

Marburg, Germany

Philipps Universität Marburg



At-a-Glance

Program Type:
Marquette Sponsored Exchange Program

Duration:
Either semester or full year

Dates:
Fall Term: Mid-October--Mid-February
Spring Term: Mid-April—Mid-July

Eligibility
Minimum junior standing. Strong German language Skills; 9 credits beyond GERM 004 required

Language:
Courses taught in German

Subjects:
German language, Business and Economics.

Housing:
University dormitories

Course website:
<http://www.uni-marburg.de/>

Tuition:
Marquette University tuition

About the City

Located in the wooded Lahn River valley in the state of Hessen, Marburg is picture-postcard gorgeous. Marburg is one of the best-preserved medieval cities in Germany, with architectural gems including Germany's oldest Gothic church, the Elisabethkirche. An ambitious project to restore the city's half-timbered houses has added to Marburg's immense charm. This attractive town consists of idyllic half-timbered houses in a charming setting of the countryside, with restful spots in the Lahn meadows, in the Castle Gardens, in the Old Botanical Gardens and in the municipal woods.

The city is centrally located, in the valley of the Lahn, almost exactly half way between Kassel and Frankfurt. Marburg students tend to describe this city as, "Colorful, hospitable, and student-friendly."

With a population of 80,000, Marburg offers the friendliness of as a small university town, with ¼ of the population being students. Marburg also offers plenty of culture and nightlife.

Top Sights

- ◆ Elisabeth Cathedral
- ◆ Castles
- ◆ New Botanical Garden

About the University

Philipps Universität-Marburg, was founded in 1527 and was the first Protestant university in Germany and one of Germany's most historic universities. The university was founded during the Reformation by 23-year-old Philipp the Magnanimous. On July 1, 1527, the classes commenced with only 11 professors and 84 students in a former monastery. The goal of this institution was to educate "learned, able and God-fearing individuals, preachers and officials for Christian benefit and the good of the common land".

Over history the university began to expand into what is now 19 departments that employs 2,000 academic staff. Presently, there is over 18,000 students registered at the university. The largest and most popular departments are the Languages, Social Sciences, Law, Economics and Medicine, each which maintain 2,000 or more students. The university offers a wide variety of different subjects that students can study with numerous combinations of possibilities that might be represented by a single professor.

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Financial Aid:

Most forms of financial aid apply. Please contact the Financial Aid Office for more information.

Visa:

Visa Required
(Need to apply 2 months in advance)

Application Deadlines:

October 1st for the Spring Semester
March 1st for the Fall Semester and Full year

University Website

<http://www.uni-marburg.de/>

College of Business – International Business Studies website

<http://www.mu.edu/ib>

For information and application materials on this program contact:

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The International student body contributes to the experience in Marburg. About 8% of the student population in this town comes from other countries apart from Europe. For example, there are students from Brazil, Chile, Nigeria, Taiwan, Korea, etc. The excellent conditions of the university are appealing to students from Germany and from around the world.

The reputation of Marburg also seems to proceed itself. In 1997 the magazine, *Focus*, ranked this university as number one overall above all other German universities. This ranking confirms the quality of teaching and environment for students.

There are also numerous activities that take place at the university that students may participate in. Some examples include University Summer Festival, Sport Dies, International Week, African Week and European Week as well as other types of lectures and functions and many more festivals that can keep students busy during their time at Marburg.

Transfer of credits

Grades do not transfer to Marquette University for this program. Only credits will transfer provided that a grade of “C” or higher is earned. For Marburg University, a score of 3.7 and lower is equivalent to “C” and higher.

Past Costs 2008 (Approximate)

(Costs may vary each year by 5-10%)

Tuition:	Exchange/MU tuition
Airfare:	\$1,300
Room:	\$600/month; 3,000/semester
Housing Deposit:	\$600
Meals:	\$600/month, \$3,000/semester
Books:	\$350
Insurance:	none
Application Fee:	none
Activity Fee:	none
Personal Travel:	\$4,500