How to apply

All students from HKA’s international partner universities are eligible to apply for the International Program.

Application procedure
1. After your home university has nominated you for the exchange semester at HKA and you have agreed on a so-called Learning Agreement, you apply at HKA via the online application portal which can be accessed via www.h-ka.de/en/exchange-students

2. For this, you have to upload the following documents to the application platform:
   + Filled-in learning agreement: the normal semester workload is 30 credit points (CP) according to ECTS. Students within the Erasmus program can upload the Erasmus learning agreement instead.
   + Current transcript of records / transcript of grades from your university
   + For thesis or internship semester: short description of the planned topic
   + Copy of your passport

3. Successful applicants will receive an acceptance letter usually within three weeks.

Application deadlines
Summer semester (March – July): November 30
Winter semester (Sept – Feb): May 31

If you need a visa, you should allow approximately 10 weeks for this and apply as early as November 15 or May 15.
The International Program

Study in English at a top ranking German university
The International Program at Karlsruhe University of Applied Sciences (HKA) is a joint venture between the International Office and the Center of Competence and designed to meet the needs and interests of international exchange students who prefer to study in English. The Program allows for great flexibility in the selection of individual courses and gives you the opportunity to acquire a sufficient number of ECTS credit points.

Course choice
- Lectures from the regular degree programs (taught by professors of the university)
- Complementary courses (weekly or intensive weekend courses) which provide additional skills and competences that are indispensable in a global world of business and trade, such as „Presentation Techniques“, „Accessing the German Labor Market“ or „Intercultural Management Communication“. The visiting lecturers for these courses include representatives of high-level management from business and industry with a wealth of professional experience in their respective fields.

Through both types of courses students become easily acquainted with their new study environment and are encouraged to interact in an international environment.

German Language Program

Improve your German whilst studying
- We strongly encourage you to learn German while studying in Karlsruhe. HKA’s own Foreign Language Institute offers German courses at different levels both as two-week intensive courses right before the start of the semester and courses during the semester. The proficiency levels of the language courses correspond to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR).
- You might also like to join the course Germany Today, which deals with selected topics of German life, culture, history, and politics.
- Furthermore, as a student in the International Program you are eligible to take part in other language courses offered by the IFS such as English, French, Spanish, or Portuguese.
- All courses are free of charge.

www.h-ka.de/ifs

Internship opportunities
- If you wish to stay for two semesters, the International Program combines well with an internship.
- We offer numerous industry contacts and are happy to assist you in the process of applying. Feel free to contact us.

Fields of Studies
- Business and Economics
- Computer Science and Business Information Systems
- Engineering and Sciences

Technologyregion Karlsruhe

A great place to live and study
- Important commercial and administrative center in southwest Germany with approx. 310,000 inhabitants
- Situated in the Rhine valley, on the border of the Black Forest
- Comparatively mild climate with warm summers
- Proximity to France and Switzerland offering many opportunities for excursions
- Prosperous and very safe city with excellent public transport, including an hourly high-speed train connection to Frankfurt Airport
- Well-known as the center of one of Germany’s premier technology regions, with extensive state-of-the-art research
- Location of many international companies such as Siemens, Bosch and Daimler and well-known research institutions
- Student population of over 42,000, with the majority of students enrolled in engineering and IT disciplines, as well as arts and music
- HKA campus ideally located within the city’s green belt and at the same time only a five-minute walk away from the city center
- Classrooms and laboratories, library, student canteen, and halls of residence for local and international students all within easy reach

KTG Karlsruhe Tourismus GmbH:
www.karlsruhe-erleben.de/en
TechnologyRegion Karlsruhe GmbH:
www.technologieregion-karlsruhe.de/en
Black Forest (Schwarzwald Tourismus GmbH):
www.schwarzwald-tourismus.info/