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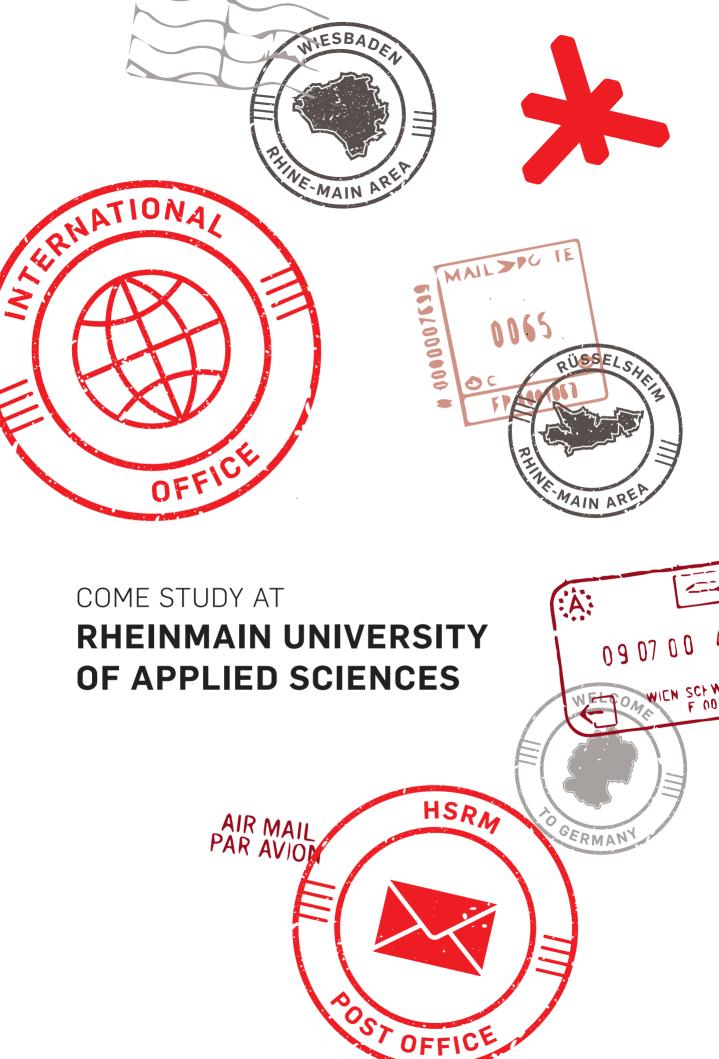
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# WELCOME TO GERMANY!

A warm welcome to RheinMain University of Applied Sciences! Thank you for choosing us for your study abroad experience.



PROF. DR. EVA WALLER ↑↑↑
President of RheinMain University of
Applied Sciences

As an innovative university of applied sciences, we provide cutting-edge education. However, we do not focus only on applied knowledge and applied research. We support our students to grow personally and develop their individual profile by giving them personal attention. The wellbeing and safety of our students are at the heart of everything we do, not only during the Covid-19 pandemic. Exchange Students are accompanied even before their trip to Germany and throughout the semester via a weekly virtual Welcome Café and they can contact tutors or personal buddies at any time. We also provide support for the first days with us so that everyone is equipped with the most important items – even in the case of quarantine. Additionally, our university sports program is offering in-person and online classes, so that even in challenging times, you have the chance to exercise.

All our professors boast a wealth of professional experience in their respective areas of specialization. Lessons are held in small groups in a friendly and relaxed atmosphere, which ensures good personal contacts between students and teaching staff. Our university is designed to provide consistent, high-quality, and appropriate academic guidance, mentoring and coaching to ensure your academic and personal success.

On top, there are also plenty of fun ways to spend your leisure time. Wiesbaden is one of the most beautiful cities in Germany, marked by historic buildings, spacious parks, and open-minded people. Rüsselsheim, with its rich tradition of industrial heritage, multicultural flair and home to our engineering campus, is located at a distance of just 20 km from Wiesbaden and the nearby towns of Frankfurt am Main, Mainz and Darmstadt. Wide green spaces and the location on the river Main invite to recreation and sports.

Your time at RheinMain University of Applied Sciences will be an active and exciting period of your life. We wish you every academic success and many wonderful experiences in the Rhine Main area!

Prof. Dr. Eva Waller

fra Walle



#### Dear students,

You are about to start an exciting new stage of your life, one that will bring many invaluable learning opportunities with it. You will be experiencing many new insights and impressions and will undoubtedly strike up enduring friendships during your time with us.

From the moment you start planning and throughout your time abroad we are your competent point of contact for any questions you may have. We are here to support you and to make your stay a happy one.

We encourage you to take advantage of all that is offered in your semester abroad at RheinMain University of Applied Sciences and in the vibrant Rhine-Main region.

Our university provides high-quality practice-driven education as all our teachers excel academically as well as in their professional careers. We wish you motivating learning experiences with inspiring new ideas and insights.

Please also make use of our academic support services, which include tutorials, academic counseling, language, intercultural competence, and soft skill courses. All staff members of our International Office, teaching staff and also our students will be happy to talk to you, should you have any questions, suggestions, or worries.

We look forward to supporting your academic and personal success at RheinMain University of Applied Sciences. Make the most of your stay and your study abroad with us!

#### Your International Office



# A LOT TO KNOW **AND TO DISCOVER**



#### **FOUNDED IN 1971**

International student

body: students from

different countries

More than 70 bachelor's and master's degree programs







PRACTICE-DRIVEN EDUCATION, teaching staff with excellent academic credentials and professional experience in their field.

## Start a new adventure today

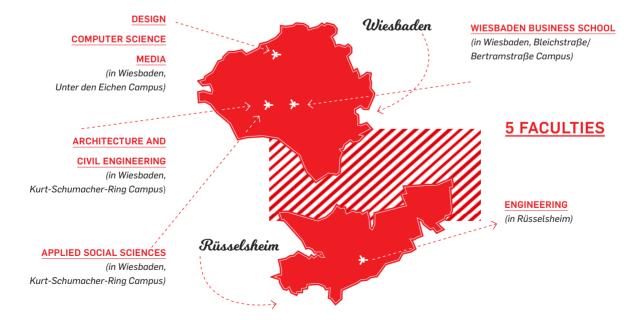
CAMPUSES 2 CITES

APPROX.

14,000

**STUDENTS** 

#### WE ARE LOCATED IN











## I want to see new places and meet new people

#### HSRM → FRA



Located in the vibrant and multicultural Rhine-Main area, easily accessible via Frankfurt International Airport

MORE THAN 90 % OF OUR STU-DENTS RECOMMEND STUDYING AT **OUR UNIVERSITY** 

The first university of applied sciences in Germany authorized to award doctorates

More than 160 partner universities all over the world

#### >>>INTERNATIONAL APPLIED RESEARCH PROJECTS < < <

WWW.HS-RM.DE/EN





STATE-OF-THE-**ART** 

**LABORATORIES** 

I REALLY LOVED TO STUDY HERE, I WILL COME BACK SOON.



>>> ANDREA RUBIO **EXCHANGE STUDENT** FROM SPAIN < < <

**EUROPE'S MOST INTERES-**

TING CITIES ARE ONLY A

**FEW HOURS AWAY!** 



OF OUR STU-**DENTS FIND AN** APPROPRIATE JOB WITHIN LESS THAN 6 MONTHS OF GRADUATING

Courses taught in **ENGLISH** 









STUDENT CARD WITH FREE USE OF LOCAL PUBLIC

**TRANSPORTATION** 





14% INTERNATIONAL DEGREE SEEKING STUDENTS



Our LANGUAGE CENTER offers courses in 12 languages, including German, English, Spanish, Korean, and Russian.

## **WIESBADEN AND RÜSSELSHEIM** IN THE CENTER OF EUROPE

#### 01 MUNICH

438 km

#### **08 BUDAPEST**

☐ 11:20 hours 998 km

#### 15 MADRID

20:30 hours 1830 km

#### 22 LUXEMBOURG

 □ 06:00 hours 203 km

#### 02 BERLIN

**⋈** 06:00 hours 572 km

#### 09 VIENNA

753 km

#### 16 BARCELONA

26:00 hours

1311 km

#### **23 BERN**

429 km

#### 03 HAMBURG

518 km

#### 10 PRAGUE

2 07:00 hours

548 km

#### 17 DUBLIN

07:00 hours 1344 km

#### 24 LISBON

👱 29:00 hours 2290 km

25 WARSAW

11:00 hours

1098 km

#### 04 AMSTERDAM

 □ 05:30 hours 411 km

#### 11 LONDON

06:15 hours

#### **18 ROME**

11:30 hours

 □ 03:40 hours 368 km

742 km

→ 1245 km

#### 05 BRUSSELS

#### 12 TOULOUSE

 □ 11:25 hours № 1126 km

#### 19 MILAN

672 km

#### 06 PARIS

546 km

#### 13 STOCKHOLM

→ 1485 km

933 km

#### **07 COPENHAGEN**

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#### 14 OSLO

1331 km

#### 21 ZAGREB

932 km

#### 20 VENICE

9:15 hours



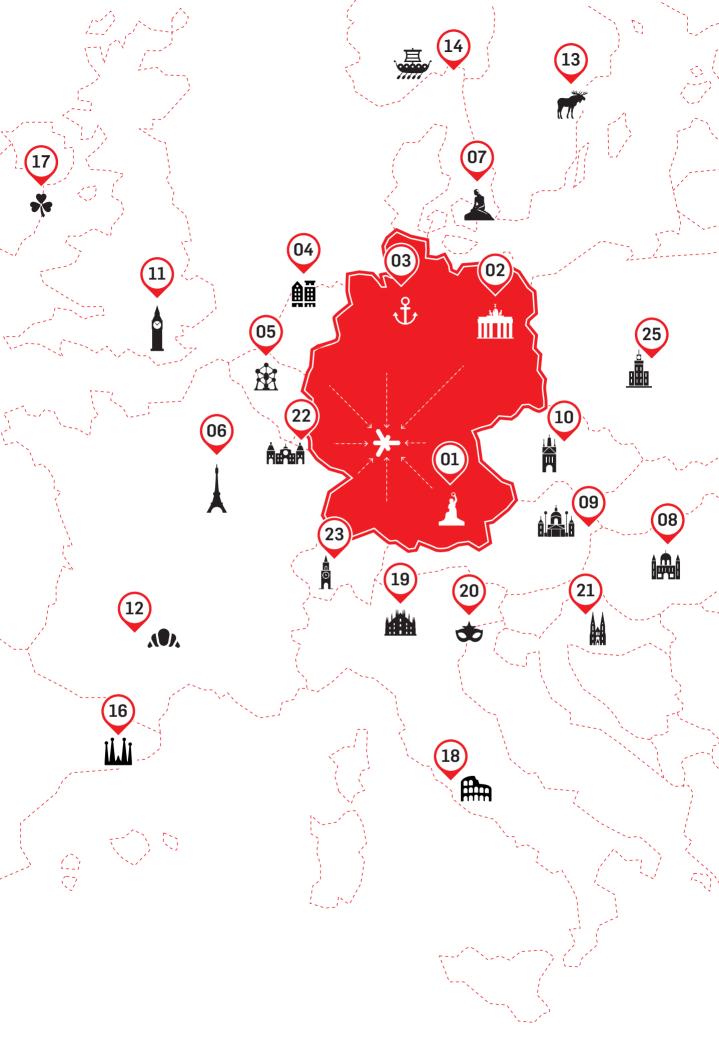
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#### By train



Distance





# WELCOME TO RHEINMAIN UNIVERISTY OF APPLIED SCIENCES

RheinMain University of Applied Sciences offers a wide range of degree programs in five faculties:

Architecture and Civil Engineering
Design Computer Science Media
Engineering
Applied Social Sciences
Wiesbaden Business School

RheinMain University of Applied Sciences offers over 70 degree programs in two study locations in the Rhine-Main area. Around 14,000 students study in our Wiesbaden faculties of Architecture and Civil Engineering, Design Computer Science Media, Applied Social Sciences and Wiesbaden Business School and in our faculty of Engineering located in Rüsselsheim.



As a university of applied sciences we place particular emphasis on offering practice-driven education. On-site laboratories, lecturers from relevant fields of practice, practical projects and internships as well as degree programs with integrated periods of vocational training, job experience and practical training all go towards achieving this goal. Rhein-Main University of Applied Sciences sees itself as an open university, which ensures broad access to studies and acknowledges individual educational biographies.

#### Internationality in action

A cosmopolitan attitude and many international contacts are the hallmarks of RheinMain University of Applied Sciences. We have partner universities across all continents and welcome many international students every year.

www.hs-rm.de/exchange





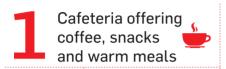








# KURT-SCHUMACHER-RING CAMPUS



HOME OF THE INTERNA-TIONAL OFFICE There are approximately

4,400





FREE WIFI

FOR ARCHITECTURE, CIVIL ENGINEERING AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Home of the Faculties of Architecture and Civil Engineering and Applied Social Sciences

>> ONLY 15 MINUTES < < FROM THE CENTRAL STATION TO KURT-SCHUMACHER-RING



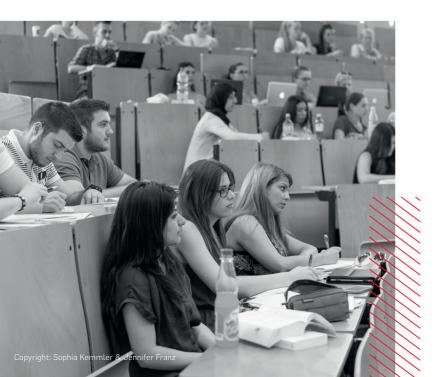


From small project rooms and laboratories to large lecture halls, the campus offers the right equipment for every faculty.





This is our main campus, only 15 minutes by bus from the central train station. Here you will find the Faculty of Architecture & Civil Engineering as well as the Faculty of Applied Social Sciences, a cafeteria, the central library, the Language Center, the Competence & Career Center and our central International Office.







The Faculty of Architecture & Civil Engineering currently comprises 9 degree programs at bachelor and master level. Like all degree programs at the RheinMain University of Applied Sciences, they are practice-oriented, while the master's programs are additionally research-oriented. Research and development work is carried out in the laboratories, which are equipped with state-of-the-art facilities, the results of which are then incorporated into teaching, so that there is a close link between

research and teaching. The main topics of the department are: sustainable construction, construction management and development of new construction methods and materials, infrastructure planning, planning and construction in metropolitan regions.

Together with Frankfurt and Fulda University of Applied Sciences, RheinMain University of Applied Sciences is also part of the center for doctoral programs "Mobility and Logistics" since 2020.

In addition, students benefit from the cooperation of the faculty with companies based in the region as well as international companies.



#### >>> ARCHITECTURE | CIVIL ENGINEERING < < <



We have 9 different courses in our Faculty of Architecture and Civil Engineering

VISITING PROFESSORS FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD

»EVERYTHING WAS UNFOR-GETTABLE«



>>> EDU MAXIME < < < FROM RUSSIA



50° 4' 50.50'' N





MAIN STATION → CAMPUS TAKE BUS NO. 14





#### >>> APPLIED SOCIAL SCIENCES < < <



We have 5 different courses in our Applied Social Sciences faculty

EVERY SEMESTER: LECTURES BY INTERNA-TIONALLY RECOGNIZED SCIENTISTS »I MET A LOT OF NEW PEOPLE AND CULTURES«



>>> LUIS < < < FROM MÉXICO

1st

joint Doctoral Center "Social Work" at universities of applied sciences in Germany, in cooperation with Frankfurt University of Applied Sciences and Fulda University of Applied Sciences



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The Faculty of Applied Social Sciences addresses the diverse social tasks and problems of our society. Students gain intensive theoretical and practical knowledge of everyday professional life in the multifaceted fields of work.

The different occupational fields include child and youth welfare, working with the elderly, rehabilitation, counselling, educational and intercultural work, drug prevention and addiction aid, health and social work and law and social work.

In 2017, in cooperation with Frankfurt University of Applied Sciences and Fulda University of Applied Sciences, the first doctoral center "Social Work" was established at a German university of applied sciences.

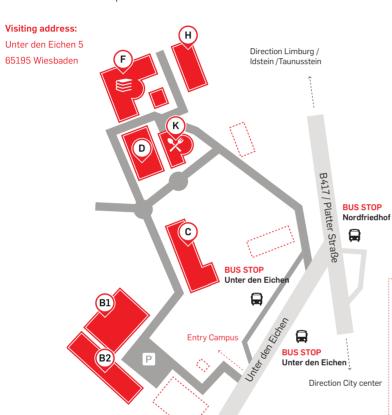






#### **UNTER DEN EICHEN CAMPUS >>>**

Our media campus. Here you will find the Faculty of Design Computer Science Media, as well as the President's office and the majority of the administrative departments.



Direction Dürerplatz Kurt-Schumacher-Ring Campus





Administration and Computer Science President's office Media → Library

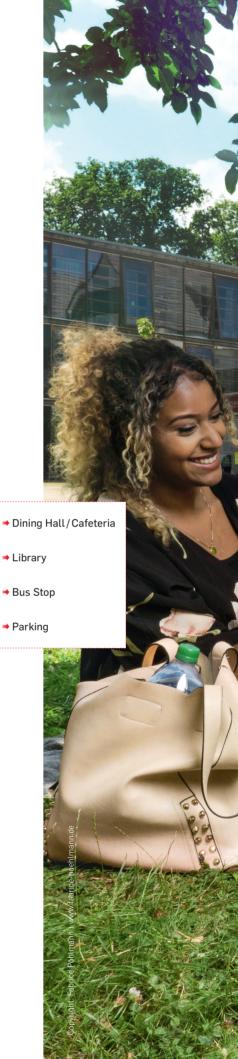


Administration



Dining Hall / Cafeteria







# UNTER DEN EICHEN CAMPUS



SPECIALIZED LIBRARY

**FOR DESIGN** 

COMPUTER SCIENCE

**MEDIA** 









The name means <u>"UNDER THE</u>

<u>OAK TREES"</u>, the campus is situated near a beautiful little forest.



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3,000 STUDENTS

HOME of the President's Council



HOME TO MEDIA COMPANIES, FILM PRODUCTION COMPANIES AND START-UPS



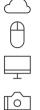


The Unter den Eichen campus is idyllically located, on the outskirts of Wiesbaden. It is our creative and media campus: media designers, designers, computer scientists, interior architects and well-known external companies from the media sector meet here. The buildings offer many workstations and labs, all equipped with the latest technology. In addition to the faculty library, there is also a cafeteria on campus.





#### >>> DESIGN COMPUTER SCIENCE MEDIA < < <



We have sixteen
different degree
programs in our
Design Computer
Science Media
faculty

National & international cooperations for doctoral students

State-of-the-art media labs

»I learnt a lot about design and new softwares and ways of work«



VISITING PROFESSORS
FROM ALL OVER THE
WORLD SUCH AS JORDAN,
THE US AND SEVERAL EUROPEAN COUNTRIES.



Joint Doctoral Center "Applied Computer Science" with three other universities

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The Faculty of Design Computer Science Media (DCSM) deals with the subject of media from artistic, technical, and economic perspectives.

Students work on their own projects in a large number of laboratories and (television) studios with state-of-the-art facilities. The faculty also serves as a platform for various research activities. One specific focus is on the topic of smart systems for humans and technology. RheinMain University of Applied Sciences is one of the first University of Applied Sciences in Germany having the right to award doctorates in the field of applied computer sciences.









#### **BLEICHSTRASSE CAMPUS >>>**

Wiesbaden Business School is located here, including Wiesbaden Business School's International Office.

#### Visiting address:

Bleichstraße 44 65183 Wiesbaden

BUS STOP Bleichstraße BUS STOP Bleichstraße → Dining Hall / Cafeteria

Main Station Interstate

Main Station Interstate



→ Library

Bus Stop

- Wiesbaden Business School International Office
- Student Service Center
- → Administration
- → Lecture Halls



Dining Hall/ Cafeteria



- Lecture Halls
- → Wiesbaden Business School Library



Library of Rhein-Main University and the Land Hesse





The Bleichstraße is the smallest campus of Rhein-Main University of Applied sciences and is located in the city center only a five-minute-walk from the predestrian zone. Nearby there are many small cafés and bars offering delicious snacks from all over the world.



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Famous student garden party at the beginning of the winter semester

Cafeteria, offering coffee, snacks and warm meals



3,000
STUDENTS



SPECIALIZED LIBRARY FOR BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS



Only 5 minutes' walking distance

TO WIESBADEN CITY
CENTER → → → → ★

The campus is a complex of historic buildings in the Wilhelminian style, connected by a leafy courtyard to an ultra-modern glass building housing Wiesbaden Business School's lecture halls, computer rooms, a specialist library, and its own cafeteria. Wiesbaden Business School's International Office is also located on this campus. The Library of RheinMain University of Applied Sciences and the Land Hesse is only a few minutes' walk from here.







As a faculty of the RheinMain University of Applied Sciences, Wiesbaden Business School prepares its students for a wide variety of tasks in business and administration in 11 degree programs and practice-oriented teaching. The students benefit in particular from the teachers' contacts to business enterprises.

A large number of international exchange students and guest lecturers from abroad create an international atmosphere. The faculty's research focus is on the topic of sustainable financial systems.

#### >>> WIESBADEN BUSINESS SCHOOL < < <











Master's program taught in English: International Management M.A.

RECEIVED THE

"TALENT INCUBATOR"

AWARD AS PART OF THE

WIWI-TALENTS-PROGRAM

BY WIWI-ONLINE.

We have eleven different degree programs in our Business School







RANKED AMONG THE TOP 10 BUSI-NESS SCHOOLS IN ACCOUNTING BY THE RENOWNED MANAGER MAGAZIN.

### AM BRÜCKWEG CAMPUS >>>

This is our campus in Rüsselsheim and the home of the Faculty of Engineering.

#### Visiting address:

Am Brückweg 26

65428 Rüsselsheim

#### **BUS STOP**

Hochschule RheinMain





















#### **34** → OUR STUDY LOCATIONS



The Am Brückweg campus in Rüsselsheim is an innovative campus in every respect. Practice-oriented teaching and application-oriented research is carried out in numerous labs with stateof-the-art equipment.

A high number of international students on campus and the vibrant multicultural festivals enrich everyday student life in Rüsselsheim.





warm meals













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**STUDENTS** AND LARGEST **FACULTY** 



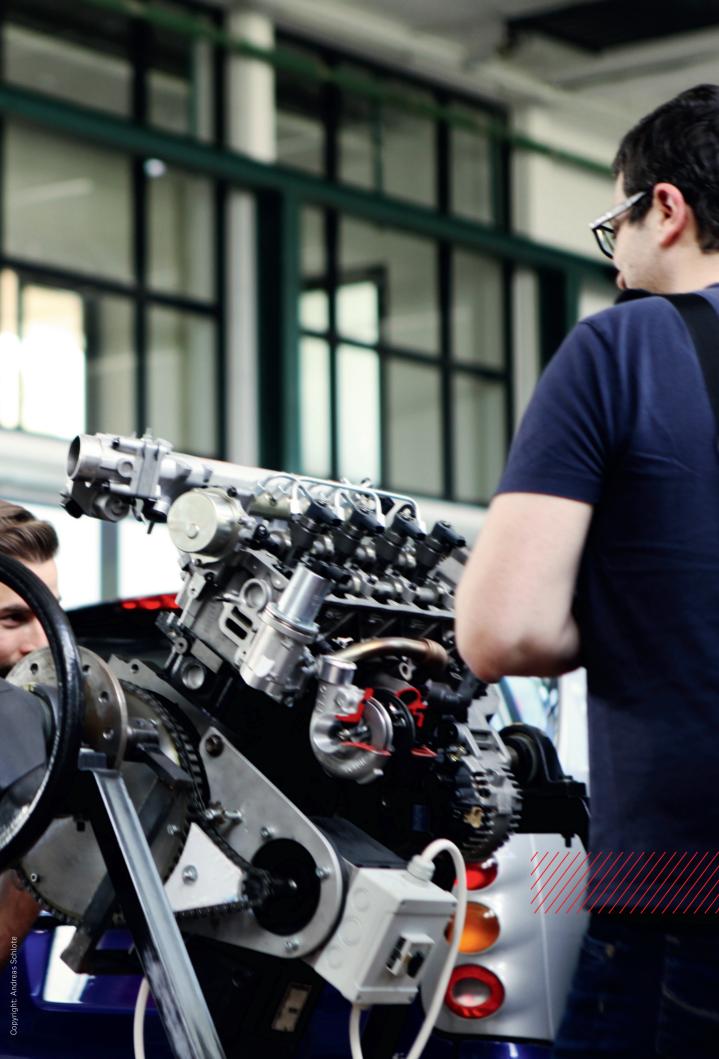
The campus is just a few minutes away from the train station by bus. In addition to lecture halls and laboratories, the site also offers a cafeteria and the faculty library.





Students of the "Scuderia Mensa" team

develop and build racing cars that compete in Formula Student races against teams from all over the world.





The Rüsselsheim-based Faculty of Engineering conducts high-tech teaching and research in fields ranging from fuel cell technology to microsystems technology.

Rüsselsheim is a pioneer in terms of new, practice-oriented training methods and course contents in cooperation with industry.

An open, friendly atmosphere between teaching staff and students as well as interdisciplinary fields of activity in more than 25 degree programs facilitate and promote collegial exchange and creative projects.

Thanks to numerous international contacts with companies and universities, international summer schools and quest lectures with renowned scientists from Germany and abroad, the faculty offers a wide range of opportunities for further education and for scientific and social contacts beyond national borders.

#### >>> ENGINEERING < < <







We have 25 different degree our Enginee ing faculty.

STUDENT CINEMA **ONCE A MONTH IN THE BIG SEMINAR ROOM** 

**COOPERATIONS WITH SEVERAL COMPA-NIES IN THE REGION** 

**STUDENT** 0 **TEAM SUC-CESSFULLY PARTICI-**PATES IN INTERNATIONAL TOURNAMENTS IN THE "SCUDERIA MENSA"

Research topics: Key

Technologies, Sustainable Mobility and **Environment & Medical** Engineering carried out by several campus based institutes.



MAIN STATION → CAMPUS

**TAKE BUS NO. 11, 32, 33** 





# **OUR SERVICES**

#### **BUDDY PROGRAM AND TUTORS >>>**

We know that the first weeks in a new environment are never easy, so we try to assign you a student buddy. He or she will help you with formalities and provide information about living and studying in Wiesbaden and Rüsselsheim. You do not need to apply for this program. We will contact you automatically before enrollment day.

In addition, student tutors will organize leisure activities and excursions you can participate in.







# **SUPPORT FOR STUDENTS**WITH SPECIAL NEEDS >>>

RheinMain University of Applied Sciences aims to cater for the needs of chronically ill students and students with special needs, enabling them to participate fully in university life and gain a degree.



Special coordinators will help you find an individual solution for your needs. Please contact our Student Counselling Office: <a href="mailto:student-





#### LIBRARIES >>>

You will have access to the well-equipped University and State Library on all campuses.





#### LANGUAGE CENTER >>>



Our Language Center offers courses in German as a foreign language, English, French, Italian, Spanish, German sign language, Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Portuguese, Russian, Swedish, and Turkish.



Basic knowledge of German makes living in Germany much easier. To improve your existing knowledge, we offer an intensive German language course for our exchange students prior to the start of the semester, free of charge. In addition, you can choose a regular German language course during the semester. You can earn credit points for all language classes.

#### **COMPETENCE & CAREER CENTER >>>**

RheinMain University of Applied Sciences' Center for Core Skills, Job Applications & Careers offers seminars, workshops and projects to improve your core skills, and also provides advice and in-

formation about starting professional life or setting up your own business. This service is exclusive to students from all the university's faculties and is free of charge.



#### **OUR SERVICES AT A GLANCE:**

>>> Career Fair meet(at)hochschule-rheinmain < < <

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free seminars and workshops per year

<u>Personal career orientation</u> and advisory services, job application file check.

#### **ONLINE JOB PORTAL**

HTTPS://WWW.JOBPORTAL-RHEINMAIN.DE/HRMCC/

#### EXCITING SERVICE LEARNING PROJECTS:

WIESBADEN VOLUNTEER'S DAY, CAMPUS GAR-DENING PROJECT (KURTS GARTEN) AND MORE

#### **START-UP SERVICE:**

EVENTS AND ADVICE ON START-UPS



#### **UNIVERSITY SPORTS >>>**



Each semester, our University Sports Department offers you a large variety of different sports activities both in Wiesbaden and Rüsselsheim. Sport – from aerobics to hockey and yoga – helps you relax after a long day full of studying and work, make new friends and to meet new challenges outside of classes and work assignments.

However, competitive sports also play an important role at our university. The university participates in and hosts national championships and tournaments. In addition, leisure activities such as skiing trips and canoeing weekends are also offered.



Every winter, the university offers two skiing trips for students.



Numerous online courses

140 different courses per week, all taught by students or employees of RheinMain University of Applied Sciences.

>> SPECIAL SPORTS COURSES < <





2,000 students participate in our courses



**2016** German University Sports Federation Award >> >> >>



Join us

More than different sports

activities

www.HS-RM.DE/en/services/university-sports/

>>> WE TAKE PART IN A LOT OF COMPETITIONS IN **DIFFERENT SPORTS THROUGHOUT GERMANY** EVERY YEAR < < <







#### **CANTEENS AND CAFETERIAS >>>**



You will find canteens or cafeterias at all study locations. Most of them are run by Studentenwerk Frankfurt am Main (association for student affairs).

Special emphasis is placed on fresh, high-quality meals at student-friendly prices. Whether you're looking for breakfast, lunch, or a quick in-between snack – the teams at the various dining halls look forward to your visit.









# HOW TO BECOME ONE OF US





We are happy that you are interested in studying at RheinMain University of Applied Sciences. Please contact us at the International Office for your inquiries.

A prerequisite for your application as an exchange student is a bilateral agreement between your home university and RheinMain University of Applied Sciences.

You can find the list of our partner institution on our website: www.hs-rm.de/partner-universities

If an agreement does not yet exist, please contact us: incoming@hs-rm.de



#### **APPLICATION PROCEDURE >>>**

#### **Nomination**

In accordance with the existing agreement between our universities, your home university nominates students for a winter or a summer semester (sometimes for the whole academic year) by sending an email to: <a href="mailto:incoming@hs-rm.de">incoming@hs-rm.de</a>.

#### Deadline for nomination (by your home university)

Please contact the International Office at your home university in time to find out about the respective application procedure and deadlines for an exchange semester.



#### **Application**

All nominated students will receive initial information with details about the application process and the link to our online application system. The application is made entirely through the online portal in electronic form. You will find more detailed information about the application process on our website:

www.hs-rm.de/exchange → Application

#### **Deadline for submitting completed application** documents

May 31 for winter semester November 30 for summer semester





#### **Enrollment and Welcome Day**

The enrollment process at RheinMain University of Applied Sciences will be completely online. To be prepared for the start of your semester, we invite all incoming students to join our weekly Virtual Welcome Café. The café is a great opportunity to meet your fellow exchange students from all around the world and familiarize yourself with the services of our university. We invite colleagues from the IT and Media Center, the Competence & Career Center as well as colleagues from the university libraries to give you first-hand information on their services. You will also have the opportunity to meet the international officers from the academic departments who will accompany you during your stay and help with academic matters.

Once you have arrived in Wiesbaden the International Office organizes a welcome event for all exchange students at the Kurt-Schumacher-Ring campus in Wiesbaden to finally meet your fellow students in person.\*

We will send you an invitation a few weeks before the Welcome Day takes place. We look forward to welcoming you at RheinMain University of Applied Sciences!

\* concerning the spread of SARS-CoV-2: Should the situation not allow a meet-up in person, the Welcome Day will be integrated into the Virtual Welcome Café.



#### 48 → APPLYING AS AN EXCHANGE STUDENT





#### Academic calendar

Winter Semester: October 1 – March 31 Start of lectures: beginning of October

End of lectures: mid-February, including exam period

German intensive course: end of September/beginning of October

**Summer Semester:** April 1 – September 30

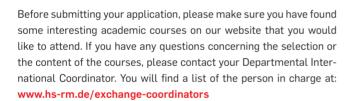
Start of lectures: mid-April

End of lectures: mid-July, including exam period

German intensive course: end of March/beginning of April

#### Choosing your academic courses at RheinMain University of Applied Sciences

Most of the courses at RheinMain University of Applied Sciences are taught in German. However, each faculty offers an increasing number of courses or projects in English for exchange students. Please contact us for further information about the courses taught in English or have a look at our website: www.hs-rm.de/exchange.







#### Language requirements

General English Requirements are at least level B1 (B2 is strongly advised). For Interior Design, Media Conception & Production and for business courses at Wiesbaden Business School an English level B2 is required. We strongly advise all exchange students to reach German skills with level B1 before coming for an exchange.

To improve your German skills before the semester starts, we invite all exchange students to attend the intensive German course offered by our Language Center (no application necessary, free of charge).

This course generally takes place during the two weeks before lectures begin, starting right after enrollment (approx. 20 hours per week, 4 ECTS/credit points).







#### Insurance

#### **Health Insurance**

Health insurance is compulsory to enroll at RheinMain University of Applied Sciences.

#### For EU citizens

Please ask your health insurance at home for the European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) or proof that your health insurance will be covered for the length of your stay in Germany.

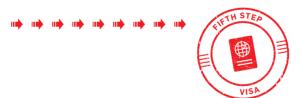
#### For all other students

You can take out health insurance in Germany (for approx. € 110 /month). Most foreign health insurance policies have to fulfill certain requirements to be accepted in Germany. If you choose this option, please make sure the amount of the policy is sufficient to cover all health expenses for the length of your stay. Travel insurance will NOT be sufficient for enrollment.

#### **Accident and Liability Insurance**

As an enrolled student at RheinMain University of Applied Sciences, you will automatically have accident and liability insurance, provided by Studentenwerk Frankfurt (association for student affairs). However, these insurances are only valid during your study time at RheinMain University of Applied Sciences, not during your leisure time. We therefore recommend taking out an additional private accident and liability insurance.





#### **Entry requirements for Germany**

Students with EU citizenship do not need a visa to enter Germany. Citizens of Australia, Canada, Israel, Japan, New Zealand, South Korea, Switzerland or the USA do not need to apply for a visa before entering Germany, but they will be invited to apply for a residence permit at the Office for Immigration and Integration after declaring their place of residence.

All other students have to apply for a study visa at the German embassy/consulate in their home countries. We will send you an official invitation letter for your visa application. Finally, both EU and non-EU citizens have to declare their place of residence in the city they live in. Registration must be carried out in person at the city hall ("Bürgerbüro") within two weeks of arrival.

# CHOOSE YOUR NEW HOME



DORM IN RÜSSELSHEIM ↑↑↑

#### **University Halls of Residence**

There are several student halls of residence in Wiesbaden and Rüsselsheim which are open to Erasmus and all other exchange students.

All halls of residence offer single rooms, but you might be expected to share kitchen and bathroom facilities.

Please note, however, that the number of rooms available is limited and that these are very popular among students. You should therefore apply as soon as possible.

You are expected to pay your rent in monthly installments, in addition to a one-time room deposit. The amount may vary by location, ranging from  $\[mathbb{E}\]$  300 to  $\[mathbb{E}\]$  450 for your monthly rent and  $\[mathbb{E}\]$  500 to  $\[mathbb{E}\]$  900 for the deposit.

→ Be prepared to pay both your deposit and the first month's rent shortly after arrival.











DORM IN WIESBADEN ↑↑↑



# **MONEY MATTERS**



#### Student registration fee

You do not have to pay any tuition fees to study at RheinMain University of Applied Sciences.

However, you must pay a reduced student registration fee of about € 250/semester (subject to change). The fee you pay will

mainly enable you to use the regional transportation system in the whole state of Hesse and the bordering region of Rhineland-Palatinate. A lesser part of the fee is dedicated to the contribution for the association of student affairs and welfare as well as a liability assurance on the university grounds. The student registration fee has to be paid at least ten days prior to registration by transfer from your bank account.



Living expenses in Germany are slightly above the European average. They are below those of countries such as Denmark, Luxembourg, or Switzerland, but are quite high compared to countries in Asia, Africa, or Latin America.



# Germans love their beer.

In Germany, there are about 5,000 different types of beers.



In bars, breweries, and pubs you can enjoy many regional varieties

€ 380

for an apartment with about 20 square meters.

There are a lot of big and small clubs in Wiesbaden, Frankfurt and Mainz, catering to all kinds of musical tastes.

ENTRY → 10 EUROS

\*often free for women







>>> YOU CAN DO ALL YOUR IMPORTANT SHOPPING ON FOOT IN JUST A FEW MINUTES. < < <



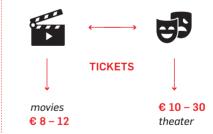
"I LOVE THE BREAD IN GERMANY, THE-**RE IS ALWAYS SO** MUCH CHOICE AT THE BAKERY SHOP."

Andrea from Spain



→ 3 EUROS

There are more than 300 bread varieties in Germany. For example: chia seed bread, protein bread or potato bread.



PIZZA: €8-













€ 10-50



bottle of mineral water (1 L)

PEDESTRIAN ZONE WITH MANY PLACES TO SHOP AS WELL AS COZY CAFES AND INVITING RESTAURANTS WHERE YOU CAN SIT INSIDE OR OUTSIDE IN WIESBADEN AND RÜSSELSHEIM



# **HOW TO GET HERE**

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RheinMain University of Applied Sciences is easy to get to from all over the world thanks to an excellent public transportation system which is safe and easy to understand.

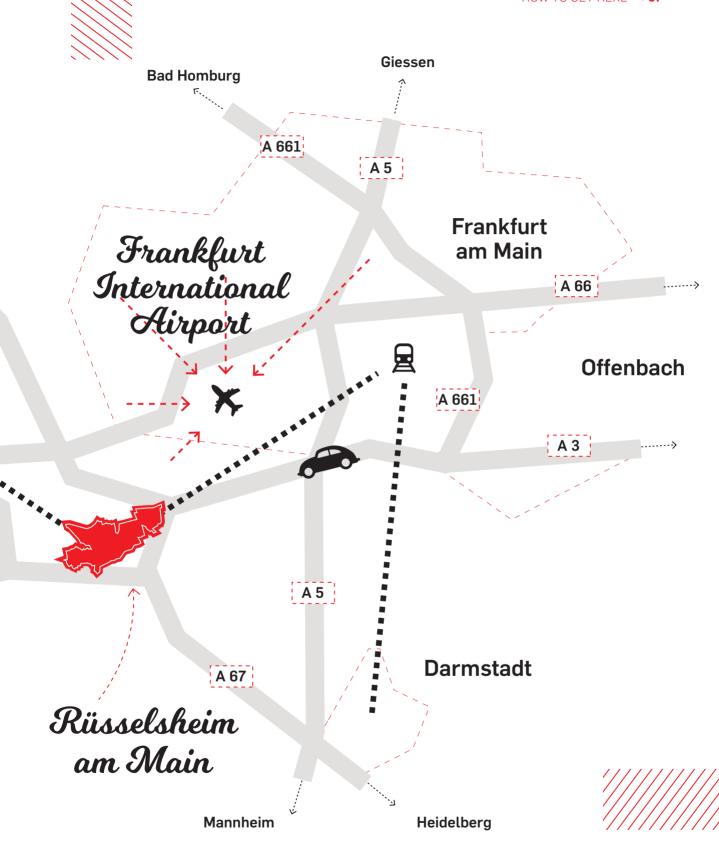
You can fly to Frankfurt International Airport and then take a local train (S8 or S9) to Wiesbaden Central Station (travel time about 40 minutes) or to Rüsselsheim Central Station (S8 or S9, travel time about 15 minutes). From the train stations there are buses to the different campuses.



**Bad Kreuznach** 

**Alzey** 

More information about getting around the Rhine-Main area: https://www.rmv.de/c/en/start/





# DISCOVER THE RHINE-MAIN REGION



#### SKATEBOARDING AREA AND BEACH VOLLEYBALL FIELD ↑↑↑

RheinMain University of Applied Sciences' study locations are situated in Wiesbaden and Rüsselsheim, in one of Europe's economic and cultural centers.

The Rhine-Main area has a lot to offer: including exciting cities such as Frankfurt am Main, Germany's financial and banking center, charming small towns, an enchanting river landscape and vineyards, plus the hills of the Taunus.

The Upper Rhine Valley is even recognized as a UNESCO World Heritage site. Its central position in the middle of Germany allows for easy travel to all German cities and regions and thus the opportunity to discover the diversity of the country. Two nearby airports in Frankfurt and Frankfurt-Hahn make it convenient to visit and discover numerous European cities and regions.



#### The Frankfurt Book Fair

(FBF; German: Frankfurter Buchmesse) is the world's largest trade fair for books



## COUNTLESS EVENTS EVERY YEAR IN THE RHINE-MAIN AREA



"Äppler" or "Apfelwein": a kind of cider, famous drink, especially in Frankfurt

Name comes from the rivers Rhine and Main

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APPROX.

MOST IMPORTANT CITIES:

FRANKFURT, WIESBADEN, MAINZ

**MILLION INHABITANTS** 

urbanity meets nature



ONE OF THE TOP ECONOMIC CENTERS OF GERMANY







#### MAINZ CATHEDRAL ↓↓↓



**←←**← RHINEGAU VINEYARD



# **WIESBADEN**

Wiesbaden has approx. 290,000 inhabitants and is the capital of the Federal State of Hesse. In Wiesbaden you can find Germany's biggest accumulation of impressive buildings from Gründerzeit/Historicism.



The city attracts a lot of students each semester as it has a lot to offer: It combines the charm of a 19th-century spa town with its representative architecture, with a modern cosmopolitan atmosphere and an attractive cultural scene.

Wiesbaden is a green city and with its parks, forests and the bordering Rheingau offers a unique variety of leisure options.

**HESSIAN STATE THEATER ↑↑↑** 



#### >>> THE NAME WIESBADEN MEANS »MEADOW BATH« < < <



GERMANY'S OLDEST FUNICULAR RAILWAY AND ONE OF THE FEW WHICH RUNS ON WATER, SINCE 1888 IT HAS LINKED THE CITY TO THE NE-ROBERG WHICH OFFERS A WONDERFUL VIEW OVER THE CITY

APPROX. 290,000 **INHABITANTS** 

**FYODOR DOSTOEVSKY'S** masterpiece "THE GAMBLER" was inspired by his stay in Wiesbaden – and his

visit to the Wiesbaden casino.

One of Europe's oldest spa towns, with 26 hot springs flowing still today

IN WIESBADEN YOU CAN FIND GERMANY'S BIGGEST **ENSEMBLE OF HISTO-RICISM BUILDINGS** 



**NUMEROUS STREET FESTIVALS THROUGH-OUT THE YEAR** 

URBAN PARK ↓↓↓

#### **Festivals**

There is always a reason to celebrate in Wiesbaden, Many street festivals such as the Wilhelmstraßenfest, the Schiersteiner Hafenfest, the Rheingauer Weinwoche and the famous Christmas market attract thousands of visitors every year. But the nightlife in Wiesbaden also has a lot to offer: Besides a lot of bars and clubs, there are regular concerts and the popular Grand Semester Opening Party.

http://www.wiesbaden.de/en



WILHELMSTREET FESTIVAL ↓↓↓

#### **CHRISTMAS MARKET** ↓↓↓







Located in the center of the Rhine-Main region, Rüsselsheim is a research and development location and considered an international center of excellence in the mobility industry.



RÜSSELSHEIM RIVER BANKS ↑↑↑

Rüsselsheim am Main as a center of industry, technology and research is a lively, multifaceted city with approx. 65,000 inhabitants from over a hundred different nations. Situated directly on the river Main and in the very center of the Rhine-Main region, it offers all the advantages of the surrounding big cities, while ensuring a quiet and intimate environment for living and studying.





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65,000

**INHABITANTS** 

ever since.

Home of Opel, now part of French PSA-Group, one of the largest European automotive manufacturers. The company was founded in

1862 by Adam Opel in Rüsselsheim. Its headquarters have been located here

English-style landscaped garden near the banks of the Main.

130 HECTARES OF URBAN GREEN SPACES

**Numerous** street *festivals* throughout the year

One of the cities in Germany with the most job offers in research & development.

>>> RÜSSELSHEIM IS LOCATED ON THE RIVER MAIN, BETWEEN FRANKFURT AND MAINZ < < <

**OPEL FACTORY** ↓↓↓





VERNA PARK (CITY PARK) 个个个

Rüsselsheim is famous for the automobile manufacturer Opel. Take a guided tour at the Opel Factory and get an impression of the state-of-the-art technology used for automobile production. Visit the more than 600 year-old fortress, relax on the green banks of the river Main, take part in cultural events such as the "Mainfest" or visit one of the top concerts of the "Jazz Factory" - Rüsselsheim offers a multitude of leisure activities to suit every taste.

http://www.ruesselsheim.de/en

# A JOURNEY WITHOUT REGRETS

#### Why did you choose Germany for your study abroad period?

I chose Germany for my study abroad period because I've studied my whole life in a German school in Brazil and was very familiar with the culture and language. Besides this, Germany is a country that offers a great life quality and job opportunities, and where I was sure I'd be able to make the most out of my exchange semester.

#### Do you speak or understand German?

Yes, I speak German. However, I'm sure that even if I didn't speak German it wouldn't be a problem here, as many German people speak English and are very helpful.

#### »GERMANY IS A COUNTRY THAT OFFERS A GREAT LIFE QUALITY«

Up to now, what do you enjoy most about RheinMain University of Applied Sciences? Why would you recommend it to your fellow students?

My favorite part about the RheinMain University of Applied Sciences is how the staff value their exchange students and do everything to make us feel welcome in the country. The university and the international tutors even organize weekly activities, which are affordable and very fun, besides helping us with bureaucratic matters. Not only this, the university is very flexible when it comes to choosing classes and taking exams, which make the whole exchange semester way less stressful.

#### How do you like the city of Wiesbaden?

Even though Wiesbaden is a small city, compared to where I come from, there's always something going on and new places to discover. Besides that, it's located near to other cities as Mainz and Frankfurt, which broadens the range of places to go.

#### Anything else you would like to tell us?

I'd like to thank the international office staff and tutors for making us feel so valued and important to the university, and always being kind and willing to help us with questions and problems we might have.



#### **VICTORIA SKAF (21)**

FROM SÃO PAULO, BRAZIL WIESBADEN BUSINESS SCHOOL





#### Why did you choose Germany for your study abroad period?

I chose Germany because it seemed like a very interesting destination. I have always been curious about their customs and their cities. In addition, its central position in Europe. It greatly facilitates trips to neighboring countries such as France, Belgium or the Netherlands, In short, a place with countless things to visit and discover.

#### Do you speak or understand German?

Yes and no. I don't speak German, but with the course I did before the lessons started, I can say "hello, bye", I can introduce myself... Now, after being here for a few months, I can understand some of the words I can hear from Germans. So I can say that I understand it more than what I thought at the beginning of my Erasmus.

PABLO HILLMAN (21) FROM MADRID, SPAIN STUDIENGANG?



#### How do you like the city of Wiesbaden?

When I arrived, I didn't think I was going to like it so much. It has streets with very cool architecture, good transport links, shops and good restaurants to eat and drink. If you leave Wiesbaden a bit, you have routes through the forest that are very worthwhile. I also like the Christmas market that they put here. It's really beautiful. For me, Wiesbaden combines everything I like about a city.

Up to now, what do you enjoy most about RheinMain University of Applied Sciences? Why would you recommend it to your fellow

I can say that I really liked the practical work. It was not what I expected, but even so it has been very good considering that in Spain, almost all classes are theoretical. But without a doubt, what I liked the most was being able to use professional equipment, learn more about how it works and, above all, make use of it autonomously (without having to be at the university to use it)

#### → What are the biggest differences/commonalities as a student on comparison to your country/ school?

The main difference is the equipment. The German university has a much larger budget and more advanced equipment, which is great for my career (audiovisual communication). You have more opportunities to do projects whenever you want. There is also the schedule: it does not follow a time line, I mean, every week the lessons you have and their hours change. I also like this a lot because you have more flexibility.

#### → What is your favorite part concerning your stay?

My favorite part has been the atmosphere. There is a lot of young atmosphere, with people from all over the world and we all want to enjoy this experience as much as possible. Everyone has the same ambitions to meet people and enjoy themselves, and I liked that a lot. Go to a party and it doesn't matter where you come from or who you are, just speak and get to know other languages, cultures and customs. It's what I take best from here.





#### ➡ Why did you choose Germany for your study abroad period?

I currently study Environmental Engineering as bachelor's degree in Switzerland. It's not always easy to find exchange programs in this major, because each country and each university have a very specific curriculum. When I saw that my home university had a partnership with Hochschule Rhein Main, I was immediately motivated, as I knew that Germany has modern environmental technologies such as material recycling.

#### → Do you speak or understand German?

Before coming to Germany, I had learned German in the French high school, but my level was not very good. In Hochschule Rhein Main, all my lectures were in German as I was the only exchange student in my faculty. It was a big challenge, which pushed me to improve my writing and my speaking. I also signed up to a very interesting B2 German course on history, culture, and politics.

### → Why was coming to Germany a good decision?

Definitely! I am first happy to have improved my German so fast, and also to have discovered a new culture. I was able to travel easily by train to visit cities such as Berlin, Leipzig, and Aachen. Overall, the people I've met were friendly, helpful, and open-minded.

#### → Up to now, what do you enjoy most about RheinMain University

#### **ANTONINE BAERT-YUE (24)**

FROM LAUSANNE, SWITZERLAND ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING

#### of Applied Sciences? Why would you recommend it to your fellow students?

I was really impressed by the quality of teaching in my Environmental Engineering faculty: not only were the courses interesting and well organized, but the professors were also always ready to help the students in face of difficulty. HSRM teaching is also practice-oriented, which means we get to work on concrete projets (ex: lab work) or visit industrial sites. I also enjoyed spending time in the "Fachschaft" on my campus in Russelsheim, where students can meet, study, and relax.

#### »OVERALL, THE PEOPLE I MET WERE FRIENDLIY, HELPFUL, & OPEN-MINDED.«

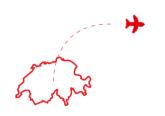
#### What are the biggest differences/ commonalities as a student on comparison to your country/ school?

Being a student in the Rhein Main region has many advantages compared to Switzerland. Free public transports, for example, but also free tickets for the Staatstheater in Wiesbaden, as well as many different discounts.

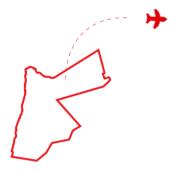
The living costs are also much lower. For example, lunch on campus would cost around 2 euros in HSRM, whereas it would cost at least 10 euros in my home university cafeteria.

## ⇒ What is your favorite part concerning your stay?

What I've most enjoyed was meeting new friends, be it other Erasmus students or German people. There was a very cool atmosphere in my student dorm in Wiesbaden, despite the Covid situation. Most students had online courses, but I was still able to attend some parties, as well as meet comrades to study together.



FROM AMMAN, JORDAN ARCHITECTURE



#### → Do you speak or understand German?

Yes, I speak good German but I have to admit that I understand much more than I can speak.

### → How do you like the city of Wiesbaden?

Wiesbaden is a very beautiful city, I fell in love with it immediately, the people are so friendly and kind, living in this city is easy going and super comfortable. Wiesbaden is my second home.

## Why was coming to Germany a good decision?

Because it definitely opened up my eyes to so many things, I have learned so much within a short period of time and I have met a lot of amazing people who helped me grow and develop myself on a personal and provisional level.

Up to now, what do you enjoy most about RheinMain University of Applied Sciences? Why would you recommend it to your fellow students?

The atmosphere and the environment of this university, although I didn't get the chance to have a proper campus experience due to the pandemic.

Nevertheless, everyone was always

very supportive especially the international office, always there for you, their efforts and support to international student is very much appreciated. I absolutely recommend Hochschule RheinMain.

### What have you learned during your stay?

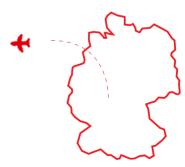
I learnt how to manage my time correctly because the work load on me as an architecture student is usually too much but during my stay I was able to develop my time management skills and working under pressure.

## What is your favorite part concerning your stay?

I'd say that overall it was an amazing experience, I think my favorite part would be how many great people I met almost everyday and how communicating with people who have different perspectives helped me develop mine in so many ways.











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