

Call for applications Swiss European Mobility Programme (SEMP) 2026/27

Call for applications opens: 1 December 2025

Call deadline: 30 January 2026

Applications must be submitted online via the [Erasmus+ Mobility Portal](#) of the Göttingen Department.

Target group: Regularly enrolled students at the University of Göttingen (BA, MA, PhD)

Mobility period:

- Winter semester 2026/27
- Winter semester 2026/27 and summer semester 2027
- Summer semester 2027

Duration of stay: min. 60 – max. 360 days, depending on exchange agreements

Key eligibility criteria

The SEMP exchange places for student mobility in the 2026/27 academic year will be advertised university-wide with the announcement of central admission requirements. Fulfilment of these admission criteria is decisive for participation in the selection process at the faculties and at the central level. Places will be allocated by the relevant faculty following an orderly application process. Mobility funding will be provided by the host Swiss partner institution in the same way as Erasmus funding, always depending on the funds available to the host institution.

Admission requirements:

- 1) Proof of enrolment (regularly enrolled students)
- 2) Proof of sufficient language skills by 30 January 2026. A FlexNow printout as proof of registration for the ZESS language course exam will be accepted upon application. Proof of the exam result must then be submitted (uploaded) to the portal by 30 April 2026 at the latest.
 - Minimum language level **B1 in English** (however, a B2 level is generally recommended) for host institutions where English is the language of instruction, or
 - Minimum language level **B1 in French** for host institutions where French is the language of instruction.

Note:

Swiss partner universities trust that partners will conduct an orderly selection process and ensure that sufficient language skills are given. Failure to submit proof of language proficiency will be considered a failure to meet the requirements and will result in exclusion from the selection process.

Please note that the language certificates required for the central application process at the University of Göttingen may differ from the requirements of the partner university.

Selection process at the faculties by the programme coordinators

The application procedure must be applied uniformly across all departments, and uniform selection criteria must be applied to ensure procedural transparency and equal treatment for all applicants.

Online application procedure at the faculties

The application procedure involves the completion of the online application form, including the data protection declaration, and the upload of the following documents:

- Certificate of enrolment for the application semester, i.e. WS 2025/26 ([upload to the mobility portal](#)).
- FlexStat ranking (<https://www.uni-goettingen.de/de/184479.html>), when applying in the first semester of an undergraduate programme University entrance qualification
- Proof of language proficiency ([upload to the mobility portal](#)). *Note: Students of French philology are exempt from the requirement to provide proof and should upload a certificate of enrolment.*

Places are allocated and nominations are made by the responsible programme coordinator at the faculty

Selection is made centrally by the responsible programme coordinator at the faculty or seminar.

Usage of the selection criteria applicable to the Erasmus+ KA 131 programmes is recommended. Students will be informed of the selection results by the responsible programme coordinator.

Nomination deadline

Selected students declare their acceptance online via [the mobility portal](#) within the deadline specified by their faculty, in line with the procedure for the Erasmus+ KA 131 call for applications.

Notes

1. Only valid SEMP exchange agreements from the respective faculty/seminar may be used. The minimum requirements of the partners should also be taken into account during the selection process in order to avoid subsequent rejection of applicants by the partners. In particular, reference should be made to minimum requirements in terms of language skills and any necessary language certificates.

APPENDIX:

Overview of generally accepted language certificates (not exhaustive):

- Proof of passing a ZESS language course (e.g. via FlexNow extract) – please note the required language level for each language
- [ZESS language certificates for stays abroad](#), e.g. "DAAD or Erasmus+" – please note the required language level for each language.
- [Seminars in Romance Philology](#)
- UNIcert – please note the required language level for each language University entrance qualification (HZB 2022) with reference to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR)
- Other evidence in accordance with the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR), e.g. adult education centre, language institute – please note the required language level for each language
- Confirmed internship abroad (at least 1 month) including a note that the working language was English or French.

General information:

- As a rule, language certificates should not be more than three years old. An exception to this is university entrance qualifications, which must not be more than four years old. Certificates that are more than five years old should not be accepted.
- Please note: Placement tests taken at ZESS or other language course providers will not be accepted!
- [ZESS examination week January 2026](#)

English B1 level

- Cambridge English: Preliminary (PET)
- "International English Language Testing System" (IELTS Academic) minimum band 4
- "Test of English as a Foreign Language, paper-based test" (TOEFL PBT) with at least 487 points
- "Test of English as a Foreign Language, internet-based test" (TOEFL iBT) with a minimum of 57 points
- The European Language Certificates (TELC) with at least B1
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French B1 level:

- German-French Higher Education Agreement of 4 November 1988 (applies to bilingual schools and German-French grammar schools where French or German is taught up to the Abitur and French or German is taken as an examination subject in the Abitur/Baccalauréat)
 - "On the basis of the agreement... the grade achieved in French as a major subject in the context of obtaining the general higher education entrance qualification exempts students from the language examinations for enrolment at French universities."
- "Diplôme approfondi de langue française" (DALF) with at least B1
- "Diplôme d'études en langue française" (DELF) with at least B1
- "The European Language Certificates" (TELC) with at least B1