Volunteering not only allows you to meet new people, but lets you improve skills like organizing, presenting, and public speaking. It has opened a lot of doors for me.

Boris, Speaker of the Student Union’s Foreign Student Council (ASV)

Currently, I volunteer for the website DocCheck, where I write or complete medical articles. I also used to be involved with the German Red Cross. Both are an exciting practical addition to my medical studies and I get the opportunity to meet new people.

Julia, Volunteer at DocCheck

Volunteering is something that comes naturally to me. It’s a great pleasure to see that you can help other people. In addition, you learn new skills that can be very important for future work and can also enrich your own life. At the moment, for example, I do interpreting and translation work.

Moaid, Volunteer at an.ge.kommen e.V.

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THERE ARE MANY GOOD REASONS FOR VOLUNTEERING:

- You network with others and build new contacts – privately and professionally
- You gain more detailed insights into the field of activity of your choice
- You acquire relevant soft skills and knowledge: e.g. teamwork, project management, communication, ...
- Volunteering looks very good on your resume
- Volunteering can also be decisive for a scholarship application
- Sometimes you receive a small allowance
- But the most important thing: with your commitment you make a positive contribution to society, take responsibility and have the chance to grow beyond yourself!

CAN I ALSO GET INVOLVED DIRECTLY AT THE UNIVERSITY?

Yes! Get involved, for example ...

- ... as a mentor at the InfoTisch and help new international students find their way around the university
- ... at Lokal International, the JLU’s international meeting centre, and help with the organisation of events
- ... in university politics and represent the interests of the student body in the student parliament
- ... in student self-administration, for example in the student council of your department or in the Student Union (AStA)
- ... in the Refugee Law Clinic as an interpreter

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ANIMALS

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