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EMECS

EUROPEAN MASTER EMBEDDED COMPUTING SYSTEMS Erasmus Mundus

Germany (TU Kaiserslautern) – U.K. (University of Southampton) – Norway (Norwegian University of Science & Technology)

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ABOUT EMECS

Kaiserslautern coordinates the Erasmus Mundus Masters course European Master in Embedded Computing Systems (EMECS), offered by a consortium with the University of Southampton (U.K.) and the Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU).

EMECS is a two-year master's course (120 ECTS credits) that is pursued at two of the participating institutions as defined by every student individual mobility scheme. Students will earn 50% of the credits at each of the two institutions they elect to attend, leading to a joint degree from those respective institutions. The language of instruction is English.

Link to EMECS-Website: http://mundus.eit.uni-kl.de/

ACADEMIC SUPERVISORS

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SUPPORT UNITS AT THE UNIVERSITIES

For questions regarding general services (accommodation, visa etc.) please contact:

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GENERAL INFORMATION FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

General information for international students studying in Germany: German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD): <u>http://www.daad.de/deutschland/wege-durchs-studium/06070.en.html</u>

General information for international students studying in the U.K.: <u>http://www.prepareforsuccess.org.uk</u>

General information for international students studying in Norway: <u>http://www.ntnu.no/international/master</u>

ACADEMIC CALENDAR

Institution	Start Semester 1	End Semester 1	Start Semester 2	End Semester 2
TU KL	August 1, 2011	March 31, 2012	April 1, 2012	July 31, 2012
NTNU	August 09, 2011	December 23, 2011	January 06, 2012	June 10, 2012
UoS	September 30, 2011	January 29, 2012	January 31, 2012	June 18, 2012

COSTS OF PARTICIPATION

The costs of participation in the EMECS program amount to 4,000 EUR per semester for non-EU students (all in all 16,000 EUR), and 2,000 EUR per semester for students from the EU (all in all 8,000 EUR). If you are granted an Erasmus Mundus Scholarship of the European Commission, the costs of participation in the program for the duration of the regular period of study, which is 2 years (4 semesters), will be covered by your scholarship.

VISA & RESIDENCE PERMIT

European citizens do not need a visa when moving within the EU, non-European citizens generally do. Visa issues generally are under competence of national states, and therefore there are no single regulations and requirements for all European countries, thus you will have to inform on the regulations of both of the countries you want to spend your studies in. Applications for a visa have to be done from your native country (Visa for your first place of studies), or of a country you have the residence permit in (Visa for your second place of study).

Please note: Visa issues demand much time and attention, sometimes it even takes up to 6 months! Thus we suggest: Apply for your visa for studies as soon as you received your letter of admission to the EMECS-course.

<u>Kaiserslautern</u>

Visas for Germany can be requested at the German Embassy or Consulate in your country or region. For the application you will need a valid passport (which should be valid for the whole duration of your studies in Europe), your letter of admission for EMECS, scholarship information or other proof of financing your studies and medical insurance. Take care to apply for a *visa for studies*.

The visa for your second country of studies can only be requested when you are already in Kaiserslautern and have a German residence permit. Within the first 3 months of your stay you are required to apply for a temporary residence permit (*"Aufenthaltserlaubnis"*) at the local Foreigner's Office (*"Ausländerbehörde"*). With this residence permit you are allowed to apply for a visa for the next country of your studies.

<u>Trondheim</u>

Precondition for a student visa for Norway is an invitation letter (issued by the International Office) from NTNU that has to be submitted with the visa application.

Detailed information on student visa issues in Norway can be found at the Norwegian Directorate of Immigration: <u>http://www.udi.no/Norwegian-Directorate-of-Immigration/Central-</u>

topics/Studies/Study-in-Norway/

Within the first 7 days after your arrival you have to apply for a residence permit at the Immigration Department of the Police Station. Therefore you will have to present your letter of admission, your passport as well as a proof of financial support.

Southampton

To make an application to study in the U.K. under Tier 4 (General Visa) of the Points-Based System you will need to show that you can score 40 points. You can score 30 points for holding a

valid Confirmation of Acceptance of Studies (known as a CAS), and 10 points for meeting the maintenance requirement (evidence of funding). The fee for making a Tier 4 application from outside the U.K. is currently £145.00 (February 2010). You will be required to submit your biometrics (fingerprints and facial scan) as part of the application. You can find out more about applying under Tier 4 from outside the U.K. at http://www.ukvisas.gov.uk/en/howtoapply/infs/inf29pbsstudent

If you are successful in obtaining a visa under Tier 4 (General) you will be permitted to enter and/or remain in the UK for the duration of the visa, subject to you remaining a student at the University of Southampton and complying with all other Tier 4 immigration conditions. If you are required to apply for a visa for another country at the end of /during the validity of your Tier 4 (G) visa you should apply to the appropriate Embassy or Consulate in London to obtain this. Nationals of some non EU/EEA countries are required to register with the police on arrival. You should check your visa when you get it to see if this condition applies to you.

INSURANCES

For the participants of the EMECS programme with a scholarship the consortium will provide an insurance cover for the duration of the studies, consisting of a travel health insurance, travel accident insurance, travel liability insurance and emergency call travel insurance. The costs of the insurance premium are covered by the programme fees.

LANGUAGE ISSUES

The language of instruction in each partner institution is English. However, in Kaiserslautern attendance to a basic German language course is mandatory: <u>http://www.uni-kl.de/wcms/?id=2293</u>

GUIDELINES AVAILABLE (can be downloaded on EMECS-Website)

University of Kaiserslautern

Newcomers' Guide (information on residence permit, banc account, travel, accommodation, insurances, medical issues, enrolment and life in Kaiserslautern) Information Sheet on Orientation Course (German class, orientation activities, social support)

Norwegian University of Science & Technology

Arrival Checklist for International Students (residence permit, bank account, insurances, examination regulations) Guidelines for International Students (travel, accommodation, life in Trondheim)

University of Southampton

Visa Guidelines of the U.K. Border Agency ECS Student Handbook (general information) English Language Support: <u>http://www.soton.ac.uk/cls/english/support.html</u> Prepare for Success (U.K.): <u>http://www.prepareforsuccess.org.uk/</u>

EMA COMMUNITY

The Erasmus Mundus Students and Alumni Association (EMA) is a network for students and alumni of all Erasmus Mundus Masters Course (EMMC) programmes. Since its establishment through an initiative of the European Commission in June of 2006, EMA has been working constantly to advance the Erasmus Mundus programme, and to offer a platform where students and alumni can exchange information and experiences. All EMA activities are performed by members on a voluntary basis, and in cooperation with the European Commission. http://www.em-a.eu/