Universität Konstanz



# Department of Politics and Public Administration International Student and Staff Mobility Basic Information

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## About the University of Konstanz, Germany

- studying at an internationally renowned research university with close ties between research and teaching,
- a campus university with a friendly, welcoming atmosphere of more than 11,000 students from more than 90 countries
- cross discipline studies possible
- English taught courses available, esp. at the MA and PhD level
- successful since 2007 as one of the top 11 research institutions within the <u>German Excellence Strategy</u>, ranked 189 in THE (2018)

#### About the Department of Politics and Public Administration

Profile	<ul> <li>Our department enjoys an excellent reputation in research and teaching where students benefit in a number of ways:</li> <li>Research results continuously influence our teaching which means you are up-to-date on current developments in research</li> <li>The Department of Politics and Public Administration is one of the largest social science departments in Germany. We offer excellent teaching and research in four areas: democracy and public policy, international studies, management and public administration, as well as data and methods.</li> <li>We offer excellent study conditions, as exemplified in small seminar groups, mandatory internships as well as various double-degree options.</li> <li>The programs provide students with a comprehensive and interdisciplinary education.</li> <li>Our commitment to interdisciplinary collaboration is manifest in the Cluster of Excellence "The Politics of Inequality: Perceptions, Participation and Policies", which was established in 2019 as part of the Excellence Strategy of the German federal and state governments.</li> <li>The Shanghai Ranking 2019 ranks the department the 2<sup>nd</sup> best German department behind the University of Mannheim and ahead of the LMU Munich and the FU Berlin.</li> </ul>
Research Focus	Our professors pursue a variety of different research foci, such as survey research, policy analysis, public administration, international politics, development research, comparative politics of non-democratic states, organizational studies and management.
Degrees	<ol> <li>Bachelor of Arts in Politics and Public Administration</li> <li>Bachelor of Education in Political Science</li> <li>Master of Arts in Politics and Public Administration with the following specializations including a range of Double Degree options:         <ul> <li>Comparative Politics and Policy Analysis</li> <li>Management and Public Administration</li> <li>International Relations and European Integration</li> <li>International Administration and Conflict Management</li> <li>Master of Science in: "Political Economy" and "Social and Economic Data Science"</li> </ul> </li> </ol>
Facts and Figures	Number of professorships: 23 + 4 independent researches Number of students: ~ 1000 (internationals 17%) Number of outgoing exchange students per year: ~ 140 Number of incoming exchange students per year: ~ 120 Number of European exchange partners: 90 universities in 25 European countries
External Partners	Our department has an extensive international internship network with International Organizations, national and international public institutions and companies.

#### General information for international inbound mobility

Lecture Period	Winter Semester mid-October to end of February Summer Semester mid-April to end of July
Examination Period	Exams usually written in the last week of the lecture period/first two weeks of the lecture-free period. Papers to be handed in within 2 months after the end of lecture period
Nomination and Application	Nomination 2-4 weeks ahead of application deadline via online tool Application deadline: May 15 for Winter Semester, Nov 15 for Summer Semester
Language Pre- Requisites	Exchange students must demonstrate a proficiency in English OR in German, minimum level B2 according to the European reference framework.
Course Catalogue	<ul> <li>Varies usually each semester to represent current research topics</li> <li>is usually published 2 month prior to the lecture period (end of July or end of February)</li> <li><u>ZEUS Course Catalogue in English</u></li> <li><u>Courses regularly taught in English</u></li> </ul>
Flexibility for Incoming Students	<ul> <li>We register students at one department and recommend students to visit at least 50% of the department's courses within their major. However, students can take courses in other departments.</li> <li>Students are able to visit language classes at the Language Institute and other interdisciplinary courses</li> <li>Winter and Summer Semester may be visited independently</li> </ul>
Visiting Academics	Welcome for short visits e.g. within the Erasmus Teaching Staff programme upon mutual consent, co-teaching possible according to academic host. Support services via our <u>Welcome Centre</u> available.
Visiting Administrative Staff	<ul> <li>Individual Staff Mobilities dependent on mutual understanding</li> <li>Staff Week organized by International Office (first week of December)</li> </ul>
Further Info for Incoming Students:	Incoming Student Guide

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