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In this leaflet, we are attempting to illustrate the process of internationalisation at Universität Leipzig in selected milestones.

### Internationalization as an assignment worldwide

**The ERASMUS programme forms the most important framework for international academic and student exchange programmes within Europe.**

With more than 340 ERASMUS university partners in almost 230 European cities, Universität Leipzig can offer extensive exchange opportunities. Spain, France, Great Britain and Poland are among the Leipzigers' favourite destinations. Most of those visiting Leipzig come from Spain, France, Poland and Italy.

In terms of staff mobility, Universität Leipzig is one of the leading university institutions in Germany.

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### Student mobility

With 200-400 students completing an ERASMUS study period in Europe in each year between 2004 and 2009, according to DAAD's statistics this put Universität Leipzig among the top universities in Germany. In the academic year 2008/09 UL was even with Universität Heidelberg. After that a downward trend started that led to the lowest level since 1998, with less than 400 students on the programme abroad in the winter semester 2010/11.

### Mobility programmes

- **2007/08**
- **2008/09**
- **2009/10**
- **2010/11**

### Study period

- **ERASMUS study (SMS)**
- **Internship (SMP)**

**Enrolled international students with HZB* abroad**

- **2001/02**
- **2002/03**
- **2003/04**
- **2004/05**
- **2005/06**
- **2006/07**
- **2007/08**
- **2008/09**
- **2009/10**
- **2010/11**

### Total of international students intending to graduate (excluding doctoral candidates)

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* HZB: university entrance qualification – equivalent to German Abitur

In 2006 Universität Leipzig converted the most courses in the modularised Bachelor and Master structure. Increasing the recognition rate of course achievements acquired abroad is currently one of the highest priority tasks for the Faculties and Rectorate.

In addition to the sponsorship of ERASMUS study periods abroad, since 2007 students at Universität Leipzig have also had the opportunity of applying for financial support for an ERASMUS Internship (during their course or PhD). Around 250 students from Universität Leipzig have made use of the since the programme began.

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**SMS abroad**

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