



> vibrant cities



> welcoming families



> stunning scenery

„Discover Germany. Experience the culture!“

The Country:

in Central and Western Europe, lying between the Baltic and North Seas to the north, and the Alps to the south. Germany includes 16 constituent states with 83 million inhabitants. Germany features the most interesting of the European countryside, culture and architecture. The famous Brothers Grimm were inspired by these features of their homeland as well: many castles, the Black Forest, and the towering Alps. The modern cities of Berlin, Cologne and Frankfurt are filled with interesting art and architecture as well as relicts that go back as far as roman times.

School Life:

Participants are generally placed in a secondary school, which are academically challenging public schools. Students participate in 8 to 12 required subjects which usually include math, sciences, social sciences, sport and languages. A school day typically lasts from 7:30/8am to 1:30pm or longer. Depending on the State, the academic year starts in August or September. Activities will most likely be done in clubs and groups outside of the school environment, as extracurricular activities are not commonly sponsored through the school.

Accommodations:

German host families are eager to welcome international students and share their history and customs. Families are typically active, and many enjoy outdoor activities including: biking, hiking, swimming, skiing and playing tennis.

The cultural arts, especially music and theater, are well supported in Germany. Even the smallest cities have festivals, musical performances and social events. Teens in Germany typically enjoy a higher level of independence. Public transportation is well developed and used to get around. Participants entering into this culture benefit from close communication and mutual respect between family members.

Age Requirements:

15 to 17 years upon arrival.

Program Options*:

Academic Year: August through June.

Semester: August through January or January through June. Shorter stays: possible upon request.

Language Requirements:

2 years German strongly recommended.

Application Deadline:

Application must be fully completed before April 30th for August Programs or before October 30th for January programs.

* Please note, the exact program dates may vary slightly depending on individual school schedules. Final program dates will be provided after confirmed school acceptance has been received.

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