



Technische Universität München



Degree Programmes

This study placement is available for Engineering and Applied Science Students and Aston Business School Students.

Number of places available: 28

- 8 Mechanical Engineering
- 8 Electronic Engineering
- 8 Chemical Engineering
- 2 Computer Science
- 2 Physics
- 2 ABS

This document provides basic information about the university. **Please do your own research before applying.**

Application Process

To apply for this opportunity you must submit an online application.

Link to the online application can be found in the **How to Apply** section in each university ad. Online application form requires registration, please register with your Aston University e-mail.

Please note that you can submit one application only. As a part of the application, you must provide three universities in order of preference, which should also be specified in your motivation letter.

You are required to submit one motivational letter, which must be focused on your first priority.

Please do not contact the partner university directly as all the applications are processed by Aston's International Projects Team.

The University

Technical University Munich, Arcisstrasse 21, 80333 München, Germany

University Website

[German](#)

[English](#)

The University

TUM is one of the leading universities in Germany. TUM's top performances in research and education, interdisciplinary studies, and talent promotion stand out. Strong alliances with businesses and scientific institutions across the world play a part in this.

TUM cooperates with academic institutions worldwide. Students participate in study abroad programs with more than 150 international partner universities. There are three principle campuses according to the field of interest. The heart of the university is situated on the main campus in the state capital: this houses the university headquarters, most of the administrative offices and the faculties of Architecture, Structural Engineering & Surveying, Electrical Engineering & Information Technology and Economics.



What it is like to study at TUM

"My Erasmus study placement in Germany was a brilliant experience. I met some absolutely amazing people and visited some beautiful places. I studied German in a class designed for foreign students which helped to bring up my language level and the courses really improved my cultural knowledge. [...] I met people from all over the world and I'm still in contact with people from Finland, Latvia, Yemen, Turkey and Korea. I miss everyone and if I could do it again, I would!" - Stacey Pearce



Check out these videos: [Video 1](#), [Video 2](#)

Location

Munich is the capital city of Bavaria, Germany. It is located on the River Isar north of the Bavarian Alps. Munich is the third largest city in Germany, behind Berlin and Hamburg. About 1.35 million people live within the city limits.

Modern Munich is a financial and publishing hub, and a frequently top-ranked destination for migration and expatriate location in livability rankings. Munich achieved 7th place in frequently quoted Mercer livability rankings in

2010. For economic and social innovation, the city was ranked 15th globally out of 289 cities in 2010, and 5th in Germany by the 2thinknow Innovation Cities Index based on analysis of 162 indicators. In 2010, Monocle ranked Munich as the world's most livable city.



[Academic Calendar](#)

Courses Available

TUM offers several study programs in English. These courses are on the one hand designed to attract foreign students. On the other hand they aim at Germans interested in studying with an international dimension. At TUM you have the possibility to choose between full international Bachelor's, Master's and PhD courses and short-term programs, especially the summer and winter universities. A list of all international postgraduate programs can be found [here](#). For Chemical Engineering students a list of modules can be found [here](#).

Students also should definitely consider not only lectures, but also seminars and practical courses!!! (<http://www.in.tum.de/en/current-students/modules-and-courses/practical-courses-and-seminar-courses.html>)

German knowledge

At TUM many of the classes offered are conducted in German. If students undertake courses conducted in German and don't have a reasonable knowledge of German, they could have a problem studying here. Even if students will be

attending lectures in English at TUM, a basic knowledge of the German language is recommended to make the most out of the stay and make daily life in Munich a smoother and more enjoyable experience.

Therefore it's recommend that exchange students, going to TUM, participate in German courses:

1. German courses at TUM: <http://www.sprachenzentrum.tum.de/en/home-language-center/>

2. online-courses (for Erasmus): <http://www.deutsch-uni.com/gast/duo/info/index.do?do=index&lang=en>

Please note: many courses are only held in German – not in English – and it is very important for students to confirm the language of instruction for the courses they intend enrolling in! In addition, the fact that a course description is written in English does not necessarily mean that the course is also taught in English! You can find the course language within the course description.

Students

Workload: 30 ECTS per semester, total 60 ECTS per academic year

Students studying MA level modules get extra credits in Aston (x 1.5 ECTS).

Students may need to choose MA modules due to lack of English speaking BA modules. However level is equivalent to BA 3rd year in the UK.

Aston Students going to TUM can get in contact with the international team in order to get connected with Aston student that have already studied at TUM.

Living in Germany

- **Accommodation**

Students are responsible to find their own accommodation. There are student associations that help students to find accommodation.

This links might be helpful: <http://www.tum.de/unileben/wohnen/>

There is a very tense situation regarding accommodation in Munich. The application for the EU Erasmus Program at TUM does not enclose the supply of a hostel place offered by the Studentenwerk or TUM. Erasmus students need to search independently a lodging on the private market. Useful tips for finding rooms on the private market in Munich can be found at the following webpage (single rooms, apartments, "Wohngemeinschaften"):

Important: please help TUM to support a housing platform (see attached flyer) which is just at the beginning; but... the more partners are taking part the more we can help in- and outgoing students:

<http://wunderflats.com/#!/rooming-becomes-wunderflats/>

- **Cost of living estimate (2012 prices): Per month (approximate)**

Living in Munich is expensive. According to current calculations you will probably need at least 830 € per month (inclusive of rent, but free time activities are not included) for living in the Bavarian capital Munich. However, when applying for your visa you will only need to present proof that you will have 650 € at per month at your disposal. Please make sure that sufficient funds are available for the whole period of your studies, as you cannot count on scholarships and restrictions apply to your work permit.

- **One-off expenses**

- Residence permit:
 - EU-citizens:
 - first-time applicants: free of charge
 - renewals: free of charge
 - All others:
 - first-time applicants: 60,00 EUR
 - renewals: 30,00 EUR

- **Monthly expenses**

Average rent prices:

- Dorms: ca. 160,00 - 360,00 €
- Private market: ca. 550,00 - 900,00 €
- Board: ca 300,00 €

- **Transportation costs (MVV):**
(depending on place of study and address): 30,10 - 63,90 €
- **GEZ-fees (Radio and TV license fee)**
 - Radio 5,76€ / month
 - Television 17,98€ / month
 - Radio and television 17,98€ / month

Information regarding GEZ („Gebühreneinzugszentrale“): in Germany exists a legal fee for owners of radios and televisions. This means that every person owning a radio or television has to pay a monthly fee to GEZ, also if these equipments are never or seldom in use! Further information about GEZ: liability to charge and remission (information in German only).

Additionally every student needs to have proof of a German national insurance <http://www.international.tum.de/en/welcome-to-tum/international-exchange-students/health-insurance/#c1511> to enroll at TUM (if students are over 30 years old, they do not need an insurance policy).

All information about health insurance, German courses at TUM and in Munich, formalities in Germany can be found here:

<http://www.international.tum.de/en/welcome-to-tum/international-exchange-students/exchange-students/>

- **Expenses per semester**
The Student Union Fees per semester: 129.40€ (includes basic semester ticket) and, if wanted, 152€ in addition for the whole public transport net.
<http://www.tum.de/en/studies/fees-and-financial-aid/>
- **Other Information**

Please research student associations and don't miss any welcome days on campus.

Next steps if you are successful

1. You will be invited for a face-to-face or phone interview with the Placements Team
2. You will be nominated by us to the partner university
3. You must complete and send us the Erasmus application form
4. Following the nomination you must in most cases, complete a registration online. The International Placements Team will contact you about this.
5. Read the Study Plan (available on Blackboard from June)
6. Complete a Learning Agreement once your modules have been approved by your Placement Tutor

Visa

Please ensure that you have an up to date passport before applying and also that you fulfill any visa requirements for entering and studying in Munich. For further information, please see the website of the embassy of the [Federal Republic of Germany](#) in your home country.

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