

Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität Bonn

# Important Information for ERASMUS Students 2013/2014

## 1. Nomination and Application Procedure

Nomination/Application deadlines for ERASMUS:

15 May for the 1<sup>st</sup> semester (winter semester)

1 November 2013 for the 2<sup>nd</sup> semester (summer semester)

Please note: We cannot accept applications after the mentioned deadlines.

## Online Application!!!

- We only accept nominations through our online application tool. We do not accept any other form of nominations, including e-nomintions.
- Please inform the students whom you wish to nominate to fill in our online form and to send the print-out of the online application form, signed by the student and his or her ERASMUS Coordinator, directly to the departmental ERASMUS Coordinator at the University of Bonn.
- Students can find the online application form (in German, English, and French) and further information on the application process at

www.erasmus.uni-bonn.de → How to apply

**Please note:** Please do <u>not send</u> the print-out of the application forms to the International Office but to the departmental ERASMUS Coordinator directly.

Some departments have additional application requirements (e.g. language requirements). They will inform their according cooperation partners in your institution about this.

## List of ERASMUS Departmental Coordinators:

http://www3.uni-bonn.de/studium/studium-und-praktikum-im-ausland/austauschprogramme-der-universitaet-bonn/erasmus/fachkoordinatoren-und-kooperationen



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### 2. German Language Requirements

German is, especially in many undergraduate programmes, the main teaching language at the University of Bonn (except in some subjects, especially in the natural sciences, economics and social sciences). Therefore, all ERASMUS students who do not study in English are expected to have a **good and sufficient knowledge of German** (B1/B2 highly recommended!). (Some departments ask for a proof of students' German language proficiency level together with their application. They will inform their according cooperation partners in your institution and the students about this.)

For information on which courses are offered in English, students should contact their departmental ERASMUS Coordinator.

## 3. German Language Courses

#### German Language courses during the semester

- 4 teaching hours per week
- equals 3 ECTS-credits that can be included in the transcript of records upon agreement with departmental ERASMUS Coordinator

- Fee: 100 € (reduced fee for ERASMUS students, normal fee: 160 €)

#### **Application deadlines German language courses:**

1 August for winter semester
1 February 2014 for summer semester

More information about the application procedure will be sent to the students after they have been accepted at the University of Bonn. **Please note:** We do **not** offer language courses at the A1-level.

## **Intensive Language and Orientation Course for Exchange Students**

The University of Bonn offers a 4-weeks intensive language <u>and</u> orientation course for exchange students from different programmes in September/March. There are some <u>limited</u> places for ERASMUS students.

Fee: **580** € (including intensive language course and a ticket for all public transportation for one month)

Further information and application form will be sent to the students after they have been accepted at the University of Bonn and at: <a href="https://www.erasmus.uni-bonn.de">www.erasmus.uni-bonn.de</a>

#### **Application deadlines:**

15 June for the 1<sup>st</sup> semester (September course)

1 December for the 2<sup>nd</sup> semester (March course)

Students should apply early enough, independently from their ERASMUS application! Places are limited!

Students should also be aware that our German Department (Germanistisches Seminar) does <u>not</u> offer any German language courses but teaches German philology and literature. Students who <u>do not</u> study "Germanistik" (**German Language und Literature Studies**) as their main subject are usually not admitted to study "Germanistik" at our university, only if this has been agreed on between the according departmental ERASMUS coordinators.



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## 4. Accommodation

Students need to be aware that there have been major changes concerning the application for a room in dormitory. Due due to high demand a room in a student dormitory cannot be guaranteed any longer for all ERASMUS students.

Therefore student should apply as soon as possible, even before the official acceptance from the University of Bonn.

Students should also take alternative, private housing possibilities into consideration and to look for them at the same time.

For more information on housing students are highly recommended got to our webpage www.erasmus.uni-bonn.de where they also find information about private accommodation.

## 4. Orientation

#### **ERASMUS Welcome Days**

We offer an orientation programme in the first week before the start of each semester (first week of October for 1<sup>st</sup> semester and first week of April for 2<sup>nd</sup> semester).

**Application deadlines for orientation:** 

1 August for winter semester
1 February 2014 for summer semester

More information about the application procedure for the orientation programme will be sent to the students after they have been accepted at the University of Bonn.

## 6. Where can ERASMUS Students find further information?

- Attached Information Sheet
- Students can find all important information on their ERASMUS study period at the University of Bonn – such as **housing** information, information on orientation programmes and language courses, formalities etc. – on our **ERASMUS website**: <u>www.erasmus.uni-bonn.de</u>
- Students will also receive an "information kit" from the ERASMUS Departmental Coordinator and the International Office by e-mail about 4-6 weeks after the above mentioned application deadlines.
- And students may join the ERASMUS facebook group of the University of Bonn. www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100001895311902&ref=tn\_tnmn#!/ErasmusIncomingsUniBonn