



## Welcome to Osnabrück University!

Founded in 1974, Osnabrück University offers its 14.000 students an ideally sized education experience through numerous accredited undergraduate and graduate degree programs in the Humanities, Social Sciences, Natural Sciences, Business and Law. The university is committed to offering its students small course groups and lively interactions between professors and students – our International Summer Schools, for instance, seldom feature more than 20 students in class. Award-winning student services, a broad sports program, and an international atmosphere further enhance the academic experience at Osnabrück University.

Each July, Osnabrück University hosts students and professionals for its International Summer Schools. With a mixture of well-established programs and innovative courses, they represent a unique opportunity to experience student life at a renowned German university. As a participant, you will get to enjoy challenging academic classes, an exciting cultural program, introductory German language lessons as well as an innovative buddy program.

### Your Experience in Osnabrück

- Engage in Cutting-Edge Research
- Discover 800 years of German History
- Experience Well-Established Programs
- Appreciate Bustling Student Life
- Enjoy a Safe, Manageable and Affordable City
- Acquire a Unique Perspective through Local Buddies



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### Curious?

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## 2018 International Summer Schools in Germany

Intercultural Competencies  
July 6 – 29



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## 2018 International Summer School on »Intercultural Competencies« (INCO), July 6 – 29

Focusing on psychological aspects of intercultural competencies, this course fosters understanding from both theoretical and practical perspectives. Its main goal is to broaden the knowledge of how intercultural competencies are conceptualized and how they can be developed systematically. First, participants will gain a general overview of different perspectives on culture and their implications, followed by an intercultural training. Finally, participants will design their own concept for a workshop on intercultural competencies.

### Detailed Program

The school will comprise three consecutive units:

1. Unit: In the first unit, students will have the opportunity to participate in interactive seminars organized by leading German and international scholars in cross-cultural psychology, for instance, by Prof. Kate Hatrup (San Diego State University) or Prof. Karsten Müller (Osnabrück University). Topics such as »Intercultural Competencies - Foundation and Application« or »Culture and Competencies for Diversity« as well as many more will be discussed.
2. Unit: In the second unit, the focus will be on the transfer of intercultural competencies into practice. This course is designed as an intercultural training workshop. The main goal of this course is to develop intercultural empathy using different interactive techniques and methods. Major topics of this training course will be cultural awareness, cultural values and attitudes, different communication styles and teamwork across cultures. This course, designed as an interactive workshop, seeks to convey a basic understanding of how culture influences the perception of time, space, and groups.
3. Unit: In the third unit, participants will get the opportunity to design their own intercultural awareness training. Accordingly, this course aims to strengthen the didactic knowledge of the participants. Based on different materials and the theoretical as well as the practical knowledge acquired in the first weeks, they will draft an intercultural training course for different application areas. In small groups, the participants will prepare specific contents and methods required for different target groups. Examples are trainings for educational staff working with migrants, preparation courses for expatriates or intercultural workshops for multicultural teams. Each group will present its workshop concept at the end of the week.

### Apply now!

Be part of Osnabrück University's Summer School programs and take classes while experiencing Germany! We look forward to receiving your application until **March 31st 2018**.

### Eligibility

Undergraduate and graduate students from all over the world in fields related to those covered by the courses are welcome to apply. If you are a recent graduate and/or a professional, please send an e-mail stating your interest to [summerschools@uos.de](mailto:summerschools@uos.de). Since all courses are taught in English, a level of B2 (according to the European Framework of Reference for Languages) is required. No previous knowledge of German is required. Participants must be over the age of 18.



### Program Fee

We aim to offer you a hassle-free experience. Except for your personal living expenses and travel costs, all essentials are included in the program fee. Specifically, **the fee of EUR 1,500** includes:

- All tuition (including all class materials)
- German language and culture classes
- Accommodation
- All cultural activities and excursions
- Summer School ID enabling you to eat at Osnabrück University's canteens for highly reduced prices
- Bus pass valid for public transportation in and around Osnabrück
- Free internet access through Osnabrück University's networks
- Welcome package with information brochures, emergency information and a few extra goodies
- Pick-up service from the train station
- 24/7 assistance via cellphone

Please note that all students from Osnabrück University's partners are eligible for a **discount of EUR 250!**

### Accommodation

Osnabrück University's International Office will arrange for your accommodation. You will stay in either a student dorm or a carefully selected homestay.

### Cultural Program Highlights

As part of this summer school, you will

- be invited for welcome and farewell dinners
- explore Bremen's maritime flair together with fellows from all over the world
- dive into Osnabrück's medieval history during a guided tour by a nightwatchman
- gain knowledge of art and resistance during the Third Reich by visiting an exhibition in the Felix-Nussbaum-Haus
- search for the origins of Erich-Maria-Remarque's »All quiet on the Western Front« in Osnabrück
- walk to Baltrum Island through the UNESCO world heritage site »Mudflats of the North Sea«
- gain first-hand experience about the nation's history and current politics during an optional three-day excursion to Berlin (travel, public transportation, accommodation & breakfast, cultural program all included in the additional price of **EUR 250**).

### Where can I find more information?

For further information, including the application form, please visit our website. We look forward to hearing from you soon!