TERM DATES

FALL TERM 2020/21
1 October 2020 – 5 February 2021 (including orientation week)
Exam period until end of February 2021*

Early leavers: 1 October – 16 December 2020 (including exam period)

CEMS term: 1 September – 16 December 2020
(Optional late electives: December 2020 – approx. mid-February 2021)

Pre-semester German language course (optional): September 2020
Exchange nomination deadline: 1 May 2020
Application deadline: June 2020

SPRING TERM 2021
1 April 2021 – 23 July 2021 (including orientation week)
Exam period until 31 July 2021*

CEMS term: End of March - 31 July 2021*
Pre-semester German language course (optional): March 2021
Exchange nomination deadline: 1 Nov 2020
Application deadline: December 2020

*for all English-taught courses, depending on choice of courses, an earlier departure might be possible.

Please note that all information provided in this fact sheet is based on the assumption that the situation regarding Covid-19 has normalised by then.

SEMESTER EXCHANGE

EXCHANGE OPPORTUNITIES

Exchange term (bachelor or master level)
The Faculty’s course offer for incoming students comprises a comprehensive range of bachelor and master courses taught in English as well as a number of bachelor courses taught in German. http://www.international.wiso.uni-koeln.de/de/incoming-students/semester-exchange/your-academic-options/

CEMS term in English (master level)
The Cologne WiSo Faculty offers high-quality CEMS MIM courses, a diverse offer of business projects and skill seminars, and a highly-rated block seminar for CEMS students. All courses are taught in English. www.international.wiso.uni-koeln.de/incoming-students/cems-exchange/your-cems-academic-options/

ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Class format: Lectures and seminars
Grading: Based on written exams, written papers, project work, oral exams, active participation in class or a combination of the above
Exams: Either on the last day of classes or during the two to three weeks after the end of classes
Course load: Usually 4-5 courses per term (30 ECTS)
Language requirements: CEFR level B2 in English (or German for bachelor)
PROCEDURES
• Students are nominated by the international office of their home institution
• Nominations must be submitted via the WiSo Exchange Platform (WEX). Coordinators are informed by email.
• The ZIB WiSo Incomings Team contacts the nominated student(s) directly, when they should complete the application form (no other documents required).

wex-incomings-wiso.uni-koeln.de

ESTIMATED MONTHLY LIVING COSTS
Housing: € 300-500
Books and class reading materials: € 30
Food: € 170
Leisure activities: € 100-250
Health insurance: approx. € 90 (if home insurance is not recognised)

All students have to pay a social contribution of approximately € 280 per term. This contribution covers a semester transportation ticket for all local transportation in the state of North-Rhine Westphalia and supports the student sport facilities and dining halls.

UNIVERSITY FACILITIES
The University offers a large variety of sports activities. All facilities (incl. an on campus student gym) and courses are either free of charge or for a very low fee. Students have access to numerous dining halls and cafés that have a good price/quality ratio.

SERVICES
International Relations Center – ZIB WiSo
• Enrolment support starting in November/May
• Course registration support: students will be guided through the online registration process shortly before the semester and informed accordingly
• Comprehensive information and support in finding accommodation in Cologne
• Welcome Days: Orientation days in the week before classes, including academic information sessions, guided campus tours and social events
• Buddy Programme: Student ‘buddies’ from Cologne help international students during their stay at the WiSo Faculty and in Cologne

Language courses
Intensive German language courses free of charge in March and in September; weekly language courses throughout the term.

PIM and CEMS Student and Alumni Club Cologne
The club organises parties, sport events, workshops in cooperation with companies, excursions and regular meetings (Stammtisch).

Corporate contacts
Benefit from the University’s career services, regular workshops in soft skills, guest speeches from industry professionals and courses offered by company executives.
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The Cologne WiSo Faculty, Germany’s largest and most reputable faculty of its kind, offers students a vast scope of study fields and specialisations. In line with its mission ‘Innovation for Society’, it successfully links excellent research with contacts to the corporate and business world.

The central location of the campus and the Faculty’s focus on internationalisation, counting over 450 incoming exchange students per year, contribute to the Faculty’s reputation as an ideal place for an exchange term. The Faculty is EQUIS accredited.

The WiSo Faculty offers 7 bachelor programmes (3 years) and 14 master programmes (2 years) including several international and double degree programmes:

Bachelor programmes
www.wiso.uni-koeln.de/en/studies/bachelor

Master programmes
www.wiso.uni-koeln.de/en/studies/master

International Management/CEMS MIM
www.wiso.uni-koeln.de/en/studies/master/international-management-cems-mim

Double Master’s Programmes
www.wiso.uni-koeln.de/en/studies/master/double-masters-programmes

THE CITY OF COLOGNE

With a diverse population of around 1 million, Cologne is a multicultural and dynamic city. It is home to the fourth-largest trade fair in the world, and over 10,000 IT and telecommunication businesses have strengthened its position as Germany’s ‘media city’. Cologne is famous for its Gothic cathedral, along with a multitude of other historic sites and plenty of green areas. Home to some 90,000 students, the city offers a vibrant night life and a great variety of museums, theatres and art exhibitions.

www.cologne-tourism.com