# **UTS:BUILD**



# **UTS:BUILD**

# **UNIVERSITY OF STUTTGART, GERMANY:**

# **Winter University 2016**



# **Universität Stuttgart**

The University of Stuttgart is a world-class research university and part of Germany's TU9 leading German Institutes of Technology. Ranked as one of the best engineering universities in Germany, the university has a worldwide reputation for excellence in the fields of mobile and information technology, production, process engineering as well as in life sciences. Unique to the University is how they have combined these

specialities with the humanities and social sciences.

The University of Stuttgart lies at the centre of one of the largest high-tech regions in Europe with global players such as Daimler and Bosch, innovative small and medium-sized enterprises, and renowned research institutions.

Stuttgart is the capital of Baden-Württemberg in South West Germany, and is an hour from the Black Forest and Swabian Jura mountains. Stuttgart's motto is "Das neue Herz Europas"- it is the new heart of Europe!



Find out more here: <a href="http://www.uni-stuttgart.de/home/index.en.html">http://www.uni-stuttgart.de/home/index.en.html</a>

# **Program Overview**

- 6 week study program
- Experience complete cultural immersion
- Learn German
- Attend lectures and planned social activities
- Additional cultural activities
- Gain international and intercultural experience
- Live in the largest high-tech region in Europe
- Celebrate "Fasching" one of the oldest carnivals in Europe!
- Experience Germany as a winter wonderland!



To explore a different country and all it has to offer and learn a different culture and language and to make international friends—it was truly incredible and unforgettable!



# **Program Details**

The University of Stuttgart's <u>Winter University</u> is an exciting 6 week program and an excellent opportunity for students who have had little or no exposure to German to experience a total immersion in the German language and culture right in the heart of Europe.

You will be taught German in the classroom but you will also have plenty of opportunities to practice what you have learned in a variety of situations and excursions in Stuttgart and with local students at the University.

In addition to the German Language course, you will take a Subject Course in one of the following areas:

- 20th Century Architecture
- Art History: European Focus
- <u>Cross-Cultural Communication</u>
- Contemporary Germany Stuttgart in the Midst of Germany and Europe
- German Film & Literature

All of these courses will be taught in English

# **Course Organisation**

**German Language Courses:** Classes will be held from 08.45 to 12.15 Monday to Friday. You will be placed in an appropriate class based on your performance.

**Subject Courses:** these will be taught in the afternoons and will have integrated excursions. These excursions are mandatory.

# **Optional Excursions**

A number of optional excursions will be offered.

The excursions will be on the weekend. You will still have ample opportunity to organise your own long-weekend trips to other cities such as Berlin or Paris, should you desire!

The registration fee will be approx. 15€ – 12€

Excursions include: Black Forest, Baden-





# **Program Dates**

Monday 11 January—Friday 19 February 2016

### **Program Cost**

1100€

#### **Accommodation**

This is a fully immersive program, so as such you will stay with host families for the full 6 weeks in Stuttgart. The University has met all host families in person and have had brilliant experiences with them over many years. Host families provide you with breakfast. Lunch is available at the student cafeteria at a very reasonable price.

#### **Travel Grants**

Applications will be on a competitive basis and ranked on the merit of the application statement. Grants up to \$1,000 will be available.

### **OS-HELP Loan**

Extra financial support can be gained by applying for an OS-Help loan if applicable. This program must be for academic credit.

### **Included in Program Cost**

- Tuition
- Six weeks accommodation with a host family (includes breakfast)
- Excursions that form part of the syllabus of the subject courses
- Arrival pickup—your host family will collect you from the airport or train station
- Tuition, fieldtrips, assessment, transcript and certificate of attendance
- Welcome Dinner
- Farewell Party
- Travel and medical insurance through UTS Travel Insurance Policy

# **Not Included in Program Cost**

- International airfares from Sydney to Stuttgart
- Visa application costs (if necessary)
- Weekend excursions (approx. 15€)
- Lunches and most dinners (except as arranged with host family)
- Personal expenses and spending money

# **UTS:BUILD**

# Who can apply

This fantastic trip is open to students:

- A keen interest in German language and culture
- A current GPA of 1.5 or over
- An easy going, flexible and independent character with a willingness to take initiative to learn.
- Willingness to work hard and adapt to different surroundings and work environments
- Strong team working skills

# Requirements

If you are selected you must:

- Attend a pre departure session
- Represent UTS with distinction at all times during the program
- Submit at least two blog posts during the program to UTS to be used on the UTS:BUILD Abroad Blog
- Submit a reflection piece to BUiLD on your return
- Complete a feedback survey on your return

#### **Academic Credit**

Students successfully completing the Stuttgart University Winter University 2016 program may be eligible for academic credit towards their UTS course; 6CP electives only.

To receive academic credit, you must submit a concurrent study form to your Faculty Student Centre and have it approved before being participating in this program.

# **Next steps**

Applications close on Wednesday 30 September 2015 at Midnight.

For more information please contact:

Danielle Kowaliw

Partnerships and Development Officer, UTS: BUILD

T: 9514 8076

E: Danielle.Kowaliw@uts.edu.au

W: www.build.uts.edu.au



