



Universität Hamburg

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FACULTY
OF LAW



EUROPEAN AND INTERNATIONAL LAW (MEIL)

MASTER PROGRAM (LL.M.)

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LL.M. PROGRAM

THE MOST IMPORTANT FACTS AT A GLANCE

The one-year international Master's program on European and International Law (MEIL) has been offered at Universität Hamburg since the academic year 2022/23. Here students will acquire in-depth knowledge in the fascinating fields of international and European law. This English-language Master's program prepares legal talents for international careers in a world where an understanding of European and international concepts, as well as intercultural competencies and very good English skills, are essential.

The Faculty of Law at Universität Hamburg is in charge of the overall academic implementation of the program. It is supported by ten European partner universities (Central European University, Vienna; Eötvös-Loránd-University, Budapest; Jagiellonian-University Krakow; KU Leuven; Lund University; Maastricht University; Manchester University; Universidad Autonoma de Madrid; University of Bologna; Université de Strasbourg).

Management of the program

- Head: Prof. Dr. Hinrich Julius
- Coordination: Malin Späth/Grisenta
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Duration: 2 Semesters, starting beginning of September each year

Degree: Master of Laws (LL.M.)

Tuition fee: 7,000 euros, plus semester fee of Universität Hamburg (approx. 340 euros per semester)

SEMESTER DATES 2023/24

Winter Semester: 1 September 2024 to mid-January 2025
(classes from 2 September to mid/end of December)

Spring Semester starts in January - April depending on the chosen specialization.
Lectures end in May, June or July.

Main Contents: International Law, EU Law and European Business Law

SCHEDULE

Students will attend classes at Universität Hamburg during the Winter Semester. They will have the option to participate in classes either at Universität Hamburg or at one of the European partner universities during the Spring Semester. The Winter Semester consists of the introductory module and three compulsory modules from the areas of public international law and human rights, EU law, and European business law. In the Spring Semester, specialisation modules are offered at Universität Hamburg and several European partner universities in the areas of international human rights law, EU law, European and international business law, and legal ethics. Courses are taught by a “Flying Faculty” from the partner universities. The language of instruction is English.

CURRICULUM

The Master's program lasts 12 months, from September to August of the following year. It comprises four compulsory modules, as well as two to five elective modules, and a thesis, which are together assessed with a total of 60 credit points according to ECTS. All students study together during the Winter Semester in Hamburg and in the Spring Semester either in Hamburg or at one of the other European partner universities.

The program begins with an orientation unit on methodology, academic work, and legal traditions, followed by three compulsory modules:

- Public International Law
- European Union Law
- European Business Law

These are followed by specialization modules. Students may choose between the following specialization modules (lectures courses offered in 2025 will be decided in spring 2024):

- Human Rights from an International Perspective (Lund University)
- International Human Rights (Central European University, Vienna)
- International Business Law (Universität Hamburg)
- International Business Law (Central European University, Vienna)
- International Relations of the EU (Universität Hamburg)
- European Business Law (Universität Hamburg)
- European and International Business Law (Eötvös Loránd University, Budapest)
- Corporate and Commercial Law (Maastricht University)
- European and International Law & Justice (University of Bologna)

In the Spring Semester students also write an academic Master thesis, for which they have four months to complete.

ACADEMIC DEGREE

Upon successful completion of the modules and the writing of a Master thesis, Universität Hamburg awards the academic degree of "Master of Laws (LL.M.)". A wide range of professional fields are open to graduates.

MEIL SPECIALIZATION MODULES

SPRING SEMESTER 2025

All MEIL students take compulsory modules at Universität Hamburg in Germany during the Winter Semester. Many different specialization modules are offered in Hamburg and at European partner universities during the Spring Semester. All prospective MEIL students must choose a specialization module for the Spring Semester. The minimum number of credits to be taken is 15 ECTS. In addition, a master thesis is to be written. Preferably, the topic of the master thesis should be within the field of the chosen specialization module. The UHH will organize the placement at the partner universities, students however, have to find their own housing. The UHH and the partner universities will offer support to the students.



LOCATIONS/UNIVERSITIES (ACADEMIC YEAR 24/25) - TO BE DECIDED

1. **Austria: Central European University (Vienna)**
 - International Business Law or
 - International Human Rights
2. **The Netherlands: Maastricht University**
 - Corporate and Commercial Law
3. **Germany: Universität Hamburg/Europa-Kolleg Hamburg**
 - International Business Law (hybrid mode)
 - European Business Law
 - International Relations of the EU
4. **Hungary: Eötvös Loránd University (Budapest)**
 - International Business Law
5. **Italy: University of Bologna**
 - European and International Law & Justice Legal Ethics
6. **Sweden: Lund University**
 - Human Rights from an International Perspective

HOW TO CHOOSE THE RIGHT MODULE/UNIVERSITY?

In addition to the content of the academic courses offered within the specialization module, things to consider include finances (living expenses may differ), housing availability, culture, language, small/big university/city, and your future plans, etc. Please find below details on the university locations and modules offered. The MEIL program offers the unique chance to study in two different cities in Europe in top rated universities which can be a great benefit in your future career. The MEIL-Team will assist with information and guidance.

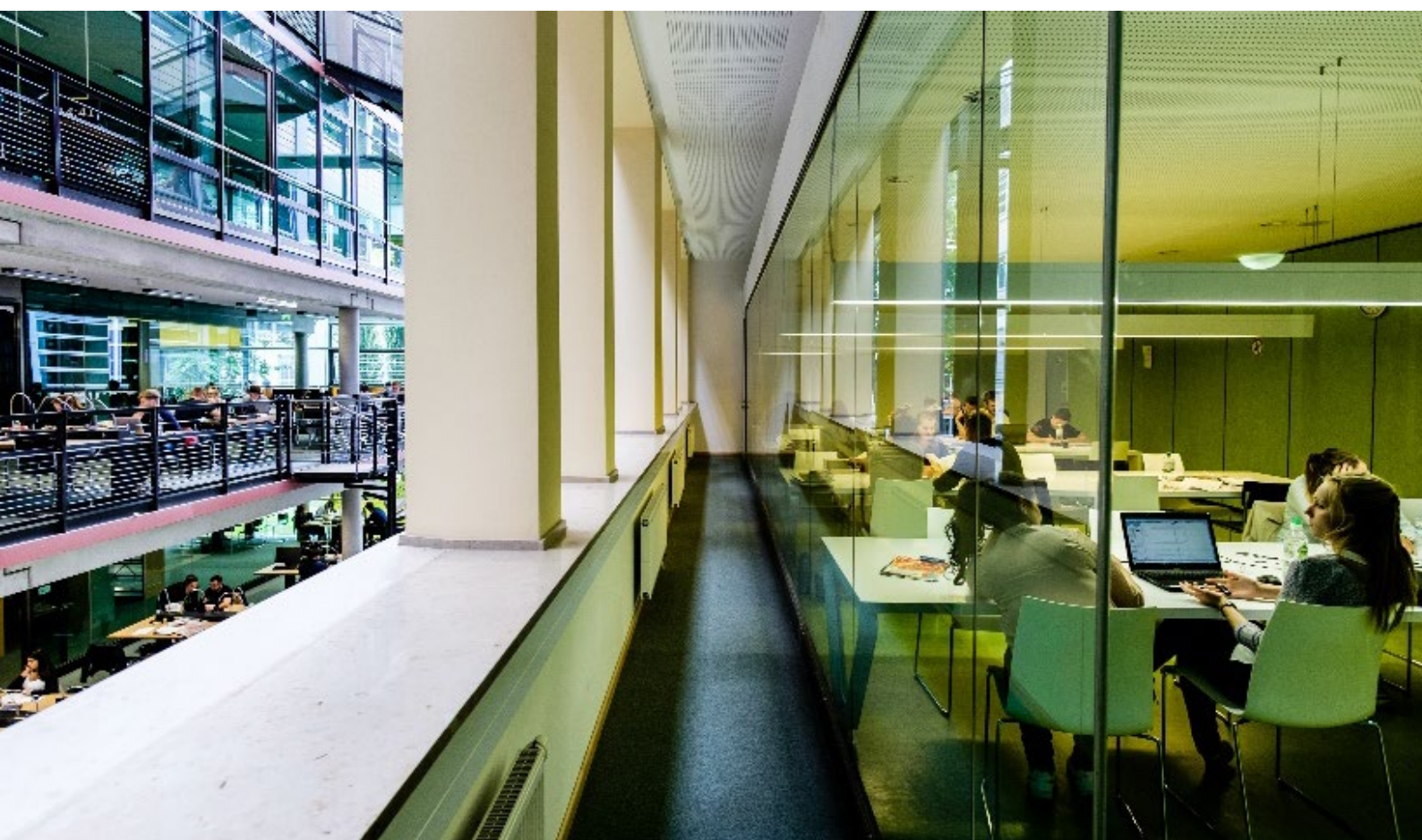
APPLICATION DEADLINE FOR MODULE PREFERENCES: 15 JUNE 2024

Please fill out the elective form (will be sent to admitted students) and choose 3 modules and mark them according to your preference (1st choice, 2nd choice, and 3rd choice). There is no guarantee that students will be placed in their top choices, but efforts will be made to do so according to placements and demand. Please note that the offered courses are subject to changes.

You will receive a confirmation on the elective **by 1 July**.

Change of elective: Please note that if you want to change the elective you have to find another student who is willing to switch places with you. There are only a limited number of places in the elective courses and the partner universities need the final student list latest end of August. After this no changes are possible anymore.

ALL COURSE DATA IS SUBJECT TO MODIFICATIONS AND AMENDMENTS



CENTRAL EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY



Students will study in CEU's Department of Legal Studies in the new Vienna campus. Students can participate in two different specialization modules: International Business Law or International Human Rights. The following courses are included in the modules (subject to change). Students can normally choose between more courses.

More information: <https://www.ceu.edu/vienna>

International Business Law (5 places)

- International Trade Law (6 ECTS)
- International Business Law Legal Research Methodology (2 ECTS)
- Corporate Finance and Securities Regulation (4 ECTS)
- Compliance (2 ECTS)
- International Tax Law (2 ECTS)

International Human Rights (5 places)

- Theories of Human Rights: Intercultural Perspectives (4 ECTS)
- Human Rights Legal Research Methodology (2 ECTS)
- Business and Human Rights (4 ECTS)
- European Anti-Discrimination Law (4 ECTS)
- Freedom of Assembly (2 ECTS)



Courses start mid-January and end mid-June.

For more information and course descriptions, please visit <http://legal.ceu.edu/curriculum>

Requirement: IELTS 6.5 or TOEFL 90

LIVING IN VIENNA

Located in the center of Europe, Vienna is famous for its traditional cafes, imperial architecture, and classical music. Vienna is the capital of Austria and has around 2 million inhabitants. In 2019, it was rated as the world's most liveable city for the tenth year in a row. However, living in Vienna is not cheap. As with all top cities, finding a place to live is a challenge. On the website of CEU, you can find information on accommodation possibilities in Vienna <https://www.ceu.edu/info-arriving-students/accommodation>. You may also want to check out the academic guesthouse (room4rent) located close to the CEU campus. Here we can assist with contacting the guesthouse. <https://www.room4rent.at/standorte/22-bezirk-sirius.html>

Vienna has an excellent public transport system and many bike roads. Vienna offers a broad range of cultural activities. Alongside cinemas, theatres, concert halls and opera houses, there are many museums, castles, and churches. Discounts for students are often available in theatres, museums, or other cultural institutions.

COST OF LIVING

The list below shows an estimate of the monthly living expenses for students in Austria (2021). These numbers are only meant to be a guideline. Accommodation costs are calculated based on the costs arising from living in a single room in a student residence or a shared flat.

TABLE 1 Estimated living costs in Vienna

| | |
|--|-----------------|
| Accommodation (incl. heating, electricity) | € 400- € 450 |
| Food | € 250 |
| Public transport | € 30 |
| Study and personal requirements (books, spare time etc.) | € 300 |
| Monthly expenses | € 980 - € 1,030 |

For more information on living costs see: <https://studyinaustria.at/en/living/living-costs/>



Maastricht University (UM) is the most international university in the Netherlands and, with nearly 22,000 students and 4,400 employees, is still growing. The university distinguishes itself with its innovative education model, international character and multidisciplinary approach to research and education. Thanks to its high-quality research and education, as well as a strong focus on social engagement, UM has quickly built a solid reputation. Today, it is considered one of the best young universities in the world. 55% of students & 45% academic staff come from abroad (100+ countries).

At Maastricht University MEIL students can focus on corporate and commercial law. Students have to choose 2 courses from the list below and write term paper.

Module Corporate and Commercial Law (8 places)

- Comparative Company Law (6 ECTS)
- Corporate Social Responsibility (6 ECTS)
- Comparative Corporate Governance (6 ECTS)
- State Aid & Public Procurement in the EU (6 ECTS)
- Term Paper (3 ECTS)

Courses start beginning of February and exams take place mid-June (re-sits in mid-July).

Requirement: IELTS 6.5 or TOEFL 90



Maastricht Law Faculty

LIVING IN MAASTRICHT

Maastricht is a wonderful city to live in. Exactly the right size, inviting and lovely city centre, historic buildings besides cutting-edge architecture and industrial heritage. The city is vibrant, not in the least thanks to the many students, and there are lots of things to do. Maastricht, the oldest city in the Netherlands, gained international fame as the 'birthplace of the European Union' by hosting of the European Summit in 1991, and as the city where the Treaty of Maastricht was signed in 1992. Maastricht is centrally located in the heart of Europe, bordering Belgium (a brisk 47 minute walk or 11 minutes of vigorous bike riding away) and Germany (only 35 minutes by car), which means that Brussels is an hour-and-a-half away, Amsterdam two, Paris and Frankfurt three, and London four-and-a-half hours. There are nine airports within an hour's travel, where low cost carriers will take you to any European city in a heartbeat.

Located in the southernmost tip of the country, it has a reputation for feeling rather non-Dutch. To many Dutch people it even feels as if they are abroad and no longer in the Netherlands! They join the flocks of other tourists who visit Maastricht to go shopping, to get a taste of its laid-back and friendly atmosphere, or to check out one of its 1,660 monumental buildings. Maastricht is a cosy city of around 122,000 inhabitants. Known for its vibrant student life.

Student housing can be found via the following two links:

<https://www.maastrichthousing.com/>

<https://www.maastrichtuniversity.nl/support/your-studies-begin/international-students-coming-maastricht/um-guesthouse>

Most exchange students end up staying in the UM Guesthouse, which offers short-term housing with furnished single and double rooms as well as studios at multiple locations in Maastricht.

COSTS OF LIVING IN THE NETHERLANDS

Your daily expenses include accommodation, insurance, books and study materials, groceries, transportation, clothing and personal care, leisure, travel and other expenses. Experience has shown that students living and studying in the Netherlands spend approximately € 1,100 a month.





UNIVERSITÄT HAMBURG/EUROPA- KOLLEG HAMBURG



Universität Hamburg

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Universität Hamburg is one of Germany's 'Universities of Excellence' and the largest institution for research and education in the North of Germany. Universität Hamburg was founded in 1919 and today offers approximately 170 degree programs. Over 40,000 students are enrolled at the university, with 4,400 students at the Law Faculty.

Students can choose between the MEIL module specialization International Business Law taught by Flying Faculty from the European partner universities, or two different modules offered at the Europa-Kolleg Hamburg within the master program "European and European Legal Studies" (MEELS).

The courses in Hamburg run from April to end of June.

International Business Law (MEIL) (40 places)

- International Business Law I (Conflicts of Law, International Sale of Goods, WTO-Law) (8 ECTS)
- International Business Law II (Litigation and Arbitration, Moot Court, Intellectual Property Rights) (7 ECTS)

European Business Law (MEELS/MEIL) (15 places)

- Working and Doing Business in Areas without Boundaries (4 ECTS)
- Fair Competition and Secure Investments (5 ECTS)
- Corporate Organization and Cross-border Corporate Activities (6 ECTS)

International Relations of the EU (MEELS/MEIL) (15 places)

- Legal External Relations of the EU (6 ECTS)
- Economic External Relations of the EU (4 ECTS)
- Political External Relations of the EU (5 ECTS)

LIVING IN HAMBURG

The vibrant city of Hamburg attracts students from all over the world. With 1.8 million inhabitants, Hamburg is not only the second largest city in Germany, it also has Europe's second largest harbor and 2,496 bridges, more than any other city in the world!

Along with the bridges, there are numerous green spaces and so the city offers both an intellectually stimulating study environment and world-class lifestyle attractions and amenities. Housing is very difficult to secure in Hamburg. There is a possibility to get a room in a private student dormitory, but many students also share apartments.

COST OF LIVING

The costs for living in Hamburg are rather high. Of course, it is possible to get by on a budget, but you will need to make some compromises. Accommodation for less than 500 EUR a month generally means living in shared accommodation in a privately rented flat or a hall of residence, or outside of the city borders. You should count a minimum of 850 € per month including accommodation, health insurance, costs for study material and personal expenses.

TABLE 3 Estimated living costs in Hamburg

| | |
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| Accommodation (incl. heating, electricity) | € 300- € 500 |
| Food | € 250 |
| Study and personal requirements (books, spare time etc.) | € 300 |
| Monthly expenses | € 750 - € 1,050 |



EÖTVÖS LORÁND UNIVERSITY

Founded in 1635, Eötvös Loránd University of Budapest (ELTE), is the oldest institution of its kind in Hungary. According to statistics, it is one of the ten best institutions in Eastern Europe. More than 24,000 students are distributed among eight faculties. The internationalization of the university is continuously increased by offering courses offered in various foreign languages. Currently more than 2,000 of the students come from abroad.



Elective module at ELTE (15 places)

MEIL students have to choose three courses and can choose between several courses (courses may change):

- Artificial Intelligence and Technology in Private Law (5 ECTS)
- Regulation of Digital Industries (5 ECTS)
- Artificial Intelligence and Technology in Private Law (5 ECTS)
- International Litigation and Arbitration – Selected Issues (5 ECTS)
- Unification of Contract Law (5 ECTS)
- Multinational Enterprises and Private International Law (5 ECTS)
- International Intellectual Property Law (5 ECTS)
- Transactions in International Environment (Mergers and Acquisitions) (5 ECTS)
- International and European Personal Data Protection Law (5 ECTS)
- Regulation of Digital Industries (5 ECTS)

The courses at ELTE run from mid-February to end of May.

LIVING IN BUDAPEST

Budapest is the capital and the largest city of Hungary. With over 1.7 million inhabitants, Budapest is the ninth largest city in the European Union. Budapest is a popular tourist city famous for its historical buildings, hot baths, spas, and culture. Budapest is a popular destination for students also because the city offers affordable living costs. There are many student dormitories with 2-3 beds per room available at a cheap price. For further information on dormitories please see: <https://www.elte.hu/en/dormitory-centre>

Budapest is a very exciting and thrilling city. Of course, there is a lot to experience and get to know culturally. For those interested in art, there are many museums and galleries. There are also many theater and concert events in Budapest, and you can always find something exciting. In addition, of course, there are the historical buildings, the parliament building, the castle, the bridges and the baths. If you want to get to know the culture in Budapest, you should explore the market, eat typical Hungarian goulash, walk through the streets with open eyes and let the special atmosphere of this city take effect on you.

TABLE 4 Estimated living costs in Budapest

| | |
|--|---------------|
| Accommodation (incl. heating, electricity) | € 165 - € 350 |
| Food | € 250 - € 300 |
| Study and personal requirements (books, spare time etc.) | € 250 - € 300 |
| Local transport | € 15 |
| Monthly expenses | € 730 - € 975 |

For further information on living costs in Budapest please see https://www.elte.hu/en/living_costs



UNIVERSITY OF BOLOGNA

The University of Bologna was founded in 1088 by an organised guild of students, it is the oldest university in continuous operation in the world, and the first degree-awarding institution of higher learning. With over 90,000 students, it is the second-largest university in Italy and it is also one of the most prestigious universities in Italy. It is commonly ranked among the top universities in Italy and the world. It is especially renowned for its studies in law, medicine, and the natural sciences.



ALMA MATER STUDIORUM
UNIVERSITÀ DI BOLOGNA

European and International Law & Justice (10 places)

Two elective courses from the following list:

- International criminal procedure (6 ECTS)
- International criminal law (6 ECTS)
- EU constitutional law (6 ECTS)
- EU health law (6 ECTS)
- EU antitrust law (6 ECTS)
- Administrative law (6 ECTS)
- Regulatory law and sustainability (6 ECTS)
- Social justice and labour standards (6 ECTS)

One seminar from the following list:

- Automotive law (3 ECTS)
- Rule of law, foundations and applications (3 ECTS)

Requirement: IELTS 6.5 or TOEFL 90

Courses start mid-February and run until June. Exam period June-July.



LIVING IN BOLOGNA

Bologna is in Northern Italy and it is the seventh most populous city in Italy, with about 400,000 inhabitants. Some of the most important Italian cities which are close to Bologna which you can visit are Florence, Venice and Milan. Italy has a wonderful railway and just in 1 or 2 hours by train you can be in one of these great cities.

Bologna is world-famous for its warm and welcoming atmosphere and its immense cultural, historical and artistic heritage. Breathtaking churches, museums and gardens, the famous porticoes and medieval squares, not to mention the delicious Bolognese cuisine which is known and acclaimed worldwide.

Generally, Italy is not one of the most expensive countries in Europe, but it isn't the cheapest one either. In the case of Bologna, the cost of living depends, partly, on yourself.

A big part of your budget will be for paying rent. If you choose a student dormitory, the prices for the rooms usually are around 350-450€ per month. You can also share an apartment, although this can be a little more expensive. We recommend that you start looking for accommodation as soon as possible.

Something positive is that Bologna is not an excessively big city, you can easily move around with a bike. Moving on public transport through this city is quite easy.

You can find out more about housing options for students here:

<https://www.unibo.it/en/services-and-opportunities/study-grants-and-subsidies/housing-and-residences/housing-and-residences>





LUND UNIVERSITY



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More than a third of Lund's residents are students. Bright minds from all over the world flock to the 1,000-year-old city, whose university ranks among the 100 best in the world. Lund University is the #1 choice for international students in Sweden, with one third of all students choosing Lund University programs. International students appreciate the University because of its wide range of more than 140 international degree programs, as well as exchange and Ph.D. studies, and strong rankings performance.

Students take courses within the LL.M. program at Lund University's Faculty of Law ("International Human Rights Law").

International Human rights (6 places)

- Human Rights and Cultural Diversity (7,5 ECTS)
- Human Rights Law, the Environment and Climate Change (7,5 ECTS)
- Business and Human Rights/ Corporate Social Responsibilities (7,5 ECTS)
- Democratic Policing and Human Rights (7,5 ECTS)
- European Fundamental Rights Law (7,5 ECTS)

Requirement: IELTS 6.5 or TOEFL 90

Students may choose two out of the four courses offered. For more information on the LL.M. programs and course descriptions, visit <http://www.law.lu.se/>. The courses might change slightly for the coming year.

Classes start in March and end first week of June. The students that choose the Lund elective should plan to go there in January after the exams and then write their Master Thesis in Lund, since housing can normally only be booked for one semester.

LIVING IN LUND

The University's campus is located in the charming, medieval university town of Lund. Because of its unique combination of traditional student organizations, academic societies and student unions, Lund is considered by many to be the best student city in Sweden. Moreover, Lund is only 10 minutes away from Sweden's third largest city Malmö and 35 minutes from Copenhagen, Denmark, making it a great hub for travel throughout Sweden and Europe.

TABLE 6 Estimated living costs in Lund

| | |
|---|-----------------|
| Rent (student dormitory) | € 350 - € 580 |
| Food | € 200 - € 250 |
| Study and personal requirements (books, clothes, spare time etc.) | € 190 - € 300 |
| Monthly expenses | € 740 - € 1,130 |

For more information on living costs in Lund please see: <https://www.lunduniversity.lu.se/student-life/before-you-arrive/money-and-living-costs> Lund University will try to assist with applying for the international students housing, but there is no guarantee that housing can be offered through the university.



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