STUDY, INTERN, AND WORK ABROAD FOR GERMAN STUDENTS



Living, working, and conducting research in a German-speaking country are great ways for students to familiarize themselves with the people, language, and customs of the land. Virginia Tech students are encouraged to take advantage of the wide range of opportunities for study, internships, and research available in Austria, Germany, and the German-speaking part of Switzerland. Programs abroad can be for a few weeks in the summer, a semester, or an entire academic year. Many offer courses at various levels, so study abroad is ideal for beginners as well as advanced students. Often there are classes in English as well as German, so students can enroll in courses that are part of a German major or minor as well as those that count as General Education/Pathways or for another program of study.

Credit: Students who study abroad can earn credit for specific VT courses or for GER 3954 Study Abroad. Those who complete an internship commonly register for GER 4964 Field Study. Undergraduates who pursue a research project abroad earn credit for GER 4994 Undergraduate Research.

All students in the College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences, including all German majors and minors, must complete this form BEFORE departure: <u>Authorization to Take Courses Abroad</u>.

Useful Resources

A good place to start is Virginia Tech's <u>Global Education Office</u> website. The link for Outbound Students provides information about the various programs, scholarship support, and how to prepare for your travel abroad, with important advice regarding finances and insurance.

Here are additional links that offer helpful and practical information.

General Information

<u>AATG Student Scholarships and Funding for German</u> – includes study abroad, internship, and research funding opportunities

DAAD <u>Studienangebote</u> – international degree programs and short-term courses offered in Germany

DAAD Study in Germany - information about Germany, programs of study, and planning your stay

DAAD Study in Germany - Funding - monthly expenses when studying abroad

ISEP Germany Country Handbook - a must-read if you want to study in Germany