

## International Exchange Programme Fact Sheet 2019-20

### I. Popakademie Baden-Württemberg

With its degree programmes and unique combination of music and business practice, the Popakademie Baden-Württemberg stands out among higher education institutions. Our goal is to set standards with the quality of our education, which is why we deliberately keep the number of students low. The contents of the courses, teaching methods and didactics undergo regular quality checks. For this purpose, feedback from our students is as important as the content updating of our curriculum to the changing requirements of the music business industry.

### II. Courses

- Language of instruction is German
- Exchange students have the opportunity to complete courses where German is not required
- Exams and assessments can be done in English (written and oral)

### III. Important dates

#### Winter term 2019-20

- Nomination deadline exchange students: 30.04.19
- Application deadline Baden-Württemberg-STIPENDIUM: 22.04.2019
- Application deadline exchange students: 31.05.19
- Welcome Week for musicians (BA PMD and MA PM) starts: 23.09.19
- Welcome Week BA MB exchange starts: 16.09.19
- Official start of the term: 30.09.19
- Examination period BA MB: 16.12.19 – 21.12.19
- Examination period BA PMD and MA PM: 03.02.20 – 15.02.20

#### Summer term 2020

- Official start: 30.03.20
- Examination period: 13.07.20 – 17.07.20 (tbc)

#### Winter term 2020-21

- Application deadline Baden-Württemberg-STIPENDIUM: 30.03.20
- Nomination deadline exchange students: 30.04.20
- Application deadline exchange students: 31.05.20

## IV. Nomination and application procedure

Please note that the home institution, e.g. International Office/Coordinator, must nominate students. The Popakademie does not have an online application service (yet!). Nominations can be sent via e-mail with the following information: name, date of birth, e-mail address, study programme and main subject and current academic year. The nominated students will receive an application form from the Popakademie coordinator in order to complete their application.

**Important:** Exchange students can only apply for winter terms. Once here, there is the possibility of extending the exchange for another semester. The extension needs to be discussed with the responsible Degree Programme Administrator and the Manager Internationalization.

## V. Housing

### a. Student Housing

The Studierendenwerk Mannheim provides student housing in Mannheim. Please note that the Studierendenwerk is not part of our institution and operates independently from us.

Accommodation at student housing – Studierendenwerk Mannheim

- Visit: <https://www.stw-ma.de/en/Housing.html>
- **Applications can be submitted as early as sixth months prior to your planned move-in date and should be submitted as early as possible as capacity is limited!**
- We recommend the student accommodation “Verbindungskanal, Hafenstraße 35-45” <https://www.stw-ma.de/en/Housing/Student+Accommodations/Am+Verbindungskanal.html>, as it is located next to Popakademie and in walking distance to the city centre.
- Monthly rent approx. 255€-320€ for single rooms in shared apartments or for studio apartments
- Application: <https://www.stw-ma.de/en/Housing/Online+Application/Application+Form.html>
- **Important:** Move-in appointment: only from Mon - Fri before 4.00 pm. Please keep in mind when arranging your travels to Mannheim!

### b. Private Housing

Private rooms in shared apartments or studio apartments:

- Visit: <http://www.wg-gesucht.de/en>
- Facebook Popakademie student groups
- Facebook housing groups for Mannheim
- Whiteboard at Popakademie or other universities in Mannheim
- Monthly rent approx. 300€-450€

## VI. Insurance

Please note that proof of health insurance is mandatory for enrolment. Students from non-EU countries or students who cannot provide the EHIC (European Health Insurance Card) have to either provide proof

of sufficient insurance coverage from a company in their home country or need to sign up with a German health insurance company. Please check with your insurance company prior to arrival if you have the necessary coverage for your stay in Germany.

For more information on German Health Insurance, please visit: [http://www.internationale-studierende.de/en/prepare\\_your\\_studies/entry\\_into\\_germany/health\\_insurance](http://www.internationale-studierende.de/en/prepare_your_studies/entry_into_germany/health_insurance).

## **VII. VISA**

If a VISA for Germany is required, students are responsible for their own Visa arrangements. Popakademie can assist students with Visa arrangements during their stay in Germany. Please find more information here: <https://www.daad.de/deutschland/nach-deutschland/bewerbung/en/9199-visas>.

## **VIII. Baden-Württemberg-STIPENDIUM**

The Baden-Württemberg-STIPENDIUM is a scholarship programme, which supports young people from Baden-Württemberg to spend some time abroad and invites foreign scholarship holders to get to know Baden-Württemberg and their host institutions. When placement is confirmed, each foreign scholarship holder receives a grant of at least 700 EUR per month for a minimum of 3 months during the stay. The Baden-Württemberg-STIPENDIUM is only granted to students who do not receive any other funding through scholarships, e.g. Erasmus+. Application deadline is March 31 of each year.

To apply, please carefully follow the instructions here: <https://www.bws-world.de/en/register-3-university-en/>

## **IX. Contact us**

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