

Institutional Factsheet 2027/28

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APPLICATION

Deadlines	Fall semester 2027: Nomination: 5 May Application: 15 May	Spring semester 2028: Nomination: 15 Nov Application: 30 Nov
Process	1) Partner nominates students by e-mail: international.office@fhgr.ch - Name of student - Name of study programme at home university - Name of study programme at FHGR - E-Mail address - Nationalities 2) Students e-mail application documents to: international.office@fhgr.ch - Application form - Provisional learning agreement - Copy of academic transcripts - Official language certificate or confirmation letter of language skills (see note for non-EU citizens below) - Copy of passports or national identity cards - Passport-size photo - CV	

	Application forms and relevant documents are available on our website: www.fhgr.ch/exchange																							
	<u>Note for Non-EU citizens:</u> - Official language certificates are required for visa application: - English programmes: IELTS 6.5, TOEFL IB 110, FCE, CAE or - German programmes: Goethe Zertifikat (C1) or DSH2																							
ACADEMIC INFORMATION																								
Semester dates	Fall semester 2027 13/09/27 – 04/02/28 <i>certain programs start on</i> 20/09/27 Spring semester 2028 14/02/28 – 30/06/28 <i>certain programs start on</i> 21/02/28 Mandatory welcome days take place 2 days before the semester starts.																							
Course list for exchange students	List of courses for incomings: www.fhgr.ch/exchange																							
German language courses	Level A1 (levels B1-B2, availability depending on demand) will take place during the semester and is free of charge. Please indicate in your Learning Agreement if you are interested in a German course.																							
Examinations & grading	Exams are taken at the end of the semester over a period of 3 weeks. Please inform students that failed modules cannot be retaken except for some modules with the minimum grade of 3.5. A re-examination date can then be offered two weeks after access to the examination at the earliest. Students should be informed that the workload and overall academic level is described to be high. <table><tr><td><u>Swiss grade</u></td><td><u>Definition</u></td><td><u>Rating</u></td></tr><tr><td>6.0</td><td>Excellent</td><td>Pass</td></tr><tr><td>5.5</td><td>Very good</td><td>Pass</td></tr><tr><td>5.0</td><td>Good</td><td>Pass</td></tr><tr><td>4.5</td><td>Satisfactory</td><td>Pass</td></tr><tr><td>4.0</td><td>Sufficient</td><td>Pass</td></tr><tr><td>3.5 – 1.0</td><td>Insufficient</td><td>Fail</td></tr></table>			<u>Swiss grade</u>	<u>Definition</u>	<u>Rating</u>	6.0	Excellent	Pass	5.5	Very good	Pass	5.0	Good	Pass	4.5	Satisfactory	Pass	4.0	Sufficient	Pass	3.5 – 1.0	Insufficient	Fail
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SWISS-EUROPEAN MOBILITY PROGRAMME OR ERASMUS+																								
General information	If Switzerland joins Erasmus+ in summer 2027, the home institution will pay their outgoing student scholarships according to the Erasmus+ rules. If Switzerland is not rejoining Erasmus+ we will continue with the Swiss-European Mobility Programme (SEMP), and the scholarship rules and rates, mentioned below, will most likely remain valid. Incoming students from SEMP partner universities receive funding from the Swiss-European Mobility Programme on arrival in Switzerland. This project is financially supported by the national agency for mobility and exchange Movetia .																							
Incoming students	DK, FI, IS, IE, LI, LU, NO, SE, UK	CHF 1'900/semester																						
	AT, BE, BG, CY, CZ, DE, EE, EL, ES, FR, HR, HU, IT, LT, LV, MK, MT, NL, PL, PT, RO, RS, SI, SK, TR	CHF 2'200/semester																						
	SEMP worldwide (CA)	CHF 2'500/semester																						

Green Mobility "top-up"	Students who travel both ways by train, coach or car-sharing receive a CHF 100 top-up.
Incoming staff	CHF 170 /day (work & travel days) plus travel expenses of CHF 500.
LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS	
English study programmes - Tourism Development and Service Innovation - Master's Degree in Tourism and Change - Creative Media & Digital Innovation	Students studying in the English-taught programmes, should have at least B2 level English. Non-native English speakers must submit one of the following documents: EU students: a) IELTS min 5.5, TOEFL IB min 65, BEC Higher, CAE or... b) A language assessment form completed by English tutor confirming advanced level language skills (download template from www.fhgr.ch/exchange) Non-EU students: IELTS min 5.5, TOEFL IB min 65, BEC Higher, CAE.
German study programs	Students applying for the German study program and who are <u>not native German</u> speakers must submit one of the following documents to prove level C1 : EU students: a) German Diploma or ... b) Language assessment form completed by German tutor confirming advanced level language skills (see www.fhgr.ch/exchange) Non-EU students: German Diploma: DSH 2, Goethe-Institut Diploma (level C1)
VISA, RESIDENCE PERMIT & WORK	
Visa	Citizens from countries outside of the EU/EFTA require an entry visa for Switzerland. The application process takes up to 3 months. The costs for the Visa are paid for by the student. The standard documents required for visa application are: - Passport (valid for min. 6 months beyond the student's stay) - Letter of acceptance from UAS Grisons - Language diploma (IELTS or TOEFL, etc.) - Evidence of sufficient funds for your stay in Switzerland (CHF 2000 per month) - Health & accident insurance policy valid recognized by Swiss authorities (see "insurance") Refer to the website of the Swiss Embassy/Consulate for country-specific requirements: http://www.eda.admin.ch/eda/en/home/rebs.html
Residence permit	All students are required to have a residence permit for their stay in Switzerland. The International Relations Office applies for such permits on arrival in Switzerland. The costs for the residence permit are paid for by the student.
Work permits & regulations	All international students are permitted to work up to <u>15 hrs per week</u> . A work permission letter must be applied for in addition by the employer. Important: non-EU students are <u>not</u> permitted to work in Switzerland within the first 6 months of their stay.

ACCOMMODATION	
General information	Once a student has been offered an exchange place, please contact the International Relations Office about the housing preferences. Currently, these are the options available to exchange students: 1. Student residence Konvikt (limited spaces available). Reservations managed by the International Relations Office 2. Other possible housing options: https://www.fhgr.ch/en/study-programmes/studying-in-chur/housing-options/ 3. The International Relations Office can put students in contact with Swiss outgoing exchange students who rent out their room in a shared flat whilst they are abroad.
INSURANCES	
Health and accident insurance	Health & accident insurance is mandatory for everybody who is residing in Switzerland. EU/EFTA students: Students living in the EU and holding public health insurance must send us a copy of their European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) as proof of health insurance coverage. The EHIC must be valid for the entire duration of stay in Switzerland. Non-EU/EFTA students: Students without the European health insurance card have the following options: 1. Sign up for Swiss insurance policy. The basic monthly premium costs are approx. CHF 350.- (depending on age, gender and domicile). 2. Sign up for a Swiss insurance policy directly with Swiss insurance companies specializing in health and accident insurance for foreign students, e.g.: www.swisscare.ch or www.scorestudies.ch (monthly premiums starting at CHF 61) 3. Health insurance provider in home country signs an exemption form, confirming that the foreign insurance policy offers equivalent coverage to the Swiss KVG basic health insurance benefits. This application will be evaluated by local authorities on arrival in Chur.
Personal liability insurance	Exchange students are requested to purchase a personal liability insurance. This covers damages to other persons and property caused by the policy holder. Before students leave their home country, they should check with the insurer whether the insurance covers liability whilst living abroad. The University of Applied Sciences of the Grisons accepts no liability for students.
NON-ACADEMIC INFORMATION	
Estimated costs of living	Approx. CHF 2'000 per month (The amount can vary, depending on the lifestyle.)
Buddy system	Each exchange student is allocated a Swiss "buddy" to help them with daily life and social integration.
ESN Chur	ESN Chur is a student organisation offering social activities for international students https://www.instagram.com/esn.chur/

Students and staff with disabilities	Infrastructure for students with disabilities is restricted in some of the buildings. It is essential to communicate with the International Relations Office at least 6 months before the exchange period to cater for the individual's requirements.
TEACHER / STAFF EXCHANGE	
Contact: Anne-marie.jaeger@fhgr.ch	Staff are welcome to visit UAS Grisons on a staff exchange for teaching or for training purposes. • Min. 2 days • Incoming staff from "SEMP" (E+) partners receive a grant CHF 170 /day plus travel expenses of up to CHF 500 • Please contact Anne-Marie Jaeger approx. 3 months in advance