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- In 1437, the City of Trier established its first university, which was closed under Napoleon in 1798. In 1970, the federal state of Rhineland-Palatinate founded a new university in Trier initially with the University of Kaiserslautern as a twin institution, but independent since 1975.
- By the end of the 1970s, a new campus was built on a high plateau overlooking the Moselle River. With its modern architecture surrounded by luscious green nature, it is said to be one of Germany's most beautiful campuses.



 Faculty and departmental buildings are grouped around the Forum and the Central Library, to which they are connected by bridges.



Trier is proud of its rich history, which is reflected in the city's museums and its many historical sites. As the capital of the Western Roman Empire, Trier – alongside Rome, Byzantium and Alexandria – was one of the ancient metropolises. Thanks to its landmark, the Porta Nigra, the Trier Cathedral and other significant architectural monuments, Germany's oldest city has been declared a UNESCO World Cultural Heritage site.

Today's cityscape is a fusion of history and modern lifestyle, not least characterized by a vibrant student life. With bars and cafés and a colourful range of cultural offerings and festivals, Trier is a tourist attrac-



tion with international appeal and a beautiful place to live for the city's 115,000 residents.

Since Roman times, wine has been cultivated in the area around Trier, flourishing in outstanding hillside vineyards along the Moselle. The economy of the city is characterized by a few major enterprises and many medium-sized businesses.

Its proximity to Luxembourg, an important financial center and the site of several EU institutions, as well as to France and Belgium puts Trier in the heart of Europe. Nine twin towns and cities across Europe, Asia and the USA attest to Trier's international orientation.



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Geography German Studies History Japanese Studies Law Studies Mathematics Media Studies **Nursing Science** Papyrology Pedagogy

Philosophy Political Science Psychology Romance Studies Sinology Slavic Studies Sociology

- Studying in Trier means choosing from a broad range of programs, which have been completely modularized and adapted to the Bachelor/Master structure, with the exception of law studies.
- Real interdisciplinary cooperation between faculties allows for multifaceted studies and interesting subject combinations.
- All Trier master programs are research oriented and lead students quickly to current research topics.
- Doctoral and post-doctoral students are welcome to do shortterm research or enroll and complete their projects in Trier.
- With most of the university's departments located on a single central campus, students are able to pursue their studies without detours or delays.
- A comprehensive choice of sports, cultural and leisure activities complements the academic programs.



- The University of Trier has a strong focus on the humanities and social sciences, but increasingly strengthens its environmental sciences programs.
- Many research projects are interdisciplinary in nature and embedded in global networks. The impressive amount of third-party funding proves that research done in Trier is able to compete both nationally and internationally.
- Established and defined areas of research include: Europe (and it's relations in a globalized world), humanities (from classical antiquity to present), environmental and regional transformation, information and communication, challenges of modern life. Gender studies are an independent element shaping the university's profile.



- The University of Trier actively participates in a research initiative by the state of Rhineland-Palatinate. Some of its outstanding research networks are: the Research Center Europe, Trier Center for Digital Humanities, TriCSS - Trier Centre for Sustainable Systems, Psychobiology of Stress.
- A particular concern is the education of young scholars. Besides structured PhD programs in some faculties and research training groups funded by the German Research Foundation (DFG), transdisciplinary advancement is coordinated by the Graduiertenzentrum (GUT). This central institution aims to enhance doctoral studies at the University of Trier and, among other activities, offers counseling as well as a broad range of seminars for both German and international PhD students.

- An international orientation in research and teaching is one of three central leitmotifs of the University of Trier. It has more than 50 partnerships with universities on all continents - focal regions being Europe, South-East Asia and the USA. In addition, there are over 300 agreements within the framework of the ERASMUS program.
- Studying in Trier is an international experience. More than 11 percent of the student population is made up of international students, who come from a total of around 100 different countries, making the campus a meeting place of cultures.
- For international students, the University of Trier offers a broad range of summer schools, introductory programs and free German courses throughout the academic year. In programs aimed at advancing integration, German students can gain international experience and intercultural competence.
- As a member of the "University of the Greater Region", Trier University provides students and staff the opportunity to study and do research in Metz, Nancy, Luxembourg, Liège and Saarbrücken.
- The International (Akademisches Auslandsamt) coordinates the university's international co-operations and is the central contact for students and scholars from abroad.