... Our German class was a fun melting pot from Argentina, China, South Korea, Singapore, and Australia. Even the occasional tension with communication styles intersecting was interesting. Our excellent lecturers became envious of our weekend travels! The big question on Friday was, “So what are you doing on the weekend?” Then Mondays began with re-telling our adventures, who rode a bus back all night, tales of adventure or missing a train; though remarkably few mishaps and loads of laughter. True to German style, the University Program was thoughtful and extremely well run.

I am an ardent advocate for the Study trips, for every reason of enrichment. This trip I have 6,000 photos of reminders of this ‘lifetime’ of adventure and learning from the brief overseas immersion. I am enriched by each trip for my future prospects and would definitely go again if the opportunity was available.
Module 1  
**Participation in the Winter University**

**When**  
January – February

**Duration**  
6 weeks

**Selection**  
Students are selected by the partner institution

**Requirements**  
- completion of second year
- average of 75 (B+) or better
- no previous knowledge of German necessary

**Course schedule**  
*German classes (taught in German):* Mondays through Fridays, 8:45 – 12:15, 90 contact hours = 9 ECTS credits  
*Subject courses:*
Mondays through Thursdays, 45 contact hours = 4 ECTS credits

**Excursions**  
Day trips on Saturdays to selected cities such as Heidelberg or tourist attractions as Lake Constance or Black Forest.

**Holiday break**  
After the “Winter University,” you will have a one/two week break for travel, etc.

**Accommodation**  
The University of Stuttgart will organize housing with host families.

More information can be found on our webpage:  
www.uni-stuttgart.de/en/study/international/short-term/essp/

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Module 2  
**German Language Intensive Course**

**When**  
March – April

After a placement test, you will continue learning German by participating in the special German language program (180 contact hours) offered for all international exchange students.

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Module 3  
**Academic Study Program**

**When**  
April – July

You will continue your academic degree program by taking courses in your special area. These courses are taught in German.

However, there are a number of special courses of a more general nature that are taught in English and can be used to augment the academic load to ensure that you have sufficient hours of credit.

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The Enhanced Summer Semester Program is designed for exchange students from selected partner universities of the University of Stuttgart.

Find out all about the modules.