

# Arthur Stonehill International Business Exchange Program Application

## Bad Mergentheim Exchange Program **Spring 2009**

Priority Application Deadline: June 1, 2008

Final Application Deadline: October 15, 2008

Return completed applications to:

Jacquie Coe

Cascades Hall Room 241

OSU-Cascades

2600 NW College Way

Bend, Oregon 97701

Be sure to include:

- Application
- 2 references (one should be from an OSU instructor)
- \$50 application fee payable to OSU-Cascades
- 2 copies of each essay

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**Programs open to majors in:** Sydney (UTS), Australia; Vienna, Austria; Hong Kong, China; Brno, Czech Republic; Aarhus, Denmark; Bad Mergentheim, Germany; Kristiansand, Norway; Lund, Sweden; Bangkok, Thailand;

### GENERAL INFORMATION

- Before filling out the application, please thoroughly read the instructions.
- Please submit one original of the application and 2 copies of the essays with your application.
- Complete every item
- If you wish to apply for financial aid, check with the Financial Aid Office in KAd 218 NOW regarding eligibility and deadlines. If you have not been eligible for financial aid in the past, the extra cost of overseas study may now enable you to qualify.
- After the application deadline, you will be sent additional forms and notice of the date(s) for your interview.

### INSTRUCTIONS

- Indicate the program area, terms and year(s) for which you are applying.
- Check the appropriate box to indicate whether you pay in-state resident tuition or out-of-state non-resident tuition.
- Indicate whether you receive any special assistance in the form of tuition waivers (such as an educational opportunities program, presidential scholar, western undergraduate exchange).
- Complete the essays (see page 2 of the application) on a separate page and submit them with the application form.

### REFERENCES

Two references are required of each applicant. At least one of these should be from an OSU instructor or academic advisor. The other reference may be from an employer, living group advisor, or counselor. Peer or family recommendations will *not* be accepted. Please provide the people writing your recommendations with a Reference Report form (attached) and a stamped envelope addressed to the Bad Mergentheim Exchange, c/o Jacquie Coe, 2600 NW College Way, Bend OR, 97701.

### APPLICATION FEE

A **non-refundable \$50 fee** is required of all applicants. Credit cards and cash are not generally accepted.

### ACCEPTANCE

Acceptance to a study abroad program is contingent upon the interview evaluation(s), fulfillment of GPA and academic standing requirements and approval by the host university. You will be notified of your acceptance by your program administrator. A \$250 program fee or deposit may be due at that time. Check with your program administrator for more information.

**PLEASE RETURN APPLICATION AND ONE COPY TO YOUR PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR.**

**Please contact the person(s) listed below for further information about specific programs.**

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**Please indicate the part of the world you wish to study in:**

*Asia*     *Central Europe*     *Scandinavia*

Year and Term: \_\_\_\_\_

## PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Male  Female   
Last Name First Name Middle Name

Present Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Number and Street City State Zip Code (Area Code) Telephone Number

Summer Contact Address \_\_\_\_\_  
(If different than above) Number and Street City State Zip Code (Area Code) Telephone Number

Student ID Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

*We will use your College of Business Email Account for all correspondence.*

Will you be traveling on a U.S. passport? Yes  No  If not, from which country? \_\_\_\_\_

## INSTITUTIONAL INFORMATION

Are you currently paying Oregon in-state resident tuition? Yes  No

Current Class Standing: Frosh  Soph  Junior  Senior

Class standing at proposed Int'l Exchange Term: Soph  Junior  Senior  Post Bac

Cumulative OSU Grade Point Average: \_\_\_\_\_ Cob Grade Point Average: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a conduct/disciplinary record at OSU? Yes  No  If yes, please explain on a separate sheet

Business Option(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Minor: \_\_\_\_\_

## ETHNIC IDENTITY (Optional)

Please indicate your ethnic identity by checking one of the following. You are encouraged to supply this information, but may decline without prejudicing your application in any way. This voluntary information is used to ensure equal opportunity under an Affirmative Action Program.

- Decline to respond
- American Indian or Alaskan Native (specify tribal affiliation) \_\_\_\_\_
- Asian (specify ethnic group) \_\_\_\_\_
- Black, Non-Hispanic
- Hispanic (specify ethnic group) \_\_\_\_\_
- Pacific Islander (specify ethnic group) \_\_\_\_\_
- White, Non-Hispanic
- If none of the above is appropriate for you, please write in the ethnic/racial identification you use: \_\_\_\_\_

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For our records, please tell us how you found out about this program.

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## ESSAYS

Please complete the following essays on a separate sheet of paper to be submitted with your application.

1. State how your participation in this international program will contribute to your educational, career and personal goals (*1/2 page*).
2. Select two locations within the geographic area you would like to study and discuss the three most appealing aspects of these campuses/locations. How do these choices fit into your goals of studying abroad? (*1-2 pages*)s

## DISCUSSION TOPIC

Please select one of the following topics and be prepared to present your thoughts to the interview committee. Your presentation should be brief, about 5 minutes. Have fun with this and be creative!

- 1) Describe a personal experience that did not live up to your expectations and explain how you handled it. Were your original expectations realistic?
- 2) Where have you traveled? What have you learned about yourself through your travels? What have you learned about other people?
- 3) What five words would you choose to describe yourself? What five words would your friends choose to describe you and why?
- 4) Give us some background information on yourself, and explain how two personal experiences have made you the person you are today. Explain how these life experiences have helped prepare you for a term abroad.

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I certify that I have considered each question carefully and that my statements are true and complete to the best of my knowledge. Further, I understand that admission to or enrollment in an Oregon State University Study Abroad Program may be denied if any information is found to be incomplete or inaccurate.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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## REFERENCE FORM

### THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANT

NAME OF APPLICANT \_\_\_\_\_ FOR STUDY IN \_\_\_\_\_

REFERENCE REQUESTED FROM \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name) (Occupation or Position)

*By signing below, I hereby waive all rights to inspect and review this Reference Form and other confidential letters and statements of recommendation relating to my application for an international program. (Do not sign if you wish to retain your right to see the completed form.)*

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature) (Date)

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1. How long and in what capacity have you known the applicant? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Please indicate applicant's competence in the following areas in comparison with other individuals you have known at similar stages in their careers.

	Below Average	Average	Above Average	Very Good	Out-standing	Inadequate opportunity to observe	Comments
<b>Intellectually Curious</b>							
<b>Socially Mature</b>							
<b>Self-reliant</b>							
<b>Emotionally Mature</b>							
<b>Self-motivated</b>							
<b>Self-assured</b>							
<b>Articulate</b>							
<b>Perceptive</b>							
<b>Adaptable</b>							
<b>Cooperative</b>							
<b>Well-mannered</b>							
<b>Poised</b>							

3. The student named above is applying for a study abroad program through Oregon State University. The program involves full-time academic work in a cross-cultural setting. To benefit from this experience a student must be highly motivated, emotionally mature, and able to adapt easily to people with different cultural and social backgrounds. All participants have strengths and weaknesses relevant to their participation in an international program. We would greatly appreciate your thoughtful and candid appraisal of this applicant.

STRENGTHS:

WEAKNESSES:

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

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