How TUM promotes internationality:

In its mission statement, the Technical University of Munich sees itself duty bound to orient itself scientifically, structurally and organizationally towards the best international standards. That is why it places a great deal of value on being networked worldwide.

International alliances

No university, no country can overcome the challenges presented by science today on its own. TUM therefore works closely with around 170 partner universities and takes part in various international networks. With the German Institute of Science and Technology (GiST) - TUM Asia, the university enjoys permanent presence in Asia and, on Singapore’s CREATE Campus it carries out a direct exchange with top universities and companies. More than 150 delegation visits are welcomed by TUM every year.

Periods of stay abroad

International experience is one of the key qualifications for future management personalities. The students at TUM have a diverse range of opportunities to take part in studies or internships abroad, as well as a combination of the two as part of the European ERASMUS+ Program, the non-European TUM exchange Program or the Athens Program. The exchange in teaching and research is an equally important goal of TUM: in addition to the activities and information offered by TUM ForTé (Promotion of Research and Technology Transfer) and the TUM Graduate School, the ERASMUS+ Program for lecturer mobility provides university teachers with the opportunity to teach during a period of stay abroad, also in combination with short-term research stays.

Language Center

The TUM Language Center offers students, employees and alumni of TUM the chance to professionalize their language skills in a foreign language and in technical terminology at a university-oriented level. For this purpose, there is a semester-accompanying program in seventeen languages. This has seminars at basic, intermediate and advanced level. Course blocks are also provided in certain languages in lecture-free periods. The program includes teaching events on intercultural communication and events on intercultural discourse. Foreign-language students and staff can also take German courses at all learning levels.

Welcome to TUM

A total of 39,000 students are matriculated at the 13 faculties of TUM; more than 22 percent of them come from abroad. Of these more than 8,000 international students, 1,500 come to TUM as part of an exchange program. Those studying as part of a program can study at TUM for a maximum of three semesters and do not graduate from TUM. International degree students, by comparison, aim to graduate from TUM and apply for a regular place of study. The Welcome Center supports international scientists, researchers, visiting professors and postdocs in moving to Munich and in their integration into TUM life and the region in and around the city.

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International study offers

TUM offers courses of study, the teaching units of which are taught partially or fully in English. These courses are aimed at both foreign and German students who are striving towards studies with an international dimension. At the present time, nine TUM faculties offer a double degree program. This programs provide qualified students with the chance to achieve both a German and the corresponding foreign final qualification at a TUM partner university.

Development cooperation

Many TUM researchers and students are involved in examining global issues and, by doing so, often make a contribution towards development in poorer countries. Their engagement is diverse in nature and ranges from a final thesis on the sustainable provision of energy to hospitals in Nepal up to EU-funded large-scale projects on climate change and urban development in Africa. Find out more at: www.international.tum.de

We are delighted to be a learning and innovation hub engaging participants from 139 countries in a dynamic conversation. Such plurality of views contributes to the potential of developing innovative solutions with a truly global impact.”

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