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FACULTY 09 – AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES, NUTRITIONAL SCIENCES AND ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

## STUDYING IN THE FACULTY 09

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# WELCOME

M.SC. AGROBIOINFORMATICS

M.SC. AGROBIOTECHNOLOGY

M.SC. INSECT BIOTECHNOLOGY AND BIORESOURCES

M.SC. TRANSITION MANAGEMENT

## PRELUDE

The purpose of this brochure is to facilitate your rapid orientation to life in our Faculty 09 at JLU. These pages provide general information regarding the Master's programmes offered by the Faculty 09 and how to find the relevant information on our faculty 09 webpage.

### *Justus Liebig University*

Justus Liebig University Giessen (JLU) is one of the oldest universities in the federal state of Hesse and attracts today some 27,500 students. Its 11 faculties and 8 research centres offer a wide range of courses of study. Human and veterinary medicine, agricultural sciences and domestic and nutritional sciences combine to give the JLU a constellation of subjects in the area of human life, nutrition and environment that is unique in Germany. In addition, it offers the full range of natural sciences, legal and business studies, social and educational sciences, and language and cultural studies – an exceptionally broad teaching and research spectrum. Students can choose from around 150 different programmes.

### *The Faculty 09*

In the Faculty 09 Agricultural Sciences, Nutritional Sciences and Environmental Management agriculture and nutrition have a long tradition at Justus Liebig University Giessen. Safeguarding the worldwide food supply as well as a healthy nutrition are the focus of research and teaching of all disciplines in our faculty. The broad range of topics and issues goes from primary production to food processing on to the development of environment-friendly land use systems and biogeochemical cycles, all discussed and examined from a scientific and economic point of view.

The Faculty 09 has approximately 3,000 students spread across 21 degree programmes. Five of these are taught entirely in English. The Faculty 09 comprises 43 chairs. Each teaching and research unit is overseen by a professor.



## DECISIVE FACTS

### ADMISSION

*Admission  
requires  
Enrolment*

We are delighted to congratulate you on your admission to one of our degree programmes. Please be advised that this is merely the initial step prior to commencing the official enrolment procedure in JLU. You will receive comprehensive instructions on how to enroll (matriculate) at your private email address. Please follow the instructions in these emails and in the JLU portal GUDE with great care and precision.

Please note that admission to the courses of the degree programme will be denied in the event of non-payment of the semester fee by the stated deadline. If you are joining us after the start of the winter semester, please ensure that you are enrolled for this winter semester in time. Please note that re-matriculation is required for each semester.

[>> Semester Contribution](#)

*Deadlines  
for  
matriculation*

We kindly request that you check the JLU portal GUDE and your JLU email account regularly even if you should still be in your home country. Payment of the semester fee after the deadline is only possible for a limited period. Please be advised that after this deadline, re-matriculation will no longer be possible.

[>> Term Dates](#)

### WEBPAGE OF THE FACULTY 09

*Study guide*

All relevant information on our degree programmes is published on our Faculty 09 webpage. We recommend reading through the pages carefully in order to prepare for your start of studies. The following chapters will outline some of the key facts that are essential for comprehending the information on the faculty webpages.

[>> Webpage – While Studying](#)

# MODULES

## WHAT IS A MODULE IN THE FACULTY 09?

### *Definition*

Modules are defined as teaching units or courses that run over one semester and are completed with an examination. Each module is assigned to either the winter or summer semester offered on a regular basis and has 6 CPS. Changes of the module catalogue are always announced by the team of the study deanery by mail for the following semester at the end of a semester. All documents on the Faculty 09 webpages are updated at the end of each semester.

### *Block Modules*

There are also modules offered during the lecture free period known as Block Modules as they take place within a certain period of time, e.g. two weeks.

An overview of all modules is published in the updated timetable each semester.

[>> Timetable](#)

## TWO TYPES OF MODULES IN OUR FACULTY 09: CORE MODULES AND PROFILE MODULES

### CORE MODULES

### *Mandatory Modules*

Core modules are mandatory in a degree programme and have to be completed successfully. In all modules students have three exam attempts to successfully complete the module. Please note that a failure of all three attempts in one core module leads to the exmatriculation from the entire degree programme. In case of certified illness students are excused from the attempt.

### PROFILE MODULES

### *Shaping your Profile*

Profile modules can be chosen from the entire module catalogue of the Faculty 09. However, we have created separate module directories for each degree programme to make orientation easier. If you seek further advice on the choice of profile modules, please do not hesitate to contact the degree programme director.

In profile modules students also have three attempts to successfully complete the exam. However, profile modules can be changed after a failed exam. Once successfully completed they cannot be changed anymore.

## MODULE CODES

### *Labelling modules*

All Faculty 09 modules have a specific module code structure

MK = Master Core Module (mandatory)

MP = Master Profile Module (optional)

EN = Module is taught completely in English

DI = Module is offered completely digital (Students in Sustainable Transition are given priority).

As an example: the module MK-016-EN – Biotechnology and Genomics is a core module in a Master's degree programme taught in English. You need the module code and its title for registration in a module (StudIP) or for exam registration (FlexNow).

## RECOMMENDED DEGREE STRUCTURE

### *Overview on the programme*

For each degree programme, a recommended study plan is available for students to ensure optimal organisation of modules.

[>> Recommended Module Schedule](#)

However, students can choose to attend the modules in different order. Students are at liberty to schedule their individual timetable, but must take into account any overlaps and delays to the programme's overall duration.

## MODULE DIRECTORIES

### *Module contents*

All modules relevant for the respective degree programmes are listed in the module directory. For initial orientation, it is advisable to study the module directory.

[>> Module Directories](#)



# TWO INDEPENDENT ELECTRONIC SYSTEMS: STUDIP AND FLEXNOW

## STUDIP

*Registration in a module*

Stud.IP is the university's communication and learning platform. It allows lecturers to share learning material, post announcements for students etc. Students have to register for a seat in a module via Stud.IP. Here you will also find the contact details of the module coordinators and lecturers as well as information on the module content and details of time and place.

[>> StudIP](#)

Your StudIP account will be activated only from your first login. Therefore, please do this as soon as possible. Until then, you will not be "visible" in StudIP.

Please check the Faculty 09 instructions about StudIP:

[>> StudIP – Registration in a module](#)

## FLEXNOW

*exam registration*

FlexNow is the centralized examination management system of JLU. Students have to register for all module examinations in JLU's FlexNow System.

Students are advised to check their student data regularly in FlexNow to ensure that all registrations are done correctly.

[>> FlexNow](#)

Please check the Faculty 09 instructions about FlexNow and the exam registration:

[>> Faculty 09 webpage – Exam registration](#)

The exam registration in the Faculty 09 is done towards the end of the semester and each winter semester the study deanery of the faculty 09 offers an online introduction session on the registration procedure. Please note that students can choose between two possible examination periods which can help to distribute the workload for the exams. All dates are published on the faculty 09 webpage as well as announced via email by the study deanery.

# STUDY REGULATIONS

## JLU AND FACULTY 09 DOCUMENTS

### *Legal documents*

The faculty's degree programmes are subject to binding regulations, which are outlined in the faculty's specific examination regulations. In addition to the university's general regulations, these regulations must be taken into account when reviewing the faculty's programmes. Legally binding is the German version of the examination regulations of the faculty 09 (Prüfungsordnung). The English version only serves for information purposes:

>> [Examination Regulations of the Faculty 09 \(.pdf\)](#)

Please be advised that the current examination regulations in German can be found on the webpage entitled "Mitteilungen der Universität Gießen (MUG)". These are the official and legally binding documents for the degree programmes of the faculty 09 at Justus Liebig University Giessen.

### *Where to find*

General Regulations for modular and multi-stage study programmes at Justus Liebig (German / English)

>> [https://www.uni-giessen.de/mug/7/7\\_34\\_00\\_1](https://www.uni-giessen.de/mug/7/7_34_00_1)

Specific Regulations "Agricultural Sciences, Nutritional Sciences and Environmental Management" (German)

>> [https://www.uni-giessen.de/mug/7/findex36.html/7\\_36\\_09\\_1\\_AOeU](https://www.uni-giessen.de/mug/7/findex36.html/7_36_09_1_AOeU)



## LATE ARRIVAL

*Late Arrival  
is not  
a problem*

Each year some international students only arrive after the start of the winter semester. We expressly point out that students who are officially enrolled at Justus Liebig University Giessen / Germany in one of the international degree programmes of the faculty 09 can start their studies in their respective degree programme Agrobiotechnology, Insect Biotechnology and Bioresources, Transition Management or Agrobioinformatics after they have arrived in Giessen. The enrolment certificate (green document) is legally binding and confirms that the named student is officially enrolled in the given degree programme.

Students who arrive later during a semester do not drop out of the degree programme. Our faculty09 specific course system allows an individual course timing. The study deanery of the faculty 09 /JLU Giessen provides individual counselling for international students on how to organize their studies after their arrival. Therefore, our office does not issue individual letters confirming late arrival. Should a student arrive only in the second half of the winter semester due to a delay, they will commence their degree programme with the modules available in the summer semester.

The examination regulations of the faculty 09 Justus Liebig University does not limit the study period to a certain number of semesters in any degree programme of the faculty 09.

*How to deal  
with embassies*

For reference during an interview in the embassy, students shall consult our Faculty 09 webpage - embassies where we answer the most frequently asked questions. This reference works excellently and has been tried and tested many times.

[>> Faculty 09 webpage - embassies](#)

## PLEASE NOTE

Admission is only valid for this winter semester and cannot be deferred to a later semester. Please make sure to enrol for this winter semester and to re-matriculate for the following semesters on time, even if you are still in your home country.



# FACULTY 09

## INTRODUCTION DAYS

### 06-10 OCTOBER 2025

start on 6 October  
at 10.00 a.m.  
Assembly Hall 1  
Bismarckstraße 37, Gießen

# FIRST STEPS

## INTRODUCTON DAYS

Bismarckstraße 37, Hall 1

From **6 to 10 October 2025**, the Faculty 09 will be offering introductory sessions for the first-semester students. You will be welcomed by staff from the Faculty 09 Study Deanery and provided with all the information you need to get off to a good start on your degree programme. Student mentors will be present to help with your initial module registration. We highly recommend you participate in these days. Here, you'll receive the most important information for your studies, get to know the city together in groups, and meet other students

Date and Time: Kick-off on 6 October at 10.00 a.m.

Location: Old Library, Bismarckstraße 37, Assembly Hall 1

Registration in StudIP

## MENTOR GROUPS

During the introduction days you will be divided into mentor groups. In your mentor group you get to know all you need to know about studying at JLU in the Faculty 09 and how you register for your modules in the first semester. We strongly recommend registration in five modules as indicated in the course structure table for the first semester. As the exam registration in FlexNow has to be done at the end of a semester you can decide at a later point in time whether you really want to complete this module and then decide to register for the exam or not. However, please note that these winter modules will not be offered again until next winter semester.

Questions?

## DIGITAL BACKUP SESSION

On **10 October 2025 at 10.00 a.m.** members of the study deanery of the Faculty 09 will offer a digital session to answer any questions you might have had during the registration process for your modules. We strongly recommend attending this session.

Please use this BigBlue Button link:

Information session

>> <https://webconf.hrz.uni-giessen.de/b/sim-8ks-qfz-2ke>

## EXAM REGISTRATION

Towards the end of the winter semester just before the first exams are approaching the study deanery will offer an introductory session on the entire exam registration procedure. You will receive an announcement via email from the study deanery. This session usually takes place at the end of January

# STILL AT HOME?

## DIGITAL INTRODUCTION FOR STUDENTS STILL ABROAD

Should you still be in your home country please meet us in our digital welcome and introduction session for students who are not able to arrive in time before the semester start.

24 September 2025

Time: 13.00 p.m. – 14.00 p.m.

ONLINE

BigBlueButton

>> <https://webconf.hrz.uni-giessen.de/b/sim-8ks-qfz-2ke>

In some degree programmes it is possible to start with digital courses. During this session we will inform you for which courses you should register and how to proceed.

## THE GERMAN LANGUAGE

While proficiency in German may not be a prerequisite for your degree programme, it is undoubtedly advantageous to be able to communicate in German. This will provide you with greater insight into our culture and facilitate improved day-to-day well-being. Furthermore, the chances of getting one of the typical student jobs increase considerably.

Although still being abroad you have the possibility to join our German language courses without extra charges. Among the many different German courses, we particularly recommend the German evening courses. Please find detailed information on:

[German language courses – Evening classes](#)



# CONTACTS

## TEAM FOR STUDIES OF THE FACULTY 09

The team for studies and doctorates of the faculty 09 advises all around issues and questions concerning your studies. This includes the organization of your studies as well as the registration procedure for modules and examinations, or the completion of the thesis. Furthermore, we consult students with individual or special problems. The best way to contact us is by e-mail at the following address:

[studies@fb09.uni-giessen.de](mailto:studies@fb09.uni-giessen.de)

## ACADEMIC ADVISORS

The degree programme directors and their staff provide individual support regarding specific study courses.

If requested, they help setting up your individual course of study plan.

Please check the Faculty 09 webpage:

[>> Faculty 09 Webpage – Academic Advisors](#)

## INTERNATIONAL OFFICE (AKADEMISCHES AUSLANDSAMT)

The Akademisches Auslandsamt (International Office) at the University of Giessen is responsible for supporting international students and scholars. It provides guidance on application procedures, visa and residence issues, and helps with academic and social integration. It also promotes international exchange and cooperation through various programs and partnerships.

[International.students@uni-giessen.de](mailto:International.students@uni-giessen.de)

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