

## Thurgau University of Teacher Education (PHTG) – Information Sheet

### Academic Calendar

<b>Lecture period</b>	Autumn Semester: Mid -October–Late January (week 43 – week 4)
<b>Lecture period</b>	Spring Semester: Mid February – Early July (week 8 – week 25)
<b>Assessment weeks</b>	At the end of every semester (weeks 5/6, weeks 26/27)
<b>Nomination deadline for exchange students</b>	Autumn Semester: April 15 Spring Semester: October 15
<b>Application deadline for exchange students</b>	Autumn Semester: May 1 <sup>st</sup> Spring Semester: November 1 <sup>st</sup>

The attendance of additional courses at the University of Konstanz requires a slightly prolonged duration of stay during the spring semester (until mid-July/week 29).

### To Apply

The application form can be found online at: [Application Form](#).

The application must be sent to the following postal address or by mail to [artur.maj@phtg.ch](mailto:artur.maj@phtg.ch):

*Pädagogische Hochschule Thurgau (PHTG)*

*Artur Maj*

*International Office*

*Unterer Schulweg 3*

*CH - 8280 Kreuzlingen*

The application will ask you to attach the following documents which can also be emailed to us:

- An official transcript
- Copy of your passport
- Proof of health insurance valid in Switzerland (Overseas students are able to buy this insurance upon their arrival)

### Accommodation

- The International Office provides all incoming exchange students with a fully furnished room in a modern and centrally located shared apartment. Photos of the apartments can be found on our website.
- Students preferring individual accommodation may contact the International Office. We will assist you in finding suitable offers.
- Exchange students are also provided with a bicycle which may be used free of charge during their time in Kreuzlingen.



## Course Information

- The language of instruction at PHTG is mainly German. The minimum level of ability in the language of instruction is B2.
- PHTG also offers a range of courses taught in English, mainly during the spring semester. Information on our course offer in English is available on [www.phtg.ch/international/](http://www.phtg.ch/international/) or can be found on a separate information sheet.
- Students with little or no knowledge of the German language are requested to attend a German course throughout the semester or take part in an intensive German course at the beginning of their stay (subject to availability). Furthermore, an intensive German language course is offered by the *Lake Constance Summer School* each year in August which is eligible for funding (ERASMUS students only!).

## Customary Fees

<b>Fixed expenses per semester</b>	<b>in CHF</b>
Rent	410/month
Swiss health insurance	76/month
Residence permit	150

<b>Deposits*</b>	<b>in CHF</b>
Room deposit	400
Bicycle deposit	200

\* The full amount will be reimbursed at the end of the semester

## Immigration

- **Exchange students from within the EU** do not have to apply for a visa in advance. However, they will be asked to apply for a Swiss residence permit upon their arrival in Switzerland.
- **Overseas students and students from a non-EU country** have to apply for a visa at a Swiss embassy in their country. PHTG provides them with the requested invitation letter and upon request, with the necessary information regarding the visa application process.

## Contact

For further information visit [www.phtg.ch](http://www.phtg.ch) → International, or contact our International Office directly by mail [internationaloffice@phtg.ch](mailto:internationaloffice@phtg.ch).

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