

# financing your stay abroad



Some ideas to get you started with your *Internationalisation*

## in general:

- Yes, planning a stay abroad requires a lot of work and figuring things out on your own; however, there is a **support system** for you: **talk to us**, talk to the **International Office**, talk to **other students** that have already done it - it will all be worth it in the end and it is a great **opportunity** for you to **test** your (very much needed in your profession) **organisation skills**
- One of the main things to do before travelling is **figure out the financial situation**; here, we have put together some **funding opportunities** for you to consider that have worked for other students - you can, of course, also do your own research :)

<p><b>Erasmus(+)</b> <b>(for EU-stays/internships)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Erasmus mobility can fund either your <b>semester abroad</b> (5-6 months or a year) or your <b>internship</b> (min. 60 days)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Usually, you go through an application process coordinated by <b>Dr. Carolin Zehne</b></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> For <b>university stays</b>: we have specific <b>cooperations with universities</b>, but you are also free to explore other options on your own</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> the <b>internship</b> is definitely found and <b>coordinated by you</b>, but you have support by the <b>international office</b> (Anna Rusche, erasmus-praktikum@uni-bielefeld.de)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> All you need to know in great detail: <a href="https://www.uni-bielefeld.de/international/go-out/downloads/">https://www.uni-bielefeld.de/international/go-out/downloads/</a></li> </ul>
<p><b>DAAD/PROMOS</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Similar to Erasmus, PROMOS also funds either your <b>uni stay</b> abroad (3-6 months) or your <b>internship</b> (6 weeks to 6 months) and it is meant for all OTHER countries not covered by Erasmus (<b>outside the EU</b>)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> There are usually two application phases, one in <b>November</b> and one in <b>May</b></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> All you need to know: <a href="https://www.uni-bielefeld.de/international/go-out/stipendien/">https://www.uni-bielefeld.de/international/go-out/stipendien/</a></li> </ul>
<p><b>Auslandsbafög</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> For <b>all students</b>, not only those who get Bafög in Germany</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> As with “normal” Bafög, the financial situation of the student (and their family) plays a role in the application process</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Similar to the other two, here again, <b>most stays</b> (uni-semester, internship, school work etc.) can be funded</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> All you need to know: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>🌐 AuslandsBAföG - die tolle Finanzierung von Vater Staat</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><b>AIIESEC</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> AIIESEC is an international organisation that will help you find and plan your study abroad</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> It is rather based on the <b>expertise of the student community and you need to become a member</b> yourself (and a volunteer)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> For Bielefeld, all you need to know: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>🌐 AIIESEC in Bielefeld   Unsere Standorte</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><b>ISEP</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> ISEP is the best funding programme if you are planning to go (study) in the <b>USA</b></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Our department’s coordinator for ISEP is <b>Dr. Julia Andres</b>; contact her to give you a great overview of your possibilities</li> </ul>

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<b>Other ideas</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> DAAD offers their own scholarships too, you just need to <b>plan a bit more ahead of time</b> , because their deadlines are different; all scholarships here: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>🌐 Stipendien finden und bewerben - DAAD - Deutscher ...</li> </ul> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Teilstipendium des Rektorats</b> - usually to help you write your thesis abroad; look for the deadlines here: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>🌐 Scholarships</li> </ul> <input type="checkbox"/> Here is another <b>database with scholarships</b> ; this helps if you have something specific in mind, for example, looking for scholarship to go to Japan, or for a specific topic: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>🌐 Suchmaschinen für Stipendien</li> </ul>

## IMPORTANT LINKS:

- **ALL** information on going abroad **as a teacher-to-be**, with focus on all the **events** you should be attending: <https://www.uni-bielefeld.de/einrichtungen/bised/studiumlehramt/internationalisierung/>
- A great overview on what to pay attention to and how to plan everything is here: <https://www.uni-bielefeld.de/international/go-out/studium/index.xml>
- Here are some reports from students' experiences abroad for inspiration: <https://www.uni-bielefeld.de/international/go-out/studium/erfahrungsberichte/>