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TUM School of Management
Technical University of Munich

ENTREPRENEURSHIP EXCHANGE PROGRAM

in Collaboration with the Doerr School of Sustainability at Stanford University

TARGET GROUP

Academically excellent TUM School of Management Master students with demonstrated interest in entrepreneurship and sustainability .

SCOPE OF PROGRAM

TUM students will have the opportunity to do an off-campus internship at a start-up company in the famous Silicon Valley or the surrounding Bay Area, whilst undertaking courses in “Stanford Climate Ventures” (SCV) at Stanford University as Visiting Student Researcher (VSR). With this program, Stanford and TUM support students who wish to develop both their entrepreneurial and intercultural competencies.

EXPECTED QUALIFICATION

- Official EEP certificate
- Credits from Stanford University in “Stanford Climate Ventures”
- Reference from a US start-up company in Silicon Valley or the wider US Bay Area

LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION

English

APPLICATION SEMESTER

M.Sc. students in their 1st or 2nd semester

REQUIRED APPLICATION DOCUMENTS

- Current Transcript of Records
- Bachelor Degree certificate
- Abitur / Baccalaureate / A level certificate
- CV including motivational letter, qualifications and other skills (in English) → use the CV TEMPLATE
- DAAD Language Test English or equivalent (C1, no older than 2 years)
- Enrolment certificate
- Relevant work samples or employment letters
- If applicable: list of attended entrepreneurship-focused courses
- Pre-registration here
- Fill out the Questionnaire

NUMBER OF PLACES
2 per year

LENGTH OF STAY ABROAD
January 2028 – June 2028

APPLICATION DEADLINE
May, 2027

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APPLICATION

1. **Pre-register here.**
2. **Fill in the questionnaire.**
3. **Send your application documents via email to jip@mgt.tum.de**
   Subject line: APPLICATION FOR EEP_Stanford_"your name"

You will receive confirmation via email, at the latest on the next business day after the final application date. It is not possible to submit further documents after the application deadline.

SELECTION PROCESS

The application process consists of two parts: the pre-selection and an interview.

1. The pre-selection is based on the submitted documents and your filled-in questionnaire.
2. A rejection or an invitation to an interview will be sent to the candidates.

Please be aware that a participation in this program could extend your study at TUM!

Together with your Program Manager, it is your responsibility to determine if the exchange schedule matches your degree plan.

PROGRAM ELEMENTS (subject to change)

- Internship at a startup company in Silicon Valley or the wider US Bay Area (6 months, ca. 30 hours / week) and online Project Study (12 ECTS)
- Participation in the "Stanford Climate Ventures" course sequence at Stanford Doerr School of Sustainability (around 6 ECTS)

CREDIT TRANSFER

Option for TUM Master Students (ca. 18 ECTS):
Around 6 ECTS or more (min. 3 Stanford units) for the chosen course and 12 ECTS for the Project Study. Please take note that the described courses are tentative and subject to change.

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Internship in a Startup in Silicon Valley or the wider US Bay Area	**Project Study** at TUM (12 ECTS)
„Stanford Climate Ventures" (SCV) • ENERGY 203A (Fall): Weekly Lectures (Oct. – Dec.) • ENERGY 203: Project-based course (Jan. – Mar.) Min. 3 Stanford units = 6 ECTS or more Courses subject to availability and change.	**Elective in M.Sc.** ("wirtschaftswissenschaftlich-technisches Wahlfach") (Around 6 ECTS)

PROGRAM & VISA COSTS

Students are responsible for covering their own expenses. Scholarship opportunities may be available through TUM or external funding bodies.

Students will need to apply for a J-1 Visa (Visiting Student Researcher category)

Item	Estimated Cost
VSR Fee	~$ 1,400 / month
SCV Course	No additional cost
Health Insurance	~$ 900-1000/ month
Visa Fees	TBD

TIMELINE

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FURTHER COSTS

- Journey to and from Stanford: 600 – 900 €
- Personal and living expenses (incl. accommodation and food): ~1,500 (housing on campus in Stanford is possible, but not guaranteed)
- Additional costs for individual plans

Students are responsible for covering their own expenses.
Usually, the internships are not financially compensated.

CONTACT

If you have any questions don't hesitate to contact us via mail.
You can find more information on the website.
Program Coordinator: Veronica BOTTER & Miriam MAHLER

FAQs

When should I apply for the program?
Master's students at the TUM School of Management are eligible to apply starting from their first semester. Bachelor students are not eligible to the EEP with Stanford University.

Can I apply for another Joint International Program simultaneously?
Yes, you may apply for several of our programs; however, you will only be accepted for one.

Can I apply for TUM SOMex at the same time?
Yes, you may apply for other exchange opportunities. However, once you accept your nomination for the EEP, your other applications are annulled automatically as the Joint International Programs are prioritised.

Can I apply if I have already completed my project studies?
Yes, you may still apply; however, it is not recommended as you cannot have it recognized again but will be obligated to complete it successfully.

Do I need a language certificate in English?
Yes, you need proof of English proficiency in C1 or higher. If you do not have a recent one (not older than 2 years), please visit TUM language center.

Where can I take the DAAD Test in English?
Our Language Center offers the DAAD Test in English at regular intervals, free of charge. The dates can be found here.

How do I find a start-up in the Bay Area?
Once you are accepted for the program and nominated at Stanford, the Stanford program coordinator will contact you and provide support through the Stanford start-up network to find a suitable internship that fulfills the program criteria. Subsequently, an interview and/or an application process will be initiated to find a fitting match on both sides.

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