

## KOSPIE

### Combined Study and Practice Stays for Engineers from Developing Countries

#### Information on German Institution

*This fact sheet will be published for potential scholarship candidates to inform themselves about participating German universities and institutions. Please fill in the form with potential candidates in mind who might have very little background knowledge about living and studying in Germany. Information provided should be specific for the programme.*

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#### 1. General information

##### 1.1 Logo and image of university



Visit our website: <https://www.uni-goettingen.de/en/1.html>

1.1 Institution has been accredited by  
Ministry of Science and Education Lower Saxony

1.2 Does your institution follow the code of conduct for exchange programmes?  
Yes  No

1.3 Location of the institution *Please specify if the institution has more than one location.  
(up to 100 words)*

The University of Göttingen is headquartered in the centre of the city of Göttingen at Wilhelmsplatz 1. The University has two major campuses, the central campus and the north campus; but many of the University's faculties and institutes are spread all over the city, making Göttingen a "univer-city".

#### 2. Services for international/KOSPIE students and special attractions of the area

2.1 What kind of services do you offer to international students and, in particular, for KOSPIE students?  
*(up to 150 words)*

The KOSPIE students at the University of Göttingen have a supervisor who supports them on a personal basis for the length of their stay. In addition, the KOSPIE students benefit from a wide array of services and facilities. Just to name a few:

Welcome and introductory events bringing international students together,

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language courses - free of charge,  
the International Foyer, a meeting place for all students offering weekly extensive cultural activities and excursions,  
the Accommodation Service, which aids international students in finding affordable housing,  
Career Services, supporting students to find internships and prepare for the job market,  
the University's sport center offering a wide selection of sports activities,  
a large network of student cafeterias,  
and of course, the academic services of the University, including the Göttingen State and University Library with its current holdings of about 9 million media units, which ranks among the largest libraries in Germany

## 2.2 What are the most special attractions for international students in the region? (up to 250 words)

Göttingen with a population of approx. 130,000 is a city where tradition and innovation complement one another perfectly. The city dates back to the Middle Ages and still boasts a unique historic centre with beautiful half-timbered buildings giving the city centre a fairy-tale atmosphere.



While the architecture breathes history, the spirit of Göttingen is young, vibrant, and international thanks to its more than 30,000 students, which make Göttingen a student city, safe, fun, and lively. Göttingen is located in the centre of Germany and has excellent train connections to major cities in Germany like Berlin, Hamburg and Munich. Göttingen offers many cultural and sports activities, as well as plenty of cafés and bars. The University's sport facilities offer the possibility to practice a wide variety of sports and is open for all students of the University. The city hosts many festivals and annual events, which include the Nacht der Kultur, the Jazz Festival, the International Literature Festival and the European Film Festival. The University hosts year round activities such as conferences, film festivals, concerts, and exhibitions. The surroundings of Göttingen are ideal for hiking, mountain biking, or just relaxing in nature.



## 3. Cost of living

### 3.1 Dorms, costs at university cafeteria etc.

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**| Cost or comment**

Average student dorm rent per month	183€ - 289€ per month
Average rent in private housing	350€ - 450€ per month
Semester contribution/fee	approx. 320€ per semester
Public transportation	With the semester fee, students receive the "Semesterticket", which gives them free access to all public transportation in the city and the state of Lower Saxony
Average expenses	Around 750€ per month, including accommodation
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3.2 Further remarks, if necessary (for example information on extra fee for dorms or semester fee etc.)

The Göttingen Studentenwerk (Studentenwerke are partner organisations of the universities supporting students) provides a good and affordable basic infrastructure with numerous dormitories, cafeterias and dining facilities. Many of the cultural and sports facilities also give student discounts and the "Semesterticket" provides further savings.

#### 4. Language skills required

Language	Certificate/level or score	Comment:
English	LEVEL B2 TOEFL 79 – 93	...
German	LEVEL B2 TestDaF TDN 3	Some faculties, like Chemistry require a higher level (C1)

#### 5. Established partnerships with the following Latin-American higher education institutions and faculties

<b>Argentina</b>	Universidad Nacional de La Plata – all faculties Universidad Nacional de San Martín – all faculties Universidad Nacional de Córdoba – Faculty of Business and Economics Universidad Nacional de Rosario – Faculty of Biology and Psychology Universidad Nacional de Tucumán - Faculty of Biology and Psychology Universidad Nacional del Sur - Faculty of Biology and Psychology
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<b>Colombia</b>	<p>Universidad de Antioquia – Faculty of Law, and Center for Biodiversity and Land Use          Universidad de Los Andes - Faculty of Business and Economics          Universidad del Valle – Faculty for Agricultural Sciences          Universidad EAFIT - Faculty of Business and Economics          Universidad Nacional de Colombia – all faculties          Pontificia Universidad Javeriana – all faculties          Universidad Tecnológica de Pereira - Faculty of Forest Sciences and Forest Ecology</p>
<b>Mexico</b>	<p>Universidad Autónoma de Nuevo León – Faculty of Forest Sciences and Forest Ecology          Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México – all faculties          Universidad de Guadalajara – Faculty of Business and Economic Sciences          Universidad Popular Autónoma del Estado de Puebla - Faculty of Business and Economic</p>

**Comments** Although some partnerships are limited to specific faculties, we welcome KOSPIE grantees from all faculties and universities taking part in the programme.

## 6. Faculties participating in the programme

Faculty of Agricultural Sciences,  
 Faculty of Biology and Psychology,  
 Faculty of Business and Economics,  
 Faculty of Forest Sciences and Forest Ecology,  
 Faculty of Geosciences and Geography  
 Faculty of Mathematics and Computer Science  
 Faculty of Physics

## 7. Tuition waivers

Yes  No

Comment: In Germany there are no tuition fees, but students and grantees need to pay the administrative semester fee.

## 8. Cooperation with companies regarding possibilities for internships

Continental AG  
 FREIgeist Hotel  
 Georg Eckert Institut (GEI)  
 KWS SAAT SE  
 Institut für Nanophotonik Göttingen e.V. (IFNANO)  
 Leibniz-Institut für Pflanzengenetik und Kulturpflanzenforschung (IPK Gatersleben)  
 Measurement Valley e.V.  
 Nordwestdeutsche Forstliche Versuchsanstalt (NW-FVA)  
 Novelis  
 Ottobock SE & Co. KGaA  
 PHYWE Systeme GmbH & Co. KG  
 Piller Group GmbH  
 Sartorius AG  
 Volkswagen AG

### 9. Further remarks/special services

The Göttingen location has come to be synonymous with high-quality international research. To ensure that this remains the case in the future, the University of Göttingen, including the University Medical Center, and eight local non-university research institutions, including five Max Planck institutes, have cooperated to build up the Göttingen Campus in a collaborative effort consciously shaped over a period of years. The Göttingen Campus is complemented by Associate Partners in the form of commercial enterprises and further public institutions. like the KWS SAAT SE, the Institut für Nanophotonik Göttingen e.V. (IFNANO), the Leibniz Institute of Plant Genetics and Crop Plant Research (IPK Gatersleben), Measurement Valley e.V., Northwest German Forest Research Institute (NW-FVA), Ottobock SE & Co. KGaA, PHYWE Systeme GmbH & Co. KG, Sartorius AG, Soziologisches Forschungsinstitut Göttingen (SOFI), Volkswagen AG, just to name a few. (<https://goettingen-campus.de/about>)

Also in Göttingen are the headquarters of the InnovationCampus SNIC (Start-up + Network + Innovation + Campus). SNIC is a unique network that links science, business and municipal business support services. SNIC's approach to bridge universities with industry and municipal business services as well as chambers of commerce and vocational trades goes beyond bilateral cooperation between firms and research institutions (<https://www.snic.de/com/>).

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