

Towards a multiperspectival cooperation: Study trips and research excursions

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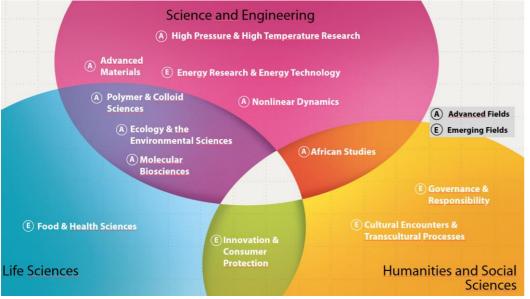
The University of Bayreuth











Founded	1975
Number of professors	238
International professors	26
Number of students	13,306
International students	1028
Number of doctoral researchers	1,100
International doctoral researchers	240
Academic staff (without professors)	1,130
International academic staff	167

■ International Cooperation

International cooperation agreements ca. 580

Double degrees/ international studies >30

Sommer schools: EASM, BISS, Summer University, GCE

■ **THE-Ranking** (Times Higher Education)

World University Rankings 2016/2017: rank group 251-300 Young University Rankings 2017: 29th of 200 universities

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Lviv Institute for Management







- Founded: September 1990
- Number of professors: 6 | Number of lecturers: 26
- Number of students: aprox. 400

Bachelor: Management (International Management, Business Administration, Tourism and Hotel-Management), Marketing (E-Marketing)

Master: Management (MBA), Business Administration and Public Administration

- International Cooperation Moving Seminar I 2015, Moving Seminar II 2016, Study trips 2013 und 2016 Cooperation partners in Germany: Univ. Leipzig, TU Dortmund, Univ. Bayreuth, RFWU Bonn, Univ. Trier, FH Trier, Univ. Saarland
- www.lim.lviv.ua

Lviv National Ivan-Franko-University



- Founded: 1661 | 20 Faculties
- Number of students: 19770 (10852 at the expense of the state budget)
- Number of professors: 194 | Number of lecturers: 2183
- www.lnu.edu.ua

2018: Two students from Bayreuth write their B.Sc./M.Sc. Thesis in Lviv (BayHOST)

Study trips at UBT (DAAD)

2017: Ternopil

2018: Cherson

2018: I wiw I NU

2018: Lwiw UIAU

Future tasks:

Widening the disciplinary focus

2019: Moving seminar V: Ukraine

2019: DAAD short term docent in Lviv

2019: Research project

2016ff.: Lectures in Bayreuth, Lviv and Kyiv

> 2018: Prof. Wolf (German language and literature, UBT) visiting UDGV-Conference in Lviv

2018/2019: Visiting PhD-researcher (Ukr. Academy of Scienices) at Institute of Geography (DAAD)

2018: Moving seminar IV: Post-socialist cities, Bayreuth-Kyiv (*Univ. of Bayreuth*)

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2017: Moving seminar III: Galicia, Bayreuth-Lviv (*BayHOST*)

2016: Moving seminar II: Flight and Migration as a challenge for civil societies, Lviv-Bayreuth (DAAD)

2017: Memorandum of Understanding between UBT and LNU

2015: Moving seminar I: Borders and encounters along the via regia, Bayreuth-Lviv (Auswärtiges Amt)

2014: Visit of a *DAAD*-study trip group from Lviv in Bayreuth

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DAAD-Study trips









DAAD

Deutscher Akademischer Austausch Dienst
German Academic Exchange Service

- The DAAD supports study trips (7-12 days) by universities from foreign countries to Germany with 50€/day/person
- Dr. Myronyuk was involved as consultant in >10 study trips
- Main goals
 - 1. Providing **subject-related knowledge** through appropriate visits, visits and Information talks
 - 2. Meeting with German students and scientists to establish and maintain **contacts** between German and foreign universities
 - 3. cultural **insight** into the economic, political and cultural life in Germany (max. 1/3 of the program)
- Further benefits
 - 1. Higher **Motivation** for Ukrainian students to learn German and/or English language, to go to Germany for studies or internship and to develop scientific interest in Germany
 - 2. Starting-point for **follow-up actions** like PhD-/M.Sc.-programmes and joint research projects

Study trips from a dual perspective





TRIP ORGANIZER



Success factors

- Wide, diversified network of relyable partners
- New partners: precise communication and explanation of the contexts
- Active communication with DAAD



Challenges

- Willingness of German institutions to host a study trip
- Covering costs with financial support from DAAD
- Mediocre chances for grants => selffinanced trips, external funding



Success factors

- Encounters with German students and Ukrainian diaspora
- Show interest in Ukraine
- Diversified programme
- Plan to be flexible
- Motivation of Ukrainians



Challenges

- Language skills of Ukrainian students => Ukrainian student assistant
- Interest of German students in encounters
 activate participants of past projects

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Moving seminar IV: Galicia 2017











Bayerisches Hochschulzentrum für Mittel-, Ost- und Südosteuropa

Starting point: How can we establish a multiperspectival view on the historic and current Galicia region? Research not about, but with Ukrainians.

- Combining a 12 day **regular field trip** for 20 German students of Geography (B.Sc./M.Sc./Teaching-study) supported by UBT study grants ("Studienzuschüsse") and **a voluntary field trip** for 5 Ukrainian students supported by BayHOST.
- Executive **lecturers:** N. Teufel, Prof. Doevenspeck (UBT) In cooperation with O. Veklyn, I. Vanda, O. Odleshuk, Dr. Myronyuk
- Research orientation: multi-sited fieldwork in Kraków and Lviv

Ukrainian-German groups: 1+4

Goals: Practicing empirical methods and regional analysis, social skills **5 topics:** Tourism infrastructure, memorial landscape, large scale urban planning projects, Galician identity, folk architecture

Impressions: http://geo-e-log.com/exkursionen/galicia-2017

Success factors







Binational groups

Encounters between
Ukrainians and Germans
as the core element of
student exchange
Complementary skills:
Creativity and structures,
language skills, regional
and theoretical knowledge



Multisited approaches

Actions should not

exclusively take place only in Ukraine or Germany Changing roles: hosts and guests; insiders and outsiders



Mutual planning

Ideas can come from both sides, but planning and activities should be done together, e.g. 4 meetings, joint development of field schedule; 3 out of 10 days conducted by Ukrainian scholars



Future perspectives for both

Actively encouraging students and lecturers for further actions, e.g. 2 Bachelor/Master thesis in Lviv by German students; 1 Ukrainian student found a job at Invest in Lviv

Challenges









Shyness from both sides in the beginning.
Social events help to break the ice between participants and
Mixed work in groups lead to the understanding that questions could only answered together



Institutional context UA

Little English or German skills in higher positions

Bureaucracy and lack of transparency in terms of decision-making => constant learning process from German side and improvements in Ukraine



Sustainability

Most cooperation was financed with **short-term** (**up to 1 year**) **grants.** However, the network is sustainable, reliable and growing



Visa for Ukrainians

Easier since the VISA-free regime and biometrical passports, but still a problem, when it comes to internships/fellowships with long-term stays in Germany









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