



### Information for those considering staying abroad

We encourage in particular those students who do not have extended experience of living in East Asia to study in the country of interest. Student can apply to study for one term at one of our partner universities in East Asia in the 2<sup>nd</sup> semester of MA MEAS or 4<sup>th</sup> semester of MA CEAS. Although we cannot offer financial support, tuition fees are waived at (almost all) partner institutions.

Length of stay is typically 4-6 months (1 term), always in the last summer semester of your study program. Exceptions to this rule have to be individually negotiated and approved.

#### *Allocation of places*

Because the number of places for student exchange are limited, places will be distributed according to the following priorities:

1<sup>st</sup> priority is given to BA MOAS students, for whom one year of study in East Asia is *mandatory*.

2<sup>nd</sup> priority is given to MA MEAS/CEAS students who are planning empirical research in the focus country for their thesis and demonstrate high motivation – research plans needs to be discussed with and approved by MA supervisor.

Within this 2<sup>nd</sup> priority group, students who have had no “exposure” to their focus country are prioritized if they can provide a meaningful research plan for their MA thesis project.

**Important:** Students who do not regularly attend the language classes or have not passed their language classes at the time of application will be excluded from the exchange programs.

Attendance rules: **You may not miss class more than 3 times “unentschuldigt”**, that is, without medical attestation/a valid, provable reason – for details please ask your language instructors)

#### *Application procedure*

For MA CEAS students: apply by e-mail to [maceas@in-east.de](mailto:maceas@in-east.de) until April 30 for summer term abroad the following year.

For MA MEAS students: apply by mail to [mameas@in-east.de](mailto:mameas@in-east.de) until September 14 for summer term abroad the following year.

Shortly after the deadline has passed, we invite you to an information meeting to discuss your motivation and MA thesis plans. Later (date will be communicated by coordination unit), you need to submit/sign your statement of commitment. Afterwards, we determine as soon as possible if and where we can offer you a place to study abroad. Finally, we notify you by e-mail when your letter of acceptance is ready to be signed. After signing and receiving one copy of the letter for yourself, the formal process for organizing the individual exchange starts.

Students who do not want to study abroad but prefer to do an **internship** should fill out the application form above accordingly. Many internships in East Asia are offered via KOPRA.org platform. Students have to talk with their thesis supervisor and make sure that the internship does not conflict with their study progress. Internship organization/application is done individually by you yourself as we do not supply internship places. If you get an internship, please notify the coordination unit about when and where you are going.