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EXCHANGE TERM IN GERMAN LANGUAGE
AND INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS AND POLITICS PROGRAMME (IBP) IN ENGLISH

Term Dates
In general:   Winter Term:   Mid-October to Mid-February,
Winter Term Short:  Mid-October till Christmas
Summer Term:  Mid-April to Mid-July

Summer 2008:   01 April 2008 to 18 July 2008 (incl. Orientation week). Exam period until end of July

Language Courses
Intensive German courses are held in March and in September for approx. four weeks each. Courses begin - usually on the first Monday of the month - with an entry test (attendance compulsory!). Language courses can also be taken throughout the term. Both types of language courses are free of charge.

Arrival Dates
Orientation days are organized in the week before the term begins. Students are required to attend the orientation week which usually starts on the Monday morning. Orientation days include a guided tour on campus and social events. Students should arrive individually according to the arrangements made for obtaining the key for their apartment/room. The latest date of arrival is Sunday night before the orientation week starts.

Exchange Nomination Deadline
November 15th for the Summer Term; May 15th for the Winter Term

Housing
The ZIB assists guest students in finding private apartments or rooms in residence halls/student dorms. The housing deadline is announced in the information package sent to nominated students. Students have no right to claim housing arrangements from the university - the responsibility for renting a room is with the student. However, the ZIB has a 100% success rate in finding housing for guest students with a budget of at least 250 € and tries its best to match offer and demand to the students’ maximum satisfaction.

Approximate living costs (per month)

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<td>Housing</td>
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All students have to pay a semester contribution (not for tuition!) of approximately € 160 per term. This includes a ticket for the semester for all local transportation (bus, metro, train) in the Cologne/Bonn area, contributions to the students’ sports facilities (extensive offer) and to the students’ dining halls (good quality low priced food).

Learning Expectations
Class format: Lectures and seminars. In most seminars, students have to prepare papers and present them in class.
Grading: Performance in each course is graded on the basis of a written exam, written papers, oral exam, participation in class or a combination - depending on the professor.
Exams are usually held during the last week of the teaching term, sometimes in the two-three weeks after the end of classes.
Class size: In graduate courses between 20 and 80 students per class. Some courses are limited to a certain number of students.
**Course load:** Five to six courses (each of them with two classroom hours per week) per term on average. Students can take more if they wish. Students are generally free to attend courses of all faculties of university (including: Faculties of Law, Natural Sciences and Medicine; Philological and Pedagogical Faculties).

**Language of instruction**
In general, German; the CISP and the International Business and Politics Programme are held in English (IBP: min. 15 courses, see www.wiso.uni-koeln.de/zib/english/studausl/semengl.htm)

**Fields of Specialization**
Among German universities, Cologne offers the largest variety of possible areas of specialization for management students. Many different courses are offered in the fields of:

**SHORT TERM SUMMER PROGRAMME: COLOGNE INTENSIVE STUDY PROGRAMME IN EUROPEAN MANAGEMENT - CISP**

The CISP is a four-week program offered in June. The core of this programme, which has been especially designed for MBA students from overseas partner universities, are four intensive courses with 28 contact hours each. In addition, the programme includes company visits and excursions, both academic and cultural. The participants are directly included in student life in Cologne through the activities and support of the international student club.

**CISP 2008: 01 June - 28 June 2008**

**Student Services Available**

**Internship Arrangements:** The ZIB assists guest students who wish to do an internship in Germany with their applications and provides company contacts. In addition, several company presentations are organized on campus. Also, guest students are provided with internship offers sent to the ZIB. Most students find an interesting internship.

**Buddy System:** The student association of former PIM and CEMS-students in Cologne organises „Student Buddies“. The student buddies are management students who volunteer to help exchange students feel at home during their stay in Cologne. Most of them have been exchange students themselves. The ZIB and the student society cooperate in arranging a cultural and social program consisting, for example, of parties, museum visits or excursions to touristically interesting regions.

**Computer Services:** Exchange students have access to computer facilities, including internet access. The university campus and most student dorms are equipped with Wireless LAN.

**Sports:** The University of Cologne offers a large variety of sports like tennis, football/soccer, volleyball, basketball, golf; to give only a small number of the possible activities. Most facilities and courses are free of charge for students.

**Dining Halls:** The universities’ numerous dining halls have often been praised for their good price/quality ratio and the wide range of meals on offer each day (and in some in the evenings too), incl. vegetarian and organic meals. The dining halls are also for many a place to meet and get to know students from other faculties.

**THE CITY OF COLOGNE**

Cologne, the fourth largest city of Germany with over a million inhabitants, is host to many interesting events (concert tours, trade fairs etc) and offers an extensive range of cultural activities. It is not only known for its gothic cathedral and the romanesque churches, but also for the great variety of museums, theatres and art exhibitions. Many parks (with beer gardens in the summer) and the promenade along the river bank invite guests and residents to jog, cycle or just walk. „Kölsch“ is the famous beer brewed only in Cologne. It is served in all of the many bars and clubs of the city - and, of course, especially during Karneval, Cologne’s famous carnival season. Also the multicultural population of the city has lead to huge variety in restaurants with food from many different countries and regions. Cologne people are well-known for their open-minded and relaxed mentality.