

# International Exchange Program Information Session 2014



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# OBW Exchange Program



## OBW Partner Institutions

- Universität Freiburg
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- Universität Hohenheim
- Karlsruher Institut für Technologie
- Universität Konstanz
- Universität Mannheim
- Universität Stuttgart
- Universität Tübingen
- Universität Ulm

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# OBW Opportunities

- One or two semester exchanges (two semester exchanges strongly encouraged)
- Most courses taught in German but accommodate Anglophones
- Summer Language Program
- Summer Research Program
- Scholarships \$1600/term, \$2500/year, \$1000/summer language & \$2600 to \$4400/Research Program

# Eligibility

- **Students in their 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> year are eligible to apply;** however, some there may be some restrictions.
- **Minimum of 70% cumulative average** when applying, which must be maintained until departure if accepted to the program.



# Deadlines

**December 1<sup>st</sup> 2014:**

Ontario Programs (including OBW), St Andrews, Killam, Australia, New Zealand, and the UK

**January 14<sup>th</sup> 2015:**

All other programs

\* Students can apply for fall, full year, winter & summer terms.

***No late applications will be accepted!***

# The Exchange Selection Process

- We work with a **limited number of exchange spaces** which are awarded on a **competitive basis**.
- Some destinations are more competitive than others.
- We look for students who are **involved** at Western and in the larger community, who show **cultural awareness and sensitivity** and who will **best represent Western and Canada** while on exchange.



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# Exchange Process Timeline

- **October– November:** attend info session, research destinations and institutions, and prepare application.
- **December 1<sup>st</sup> or January 14<sup>th</sup> :** APPLY!
- **Late February:** Offers made for exchange
- **March:** Pre-Departure sessions





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