



2027 International Class Programme at Filmakademie Baden-Württemberg - Abstract

ICLA is an Interdisciplinary 4-Month Curriculum at One of Europe's Top Film Schools

Join over 500 students at FABW, where the international and hands-on approach to filmmaking makes it a leading institution in Europe. Our program mirrors the real-world film industry, guided by seasoned professionals.

What FABW Has to Offer

- **Hands-On Learning:** Learn by doing with our industry-aligned departments.
- **Expert Instructors:** Our faculty are film professionals committed to teaching.
- **International Setting:** Become part of an international network of aspiring young filmmakers.

The International Class – ICLA - Is a Four-Month Multidisciplinary Program

- **For 18 Young Filmmakers,** exclusively from FABW's international partner institutions.
- **Entirely in English:** Making it accessible to international participants.
- **Interdisciplinary Curriculum:** For students from all departments and specialisations within filmmaking.
- **Hands-On Training:** Workshops and seminars, including practical experience with 16mm film stock.
- **Additional opportunities of collaborating on extracurricular projects.**

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Campus Network

We encourage ICLA members to engage with regular students (FABW & Animation Institute), as well as from the Academy for Performing Arts (ADK), Atelier Ludwigsburg-Paris (ALP) to expand their individual network. All these Institutions share the same campus.

Who Can Apply?

Candidates for ICLA are

- **BA graduates or experienced students:** With at least two years of intensive training in film and media.
- **Currently enrolled:** In one of FABW's partner institutions.
- **Open-minded, self-reliant personalities:** Prepared to work with peers from diverse backgrounds and perspectives.
- **Prepared for interdisciplinary training:** Looking to learn beyond their core department.
- **Minimum age requirement:** 23 years
- **Proficiency in english** at B2 level

Program Highlights

- **Intensive schedule:** Expect four to five days of lectures, seminars and workshops, and hands-on work in productions per week.
- **Interdisciplinary insights:** Expect to learn about filmmaking across departments and cultural borders
- **Exchange and develop projects** within a culturally diverse group.
- **Certification:** Detailed transcript of academic performance.

Academic Credits

Throughout the semester, participants have access to classes of at least 240 contact hours. Credits may be transferred according to the systems of their respective home institution, i.e.

- **Semester Credit Hours (SCH):** Typically, 1 SCH is equivalent to 15 contact hours.
- **Quarter Credit Hours (QCH):** Typically, 1 QCH is equivalent to 10 contact hours.
- **Carnegie Units (CU):** 1 CU is equivalent to 120 contact hours.

Please speak to your home institution beforehand to ensure that academic credits earned at FABW will be counted as academic records.

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Curriculum Overview ICLA 2027 Curriculum– Draft

All content may be subject to change.

Workshops and seminars at FABW will be organized in blocks. The average contact time will be at least 60hrs per month, plus preparations, screenings and project work. Total contact hours are at least 240 for each student, independent from individual departments or specializations.

April

- Onboarding
- Film Academy Kick-Off
- Introductory sessions
- German Film History & Classics (seminar)
- ICLA Circle (weekly)

May

- Camera Workshop I
- Encounters with Established Filmmakers & Alumni
- Film Workshop: Ideation & Pre-Production
- Sound Workshop
- Script Development (optional)
- Documentary Workshop (optional)
- Elective Workshops (optional)

June

- Camera Workshop II
- Encounters with Established Filmmakers & Alumni
- Directing
- Film Workshop: Production
- Various Elective Workshops

July

- Encounters with Established Filmmakers & Alumni of ICLA
- Film Workshop: Post-Production
- Final Presentations & Farewell

Excursions

- Various excursions to film and cultural events in the region

All events will be held in English unless otherwise specified.

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Practical Information

Location	Filmakademie Baden-Württemberg Akademiefhof 10, 71636 Ludwigsburg, Germany
FABW Profile	500 students, 14 study fields incl. post graduate programs
Exchange Programme	“International Class ICLA” is a multidisciplinary programme, offered by the International Office of FABW, every spring/summer term, for the duration of one semester (4 months)
Exchange places	18 per term/year in total
ICLA Exchange period	April – July (1 term only)
Application deadline	30 September of each year
Exchange requirement FABW	applicable after completion of basic studies in film, tba
Language skills	English language skills minimum B2 level
Term Fee	No study fees, only term service fee to be paid – 126.50€ (one-time payment)
FABW Buddy Programme	Each ICLA member will meet a FABW buddy who will support during the stay in Ludwigsburg.
Accommodation	Student dorm available in Ludwigsburg, to be booked and paid by exchange students. Mixed gender shared flat with individual rooms, charge per room 520€ per month plus deposit payment. Dorm Address: Friedrichstrasse 45, 71638 Ludwigsburg, Germany

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Visa	Check the visa requirements here: https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/en/visa-service/215870-215870 Visa Navigator: https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/en/visa-service/visa-navigator-2489244
Health insurance	To be booked through Expatrio before visa application https://www.expatrio.com/#EXPATRIO%20PACKAGES Recommendation: private health insurance EDUCARE24 (Package L)
Blocked account	To be booked through Expatrio before visa application https://www.expatrio.com/#EXPATRIO%20PACKAGES *only necessary if you do not receive a scholarship with the minimum standard of 992€ per month. Partial scholarships need to be topped up with the remaining amount on the blocked account.
German Bank account	Highly recommended to have a German bank account for the entire stay in Germany

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Estimated Costs for a Four-Month Stay in Ludwigsburg

	One-time	Monthly	
Living expenses			
Student Dorm Accommodation		Minimum 520 €	2,080 €
Basic Need for Living		400 €	1,600 €
Health Insurance mandatory min.		60 €	240 €
Public Broadcasting license fee		18.36 €	73.44 €
TOTAL Living expenses			3,993.44€
Individual expenses			
Visa German embassy plus extension		individual	individual
Flight ticket, other travel charges		individual	individual
Registration fee at Filmakademie	126.50 €		126.50 €
Deposit for accommodation*	100 €* [*]		100 €
Excursions within ICLA program	tba		tba
TOTAL estimated cost (excl. travel fares)			4,219.94 €

Please note that monthly costs have to be calculated at least for the duration of the mandatory course time (4 months).

Flights, travels and visa charges are NOT included.

***Deposit for accommodation will be reimbursed after check out without any damages of the rented room or rule violation of the student home.**

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