



KOSPIE

Combined Study and Practice Stays for Engineers from Developing Countries

Information on German Institution

This fact sheet will be published for potential scholarship candidates to inform themselves about participating German universities and institutions. Please fill in the form with potential candidates in mind who might have very little background knowledge about living and studying in Germany. Information provided should be specific for the programme.

1. General information

1.1 Logo and image of university



Visit our website: www.tu-ilmenau.de/en

1.1 Institution has been accredited by
ACQUIN

1.2 Does your institution follow the code of conduct for exchange programmes?
Yes ☒ No ☐

1.3 Location of the institution. *Please specify if the institution has more than one location.
(up to 100 words)*

Located in the heart of Germany, Ilmenau is a mid-sized town in an eco-friendly environment. Surrounded by vast green hilly landscapes, the Thuringian Forest and just 40 km south of the Thuringian state's capital Erfurt, Ilmenau is a bustling student town. TU Ilmenau is a modern campus university, offering lecture halls, dormitories, student canteens, a supermarket and student clubs - all in one place and within a short walking distance. High-speed trains connect our students to the large international German hubs like Frankfurt, Berlin and Munich. Among our 4.500 students, 44 % are international, representing over 100 countries.



2. Faculties and Bachelor programmes participating in the programme

Name of faculty	Name of the Bachelor programme at the faculty; webpage-link to Bachelor programme
Department of Electrical Engineering and Information Technology.	Electrical Engineering and Information Technology Research in Media Engineering Material Science and Engineering
Department of Computer Science and Automation	Biomedical Engineering Computer Engineering Computer Science Technical Cybernetics and Systems Theory
Department of Mechanical Engineering.	Automotive Engineering Mechanical Engineering Mechatronics
Department of Mathematics and Natural Sciences	Technical Physics Biotechnical Chemistry Mathematics
Department of Economic Sciences and Media	Business Information Systems Engineering Industrial Engineering and Management

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3. Services for international/KOSPIE students and special attractions of the area

3.1 What kind of services do you offer to international students and especially for KOSPIE students?

(up to 150 words)

KOSPIE students, are free to choose from our university's entire [course catalogue](#), with offers in German and English, regardless of their study program and degree (Bachelor/Master).

During the orientation week, KOSPIE students are welcomed by our staff and senior students to the campus and introduced to the university, the city and their peers.



KOSPIE students are also accompanied by a student assistant who provides support during the study stay in Ilmenau (welcome service, support with formalities and everyday life questions).

Our "Fit for Study" workshop prepares students for successful study experiences in Germany. To help students find the right internship, Career Counseling supports the preparation of a personalised application and provides presentation training. The career fair [inovailmenau](#) takes place on campus too.

Our international student service "we4you" enriches students' social and intercultural experiences. On offer are weekly events and excursions, e.g. city trips to Erfurt and Weimar, hiking tours, game nights, bowling and a lot more.

3.2 What are the most special attractions for international students in the region? (up to 250 words)

Our campus offers a variety of options for getting involved, meeting new people and fostering your skills. Choose from a variety of [student associations](#) like Young Engineers, Team Starcraft, Engineers Without Borders, and the FEM- Research Association for Electronic Media. Dive into activities at our student-run radio station or cinema. Four student-run clubs and a café on campus offer fun and relaxing spots for socialising. You can either participate in the events or become an active member. The university sports centre features a modern sports hall, a gym, a climbing wall and outdoor fields, with about 90 different sport offers to choose from, including team sports, martial arts, dancing and swimming.



Ilmenau itself features a public indoor and outdoor swimming pool, ice-skating rink, cinema, downhill track and numerous scenic hiking trails in the surrounding forests. The city has a long winter sports tradition, mainly in bobsledding. You might even spot Olympic champions around town. Try sledding for yourself on the town's summer toboggan run or learn to ski in the winter.



Mid Germany is very famous for its culture and historical significance, with many sights open for visitors to explore.

Martin Luther translated the Bible from Latin into German at Wartburg Castle, Johann W. Goethe, a university profile KOSPIE – ST31 - 04/2024



major figure in German poetry, lived in Ilmenau and the glass Christmas bauble was invented just a short distance from here.

4. Cost of living

4.1 Dorms, costs at university cafeteria etc.

Item	Cost or comment
Average student dorm rent per month	220-412 € (including heating and electricity)
Average rent in private housing	7-9 € per square meter (excluding heating and electricity)
Semester contribution/fee	271,40 € (+20 € extra in the first semester for the student card)
Public transportation	Nationwide transportation on regional trains is included in the student card.
Average expenses	300-400 € per month (food, mobile phone connection, leisure expenses,...)
Internet dorm	40 €/semester + 25 € admission fee
Deposit for dormitory	300 € (This is refunded to you after the proper return of the room/apartment after your stay.)

4.2 Further remarks, if necessary (for example information on extra fee for dorms or semester fee etc.)

International students need to demonstrate a secured financial livelihood of € 992 per month for visa application purposes. However, in Ilmenau, students can often manage with less expenses.

5. Language skills required

Language	Certificate/level or score	Comment
English	LEVEL B1 TOEFL 57 +	This is only necessary if you plan to take courses taught in English.



German	LEVEL TestDaF	B1 4x3	...
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6. Established partnerships with the following Latin-American higher education institutions and faculties

Argentina	Universidad Tecnológica Nacional (UTN), Universidad Nacional de La Plata (UNLP)
Colombia	Universidad Nacional de Colombia)
Mexico	Universidad de Guadalajara)

Comments We also welcome exchange students from non-partner universities as Free Mover students. No extra fees apply..

7. Tuition waivers

Yes ☒ No ☐

Comment: TU Ilmenau does not charge tuition fees. However, all students, including KOSPIE students, must pay a semester contribution fee, which is standard at all German universities. This fee is a mandatory social contribution to the student body. It includes a contribution to the "Studierendenwerk Thüringen", which provides student rates for housing and meals at the canteen. It also includes a nationwide ticket for regional trains.

8. Cooperation with companies regarding possibilities for internships

- IMMS Institut für Mikroelektronik- und Mechatronik-Systeme
- Fraunhofer Institute for Digital Media Technology (IDMT)
- Fraunhofer-Institut für Optronik, Systemtechnik und Bildauswertung (IOSB)
- Fraunhofer-Institut für Integrierte Schaltungen (IIS)
- Bosch GmbH
- Siemens GmbH
- SAP
- BMW
- Thuringian Institute for Textile and Plastics Research (TITK)
- CiS Forschungsinstitut für Mikrosensorik GmbH
- Institut für Bioprozess- und Analysenmesstechnik (iba)
- IMMS Institut für Mikroelektronik- und Mechatronik-Systeme gemeinnützige GmbH (IMMS GmbH)
- CATL

9. Further remarks/special services

In addition to attending lectures at TU Ilmenau, we highly recommend all KOSPIE students to register for our free German language courses. There are courses for all proficiency levels,



from A1 to C1, including specialised courses in technical language for engineers, scientific writing, business and more.

If you are interested in languages other than German, TU Ilmenau also offers free courses in English (including technical language), Chinese, French and Japanese.

10. Housing situation

The housing situation in Ilmenau is highly favourable, with plenty of affordable options for students. By arrangement with the [Studierendenwerk](#) (responsible for residential homes for students), we can guarantee a room to all exchange students, including KOSPIE students, who apply for student housing by 31 July each year. As you will receive your letter of invitation in the spring, you will have ample time to apply for a room. The Studierendenwerk offers single rooms in shared apartments as well as a small number of single apartments. Shared apartments are especially recommended for exchange students, as they facilitate quicker social connections and networking.

11. Contact information

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