



Study Abroad



Expand your world. Explore new cultures. Enlarge your worldview. Life changing experiences. That and more is Study Abroad.

During your minor (bachelor) or your electives (master) you can choose to study one semester abroad. Studying at a university abroad gives you the opportunity to study different courses, to get to know other cultures and to learn new approaches on design methodologies. Perhaps you want to specialise in Automotive, Medesign, sustainability, etc. Many options are possible.

When you go on exchange you need to be flexible. Things can go differently than you planned and going abroad takes more preparation than following courses here in Delft. Some partner universities have a different approach and focus than our faculty. This has pros and cons; either way, you can learn a lot of new things.

Courses

The study programme abroad is usually not fixed and will be determined before and during your exchange. You will select your courses in contact with the International Office IDE and the host university. Both master and bachelor students have to gain 30 ECTS during their semester abroad.

Partner universities

IDE has over 50 exchange agreements with industrial-design-related partner universities worldwide.

Languages

At some partner universities you need to communicate in another language, for example English, Spanish, Portuguese or Italian. It's highly recommended to prepare yourself before you go on exchange and make a language test if needed. Make sure you start in time.

Requirements

Bachelor students can do the minor Study Abroad in the first semester of the third year. At the moment you register for an exchange you need to have completed your first year and you need to be a second or third year student.

Master students can go on exchange in the third semester. At the moment you start your exchange, you need to meet the general requirements for starting your third semester: you have obtained at least 30 ECTS of your first master year.



Quotes from students

“ Being on the other side of the world and starting a life on your own, teaches you many things that you will be grateful for, for the rest of your life. ”

“ I learned new things that I wouldn't have learned in Delft. ”

“ I believe wherever you go, you will always find your place. No matter how shitty the situation you get in, you will always find a way to fix it! ”

“ I became more confident about my design skills. ”

“ An exchange teaches you to stand on your own feet and lets you discover who you are and what you really enjoy to do. ”

“ By far the most useful source of information about universities and the exchange programmes is the TU Delft website (partneruniversities.tudelft.nl) with all the travel reports written by students. ”

Finances

When you study at a partner university for a semester, you remain a student of TU Delft and you pay your tuition fee here. When you study abroad, your living expenses will be probably higher, but there are several possibilities to apply for a scholarship. The common scholarships for IDE students are: Erasmus, STIR and Holland Scholarship. You can find more information about the specific scholarships and the application procedure on our website. If you have an OV-student card financed by the government (Dutch students), you can receive a compensation for the months you are abroad. The procedure and exact rules can be found on the DUO website.

Application and selection

For the first and second semester of the next academic year you can apply in December-January. For the second semester you can also apply in July-August. Check our website for the deadlines. To apply, you need to hand in a motivation letter, a transcript of records and a resume (master students only). We base the selection on the available places, the interest of the students, your GPA (grade point average), study progress, motivation and resume. You can give the top four universities of your choice and we will try to give every student the place of his preference. For more information about the application, look at our website.



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