**Academic Program**

Munich Summer School of Applied Sciences offers in-depth study of engineering and business topics, integrating green issues with a focus on sustainability. The courses focus on practical application using state-of-the-art technology and teaching methods.

The program is intended for advanced undergraduate students in Mechanical Engineering, Automotive Engineering, Electrical Engineering and Industrial Engineering from Germany and abroad.

The summer school is a five-week program. International students participate in an intensive German Language and Culture course in the first week and continue these studies part-time throughout the program.

Students select two credit courses, which are taught in English by multi-national teams of two renowned lecturers from Munich University of Applied Sciences, California Polytechnic State University (USA) and the Strascheg Center for Entrepreneurship (Munich). Each subject course covers a depth study of engineering and business topics, integrating green issues with a focus on sustainability. The cultural program includes the following field trips:

- Field trip: Visiting BMW World and the plant (guided tour)
- Three related field trips: White Rose Memorial Site, Dachau Concentration Camp Memorial Site, Representation of the European Commission
- Four ECTS credits (or 3 US credits)

**Courses**

**German Language and Culture**
- Overview of the most important German phrases and grammatical structures
- Vocabulary for day-to-day situations in Germany
- Ability to communicate and read in German
- Basic elements of German culture and its historical roots
- The impact of culture on intercultural behavior
- Thirteen related field trips: White Rose Memorial Site, Dachau Concentration Camp Memorial Site, Representation of the European Commission
- Four ECTS credits (or 4 US credits)

**Smart Vehicles**
- Overview of smart vehicles
- Autonomous driving vehicles and their contribution to a sustainable mobility
- Introduction to vehicle dynamics
- Image Processing for autonomous vehicles
- Defining simple manoeuvres with the model car
- Field trip: Visiting BMW World and the plant (guided tour)
- Four ECTS credits (or 3 US credits)

**Combustion Engines**
- Key aspects of internal combustion (IC) engine performance analysis
- Fuels and combustion analysis
- Dynamics of engine operation
- Laboratory exercises how the real engine behaves
- Analysis the emission composition for IC-engines
- Four ECTS credits (or 3 US credits)

**Smart Environments**
- Definition of a Smart Environment
- Introduction and assessment of different existing technologies
- Setup of a simple Smart Environment
- Use relevant methods for representing knowledge
- Reasoning about knowledge in Smart Environments
- Apply context-information to improve the reasoning process
- Four ECTS credits (or 3 US credits)

**Gas Turbines**
- Thermodynamics and basic working principles of gas turbines
- Calculation of temperatures and other processes parameters
- Thermodynamics of isothermal and adiabatic combustion
- Live operation of a 75 kW small scale industrial gas turbine burning
- Four ECTS credits (or 3 US credits)

**Embedded Systems**
- Fundamentals of embedded systems hardware and firmware design
- C166 Architecture of a microcontroller
- Interface hardware components to microcontroller-based systems
- Teamwork on design and development process
- Four ECTS credits (or 3 US credits)

**Sustainable Entrepreneurship**
- Entrepreneurship in theory and practice - creativity, holistic perspective, knowledge and teamwork
- Implementation of business models (feasibility study, business plan, marketing, sales. finance, industrial property rights)
- Development and growth of the enterprise
- Interdisciplinary teamwork
- Four ECTS credits (or 3 US credits)

**Requirements**

The summer school is designed for advanced undergraduate Engineering students (please also refer to the prerequisites specified in the course descriptions). Applicants must provide evidence of a good level of English (at least level B2 in the CEFR, TOEFL IBT 50 or equivalent, or mother tongue) as well as a letter of motivation and a transcript with the most recent grade point average.

**Fees**

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Add Munich to your Résumé!

Munich is one of the leading economic, technological and scientific hubs in Germany. Companies including Siemens and BMW have their headquarters in the city. Other global players such as Apple and Microsoft have their German branch offices here. They all benefit from our location in the heart of Europe.

The historic city of Munich is over 850 years old. It is a vibrant center of cultural activity – a city of theater and music, literature, film, museums and festivals. Situated close to the Alps, the city is a great starting point for almost unlimited outdoor activities. And for spectator sports – “Allianz Arena” with soccer club Bayern Munich’s home-games is just around the corner.

Munich and the surrounding area are well known for a high standard of living. In Munich, tradition and innovation, industry and science, cultural and touristy attractions all contribute to the outstanding quality of life the city offers. In fact, Munich ranks among the top five most livable cities in the world (source: Mercer Quality of Living Survey 2012). Numerous surveys and statistics regularly emphasize not only Munich’s economic power, the variety of recreational opportunities or its excellent public transportation system but also its exceptionally low crime rate.

Come and experience it for yourself, and enjoy your stay in one of Germany’s most beautiful and safe cities!

Accommodation and Support

Accommodation will be organized by the coordinating staff upon request. Participants of the program will stay in a youth hostel or in a budget apartment in downtown Munich. The accommodations are located in quiet and safe neighborhoods. All amenities and shops are easy to reach. Please find details about the housing and options on our website.

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