



# Exchange Information Sheet

## Name of institution

Köln International School of Design (KISD)  
Faculty of Cultural Sciences at Technische Hochschule Köln (TH Köln).

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The International Committee decides about the placements of incoming and outgoing students among other matters.

## Exchange Program

As exchange students at KISD, you will take part in the *Integrated Design* program which covers **twelve areas of design expertise**. These areas are the basis for an interdisciplinary and project-oriented design program, in which you are able to develop your own main focus.

## Semester dates

Summer Semester 2022  
Winter Semester 2022/23

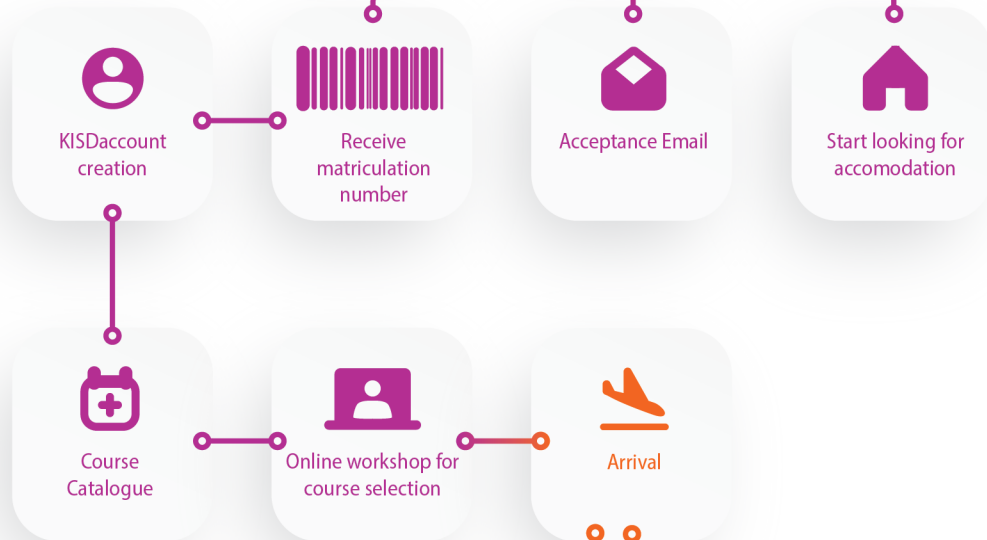
March 21, 2022 to July 15, 2022  
September 19, 2022 to February 3, 2023

# Exchange Student Timeline

## First steps (at the TH)



## Before coming (at the KISD)



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\* if you have any questions, please contact Angelica Salcines: [angelica\\_maria.salcines\\_de\\_oetz@th-koeln.de](mailto:angelica_maria.salcines_de_oetz@th-koeln.de)

<b>Nomination</b>	Your coordinator or professor should officially nominate you via Mobility Online. Questions in this regard, or if you are a freemover send an email to Angelica Salcines at: angelica_maria.salcines_de_oetz@th-koeln.de
<b>Application deadline</b>	May 1 <sup>st</sup> for the upcoming winter semester November 1 <sup>st</sup> for the upcoming summer semester
<b>How to apply</b>	<p>For a video explanation click <a href="#">here</a>.</p> <p>After the application you will receive an email to confirm your personal data, create a username and password and upload a photo as well as a language certificate. In case you are a native speaker or studying in English, please upload a document mentioning this. We kindly ask you to review your personal information and do changes, if required.</p> <p>Once the registration has been formally checked, you will be able to upload your application documents. Please remember to upload the letter of admission of your home university or the current certificate of enrolment.</p> <p><b>The Learning Agreement is mandatory for ERASMUS students ONLY.</b> This is a 3 part system, more information can be found <a href="#">here</a>. Please insert the following information as your "Learning Agreement Before the Mobility."</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Design International 26 ECTS</li> <li>2. Reflections International 4 ECTS</li> </ol> <p><b>All other students DO NOT have to submit a Learning Agreement.</b></p>
<b>Courses</b>	<p>The main parts of the program are long term projects (LP), middle term projects (MP), short term projects (KP), courses (CO), technical seminars (TS), and scientific seminars (WS). Each has a different time duration and therefore also a different workload and credit point worths. LPs are the whole semester, MPs are half a semester, KPs are one or two weeks long. Courses and scientific seminars usually are the whole semester. For the exact dates of the courses and credit points please refer to the course catalogue. For more detailed information please click <a href="#">here</a>.</p> <p><b>More information about the online course selection in a webinar session. Details will be announced.</b></p>
<b>Course catalogue and semester calendar</b>	A new course catalogue is published each semester. Once you have a spaces account (our online learning platform), you can access both the catalogue and calendar. They can be found <a href="#">here</a> (only available if you have your KISDaccount).
<b>Language of Instruction</b>	Projects and courses are taught in either German or English. Approximately 80% of the courses are in English. You can find the information regarding language of teaching in the course catalogue. All professors and most students are bilingual.
<b>Language Courses</b>	Information for the courses at TH Köln Language Learning Center can be found <a href="#">here</a> .
<b>Credit system</b>	ECTS (European Credit Transfer System) as mentioned in the Transcript of Records file.
<b>Grade system</b>	Pass/fail. Exchange students get grades based on the German grading system, if required only: 1 (excellent) - 5 (not sufficient).

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## Practical Information

Settling into your semester abroad comes with several very important steps, such as: **registering as a resident** in the city of Cologne, getting **health insurance** (German health insurance is required by the German government), opening a **bank account**, **visa** or **residence permit** application, etc. A guidebook with detailed information on these subjects and more can be found [here](#).

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## MultiCa/ Semester fee

Students will have to pay the semester fee of about 290,-€. This fee covers public transportation in the whole North Rhine - Westphalia region, students will receive their MultiCa after payment of the fee. The MultiCa is their student card and valid in our library and university restaurants. Please find more information in our Welcome Guide, which is downloadable [here](#).

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## Accommodation

Detailed information in the **»Just Arrived«** guidebook. Students can apply at the Kölner Studenten Werk, (**KSTW**) which offers student accommodation. Please apply early and be open for more than one choice to make sure you get a room, even if it is not in the location you would have preferred! A list with more information concerning accommodation will be sent together with the letter of acceptance. If you do not get a room in student housing, there are other options such as subletting rooms in shared flats.

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## Facilities at KISD

Photostudio, Computer Lab, Motion Experience Lab, Food Lab, Textile Lab, Equipment Lab, Prototyping Workshop, Wood Workshop, Metal Workshop, Ceramic Workshop, Painting Workshop, Silkscreen Workshop.

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## Helpful Links KISD

KISD on [Facebook](#) (official page)  
KISD [International on Facebook](#) (closed group for international students)  
KISD [Instagram](#)

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## Department of International Affairs (TH Köln)

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*Please check TH website for all details.*  
Their website with lots of useful information can be found [here](#).

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## Facilities at TH Köln

Cafeteria, Library, sports and fitness programs, KARIBU Buddy Program (a program that matches international with German students), Department of International Affairs (Office aimed at helping international students). They have a lot of helpful information and a link to their homepage is [here](#).