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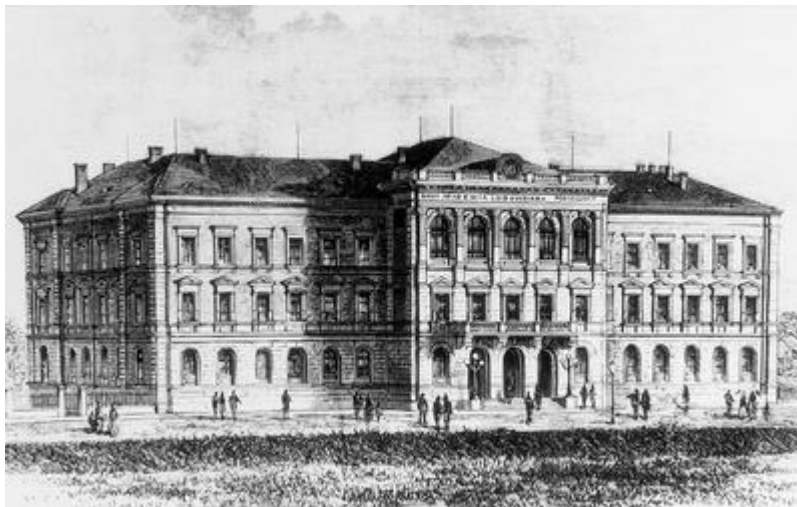
STUDYING AT JLU – STUDYING IN GERMANY

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# AN INTRODUCTION TO JLU

- Situated in Giessen, in the middle of Hesse, near Frankfurt am Main
- Founded in 1607
- Eponym: Justus Liebig: professor of chemistry at JLU from 1824, research field: organic chemistry





# AN INTRODUCTION TO JLU - MORE FACTS AND FIGURES

- Number of faculties: 11
- Total number of students: 24,600  
(as of summer semester 2023)
- No tuition fees (only a semester contribution of approx. 280€/semester)
- 3 Graduate Centres
- 5 Interdisciplinary Research Centres



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# QS WORLD UNIVERSITY RANKING 2024

- JLU is part of the 400 best universities worldwide
- Among the 50 German universities that made it into the ranking, JLU holds the 22nd spot
- The QS World University Ranking features 1,500 institutions across 104 locations



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# IMPORTANT: ORIENTATION WEEKS

- **Orientation Week / Days by the Faculties (StEW / StET)**  
**2 – 13 October** – mostly on-campus, depending on the faculty  
Please find your relevant events online:  
[www.uni-giessen.de/de/studium/studienbeginn/stew](http://www.uni-giessen.de/de/studium/studienbeginn/stew)  
[www.uni-giessen.de/de/studium/studienbeginn/stet](http://www.uni-giessen.de/de/studium/studienbeginn/stet)
- **Orientation Week for International Students (OWIS)**  
**9 – 13 October** – mostly online  
You will receive an invitation via email  
[www.uni-giessen.de/en/international-pages/study/enrol/owis](http://www.uni-giessen.de/en/international-pages/study/enrol/owis)



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# WHAT ABOUT YOU? WHAT DID YOU APPLY FOR?

- Go to **menti.com** and type in the code to participate in the survey



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Live results: <https://www.mentimeter.com/s/38a11644a7163ae812c66d94c662c052/9915d641957c>

# PREPARING YOUR STUDIES

- For your **studies and arrival** in Giessen you'll need to plan the following steps:

1. Visa & Residence Permit
2. Financing
3. Health Insurance
4. Finding Accommodation



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# 1. VISA & RESIDENCE PERMIT

- Apply as soon as possible for a **visa** at the German embassy in your home country
- After arrival: register as a resident of the city you are staying in & change your visa to a **residence permit** (e.g. Giessen > Giessen city hall)
- If you are entering from a "**visa-free**" country (e.g. USA, Australia, Brazil, Japan, South Korea,...) contact the Immigration Authorities via email ([auslaenderbehoerde@giessen.de](mailto:auslaenderbehoerde@giessen.de)) or telephone (0641 306-2280) for your registration
- For an **extension** of your residence permit, contact the Immigration Authorities at least 4 weeks before its expiry

## 2. FINANCING & FINANCIAL SUPPORT

- **Financial proof** for your visa (e.g. blocked account – Sperrkonto): For one academic year you will have to deposit 11,208 € (934 € per month)
- Securing a **grant** in Germany is not easy. As a rule, you will have to prove **excellent academic achievements** as well as **social commitment**.  
For a first orientation: [DAAD Sholarship Database](#)
- You are allowed to **work** 120 full days / 240 half days per year as an international student – however, finding a job may take some time and **German skills** are often a requirement

### 3. HEALTH INSURANCE

- All students must have adequate health insurance coverage
- You will need the **M10** report already for enrolment
- Please clarify the start of payment with your chosen health insurance
- Apply for a **public** health insurance (e.g. Barmer, Techniker, AOK, ...)
- If you are over 30 years old, you must choose a **private** health insurance but you also need an M10 report from a statutory health insurance!
- Contact insurance of your choice before coming to Germany to receive **M10-certificate** which is then transferred to the university

Please seek advice at the International Office  
**BEFORE** you sign any contracts for private insurance!

## 4. FINDING ACCOMODATION

- Look for an apartment or a shared apartment (WG) with the [Studentenwerk](#) or from private landlords
  - e.g. "WG Gesucht", Stud.IP Notice Board
- Once you find accomodation, ask the landlord to sign the confirmation of tenancy (**Wohnungsgeberbescheinigung**) **for your registration with the city hall**
- Be aware that there is a **long waiting list for accomodation** with the **Studierendenwerk**  
→ apply for all possible housing options
- If you cannot get a room from the Studierendenwerk, seek a **private lease even if it is limited** to e.g. 6 months!





## 5. TIPS FOR SUCCESSFUL STUDIES

- Familiarize yourself with your **study programme**, e.g. programme structure, modules, special regulations, standard and average duration of study:  
[www.uni-giessen.de/en/study/courses](http://www.uni-giessen.de/en/study/courses)
- Check out the dates of your faculty's **introduction days**:  
[www.uni-giessen.de/en/international-pages/study/enrol](http://www.uni-giessen.de/en/international-pages/study/enrol)
- You will need a **laptop** and the common MS office tools



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# ACCOMPANYING PROGRAMME: meet2succeed

- **Meet2succeed:** Subject-Specific Tutorial Programme  
<https://www.uni-giessen.de/international-pages/meet2succeed> – website will be updated soon!
- For students of faculty 05 (Anglophone Studies, Choreography & Performance) and faculty 09 (Transition Management, Agrobiotechnology, Insect Biotechnology & Bioresources, Sustainable Transition),  
expectedly faculty 06
- Extra-curricular (online) courses in:
  - navigating the start of your studies,
  - academic writing,
  - presentation skills,
  - German for professional purposes



# “TEASER COURSE”: A0 GERMAN (meet2succeed)

- Get to know JLU through German vocab and phrases in this short introductory course!
  - Wed, 4<sup>th</sup> October 2023      04:00 p.m. – 05:30 p.m.
  - Thu, 5<sup>th</sup> October 2023      04:00 p.m. – 05:30 p.m.
  - Fri, 6<sup>th</sup> October 2023      04:00 p.m. – 05:30 p.m.
- online and before start of other courses
- Registration until **29<sup>th</sup> September**: email to [meet2succeed@admin.uni-giessen.de](mailto:meet2succeed@admin.uni-giessen.de) by stating name, study programme and semester



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# ACCOMPANYING PROGRAMME: WORKSHOPS

- **Workshop programme** for international students
- Extra-curricular (online) workshops, for example:
  - Intercultural Workshop
  - How to Learn Efficiently
  - Discussing and Communicating in Seminars at German Universities
  - Building and Maintaining Self-Confidence
  - How to apply - prepare your application for the German job market

➤ You can find all upcoming events in the [International Calender](#)!



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# ACCOMPANYING PROGRAMME: JUSTINTERNATIONAL

## JustInternational Series

**Every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month at 7:30 p.m.** we meet online to give you information about important topics pertaining to studying at JLU and to answer your questions on different topics, and **every Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.** we get together and meet online to chat, exchange ideas and play some games.

All current and future JLU students are invited!

- [Question Monday](#) (every 1st and 3rd Monday) – online
  - [The Ultimate Get-Together](#) (every Wednesday) – online
- You can find all upcoming events in the [International Calender!](#)



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# JUST BEEN ADMISSIONED TO JLU? WHAT TO DO NEXT...

For your **enrolment** you'll need to follow these steps:

1. Log in to the applicant portal of [JLU](#) with your user ID and your self-chosen password (received by email from [international.admission@admin.uni-giessen.de](mailto:international.admission@admin.uni-giessen.de)). Check your **inbox** for the **letter of admission**. Also read the FAQ email!
2. Click the button “**Request for Enrolment**” if you want to enrol.
3. Fill in all questions and submit **ALL** missing documents (yellow box) in the section „documents for enrolment“. Only when all documents are submitted we can finish enrolment.

# JUST BEEN ADMISSIONED TO JLU? WHAT TO DO IN DETAIL...

1. Click “**request for enrolment**”
2. **Answer the questions** (university entrance qualification= school leaving date and grade)
3. **Upload receipt of payment/transfer of the semester contribution**
4. **M10 report** from statutory health insurance **comes digitally to us**
5. Upload **copy of your passport/ID card**
6. Upload **further documents** such as APS (India), German language certificate...

**Important:** Please check your **enrolment deadlines** in the applicant portal as restricted-admission study programmes have a short enrolment period. We strongly recommend to **enrol as early as possible**.

If you need to send an email please always put your **application number** in the **subject line** of the **email**!

# ENROLLED - IS THERE MORE TO DO?

- Your matriculation number can be found in your portal (81\*\*\*\*\*). Please check the yellow box! Masters applicants can find a rejection there as well.
- After **24 hours (!!!)** please request your digital study certificate via **iam.uni-giessen.de** (you will receive an activation email)
- With an **address in Germany** please request your chipcard via **iam.uni-giessen.de** (will be sent by post)
- Problems requesting chipcard or study paper? Please contact: [iam@uni-giessen.de](mailto:iam@uni-giessen.de)
- If you have an address in Germany we can send the temporary semester ticket (email to [international.admission@admin.uni-giessen.de](mailto:international.admission@admin.uni-giessen.de))



# CONTACTS

## GENERAL INFORMATION AND COUNSELLING FOR ALL STUDENTS

**Hotline “Call Justus”:** +49 (0)641 99-16400

Office Hours: Monday - Friday:

8:30 a.m. – 12 p.m. & 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**Central Student Advisory Office:** +49 (0)641 99-16223

Telephone counselling:

Monday: 10 a.m. -12 p.m. & 1:00 p.m. -3:00 p.m.

Tuesday: 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. (focus on teaching)

Thursday: 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Friday: 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

E-Mail: [zsb@uni-giessen.de](mailto:zsb@uni-giessen.de)



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# SUPPORT SERVICES INTERNATIONAL OFFICE

## **Study consultation and preparation:**

- ✓ Choice & change of subject
- ✓ German language courses
- ✓ Orientation Week for International Students (OWIS)

## **Practical advice on:**

- ✓ Accommodation
- ✓ German statutory health insurance
- ✓ Social and individual issues

## **Legal & Financial advice:**

- ✓ Visa and resident permits
- ✓ Financial issues



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# INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

## INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

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## REFUGEE STUDENTS

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# INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

## STUDY SUCCESS FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

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## TUTORIAL PROGRAMME FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS IN ENGLISH-LANGUAGE MASTER'S PROGRAMMES

E-Mail: [meet2succeed@uni-giessen.de](mailto:meet2succeed@uni-giessen.de)

Phone: 0 641 99 12180 / [www.uni-giessen.de/meet2succeed](http://www.uni-giessen.de/meet2succeed)



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# INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

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FOREIGN-LANGUAGE PROGRAMMES

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# THANK YOU!