Fontys University x JMC Academy Exchange Program Spring (February) 2023

About Fontys

The Fontys Academy for the Creative Economy at Fontys University of Applied Sciences in Tilburg, the Netherlands, trains students to become authentic and committed 'impact creators': creative professionals for the new economy, stimulating transitions by combining their creative skills with their professional and social insights. They achieve this by developing and realizing novel concepts for marketing, business, entrepreneurship, communication and lifestyle.

Fontys University accommodates over 40,000 students and about 4,000 staff members. It is the largest university of applied sciences in the south of the Netherlands (main campuses are located in Venlo, Eindhoven and Tilburg).

Exchange Program

JMC students will undertake a ten-unit program worth 30 ECTS (equivalent to one trimester at JMC Academy). Units undertaken at Fontys will be determined on a case-by-case basis, subject to course, trimester level and availability. Students seeking to transfer credit for their ACI studies to their JMC degree must successfully complete units on the personalised learning agreement in order to be awarded credit for the corresponding JMC units.

Pre-Requisites:

This program is available for_Entertainment Business Management, Film and Television, Animation, Game Design and Design (Visual Communications) students only. Students must have completed at least two trimesters of study at JMC Academy prior to commencing the exchange program.

• Program for Entertainment Business Management:

Trend Watching (a fixed 30 credits program), click <u>here</u> for more information on the program. Students may also elect to take units from the brand new and exciting Dance Industry program <u>here</u>.

• **Program for Film & Television, Animation, Game Design and Design:** Transmedia Design for Creative Industries (a fixed 30 credits program), click <u>here</u> for more information on the program. See also here for more information about the world of <u>Transmedia (multi-platform) Storytelling.</u>

Campus Address:

Prof. Goossenslaan 1-04, Building P3, Tilburg; The Netherlands

(click <u>here</u> for a Google map).

The campus is located on the outskirts of Tilburg and is serviced by good bus connections and safe cycling routes. The arts cluster is situated in the centre of the city. Fontys and Tilburg University attract many students to Tilburg, with more than 25,000 students studying in the city.

Tilburg is approximately 90 minutes from Amsterdam, 4 hours from Paris and close to the Belgian and German borders. The Netherlands is the gateway to Europe!

Tuition fees:

JMC Academy students will continue to pay their normal tuition fees to JMC Academy for the trimester that they are on exchange. No further tuition fees are payable for the exchange program.

Financial Support:

Students eligible for Youth Allowance can continue to receive the allowance while on the exchange. Find further information about receiving payments while outside Australia <u>here.</u>

Living Costs:

Students can expect general living expenses to amount to approximately €800-1,000 per month. This amount includes accommodation rental, food, transport and personal expenses. The program is approximately four months long. For further information see <u>http://www.studyinholland.nl/</u>

Accommodation:

Accommodation can be arranged by Fontys through their housing agencies. All student accommodations are well located, safe and have comfortable fully furnished rooms. You will always live together with other international students of Fontys ACE, which from our experience is a very sociable way of living. Successful applicants will receive more information about student housing from the JMC International services office and then the Fontys ACE international team.

If you choose to arrange your accommodation on your own, you also have to arrange all practical matters yourself. This is generally NOT advised due to a lack of safe and comfortable housing for international students, but JMC students have managed to do this in the past. It is possible, but it can be quite time-consuming and possibly problematic.

Visas:

All students from outside Europe will require Residence Permits. In addition to Residence Permits, students from countries other than Australia, Canada, Japan, Monaco, New Zealand, Vatican City, United States of America or South Korea will also need Entry Visas. Students may not apply for their own Entry Visas and/or Residence Permits. Fontys will secure these on their behalf.

Insurance:

Insurance is mandatory for students who need an entry visa and/or residence permit. Purchasing insurance is therefore part of the immigration procedure and Fontys will arrange it on students' behalf.

Dates:

Applications to JMC for the February program close on **9th September 2022**. Successful applicants will be notified and nominated to Fontys by **1st November 2022**. They will then need to apply to Fontys shortly after being nominated (by 15 November 2022).

The program will commence on **10th February 2023** (orientation week).

Students should return to Australia for the June 2023 trimester no later than 19th of June 2023. This is week 2 of the JMC Academic calendar. Students who arrive later will need permission from their Head of Department to commence the June trimester or defer to September. Students who receive information contrary to the 19th June 2023 return date must contact JMC's International Services office.

Please note that due to the examination schedule of Fontys, students may be limited in their choice of study units.

Click <u>here</u> to apply!

For more information: Visit <u>Fontys Academy for the Creative Economy | Fontys</u> <u>University</u>

To apply:

You can speak to your Head of Department or contact JMC Academy International Services:

E: international@jmc.edu.au

T: 03-9624-2929 (and ask for International)