



Hochschule Aalen
UNIVERSITY OF APPLIED SCIENCES



Information Sheet for international student exchange

as of June 2026

GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of the Institution	German Name: Hochschule Aalen – Technik, Wirtschaft und Gesundheit English Name: Aalen University of Applied Sciences
Website	www.aalen-university.de
Erasmus Code / OID	D AALEN01 / E10166908
EWP SCHAC	hs-aalen.de
Number of Students & Staff	Approx. 4,000 students and 550 staff members
City & Number of Inhabitants	Aalen: 68,000

CONTACT INFORMATION

Institutional Coordinator	Mr. Pascal Cromm (pascal.cromm@hs-aalen.de)
Contacts for Incoming Students incomings@hs-aalen.de	Ms. Antje Discher: Europe & Jordan Ms. Dr. Lola Bulut: non-European partnerships In addition, each degree program has a departmental coordinator responsible for advising exchange students.
Contacts for Outgoing Students auslandsstudium@hs-aalen.de auslandspraktikum@hs-aalen.de	Ms. Nichola Adams: Erasmus+, European destinations, Mobility Online Ms. Hedwig Schröder: non-European destinations Ms. Katrin Zinser: Internships abroad

APPLICATION PROCEDURES

For Students (Erasmus SMS, SMP, etc.)	Incoming students need to be nominated through the provided nomination link in the newsletter before applying until the indicated deadlines.		
		Winter Semester (1st Sem.)	Summer Semester (2nd Sem)
	Nomination Deadlines	1st April	1st November
	Application Deadlines	30th April	30th November
For Faculty & Staff (Erasmus STA, STT, etc.)	Please contact: pascal.cromm@hs-aalen.de or aaa@hs-aalen.de		
Research, Development, & Innovation	Contact RDI staff and CC the Institutional Coordinator in your enquiry. ralf.schreck@hs-aalen.de		

LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

Students wishing to follow lectures taught in English should possess a B2 level.
Students wishing to follow German taught lectures should possess at least a B1 level upon arrival (so that they can reach B2 level during the intensive course in Aalen).
Unless agreed upon otherwise, only intl. standardised tests can be accepted (e.g. TOEFL, TOEIC, IELTS, Cambridge, etc. for English; TestDaF, Goethe for German).



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ACADEMICS

Academic Calendar						Winter Semester			Spring Semester							
	Preparatory German Classes & Orientation					1st 4 weeks of September			1st 3 weeks of March							
	Lecturing Periods					October - January			Mid-March - June							
	Examination Periods					1st 3 weeks of February			1st 3 weeks of July							
Academic Fields	Chemistry, Electrical Engineering & Computer Science, Optics & Mechatronics, Health Sciences, Management & Business Science, Mechanical Engineering & Materials Science															
English Taught Lectures	You can find our English-Taught Lectures here .															
Grading Scale	ECTS Grades		A		B		C		D	E		FX	F			
	Aalen Grades		-	1,0	1,3	1,7	2,0	2,3	2,7	3,0	3,3	3,7	4,0	4,3	4,7	5,0
	Explanation		Very Good		Good		Satisfactory		Sufficient		Fail					

ORIENTATION

Orientation	Aalen University provides orientation weeks for exchange students, where they receive information about living in Germany, studying at Aalen University and participate in guided tours of both the campus and city. This includes an intensive German course.
German Language Courses & Orientation	Exchange students attend the preparatory German intensive course in the beginning of each semester. German classes during the semester build upon the intensive course, containing a placement test in the beginning and an examination at the end. After successfully completing the exam, participants receive credit points.

ACCOMMODATIONS AND COST OF LIVING

Accommodations / Housing	The organization Jugendwerk offers various student residence halls, that vary in size, prize and location. Contracts for accommodation in residence halls always last for 6 months: Winter Semester: Sep. 1st – Feb. 28th Summer Semester: Mar. 1st. – Aug. 31st Incoming students will be informed about the application procedure prior to arrival. Alternatively, students can apply for private accommodation (early arrival advised); please contact incomings@hs-aalen.de.	
Accommodations Costs	210 – 565€ (Status June 2026)	
Additional Estimated Monthly Costs average cost calculation from German student association (<i>Studentenwerk</i>)	360 € 200 € 95 € 130 € 35 € 60 € 90 € 20 € Total: Approx. 995 €	Average Rent (including utility costs) Food / Board Transportation (car/public transport) Health Insurance / Medicine Costs Personal Liability Insurance Leisure, Culture, Sports Phone, Mobile, Internet, Radio / Television Tax Learning Materials
Proof of Financial Ability	Proof of Finances needed for Visa approval: 992 € per month » For one semester: 5.952 € » For two semesters: 11.904 €	

MISCELLANEOUS

Useful Information and International Student Guides	https://aalen.instructure.com/courses/10975
Directions from the Airport	Students will travel to Aalen using Germany's train system. In Aalen, buses and taxis are available to get to the accommodation or campus. More information can be found at the link above.