

Internship in Germany at Paderborn University

English and American Studies Department: Teaching English as a Second Language

– Within the framework of the Alberta-OWL-Cooperation –

Open to: Graduate and undergraduate students from the field of English as a Second Language in the teacher education program.

Application deadline: April 15th for an internship ca. 15th of Sept – 15th of Dec (fall term in Alberta)
October 15th for a start date ca. 1st of May – End of July (summer term in Alberta)

Quick info: Internship: Fulltime at Paderborn University campus, unpaid, supervised (Integrated 2–4-week internship at local schools may be possible)
Duration: 3 months
Working hours: to be agreed upon/flexible working hours
Housing and transport: Student dormitories; free semester ticket for state-wide public transportation
Additional offers: Free German language classes, reduced meal costs, optional social activities and weekend trips to German cities or cultural activities; Certification and reference letter from Paderborn University guaranteed

About the internship: Paderborn University is home to 17,500 students and 2,000 employees. Our Faculty of Arts and Humanities, the largest of the university's five faculties, boasts 7,500 students, including 1,975 pursuing a teaching degree in the English department. Research and teaching in our department covers a wide array of topics in EFL/ESL education, linguistics, language practice, literary studies, and cultural studies.

We invite you to apply for an internship if you are eager to expand your knowledge and skills in any of these fields and make a contribution to our strong and dynamic department. Please specify your job(s)/area(s) of interest when applying (different combinations possible):

- Teaching Assistant: Assist in classes and tutorials, with the option to offer a tutorial for German students.
- Student Assistant: Support and engage in extra-curricular activities such as our drama group, book club, Model United Nations program, pub nights and other language practice activities.
- Research Assistant: Participate in research activities, colloquia, and student conferences.
- School Intern (As an integrated part of the internship): Gain experience with a short internship at a local primary or secondary school.

We offer a broad range of internship opportunities to match your interests and expertise with our staff's teaching and research fields. This approach ensures that we can provide you with the best possible internship experience.

We look forward to receiving your application!

Requirements:

- Student at one of the Canadian universities within the Alberta-OWL-Cooperation: University of Alberta, MacEwan University, Northern Alberta Institute of Technology, Concordia University of Edmonton from the field of English as a Second Language in the teacher education program
- At least one year of study left at home institution
- Interest in German higher education system
- If interested in school placement: interested in German teaching and school system, possible interns must be fully vaccinated against Measles
- Soft skills: open communication, social skills, ability to work in a team, ambition to actively participate and engage in internship

How to apply:

To apply, please always first contact the International Office at your home university.

Please submit the following documents in a **single PDF-file** prior to the application deadline to:

- Letter of motivation (why should we choose you for the internship? What are your ambitions, your interests?)
- CV
- A copy of your transcript of records (attended, completed courses and grades)

Information about the Faculty of Arts and Humanities at Paderborn University:

<https://kw.uni-paderborn.de/en/>

Information about the English and American Studies Department:

<https://kw.uni-paderborn.de/en/department-of-english-and-american-studies>

Please send questions regarding the internship at Paderborn University to Anke Riebau, International Relations Manager, Dean's Office ([send email](#)).

Information about the Alberta-OWL-Cooperation can be found at the [joint website](#).

Please contact the International Office at your institution to apply and for further questions.