

study abroad

Dresden Programs

Boston University offers a variety of programs in Dresden, Germany, each built around a semester or academic year of direct enrollment at the Technische Universität Dresden (TUD) in one of Eastern Germany's most culturally rich cities. The University Studies Program, the Internship Program, the Science Program, and the Engineering Program are all taught by German faculty.

The Technical University of Dresden, host to Boston University's Dresden Science and Engineering Programs, was recently cited by the government of the Federal Republic of Germany for excellence in the fields of Bioengineering and Biomedicine—the only university in Germany to receive this highly competitive honor in both fields.

Upon successful completion of a semester, students earn 16 to 20 Boston University credits.



Engineering Program (Spring Semester Only)

This program is designed for engineering students who wish to combine engineering coursework in English with the study of German. Students study intensive German, but take engineering courses in English with TUD faculty members. Students also participate in excursions to research institutions, technical museums, and companies to examine the future of engineering technologies.

Internship Program

After completing the intensive German-language and cultural-immersion course, students are placed in internships. Complementary coursework runs in tandem with the internship. During the final week of the program, students attend a capstone seminar in which they complete final work on the academic component of the internship and deliver final presentations.

Housing

Program participants live in university dormitories with German and other international students. Students receive meal stipends, which may be used to buy food at student cafeterias, or students can shop at grocery stores or markets in Dresden and prepare their meals in the dormitory kitchens.

Admissions

- Minimum GPA: 3.0 (in major and overall)
- Language and other requirements vary by program

Program Dates

Fall Semester: mid-August–December
Spring Semester: mid-February–July
Academic Year: mid-August–July

Science Program (Fall Semester Only)

Students in chemistry, biology, biochemistry/molecular biology, and pre-med tracks have a unique opportunity to study abroad in their field while working toward their degrees. The Dresden Science Program is a one-semester program, ideally suited for first-semester sophomores. The program does not require any prior knowledge of German.

University Studies Program

This program is designed for students who want to enroll directly in a German university and who want to take a wide range of university courses. During the first seven weeks of the program—prior to the start of the TUD semester—students enroll in an intensive language and cultural immersion course. Students then enroll in three elective courses at the TUD and finish the semester as regular students of the University.

Application Deadlines

University Studies and Internship

Fall Semester/Academic Year: March 15

Spring Semester: October 15

Science

Fall Semester: March 15

Engineering

Spring Semester: September 15

2009/2010 Program Cost

\$24,879 per semester. Cost includes tuition, housing, board, round-trip group airfare from a designated US city, field trips, book allowance, and emergency travel assistance coverage. Financial aid is available.

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