

Catholic University of Eichstätt-Ingolstadt

Fact Sheet 2025¹

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Introduction

The Catholic University of Eichstätt-Ingolstadt (Katholische Universität Eichstätt-Ingolstadt, KU) is the first and only Catholic university in the German-speaking world. With about 5000 students, it is currently the smallest university in Bavaria. Being a small university, the KU provides an excellent environment for interdisciplinary exchange, made possible by eight faculties, about 120 professors, more than 300 research associates, and a large number of lecturers with practical experience.

Identity

The Catholic University of Eichstätt-Ingolstadt is a modern university with a long tradition. It has existed in its current form since 1980, but its roots go back to the year 1564 and the foundation of the Collegium Willibaldinum, the first priest seminary north of the Alps. The Ingolstadt School of Management (WFI) was added in 1989. Ingolstadt has an even longer tradition as a university town: Bavaria's first university was established there in 1472 with the Pope's approval.

The KU is a state-approved university that is supported by a Catholic foundation. The degrees and qualifications that the KU awards are equivalent to those issued by state universities in Germany. The KU welcomes students of all faiths and sees itself as an academic community that conveys knowledge and teaches social skills based on Christian values. Open dialogue and critical thinking are vital characteristics of the university's community and of the learning and teaching that take place here. The KU sees knowledge transfer as its third academic mission alongside research and education. Constructive discussion with society has an economic, cultural, social, political, and Christian dimension at the KU.

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General information		
University:	Katholische Universität Eichstätt-Ingolstadt (KU)	
University size:	Students: 5000 (in December 2024)	
	Campus Eichstätt: 4100	
	Campus Ingolstadt: 900	
Academic year:	2025/2026	
Erasmus+ code	D EICHSTA01	
Erasmus+ OID code	E10191926	
ID cumber	Katholische Universitat Eichstatt-Ingolstadt	
(U.S. Department of Education)	03041300	
Website address	https://www.ku.de/en/	

Faculties and Institutes		
Eichstätt campus		
- Faculty of Theology		
- Faculty of Philosophy and Education		
- Faculty of Languages and Literature		
- Faculty of History and Social Sciences		
- Faculty of Mathematics and Geography		
- School of Transformation and Sustainability		
- Faculty of Social Work (Faculty of applied sciences)		
Ingolstadt campus		
- WFI - Ingolstadt School of Management		
- Mathematical Institute for Machine Learning and Data Science (MIDS)		

Role & responsibilities		Contact person		
		Eichstätt Campus (all other degrees)	Ingolstadt Campus (business & economics / data science)	
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Important dates		
Official academic calendar		
Academic year	October 01 – September 30	
Winter semester	October 01 – March 31	
Summer semester	April 01 – September 30	

Please note: Winter semester exams usually end in February! This could become a problem for students starting their next semester at their home university in January or February (after an exchange semester at the KU). This does not apply for the International Fall Term in Business Administration, which ends in mid-December.

Lecture period	Start	End
Winter semester 2025/26	October 13, 2025	February 06, 2026
Summer semester 2026	April 13, 2026	July 17, 2026
International Fall Term in Business Admin.	mid-September	before December
	-	24 th

<u>Pre-semester intensive German language course</u> & Summer Schools		
	Start	Please note: Pre-semester courses are
Winter semester 2025/26	September 22, 2025	occasionally only offered at one campus if demand is low. Students from the
Summer semester 2026	March 23, 2026	other campus can still participate but
KU Summer School 2026	July 19, 2026	need to take a public bus to the other
Christmas break		campus. They can apply for a 50%
Start	End	refund if they pass the exam and if the
December 22, 2025	January 6, 2026	course is part of their learning agreement.
Deadlines		

Deadlines		
	Winter semester / academic	
	year	
Nomination deadline	May 15	November 15
Application deadline	June 01	December 01
KU Summer School application deadline		April 30

Credit transfer/transcript of records

Please note: Exchange students who are not studying for a full degree at the KU must register for all examinations they plan to take and receive credits for in KU Campus.

The transcript of records confirms all courses that the student has successfully attended at the KU during their exchange semester. It is sent by mail and e-mail directly to the student and the home university.

For further information, click here.

Grading system			
	1.0	1.3	excellent
1.7	2.0	2.3	good
2.7	3.0	3.3	satisfactory
3.7	4.0		sufficient
	4.3 and below		fail

Student support (incl. description and cost, if any)		
Visa assistance?	Yes	
Pre-departure preparation?	Yes	
Arrival airport?	Munich Airport	
Public transport to the airport?	Yes, shuttle bus to Ingolstadt at hourly intervals (one-way €26.00, round trip €37.50)	
Private airport pick- up?	Yes, it costs: approximately € 120.00 for up to 3 passengers	
Course registration?	Yes	
Cultural events & excursions?	Yes	
Buddy program?	Yes	
Sports & clubs?	Yes, costs vary	
Gym?	Yes - €30.00 per semester (Campus Eichstätt)	
Emergency services?	Hospital with emergency room 110 yards (100 meters) from the university campus; doctors of all specializations available in town	
Places of worship?	Yes	
Scholarships?	Possible. We will announce <u>on our website</u> available competitive scholarships.	
Students with disabilities	All facilities at campus Ingolstadt and many buildings in Eichstätt are suitable for the disabled; however, Eichstätt is a baroque town paved with old cobblestones that are difficult to handle for wheelchairs.	
Application requirements		
Eligibility requirements (GPA? Language level?)	If the language of instruction is German: B1 If the language of instruction is English: B2	
Application papers and process		

- 1. Register online for KU online application please also see the website
- 2. Log in to the online application platform

After registering, applicants will receive an e-mail containing their access code, enabling them to complete their data and download their Welcome Package. Afterward, they must upload the following documents:

- A print version of the online application signed by the student and confirmed (signed and stamped) by the home university
- Language proficiency form (if the language of instruction is German: B1 if the language of instruction is English: B2)
- Copy of passport (or ID)
- Passport photo
- Transcript of records
- Learning agreement/study program
- Housing application (highly recommended)
- Registration for a pre-semester intensive German language course (recommended)

Can application materials be submitted electronically? Only electronically		
Acceptance letter sent to partner university or the	Student	
student?		

Information about the learning agreement

The learning agreement is a contract between the exchange student, the KU, and the home university. It has to be signed BEFORE starting the semester at the KU.

Courses in Eichstätt are mainly taught in German. A comprehensive selection of courses offered in English is currently only available at the Faculty of Business Administration at campus Ingolstadt.

Students can find classes and courses on <u>KU Campus</u>, our online course catalog. Overviews of our English-taught courses are available on our website <u>Courses in English</u>. The finalized course catalog is usually confirmed **only a few weeks** before the semester starts (winter semester: early September; summer semester: early March).

If students need to finalize the learning agreement before, please use last year's courses initially. If anything needs to be changed, students can modify the learning agreement once they are here.

How to proceed with the learning agreement:

- 1. Students select the courses they would like to attend (from KU Campus & our website)
- 2. Students have their learning agreement approved (by signature) by their home university.
- 3. Students upload their documents in Mobility Online (KU application tool).

How to change the learning agreement:

- 4. Students should discuss changes with their KU departmental coordinator and obtain their approval through a signature in their learning agreement
- 5. The International Office can confirm the approved changes and send the modified agreement to the home university.

For further information, please see the website "Learning Agreement and ToR".



Academic information	
Standard course load:	1–1.3 ECTS credits per course week
Credit system used: (e.g., ECTS)	ECTS
Language of the transcript of records:	English
Transcript automatically sent to the partner institution upon completion?	Yes, if permitted by the student.
Course catalog web link:	KU Campus
Courses available in English?	Yes, in selected subjects on campus Eichstätt, and a variety of subjects on campus Ingolstadt (Business Administration)
Courses in English web link:	Courses in English
Course registration procedure?	Through KU Campus before arrival at the Faculty of Business Administration and upon arrival at all other faculties
Do you offer credit- bearing internships? (not pass/fail)	No

Costs	Amount
Application fee	€0.00
Confirmation deposit	€0.00
Other fees	€78.00 [mandatory student services fee]
	€350.00 [housing deposit - including €50.00
	administration fee (not refundable)]
Housing	€300.00 – €600.00 per month (Eichstätt)
	€350.00 – €650.00 per month (Ingolstadt)
Damage deposit	€600.00 - €1350.00
Meals	Approx. €1,000.00 per semester
Books	€0.00
Visa	It depends on the student's nationality and country of
	residence
Visa application	About €100.00
/extension in Germany	
Insurance	Around €140.00 per month
Transportation	Students can purchase the Deutschlandticket, a discounted
	public transport ticket, for €38.00 to travel within and between
	Eichstätt and Ingolstadt. This ticket is also valid nationwide on
	all public transportation in the transport associations and with
	all local transportation companies.

Housing	
Application deadlines:	Winter semester: June 1st
	Summer semester: December 1st
Is housing guaranteed	Housing offer depends on the availability
for exchange students?	
Options:	Apartments, dorms, flat-sharing communities

Website: KU Housing Service

Visa / entry requirements		
No visa required to enter and study in Germany	Nationals of the European Union and citizens of Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway, and Switzerland do not need a visa. However, all students still need to register as a resident at their local registration office. KU International Office Service in Eichstätt: Students can register as residents in Eichstätt via the International Office. In addition to the completed forms, the International Office will need two copies of each student's ID card or passport. KU International Office Service in Ingolstadt:	
	Buddies are available to assist with the registration process.	
eAT required after arrival	All students still need to register as a resident at their local	
Visa required prior to	In addition, nationals of Australia, Israel, Japan, Canada, New Zealand, South Korea, United States, Andorra, Brazil, El Salvador, Honduras, Monaco, and San Marino have to request the eAT (electronic residence permit) after arrival AND having registered at their local registration office. The required documents for requesting the eAT are: Passport (must be valid for the entire duration of stay in Germany) Certificate of enrollment from the KU Proof of financial resources (blocked account) or scholarship confirmation Proof of health insurance (in German or English) Biometric passport photograph (we highly recommend having this photograph taken in Germany due to unique technical passport photograph specifications) Rental contract (all pages and signed by the student and the landlord/landlady) Resident registration confirmation For more information, please visit the German Foreign Office website).	
arrival	most up-to-date information about requesting a visa. There,	
AND	students can also check whether they need to apply for a visa or not. If the visa is not valid for the entire duration of the study period	
eAT required after arrival	in Germany, students will have to extend their visa by requesting the eAT.	