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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

M.SC. ONE HEALTH

THE UNIVERSITY AT A GLANCE

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 25,000 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 24 degree programmes. Eight of these are taught entirely in English. The Faculty 09 comprises 45 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 and that your JLU account is activated. Please note that re-matriculatation 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 progamme 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

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

>> https://www.uni-giessen.de/mug/7/7_34_00_1

The Specific Regulations "Agricultural Sciences, Nutritional Sciences and Environmental Management" (German) are provided on

>> 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 expressedly 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
05 AND 06 OCTOBER 2026

start on 5 October
at 10.00 a.m.
Assembly Hall 1
Bismarckstraße 37, Gießen

FIRST STEPS

INTRODUCTON DAYS

Bismarckstraße 37, Hall 1

On the 5 and 6 October 2026, 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 5 October 2026 at 10.00 a.m.

Location: Old Library, Bismarckstraße 37, Assembly Hall 1

MENTOR GROUPS

Registration in StudIP

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.

DIGITAL BACKUP SESSION

Questions?

On **09 October 2026 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:

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

EXAM REGISTRATION

Information session

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?

FOR STUDENTS STILL ABROAD

Digital Courses

In some degree programmes it is possible to start with digital courses. Our Late Arrival Brochure provides information on which courses to register for and how to proceed if you arrive after the start of the semester.

THE GERMAN LANGUAGE

The benefits of speaking German

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

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

FAQ

JLU account

I have not received my JLU account activation mail. What can I do?

Please check your private email account including your spam folder whether you have received an email from iam@uni-giessen.de which will be sent to you after you have completed all necessary steps for enrollment.
IAM stands for 'Identity and Access Management'
Should you not have received this email please write to **iam@uni-giessen.de**

You need your JLU username and personal password to access all electronic systems at JLU.

Accommodation

Where do I find an accomodation?

Please read the enclosed flyer on accommodation.

Period of study

Can I study longer than 4 semesters?

Our modules are offered regularly in either the winter or summer semester. Although we recommend a certain schedule, students can decide for themselves when to complete their modules. All required core and profile modules must be successfully completed at some point. The university does not impose a limit on the number of semesters needed for completion. However, international students should be aware that they need to prove progress in their studies to the relevant authorities in order to extend their visa. If you need support with this, please contact the International Office (see contacts).

Number of modules

Is it possible to attend more or fewer modules than the recommended number per semester?

Yes, this is possible. Please read the information on the faculty 09 webpage.

>>Recommended Module structure

Profile modules

Can I attend a profile module already in the first semester?

Yes, this is possible. Please register in StudIP if there are still seats available. However, we strongly recommend completing your core modules first.

Exams

How are exams organized in the faculty 09?

Details about the exam format for each module will be announced at the beginning of the course. You can also find all relevant information in the module directories.

Please note that the Study Dean's Office offers an online information session about exam registration in January. We highly recommend attending this session to make sure you are well-informed about all important rules and procedures.

I will arrive after the semester start. Can I attend modules digitally?

Digital modules

Yes, this is possible.

ABI, ABT and IBB: Please register for MK-002-EN Applied Statistics in StudIP. The lectures are provided in an asynchronous online format. For further information please contact the lecturers directly.

TM: Please register for MK-67-EN-DI and MK- -EN-DI. These modules are offered in a hybrid format. Please make sure you attend the courses digitally right from the beginning as assignments during the semester will be demanded. After your arrival you can join the modules in physical presence.

Does the university offer jobs?

Student Assistant

From time to time, professors offer student assistant positions in their departments. Students in higher semesters are eligible to apply for these positions. Please note that these jobs are quite competitive, as many students usually apply. Therefore, preference is often given to applicants with strong academic performance, particularly in the courses offered by the department.

Which competence need students at JLU most?

Self-organization

Students are expected to take care of all matters relating to their studies with the utmost diligence and to read the necessary information provided by the Dean's Office. Self-organisation and regular attendance of courses are key to successfully completing your degree programme.

How can I activate my semesterticket?

Semesterticket

Please activate your semesterticket on the website below. You need your student JLU account data for activating your Semesterticket.

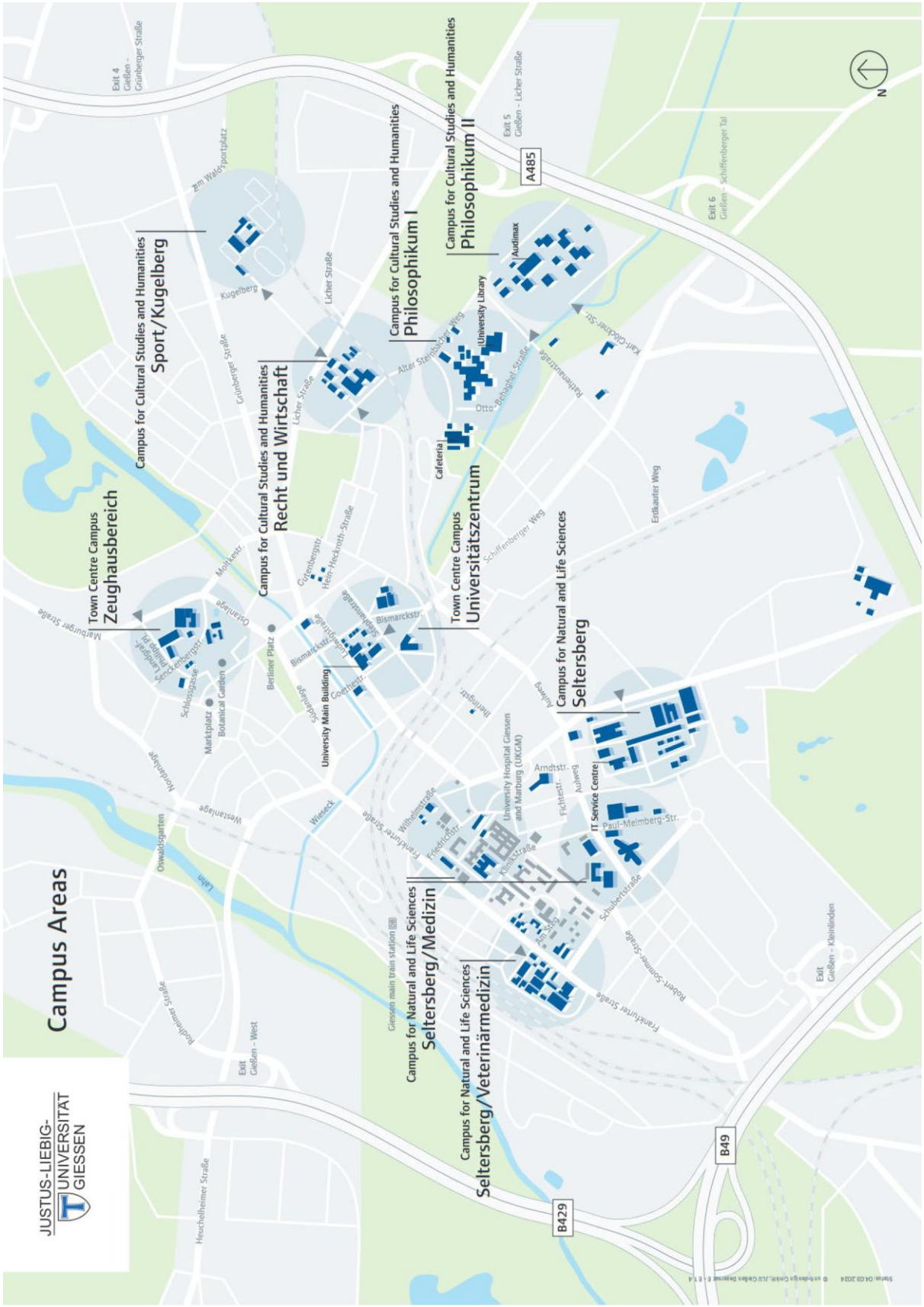
>> activate your semesterticket

Do I need to enroll in the semester I received admission for?

Yes. Please complete your enrollment (immatriculation) in the JLU portal **GUDE** as soon as possible. Admissions cannot be deferred to a later semester. If you do not enroll for the admitted semester, you will need to submit a new application in the following year's admission cycle

>>https:/gude.uni-giessen.de

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GGK Gießener Graduiertenzentrum Kulturwissenschaften