

# **Studying in Augsburg**

The city's name derives from the Roman military camp *Augusta Vindelicorum* founded in 15 BC. In the late Middle Ages and the Renaissance, the city developed into a trade and finance metropolis that was influential throughout the world, largely thanks to the famous *Fugger* and *Welser* merchant families. In addition, it was in Augsburg that the first successful political settlement between the Christian faiths, the Religious Peace of Augsburg, took place. Ever since, the city has been known as the City of Peace. Today, Augsburg is an enjoyable place to study, particularly due to a wide variety of leisure activities as well as countless cultural projects, museums, galleries and theatres.

Augsburg's geographical location is another attractive factor. Munich, the state capital of Bavaria, is just a stone's throw away. Several other of the most popular tourist destinations in Germany are also within easy reach. Explore the German Alps, the picturesque lakes of Upper Bavaria and the many palaces built by King Ludwig II, including *Schloss Neuschwanstein*, the famous fairy-tale castle.



#### **Fees and Accommodation**

The Summer Programme fees amount to €380.

When arranging a place to stay, participants have the following options:

Accommodation in a two-person room with access to a shared kitchen (incl. WiFi) is available at a youth hostel in the city centre at approx. €490 p.p. for the full duration of the programme.

If preferred, participants can also arrange accommodation on their own.

#### Meals

The food hall and cafeteria at the University offer affordable options for breakfast and lunch (except on weekends and public holidays).

## **Language Skills and Registration**

The minimum level of German required to participate in the Summer Programme is B2 CEFR, although C1 CEFR is preferred. Those who wish to assess their current level of German can find links to placement tests on our website at http://www.uni-augsburg.de/projekte/sommerkurs/. This site also contains the downloadable registration form (*Anmeldeformular*) and additional information on the International Summer Programme.

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The University of Augsburg's International Summer Programme is in essence a hands-on language course. Through their examination of the Bavarian city of Augsburg, participants will expand their knowledge and understanding of the history, geography, society, and culture of Germany in small project-based teams. Workshops provide them with close and in-depth language mentoring.



During this four-week full-time Summer Programme, participants have access to the University library and computer labs.





# **Programme Content**

Participants of the Summer Programme will receive guidance from instructors and student tutors on language and content to prepare for interviews with representatives from the area's cultural, political, religious, scientific and business communities.

According to their interests, participants can carry out projects in one of three topic areas that change every year (you will find further information on our website).

Following the interviews, participants compile the information accumulated over the course of their project into a report and eventually present their findings to the public.

The Summer Programme also involves participating in the festivities surrounding the Peace Festival (Hohes Friedensfest), unique to the city of Augsburg.



#### **Cultural and Social Activities**

Culturally speaking, Augsburg has a lot to offer: On top of festivals and events surrounding Augsburg's Peace Festival, summers in the city are full of surprises. With events ranging from spontaneous open-air electronic concerts to musicals at the open-air theatre (Freilichtbühne), there is definitely something for everyone.



Those who would like to stay a while longer will be able to have an Oktoberfest-like experience at Augsburg's autumn fair, the *Herbstplärrer* (23 August – 08 September).

Relax surrounded by nature in Augsburg's parks and beer gardens, and escape the summer heat by swimming in one of the many lakes in the area or dipping into the city's *Eiskanal* or *Proviantbach* canals. To round off the day, spend an evening overlooking the skyline from the sun deck of the open-air cinema (*Freilichtkino*) or with a barbeque on the banks of the Lech River.

