

# JLU

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JUSTUS-LIEBIG-  
 UNIVERSITÄT  
GIESSEN

INTERNATIONAL OFFICE AT JUSTUS LIEBIG UNIVERSITY GIESSEN

## **YOUR START AT JLU! – EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW AS AN EXCHANGE STUDENT**

# PARALLEL SESSIONS

Monday, 06.10.2025

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# WELCOME TO JUSTUS LIEBIG UNIVERSITY GIESSEN!



# MOBILITY TEAM

**Sigrid Jost**

Erasmus+ Institutional Coordinator



**Melanie Schunk-Wießner**

Student Mobility Officer, International Summer and Spring Course



**Pia Marcus**

Student Mobility Officer



**Jonna Andresen**

Student assistant



# GETTING TO KNOW YOU

Participate in our short online poll:

- Scan QR Code or
- Go to [www.menti.com](https://www.menti.com) and enter the code **7161 6186**



Photo: K. Frieze

# ORIENTATION WEEK FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS (OWIS)

Platform to access all sessions:



- It is your responsibility to participate and inform yourself!
- OWIS programme for exchange students has been sent to you
- Sessions are not recorded
- Important sessions are offered twice



Photo: Marissa Grootes

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Tuesday, 07.10.2025

10:00 | 07.10.2025 - **German Language Courses (online)**



12:00 | 07.10.2025 - **Residence Permit for Your Study Period (online)**



17:00 | 07.10.2025 - **Welcome Reception for International Students**



# PROGRAMME

Wednesday, 08.10.2025



10:00 | 08.10.2025 - **Studying in Germany: The Academic System (online)**



14:00 | 08.10.2025 - **Open Office Hours for Degree-Seeking Students**



14:00 | 08.10.2025 - **Questions Time for Exchange Students**



16:00 | 08.10.2025 - **Guided City Tour Giessen**



19:30 | 08.10.2025 - **JustInternational: Welcome and Speed Friending (online)**



Thursday, 09.10.2025 (ORIENTATION DAY FOR MASTER'S STUDENTS)

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Friday, 10.10.2025 (ORIENTATION DAY FOR MASTER'S STUDENTS)



10:00 | 10.10.2025 - **An Overview of the Electronic Systems (online)**



14:00 | 10.10.2025 - **Question Time for VIP & VEEP Students (online)**



15:00 | 10.10.2025 - **Campus Tour**



# ACADEMIC CONTACT

- Exchange students will have an appointment with their academic coordinator during OWIS to discuss their Learning Agreement/choice of courses.
- → Check the updated [ECTS Course Catalogue](#) beforehand
- Some will have an additional meeting with the administrative coordinator at the faculty, who is responsible for the cooperation = cooperation coordinator.



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# ADMINISTRATIVE CONTACT

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Open office hours: Mondays and Fridays, 10:00 – 12:00

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# STAY IN TOUCH

## myJLU App

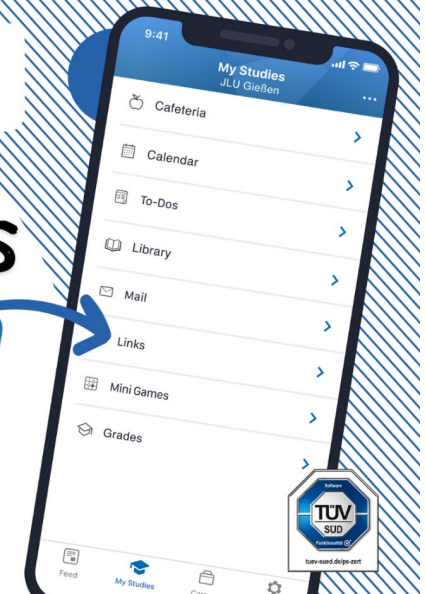
- Getting hungry? The menus of the **cafeteria** at a glance
- Don't miss any more appointments with the **calendar**
- Keep track of all tasks with **to-dos**
- Keep track of the books you have borrowed from the **library**
- Don't miss any more **mail**
- Lost in the university jungle? This list of **links** will help
- Stay up to date with the **news feeds**

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## Instagram

@JLU.international



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# SEMINARS FOR EXCHANGE STUDENTS

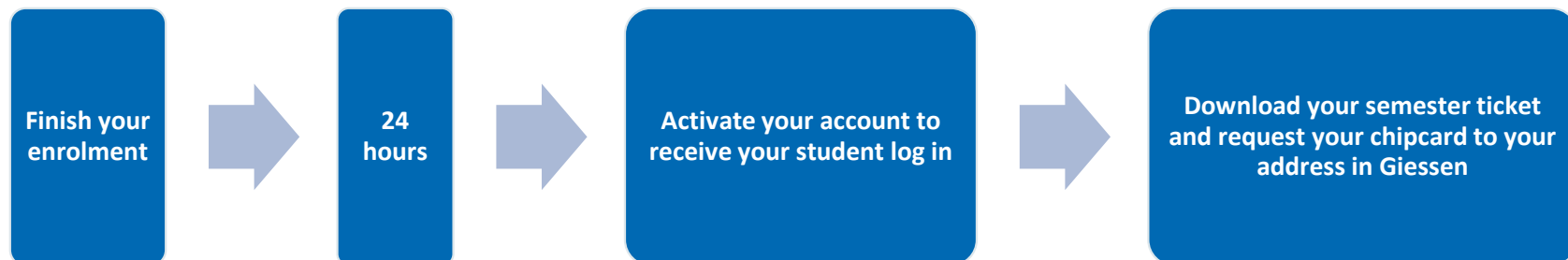
- Language of instruction is German, no certificate required, **examination in German**
- Each course gives you **4 ECTS**
- Sign up by e-mailing the teacher!
- The courses give you a great overview on German history, current political discourses as well as German literature and cinema since 1945

Time	Course title	Teacher
Monday, 10-12	Einführung in die Geschichte der Bundesrepublik Deutschland	Anna-Margo Tönnies <a href="mailto:Anna.Margo.Toennies@germanistik.uni-giessen.de">Anna.Margo.Toennies@germanistik.uni-giessen.de</a>
Monday, 12-14	Kernkompetenzen Germanistik	Dominik Kainz <a href="mailto:Dominik.P.Kainz@lehramt.uni-giessen.de">Dominik.P.Kainz@lehramt.uni-giessen.de</a>
Monday, 14-16	Deutschland (k)ein Einwanderungsland? Migrationsgeschichten Deutschlands	Dominik Kainz <a href="mailto:Dominik.P.Kainz@lehramt.uni-giessen.de">Dominik.P.Kainz@lehramt.uni-giessen.de</a>
Tuesday, 10-12	Deutsche Literatur und deutscher Film nach 1945	Franziska Schrodtt <a href="mailto:Franziska.Schrodtt@germanistik.uni-giessen.de">Franziska.Schrodtt@germanistik.uni-giessen.de</a>

# ENROLMENT AND SEMESTER TICKET

From 01.10.2025, the semester ticket includes a [ticket](#) for public transport all over Germany. **The chip card is not your semester ticket.**

 Excluded are IC and ICE trains.



# SEMESTER CONTRIBUTION

Our semester contribution (paid by all students enrolled at JLU) is a contribution to all student body benefits. What is included?

- A ticket valid all over Germany
- Free tickets to our theatre
- Free ticket (once a month) to our Cinemas
- Pool flatrate (indoor)
- Bike rental system: 45 min free
- Student body and student services



The Student council AStA (Allgemeiner Studierendenausschuss) will keep you updated via e-mail and on Instagram.

# YOUR WELCOME BAGS

*What's inside and what can you use it for?*

- **Notebook and pen** – to write down your brilliant ideas
- **Bookmark** – to mark the page of your interesting reading material
- **Flyer about Giessen** – to take advantage of everything the city has to offer
- **Travel guide for bike tours** around Giessen – to explore nature and get some exercise (thanks to our bike flat rate)
- **Postcard** – for your motivation or to get in touch with your loved ones
- **EU Peace Flyer** – for more information on our university alliance EUPeace and your opportunities as part of it



# EUPEACE

*What does it stand for?*

- **Alliance of Universities** similar in size, location and mission within their respective national ecosystems: University of Marburg, Université de Limoges, Università della Calabria, Comillas Universidad, University of West Bohemia, University of Mostar, University of Sarajevo and Çukorova University
- Key concepts: **Peace, Justice & Inclusive Societies**
- Internationalisation between Students, doctoral candidates, and academic and administrative staff

Our Alliance:



Incomers Guide:



# HELPFUL APPS & INFORMATION

- my JLU - overview on news, grades, offers in the cafeteria etc.
- RMV - information on public transport (Hesse)
- Deutsche Bahn - information on public transport
- Giessen App - events, news, shopping and more in Giessen
- Nextbike - bike rental system with 45 free minutes



# DID YOU KNOW? – Giessen holds an immaterial World cultural heritage...

- Since April 2025, the language only spoken in Giessen, *Manisch*, is world cultural heritage
- Used to be a symbol of exclusion, it now represents local identity.
- Examples:  
Freund – Kumpel – tschabo  
Guten Tag - Ei Gude – Latsche Diwes

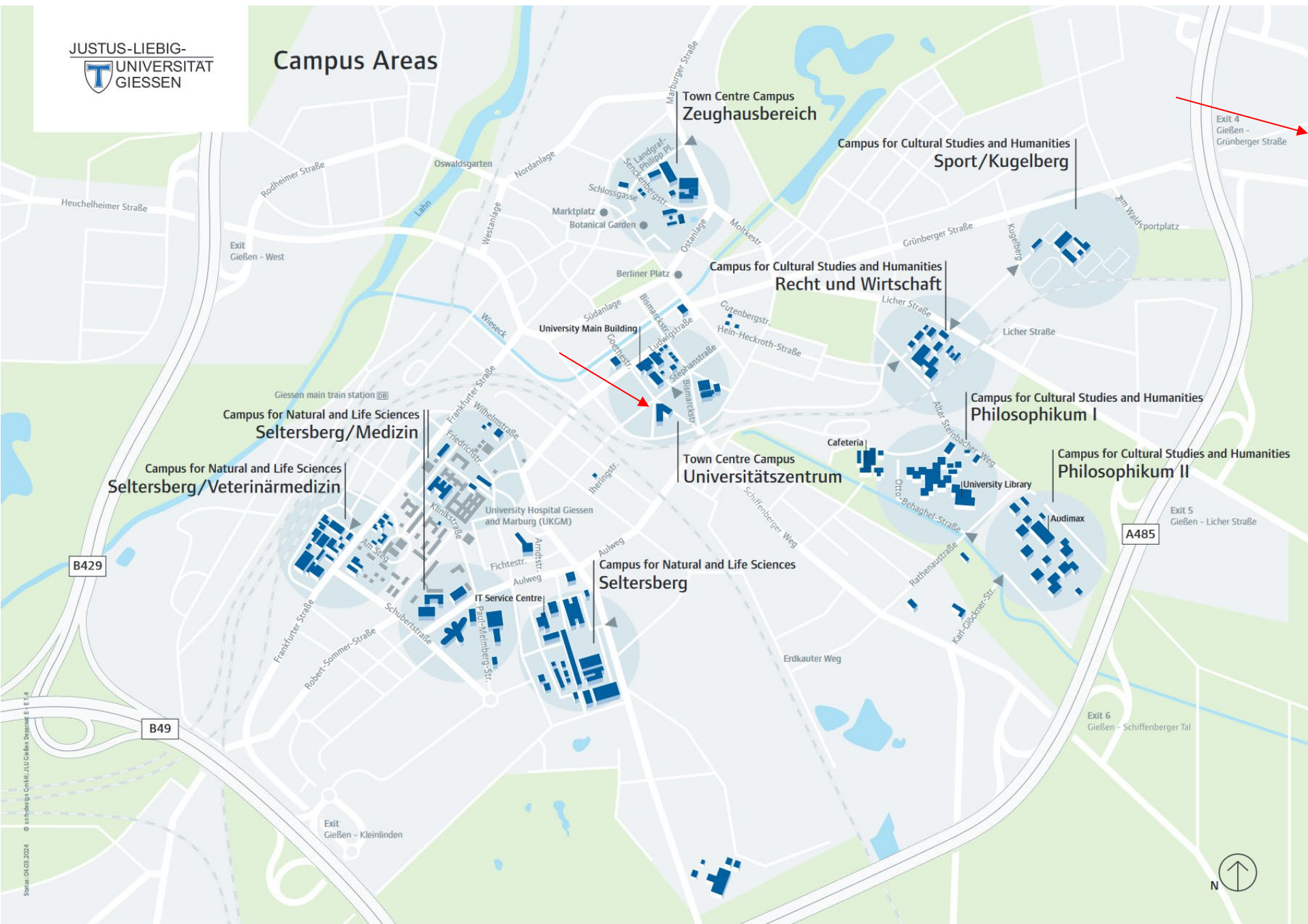


# CONFIRMATION OF ARRIVAL

If you did bring your **Confirmation of Arrival** today, you can **hand it in now!**

We will sign it and send it to you **by email as a scan.**

# Campus Areas





# Questions?

13.10.2025

Your start at JLU

Photo: T. Günther



See you on Tuesday at our Welcome Reception!