

WHY SHOULD YOU APPLY FOR THE BUDDY PROGRAM?

Don't start your journey alone

— let an LMU Buddy show you the way!

1. **Instant Connection:** Meet a local student who can introduce you to life at LMU and Munich's unique culture, from the English Garden to the best hidden cafés.
2. **Expand Your Network:** Join a community of international and local students through program events and socials.
3. **Cross-Cultural Exchange:** Share your own culture while gaining a firsthand look at life in Bavaria.

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"Big thanks to the LMU Buddy Program for connecting me with my Buddy. I always felt lucky to have Emily as my Buddy since the first time we met. She showed me the fantastic city of Munich."

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"The buddy program allowed us to develop a genuine friendship. Thank you very much for organizing it. <3"

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PLEASE NOTE:

The LMU Buddy Program is only aimed at exchange students. The program is not designed for international students coming to LMU for a bachelor's or master's degree.

CONTACT US!

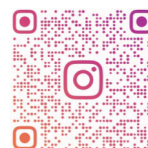
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New connections, endless opportunities



WHAT IS THE LMU BUDDY PROGRAM?

The LMU Buddy Program matches exchange students (Erasmus+, UK, SEMP, and LMUexchange) with local student mentors from Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München (LMU Munich).

Our volunteers are here to help you settle into life at LMU and find your feet in Munich. Since the program is based on voluntary engagement, you and your Buddy are free to decide how often you meet and what you'll explore together. It's the perfect start to your exchange — and often the beginning of a lifelong friendship!



WHAT DOES AN LMU BUDDY DO?

Your Buddy acts as your personal "local insider" for all the practicalities of student life.

They are there to help you navigate the essentials — from validating your LMUcard and finding the right lecture halls to mastering Munich's public transport system.

Beyond the campus map, your Buddy is a friendly peer who can share tips on the best student spots in the city and help you understand the local culture.



HOW TO APPLY?

You can apply for a buddy by ticking the box "buddy wanted" in your application for admission as an exchange student at LMU.

If you forgot to do this, no problem. You can send us an email and we can still add you to the system later.



THE MATCHING PROCESS

The Buddy Program team handles the matching process. Approximately 2–3 weeks before the semester begins, you will receive an email with your buddy's name and email address.

While we do try to assign you a buddy from the same field of study, we cannot guarantee it.

Please always remember:

Buddies are students, not professional advisors.

They provide peer-to-peer support on a voluntary basis.