

What is it?

This program is designed to provide students in the U.S. an opportunity to live with a family in Germany for three weeks, where they can experience the food, language, culture and everyday life. Kindly note that this is not a travel program, and it is not intended for students who wish to travel to Germany to stay with their former host siblings.

Are the host families vetted?

iE Germany personally interviews each host family in an effort to ensure the students' safety and wellbeing.

When is it?

Any three week period during the summer which is agreeable between the host family in Germany and the participating student and their parents. These dates are determined following the student's acceptance in to the program.

How much does it cost and what is included?

\$1,000, due no later than May 31, 2015. This fee covers travel insurance, room and board with a vetted host family and access to a 24-hour staffed iE emergency hotline.

What expenses will I incur?

You will be responsible for paying for and booking your own roundtrip flight. You will also be expected to pay for any personal items (souvenirs, admission to special events and attractions, etc.)

How old do I need to be?

Participants must be between the ages of 15 and 18 on the date of their arrival in Germany.

Are scholarships available?

Yes, iE USA host siblings are eligible for up to a full scholarship. Scholarship amounts will be determined upon acceptance into the program.

Is space limited? Is there a deadline?

Yes space is limited and applications will be reviewed for acceptance on a first come, first serve basis. The deadline to register is May 15, 2015. Completed applications are due May 31, 2015. Please note, iE USA reserves the right to decline or terminate a student's program participation if a student is deemed ineligible, or does not submit the required documentation and/or payment in a timely manner.

How do I sign up?

Contact Darlene (information below) and she will send you an application.

Where in Germany will I be placed?

The majority of our host families live in northern Germany. That being said, your placement could be in any part of Germany where a vetted host family is secured.

Will I attend school while in Germany?

School and holiday dates vary throughout Germany. Therefore, we will do our best to fulfill your request to attend school, or not to attend school, however the final decision will be determined by the school schedule of the school located closest to your host family.

Can I travel while in Germany?

Yes, if you travel with your host family. If you wish to travel on your own at any time after your program, you must do so at your own risk and not as part of this program. In these situations, natural parents must sign a Program Release Form in advance of any travel.

Who do I contact if I have questions?

Please call 1-888-266-2921 or email d.benjamin@international-experience.net