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BADEN-WÜRTTEMBERG / OREGON STATE HIGHER EDUCATION PARTNERSHIP

FACULTY MOBILITY GRANT 2026

Overview

The State of Oregon, USA and the State of Baden-Württemberg, Germany established a higher education partnership in 1968. A primary aspect of this partnership has been the student exchange program, which has helped more than two thousand students engage in international mobility and academic exchange over more than 55 years.

The Baden-Württemberg Ministry of Science, Research and Arts' Faculty Mobility Grant program is intended to help seed research collaborations between faculty in participating Oregon and Baden-Württemberg universities, strengthen relationships and expand partnership activity. The award covers travel costs for a visit of up to one week to a partner institution. Travel must take place during the 2026 calendar year.

Participating Oregon institutions: Portland State University, Western Oregon University, Willamette University, Oregon State University, University of Oregon, Eastern Oregon University, Oregon Institute of Technology, Pacific University, Southern Oregon University.

Participating Baden-Württemberg institutions: University of Freiburg, Heidelberg University, University of Hohenheim, Karlsruhe Institute of Technology, University of Konstanz, University of Mannheim, University of Stuttgart, University of Tübingen, Ulm University, Freiburg University of Education, Ludwigsburg University of Education, Stuttgart Media University of Applied Sciences, Stuttgart State Academy of Art and Design (ABK Stuttgart), State University of Music and the Performing Arts Stuttgart, University of Music Trossingen.

Eligibility

The grant is open to academic faculty from both states. Graduate students and postdocs are not eligible.

Covered Travel Expenses

Grants cover the cost of roundtrip airfare between Baden-Württemberg and Oregon, up to 1,350 EUR (roughly \$1,500 USD, subject to exchange rate) and provide a daily stipend of 150 EUR (roughly \$175 USD, subject to exchange rate) for up to 7 days. Arrival and departure each count as a half day.

Flights are to be booked in accordance with applicable regulations of the sending university and of the funding body, Baden-Württemberg Ministry of Science, Research and Arts (Landesreisekostengesetz).

Application Guidelines

The Faculty Mobility Grant is intended to seed and strengthen connections between academic and research faculty in Oregon and Baden-Württemberg. Desired outcomes include one or more of the following:

- research collaborations, publications, presentations, and securing additional funding for continued activity;
- undergraduate and graduate student connections, research and collaboration opportunities, and student mobility;
- curriculum development or integration, connected classrooms or collaborative online international learning (COIL) experiences, joint degree programs, or other curricular innovations;
- other forms of partnership activity not listed here.

Grant recipients are expected to include some promotional activity for the student exchange programs during their travel to the host institution, such as:

- giving a presentation about the home university to promote the student exchange program;
- giving a lecture or participating in an event that is open to undergraduate and/or graduate students;
- meeting with [IE3 Global](#) or [Oregon Study Center](#) (see below) to discuss ideas for increasing student participation in exchange programs.

Faculty who would like assistance in identifying prospective collaborators in the partners state may request assistance. For help identifying faculty collaborators in Oregon, contact Julianna.Betjemann@oregonstate.edu. For help identifying faculty collaborators in Baden-Württemberg, contact Sarah.Taylor@uni-tuebingen.de.

A complete application will include:

- The [application form](#) with project description (max. 3 pages), to include:
 - Intended activities and future goals;
 - Rationale for choice of collaborator(s) or host institution(s);
 - Proposed activities to promote the student exchange program.
- Letter of invitation from the host institution(s) on letterhead. The letter should explain the goals of the visit and a brief overview of what types of activities will take place. The letter of invitation is an important part of the application package and should be as detailed and strong as possible.
- Curriculum Vitae

Files should be combined into one PDF document and submitted to Julianna.Betjemann@oregonstate.edu. Submissions may be made in German or English.

Application Deadline: January 30th, 2026

Review Process and Award Timeline

Applications will be reviewed by a committee with representation from Baden-Württemberg and Oregon. Applicants will be notified of a decision by February 27th, 2026.

Funding must be processed and disbursed in the 2026 calendar year.

Travel must be completed by December 31, 2026.

Reporting

A summary report is required to share outcomes, ongoing activity, and future goals that have arisen from the Faculty Mobility Grant and related academic and research connections. Reports should be submitted within three months after the travel is completed to Sarah.Taylor@uni-tuebingen.de.

Additional Information

IE3 Global. The Oregon/Baden-Württemberg student exchange programs are administered on the Oregon side by [IE3 Global](#), based at Oregon State University. IE3 Global coordinates across participating Oregon universities and oversees the application process for Oregon students, coordinates with the Oregon Study Center on student exchange program administration, and supports German students in Oregon. IE3 Global staff also work closely with the Oregon Study Center, the Ministry of Science, Research and Arts, and Oregon university partners on the administration of the Faculty Mobility Grant.

Oregon Study Center. The Oregon/Baden-Württemberg student exchange programs are administered on the Baden-Württemberg side by the [Oregon Study Center](#), based at the University of Tübingen. The Oregon Study Center coordinates across participating Baden-Württemberg universities and oversees the application process for Baden-Württemberg students, coordinates with IE3 Global on student exchange program administration, and supports Oregon students in Germany. Oregon Study Center staff also work closely with the IE3 Global, the Ministry of Science, Research and Arts, and Baden-Württemberg university partners on the administration of the Faculty Mobility Grant.