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ROTTENBURG AM NECKAR, GERMANY – (Hochshule für Kirchenmusik) Spring Semester

APPLICATION DEADLINE:

Spring Semester: October 1

WHO?

- You must have junior standing and have completed German 204 (fourth-semester German).
- You must be approved by the German section and accepted by the Office of International Programs.
- You must have a 3.0 overall GPA.

WHAT?

- Valparaiso – Rottenburg Exchange Program: spring semester of study at the *Hochshule für Kirchenmusik*, in southwest Germany, beginning in mid-April and continuing until late July.
- This program is open to students in their junior year who are double majoring in German and music (BA) who have a specialization in organ. All courses are conducted in German.
- All courses are considered to be VU courses and will count toward the German and music majors, toward General Education requirements, or as elective credit.

WHERE?

- Located in Rottenburg am Neckar, a small city of about 50,000, about 10 miles from Tübingen and 20 miles from Reutlingen, the Hochschule is ideally situated for a study abroad program.
- The Hochschule für Kirchenmusik is a university-level, highly specialized music school for future church musicians, specifically organists and choir conductors.
- The small campus includes studios, a library, and cafeteria available to exchange students.
- Students are housed in a residence hall located on the campus, with shared kitchen facilities.

HOW?

Consult with your German professor to find out if the Rottenburg program is right for you. You can't start planning too soon--as early as your freshman year, so speak with your academic advisor as soon as possible, too.

HOW MUCH?

- Tuition and General Fee: Students pay the same tuition and fees they would pay in Valparaiso. All VU study-abroad programs are considered "in residence," so all financial aid (except work-study and some 'on-campus' aid) applies.
- Room and Board: You pay the room fee charged by the CROUS at Cergy; depending on exchange rates, this is about \$300 per month. You may cook in your residence hall or eat in the *restaurant universitaire*. Costs will typically be lower than at VU since the French government subsidizes student cafeterias.
- Spending Money: Count on spending at least as much as you do in Valpo for miscellaneous items; then add on for any travel you might plan. Expenses such as these are difficult to estimate because they will be different for each student.

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