**Cost in HdM**

**FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND COST (as of March 2023)**

Being an exchange student at HdM, you won't have to pay any tuition fees to our university. You will be required to pay the winter semester registration fee (86,50 EUR).

**Here below you can find some further information on the estimated cost for your semester:**

\* Accommodation: ca. 350-420 EUR per month (depending on the hall of residence) and a deposit (currently 400 EUR plus the first rent, to be paid before arrival)

\* Health insurance (mandatory for students without the EHIC European Health Insurance Card or a bilateral insurance agreement between home country and Germany): Around 120 EUR per month

\* Student ticket for the public transport in Stuttgart: Approx. 210 EUR (valid always for 6 months). You can also consider purchasing the JugendTicket of SSB for ca 30 EUR per months

\* Groceries: The prices vary depending on the shop. Past exchange students have estimated to have spent an average of 120 EUR per month.

\* Books and other study materials: Not all lecturers require students to purchase books. Prices range from second hand books to new books costing between 10-25 EUR. If you join our German language course, you will be asked to buy 2 books, which are around 20 EUR in total.

\* Exchange Student Network (ESN) membership: 20 EUR.

When budgeting, please also add some funds for clothing, travels, and social life.

**Financial support**

The German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) is the German national agency for the support of international academic cooperation. They offer programs and funding for students, faculty, researchers and others in higher education, providing financial support to over 67,000 individuals per year to go to and from Germany. Further information: [http://www.daad.org/germanstudies"](https://www.daad.de/deutschland/stipendium/datenbank/en/21148-scholarship-database/?status=&origin=&subjectGrps=&daad=&q=&page=1&back=1)

**VVS StudiTicket**

This ticket is valid for the public transport in Stuttgart. You can purchase the StudiTicket in the begin of the semester either online or in person at one of the VVS Shops.

The cost of the StudiTicket is currently approx. 210 EUR, and it is valid for 6 months.

In order to purchase the ticket you will need a validated HdM Student ID (you will get the ID during the first orientation meeting after you have paid the semester fee). If you do not wish to purchase a semester ticket, you can use the public transportation for free with your HdM Student ID every Mon-Fri from 6:00PM, and on weekends and during public holidays for the whole day.

For more information, please visit the VVS [website](https://en.vvs.de/tickets/studiticket/).

**JugendTicketBW**

The new JugendTicketBW allows students younger than 27 years old to purchase a monthly ticket that covers all public transport in the State of Baden-Württemberg. You can buy this ticket monthly.

For more information, please visit the SSB [website](https://tickets.ssb-ag.de/index.php/product/833/show).