

Baden-Württemberg Exchange Program

Baden-Württemberg Exchange Program offers doctoral students the opportunity to spend up to one year at one of the top institutions of higher education in southern Germany. The participating institutions include:

- University of Freiburg (<http://www.uni-freiburg.de/>)
- University of Heidelberg (https://www.uni-heidelberg.de/index_e.html)
- University of Hohenheim (<https://www.uni-hohenheim.de/en>)
- Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (<http://www.kit.edu/english/>)
- University of Konstanz (<https://www.uni-konstanz.de/en/>)
- University of Mannheim (<https://www.uni-mannheim.de/en/>)
- University of Stuttgart (<https://www.uni-stuttgart.de/en/index.html>)
- University of Tübingen (<https://uni-tuebingen.de/en/>)
- Ulm University (<https://www.uni-ulm.de/en/>)

The exchange program offers many attractive features:

- An opportunity to conduct research or study at no tuition cost to Yale doctoral students at the German institutions, as well as easily collaborate with German faculty and students
- If interested, taking a German language course or a substantial language program (depending on the length of the exchange) to familiarize students with German culture and customs
- A generous scholarship from the Baden-Württemberg Foundation (900 Euros/month) which makes the program affordable (additional funding may be available through MacMillan Center)
- Flexible length of the exchange: semester, year or summer (students must apply for at least three months of exchange)
- Dormitory housing (in single rooms) with German and other international students (off-campus housing also available)
- Access to peer advisers who know the host university and the city well and who serve as invaluable local resource

Deadlines

- October 1 and March 1 (flexible, applications should generally be submitted 3 months prior to the start of the proposed exchange)

Exchange Scholar application process

- Described in detail at <https://gsas.yale.edu/admissions/non-degree-programs/exchange-scholars>
- Application requirements include a statement of purpose, a letter of recommendation from Yale faculty adviser, a letter of nomination from Jasmina Besirevic, Associate Dean at the Yale Graduate School, enrollment verification of graduate degree program, proof of health insurance, an updated resume or curriculum vitae

Contact information

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Academic calendar

The academic year in Germany is divided into two semesters: the fall (Wintersemester), and the spring (Sommersemester). Between the two semesters is a lecture-free period.

The German academic calendar is as follows (actual dates vary from institution to institution):

Pre-semester, intensive language course	September
Wintersemester	Mid-October to Mid-February
Sommersemester	Mid-April to Mid-July

Additional opportunities for language study available through Department of Germanic Languages and Literatures (<https://german.yale.edu/>) and Yale MacMillan Center (<https://macmillan.yale.edu/graduate-professional-student-grants>)