Founded around 16 B.C. by the Romans as Augusta Treverorum, Trier counts as the oldest German city.

Trier's history of over 2000 years can be seen and experienced first-hand, particularly thanks to the many architecturally interesting sites still standing since Roman times, the Middle ages and the Renaissance. A total of eight of these architectural legacies are designated UNESCO sites of world cultural heritage.

The geographical significance of Trier can be viewed in a number of ways: At a local level, Trier with its 100,000 inhabitants is the center of one of the most famous and well-established wine growing regions in Germany. Seen nationally, Trier lies on the outskirts of Germany, in the most south-western corner and quite remote from the metropolises that are Berlin, Hamburg or Munich. Internationally, however, Trier is in the center of Europe, in direct proximity to Luxembourg, France and Belgium.

Trier's long history, its significance as center of the Moselle wine-growing region and its proximity to its European neighbors all make the city a popular tourist destination which attracts visitors from all over the world.

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TRIER UNIVERSITY

• Founded in 1970, Trier University with its 15,000 students (including more than 10% international students) embraces contrast: young, yet true to tradition; internationally oriented and regionally rooted; on the geographic edge of Germany, but in the heart of Europe close to France, Luxembourg, and Belgium.

www.uni-trier.de

• With a strong focus on the humanities, social sciences, law, business and economics, geography and geo sciences, there are six faculties covering more than thirty subject areas.

www.faecher.uni-trier.de

• The balance between teaching and research, and the university’s increasing internationalization characterize many of the courses and degree programs. Interdisciplinary cooperation between faculties allows for multifaceted studies and interesting subject combinations.

www.studienangebot.uni-trier.de

• A comprehensive choice of sports, cultural and leisure activities complements the academic programs.

www.unisport.uni-trier.de, www.kultur.uni-trier.de

• With its modern architecture surrounded by luscious green nature, Trier University is said to be one of Germany’s most beautiful campuses.

HIGHLIGHTS

• Enjoy life in the oldest German city and mature academically at a modern campus university.

• Extend your knowledge from an interdisciplinary perspective based on Trier University’s strong offerings in the humanities and social sciences.

• Improve your German skills not only in daily life but in superb German courses offered by the German as Foreign Language Department.

• Make new friends not only in classroom but while participating in the extracurricular activities (a buddy program, language tandems, encounters with Trier locals, excursions) offered by the student initiative “Internationales Zentrum”.

• Have a truly international experience as Trier is located in the heart of Europe close to the borders of Luxembourg, France and Belgium.

• Each semester the International Office at Trier University offers a three-and-a-half week orientation program before the start of the lecture period. The aim of the program is to prepare international students for studying at the university and help them to settle into living in Trier. The orientation program has four key components: German lessons, the completion of important administrative formalities, various information sessions as well as social and cultural activities.

• The department of German as a Foreign Language (DaF) offers up to 15 different courses every semester. These courses are designed for different language levels and cover a variety of subject areas. They range from intensive courses for students with little knowledge of German (beginner level A2) to intermediate courses (B1, B2) and there are also specialized courses for students with advanced knowledge of German (C1, C2).

• Each semester the student initiative “Internationales Zentrum” (IZ) offers international students an intercultural mentoring program as well as advice and guidance. The IZ is not only there to help with all aspects of studies, but also organizes a varied program of social and cultural activities. This extensive program is rounded off by several day excursions and one short-break excursion per semester to a variety of German and European destinations.

www.iz-trier.de