Welcome to our Group Advising Session!

RWTHworldwide: North and South America, Australia, Russia

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The most important questions

• **Why** go abroad?
• **What** to do abroad?
• **What** funding opportunities exist?
• **Where** can I get information?
• **How** do I plan my stay abroad and how do I apply?
Why go abroad?

• Gain intercultural experience and think outside the box
• Acquire and deepen new language skills
• Get to know new working environments, develop new professional networks
• Acquire international qualifications, increase employability
• Promote independence, personal growth
• And not to forget: having fun and discovering new perspectives on life and the world
What to do abroad?

Forms of stay abroad

• Summer & Winter-Schools
• International Internships & Research Stays
• Semester/year abroad
What to do abroad?
Summer & Winter Schools

• Courses on language and regional studies or specialized courses

• Period: approx. 2 - 8 weeks

• Commercial offers from partner universities

• Partially high participation fees also at partner universities

• Hardly any recognition of credits possible

• Often take place from June to August & February to March

• See the complete overview: Summer Schools und Winter Schools

• Examples:
  – Canada: University of Alberta, University of British Columbia
  – Australia: University of Queensland
  – Russia: Peter the Great St. Petersburg Polytechnic University
What to do abroad?  
International internships

How do I find the necessary information?

• Use contacts of institutes, study advisors, international coordinators, internship offices

• Internship Offers from RWTH

• Your Way to an Internship Abroad: Guide to Searching, Applying, Preparing, Financing on an Internship from the DAAD

• International Exchange from Zentrale Auslands- und Fachvermittlung

• Other helpful links:  
  TravelWorks  
  MeinPraktikum  
  GIZ Stellenmarkt

DAAD  
Deutscher Akademischer Austausch Dienst  
German Academic Exchange Service

Bundesagentur für Arbeit  
Zentrale Auslands- und Fachvermittlung (ZAV)
What to do abroad?  
International internships and research stays

1. **Researching** suitable universities or companies (testimonials, rankings, partner universities, opinions of scientists in the department, etc.)

2. **Request and use contacts** of institutes and chairs and identify suitable potential project supervisors

3. **Application** to professor: e-mail with cover letter, motivation and time frame for stay; attachment: curriculum vitae, transcript of grades, letter of recommendation, additional qualifications, if applicable

4. **Planning of the stay**: Application for scholarships after successful acceptance or in parallel (observe deadlines!), visa, insurance, accommodation, if necessary

Tip: Please also take advantage of the [Career Center’s](#) counseling services!  
→ [Personal application portfolio check](#) also in Englisch!
What to do abroad? International internships

Subject- and country-specific placement

- **IAESTE** (International Association for the Exchange of Students for Technical Experience)
  - International, non-political, independent organization for the placement of international internships

- **AIESEC** (Association Internationale des Etudiants en Sciences Economiques et Commerciales)
  - AIESEC is the world's largest youth-led organization
  - Internships abroad from 6 weeks

- **Cultural Vistas**
  - Non-profit exchange organization for the placement of
  - Internships in the USA, among others also visa sponsor
What to do abroad?  
International internships

Subject- and country-specific placement

- **Deutsch-Kanadische Gesellschaft** (German Canadian Society)
  - Arrangement of study-related internships in Canada
  - Cooperation of the DKG with renowned German and Canadian companies, consulting firms and institutions based in Canada

- **InterExchange**
  - Exchange opportunities in the USA

- **College Council**
  - Arrangement of internships abroad at partner institutes
  - e.g. in the USA, Canada and Australia

- **Doing Business in Russia**
  - Six-month internships with German companies in Russia
  - Financial support by DAAD (950€/month + travel allowance)
What to do abroad? 
Research stays

Organization of a research stay

Step 1: Identification of a potentially interesting chair/institute/lab.

Step 2: Application directly to the professor

Step 3: After receiving the acceptance, organize visa, accommodation, etc.

Step 4: Acquire scholarships to cover living expenses.

Info session: Friday, June 11, 10 – 11 am via Zoom
What to do abroad?
Research stays

UROP Abroad for North America

- Scholarship for research projects at North American universities and research institutions

- Self-organized or through our database

- Target group: Bachelor students

- Funding amount and length: 600€/month for a maximum of 6 months

- Deadlines: February 1st and August 1st

- UROP Abroad
What to do abroad?
Research stays

RWTH Research Ambassador for North America

• Scholarship for research projects at North American universities and research institutions

• Target group: Master and PhD students

• Funding amount and length: 500€/month for a maximum of 6 months

• Deadlines: February 1st and August 1st

• RWTH Research Ambassador
What to do abroad?

Research stays

University of Alberta Research Experience Programm (UARE)

• U of Alberta most important partner of RWTH in Canada: Strategic partnership

• Scholarship for research stays

• Target group: Bachelor students

• Grant amount and length: $6,000 CAD for 12 weeks

• Time flexibility, independent of program dates

• Deadlines: March 31st and September 30th

• Information and application
What to do abroad?
Research stays

RWTH Aachen – University of Alberta Junior Research Fellowship

• Scholarship for research stays

• Target group: Master and PhD students

• Funding amount and length: 600€/month for max. 6 months (plus a travel allowance)

• Deadlines: March 31st and September 30th

• Information and application
What to do abroad?
Research stays

NRC-MITACS-RWTH Globalink Research Award Program

• Cooperation program between RWTH, Mitacs and the National Research Council of Canada

• Research stays at participating Canadian partner universities

• Target group: Master and PhD students

• Funding amount and length: up to $18,000 CAD for stays of 6 - 12 months

• Application is possible continuously; approximately six months before the planned start of the research stay

• Information and application
What to do abroad?
Research stays

RISE worldwide
(Research Internships in Science and Engineering)

• Worldwide research internships for students in the natural sciences, life sciences and engineering

• Target group: Bachelor students

• Period: 1.5 - 3 months in summer (lecture-free period)

• DAAD arranges and supports students with a scholarship

• Information and application
## What to do abroad?
### Research stays

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**Alternative:** [Freemover Outgoing](#)  
Independent planning, application, financing
What to do abroad?
Research stays

Free Mover

• Independent organization, planning, application and financing of a semester abroad

• Application for scholarships also possible as Free Mover

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• Helpful organizations:
  - Australia: Gostralia; Institut Ranke-Heinemann; Studium Down Under
  - Canada: Study in Canada; Edu Canada
  - USA: Education USA; Study in the USA
  - New Zealand: Gozealand
  - Worldwide: College Contact; International Education for Global Minds
What to do abroad?
Partner university countries worldwide

USA
Argentina
Chile
Brazil
Canada
Australia
Russia

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What to do abroad?

**RWTHworldwide: North America**

- Georgia Institute of Technology
- Iowa State University
- Michigan State University
- University of Michigan
- University of Arizona
- University of California, Davis
- University of Florida
- University of Pennsylvania
- Washington University in St. Louis

- École de Technologie Supérieure Montréal
- University of Alberta
- University of Waterloo
- University of British Columbia

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What to do abroad?

RWTHworldwide: South America

- Universidad Nacional de San Juan
- Instituto Tecnológico de Buenos Aires

- Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais
- Universidade de São Paulo
- Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro
- Universidade Federal de Santa Catarina

- Universidad Austral de Chile
- Universidad de Chile
- Universidad de Talca
- Pontificia Universidad Católica de Valaparaíso
- Universidad Católica de La Santísima Concepción
- Universidad Técnica Federico Santa Maria
What to do abroad?

RWTHworldwide: Australia and Rusia

- University of the Sunshine Coast
- Lomonosov Moscow State University
- St. Petersburg State Polytechnical University

Australia

Russia
Where can I get information?

• Websites, group advising sessions and virtual consultation hours of the International Office

• Subject or study abroad advisors of the faculties

• Testimonials of former RWTH outgoings

• Study worldwide (DAAD)
  Country information, testimonials, funding opportunities, trade fairs

• Students from the target country who are studying at the RWTH, Student clubs, BeBuddy program, language tandems

• Social media channels of the International Office (Facebook and Instagram)
Where can I get information?
The websites of the International Office

Planning for Study Abroad
Where can I get information?
The websites of the International Office

RWTHworldwide: Partner Universities

Faculty and institute partnerships are listed here with no guarantee of completeness. Please contact your faculty to learn about other exchange possibilities.

SHOWING 1 - 50 OF 110 RESULTS
Where can I get information?
The websites of the International Office

University of Alberta

Profile
The University of Alberta was founded in 1908. It is located in Edmonton, the capital of Alberta, and is one of the leading universities in Canada. The university campus is located at the center of Edmonton, on the south bank of the North Saskatchewan River. Augustana College in Camrose, which is 90 km southeast of Edmonton, has belonged to the university as well since 2004. Highly-qualified personnel teaches at the university. 40 lecturers have already received the 3M Teaching Fellowship, Canada's highest honor for excellent teaching. This is evident in the class sizes, which are among the smallest compared to other universities. Approximately 39500 students from Canada and 152 other countries study in about 400 courses of study in 18 faculties.

General Information

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#### Exchange

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| Who can apply?          | Bachelor students starting with the fifth semester  
                          | Master students  
                          | Doctoral candidates |
| Type of Stay            | Studies or research   |
| Length of Stay          | 1 to 2 semesters      |
| Time of Stay            | Winter or summer semester |
| Number of Exchange Placements | 4 to 5               |

#### Study Details

| Semester Dates                           | 1st semester: August or September to December  
                                         | 2nd semester: January to May |
|------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| Study Possibilities                     | Faculties 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10          |

*Please note: Students in Faculty 10 are not able to take courses in the Faculties of Medicine, Dentistry, Pharmacy or Nursing! However, they can take courses that are medically relevant, e.g. in the School of Public Health.*

- Undergraduate
- Graduate
Where can I get information?  
The websites of the International Office

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| **Academic Performance Requirements** | Bachelor's and Master's students must have a GPA of 2.5 or better according to the Canadian system, which roughly corresponds to an average grade of 2.5 in the German system.  
The Alberta School of Business: GPA of at least 2.8, which roughly corresponds to an average grade of 2.3 in the German system.  
The Faculty of Engineering: GPA of at least 3.0, which roughly corresponds to an average grade of 2.0 in the German system. |
| **Language Requirements** | When submitting the application to RWTH:  
Proof of Level B1 English skills with either a language or Abitur certificate. This corresponds to five years of schooling with an Abitur after the 12th grade or six years of schooling with an Abitur after the 13th grade.  
After being nominated by RWTH:  
Undergraduate students: an Abitur certificate with an average grade of 2 in English or equivalent is required.  
Graduate students: You must ask the respective department where you will be taking courses what type of documentation of English skills you need to provide. This determines whether you need to take TOEFL/IELTS or similar.  
You can find further information on the [University of Alberta website](#). |
Where can I get information?
The websites of the International Office

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<td>There are different housing options including student dorms and unfurnished apartments or townhouses.</td>
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How do I plan?  
Preparation for the stay abroad

Timing

• Plan early → calculate at least 1 year

• Pay attention to application deadlines!  
  RWTHworldwide Deadlines:
  – **October 29 - November 29**: for one- and two-semester study abroad programs beginning in the following summer semester  
  – **May 28 - June 28**: for one- or two-semester study abroad programs (China only) beginning in the following winter semester

• Time and duration
  – depending on study program/plan

• Check the academic year in the target country
How do I plan?
Preparation for the stay abroad

• Language learning
  – Language Center of the RWTH, Adult Education Center, Language Tandems INCAS, BeBuddy

• Contacts to international students
  – Humboldt House, INCAS, AEGEE, BeBuddy

• Intercultural Training
  – Seminars offered by the International Office
How do I plan?
Preparation for the stay abroad

Interested in international contacts?
Want to learn about other cultures?
Meeting new people from all over the world?

The answer is: BeBuddy!

Training your intercultural competence!
First-hand information for your stay abroad!

BeBuddy Trailer

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BeBuddy

“Be Buddy” is an informal mentoring programme initiated by the International Office of RWTH Aachen University which aims to enable newly enrolled international students to adjust to university life and living in a new city, and to meet, mix with, and learn from other RWTH students. Thus the International Office is intent on matching up each international student with an experienced RWTH student – if possible from the same faculty – who is to provide support and general information.

The BeBuddy programme is also a part of the Certificate-International initiative.

What is a Buddy?

Buddies are socially engaged RWTH student volunteers from all faculties who would like to meet international students and support them in the process of settling into university life in Aachen and adjust to their new surroundings. Buddies support their mentees by offering informal advice on practical issues and by discussing with their mentees the specifics of their degree course. As experienced students, they act as informal mentors of the newly arrived international students, who are thus also called “mentees”.

You are an RWTH Student and you Wish to Offer your Assistance as a Buddy?

For more information, e.g. on how to register as a buddy as well as benefits involved in doing this sort of voluntary work, please visit our Buddies web page.

You are a (prospective) international student (Mentee) who would like to be supported?

If so, please find more information on our Mentees web site.
How do I plan?
Preparation for the stay abroad

Certificate International:

- Certificate Mobility or Integration

- Clear certificate about
  - acquired soft skills in the international area during the course of studies

- Examples: Internationalization of the university, support work & integration of international students

- Registration possible at any time

- Subsequent recognition of completed components possible

- Further Information
How do I plan?  
Recognition of academic achievements

Before going abroad:
1. Obtaining information independently
2. Utilizing the counseling services offered by the faculty (subject-specific study advising or international coordination)
3. Consideration of orientation lists on already examined recognitions
4. Requesting a recognition agreement from the examination board
5. Obligation to actively participate during the entire process

While abroad:
1. Ensuring that all scheduled courses are offered
2. If not, request a change of the recognition agreement
How do I plan?
Recognition of academic achievements

After going abroad:

1. Consideration of the grade conversion table of the International Office
2. No obligation to already apply for previously reviewed recognitions
3. Recommendation to apply for the desired recognitions quickly
4. Rights to review and processing within a reasonable time frame
5. Obligation to provide proof of the work performed abroad
6. Possibility to apply for recognitions that have not yet been examined
7. Recognition in the case of non-substantial differences in acquired competencies
8. Rejections must be justified by the examination board
9. Appeal against the decision is possible within four weeks
How do I plan? Funding opportunities

PROMOS

• Funding period:
  – Study and research stays: 1 - 6 months
  – Internships: 6 weeks - 6 months
  – Usual funding duration: 3 months

• University partnership or self-organized

• Target group: Bachelor and Master students
  – PhD students: special DAAD funding opportunities

• Deadlines: March 15th and September 15th

• Find more information on the website

• Further funding opportunities of the RWTH can be found in the scholarship overview
How do I plan?
Funding opportunities

DAAD – Deutscher Akademischer Austausch Dienst

• **One-year scholarships** for semesters abroad

• Target group: Bachelor and Master students

• Deadlines: Application approx. one year before the stay

• Please also use the [DAAD scholarship database](#) for country- and subject-specific research
How do I plan?  
**Funding opportunities**

**BAföG abroad**

- Financial support or assumption of:
  - Travel expenses
  - Living expenses
  - Tuition fees

- Even those who do not receive regular BAföG can receive the BAföG abroad

- Information and application
How do I plan?
Funding opportunities

Fulbright-Scholarship for the USA

- **Travel scholarships** for students who want to study at one of the RWTH partner universities in the USA

- **One-year scholarships** for Master students who would like to study at a U.S. university for 9 months

- Funded by the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs at the U.S. Department of State; scholarship with transatlantic character.

- Multi-stage application process ends in summer, date to be announced by Fulbright Commission

- **Fulbright-Germany**

- **Information and application**
How to apply?
Application portal

www.rwth-aachen.de/auslandsstudium/bewerbungweltweit

RWTHworldwide: Apply to Study Abroad

Please Note

This web page provides you with information on the application process for exchange places managed by the RWTH International Office. If you would like to apply for an exchange place within the framework of a partnership at the faculty or institute level, please refer to the faculty or department website or get in touch with the responsible contact there. Please also use the overview of partner universities to find out about possible study abroad opportunities. To get fully informed about study abroad opportunities, we advise you to attend one of our regular group advising sessions.

Please note that not all partner universities offer places in every application round. An overview of current exchange opportunities is available under “Open Places” below.

APPLICATION DEADLINES

Application deadline June 28, 2021, 12pm: for a one or two-semester-long stay abroad set to begin the following summer semester.

Application deadline November 29, 2021, 12pm: for a one or two-semester-long stay abroad set to begin the following winter semester.
How do I apply?

Available partner universities

Available spots in summer semester 2022

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The entire list can be found [here](#) at "open seats".
How do I apply?
Available partner universities

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On this list you can see the available exchange places in relation to the applications received.

The overview can be found [here](#) at "open places".
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How do I apply?
Application procedure

Two-step application procedure
1. at the International Office

- **Application portal**
- Link to partner profile pages
- Application deadlines: June 28th and November 29th

- Application documents in English
  - Application data sheet (includes study plan and letter of motivation)
  - Transcript of records from RWTHonline
  - Curriculum vitae
  - Proof of language skills (Abitur or equivalent)
  - Further voluntary proofs

- **Application requirements**
- 4 applications possible at RWTHworldwide: Please state your priorities
- The Language Center pays attention to the selection of the International Office when assigning places
How do I apply?

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2. after selection

1. Selection committee chooses the students
2. Students are nominated by IO at host university
3. Independent application of the nominees to the host university
4. Admission by the host university
Accepted, and now?
The last steps before departure

After admission

Visa
• Apply for student visa with admission from host university

Leave of absence
• At the Registrar's Office

International insurance
• For illness, accident and liability

Pack your suitcase and off you go! 😊
# What to do abroad?
## All forms of stay abroad at a glance

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**RWTH worldwide: North and South America, Australia, Russia**

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Please note

Due to the current situation, all information is subject to change. Because of the Corona virus, there are postponements and cancellations of worldwide study and research stays. Currently, due to the unpredictability of the situation, we cannot give reliable information about the exchange places offered next year. We will keep you updated on our website.
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And have fun! 😊