main Building



Library



University Sports

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# Studienstart International

- What is the regular track to German universities?
  - Preparatory Course (Studienkolleg), duration: one year
- What do we offer?
  - Studienstart International, duration: one semester
  - Seamless transition into the degree program

Studienstart International is an alternative to the regular track, therefore a *fast track* to university





# Studienstart International

Studienstart International takes place during your first semester.

Each student is given an individual schedule, which includes:

- classes imparting study skills
- an orientation series
- intercultural awareness
- supplementary German language courses
- subject-specific German courses (e.g. Business German)
- selected courses from your degree program



# Studienstart International

## Supplemented by:

- Pre-arrival information via the web portal „Uni Köln International“
- Buddy program
- Welcome event
- Informational events on a regular basis
- Intercultural projects and workshops
- Support through students of the International campus groups (e.g. North American Student Association)
- Excursions



# Studienstart International

After successfully completing Studienstart International



Seamless transition into the pursued degree program



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# Application Requirements

- High proficiency in German language
- Eligibility
- TestAS certificate





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# Application Requirements

German-language proficiency is certified in several ways:

- Deutsches Sprachdiplom DSD Stufe II of the Kultusministerkonferenz
- DSH-2 or higher (Deutsche Sprachprüfung für den Hochschulzugang)
- TestDaF at level TDN 4 in all four test parts
- C-2 certificate from the Goethe-Institut
- Telc C-1 Hochschule or Telc Deutsch C-2





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# Application Requirements

To be eligible, you must:

- qualify for admission to a German “Studienkolleg” or
- submit proof that you are qualified to study your intended degree program in your home country (e.g. university entrance exam, notification of admission, enrolment certificate)







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# Application Requirements

https://www.daad.de/deutschland/nach-deutschland/voraussetzungen/en/6017-admission-requirements/7id=412&ebene=5 - Admission requirements - DAAD - Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst

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## Admission requirements



Anyone with an international university degree/higher education qualification is generally permitted to study in Germany. However, the recognition of the qualification is linked to certain requirements.



**Summer in Germany  
Language and Short Courses  
in Germany**

Here you can choose from over 350 courses. Most courses take place during the summer break. A number of courses are also offered in the winter months.

[More »](#)

<https://www.daad.de/deutschland/nach-deutschland/voraussetzungen/en/6017-admission-requirements>



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## TestAS:

- central standardized aptitude test for foreign students
- consists of a core test and a subject-specific module that depends on the study program to which you are applying
- instrument used for selection purposes at the University of Cologne
- testing centers worldwide

Please take note of the registration period!

More information on: [www.testas.de](http://www.testas.de)





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# Application Requirements

TestAS centers in the USA:

- Ohio State University
- Deutsches Haus at New York University
- Goethe-Institut New York





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# Application Requirements

For your application you will initially need:

- Application for enrolment
- CV
- Proof of proficiency in German language
- TestAS certificate
- secondary school leaving certificate (High School Diploma)
- If necessary: proof that you are qualified to study your intended degree program in your home country (e.g. university entrance exam, notification of admission, enrolment certificate)

Application (Non-EU) must be submitted via **uni-assist** (University Application Service for International Students - <http://www.uni-assist.de>)





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# Application Deadlines

**January 15th** – start of the application period for summer semester  
(April 1st – September 30th) for all degree programs (except for law  
teaching degrees)

**July 15th** – start of the application period for winter semester  
(October 1st – March 31st) for the degree programs of the:

- Faculty of Medicine
- Faculty of Arts and Humanities
- Faculty of Human Sciences

as well as for the degree programs **Business, Economics, Physics**

# Application Requirements

You may find all the information on the application process in our guide on:

[www.si.uni-koeln.de](http://www.si.uni-koeln.de)



# We would be happy to see you!



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