

Introductory Week for International Students

International Student Office

March 3rd 2025



Tips from students for students



Rebecca

- ... studies English and French to be a teacher (Bachelor)
- ... German/ British
- ... speaks German, English, French and Spanish
- ... in Göttingen since October 2022



Alex

- ... studies IT and IP Law (masters)
- ... Mexican
- ... speaks Spanish, English and German.
- ... in Göttingen since October 2024.

**1. Our lives in
Göttingen**

2. Arriving

**5. Question &
Answer**

**3. General
Information on
living in GÖ
(Advice)**

**4. Going out and
socialising**



Rebecca

- Works for the International Student Office as a student assistant & teaches a tutorial
- Goes to the gym and does pilates
- Lives in a shared flat with a friend
- Study breaks: meets up with friends at Café Central or Mensa am Turm
- Evenings: cooking with friends, pub quiz, game nights, bars
- Favourite places: Shawarma Loca, Café Hoffnung, Tante Giulia & Duke's



Alex

- Master Student (intensive).
- Plays football at the Fiz
- Lives in a Studentenwohnheim (Dorm).
- Study breaks: Cooks, Walks at the Kiese or City Forest.
- Evenings: Bars, Clubs or Student events.
- Favourite places: Bar-Racuda, Duke's, Gartenhaus & Tee und Gewürze.



Rebecca

- Max. 3 seminars/ lectures a day (if possible)
- Lunch or coffee breaks!
- Ca. 30 ECTS per semester
- Balance between exams and term papers
- Courses for key competences (teaching, languages etc.)
- Where? BBK (Cultural studies), SEP library (English), SUB (Central library)




Alex

- Intensive program (1 year master program).
- Eating at mensa (cheap, fast and tasty) and coffee breaks.
- Study groups, [Study buddy program](#)
- SUB, [book private rooms](#)
- German courses.



- Cantines (main meals): e.g. Mensa am Turm (veggie), Zentralmensa
- Cafés (coffee, cakes, sandwiches etc.): Café Central, Café Campus, Café Cult, Café Turm

| Zentralmensa | | 03.03.2025 |
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| Vegan | vegan nuggets breaded with cornflakes (1,3,a,1,a,2,a) vegan curry dip tropic (2,3), potatoes with parsley, cucumber salad <i>(lunch offer)</i> |  |
| Salatbuffet | salad bar - self-service May contain (1-11) and (a-n).For further information please ask our service staff. | |
| Campus-Curry | fried sausage from pork with curry (1,3,i,j) curry ketchup Berliner Blume (3,j), chips (3), coleslaw with bellpepper |  |
| Teppan Yaki Kombi | chinese noodles with vegetables and mushrooms (2,a,1,a,c) homemade honey sesame sauce (1,3,a,1,a,f,k), or, homemade curry chili sauce (1), iceberg lettuce and radicchio salad, sour cream lemon dressing (g) |  |
| Natürlich Fit | chicory stuffed with tomatoes and cheese (a,a,2,a,4,a,1,f,g) tomatoe sauce, wohle grain rice with vegetables (i), lollo bionda salad, orange yoghurt dressing (g) <i>(lunch offer)</i> |  |
| Menü | breaded steak of chicken filled with ham and cheese (1,3,a,1,a,g) fowl cream sauce (g), potato croquettes (3,a,1,a,c,f), kohlrabi with cream (g) <i>(lunch offer)</i> |  |
| Frittenchef ZM | Fries Cajunstyle (3) Beef chili con carne with Cheddar (1,2,g), or, Gorgonzola sauce and fresh leaf spinach (g) <i>(lunch offer)</i> |  |
| Dessert | vegan summer berry ragout with, vegan vanilla sauce (3,f), homemade fruit quark with tangerine (g), with, crunchy pearls (a,a,2,a,1,g), or, vanilla yoghurt (g), with, crushed pistachios (h,7,h) |  |



Pardon?
Please.
Go ahead.
Here you go.
You're welcome.
Not at all.



Bitte?
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- Don't be shy, always ask for help.

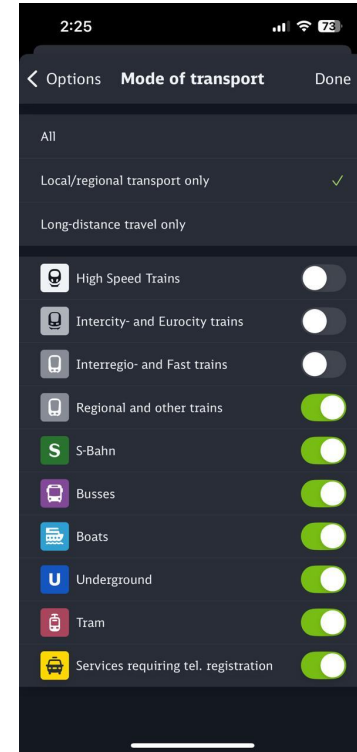
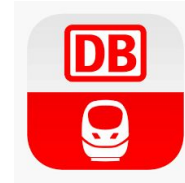


- [Buddy service.](#)

- Welcome activities for new international students (April 10th).



- Deutschlandticket: regional transportation (busses, “slow” trains, not high-speed trains)
- Apple Maps/ DB Navigator/ GöVB instead of Google Maps
 - change the region on your app store to download them



TRANSPORTATION



**NOO OUR TRAIN IS 2
SECOND LATE I'M GOING TO
COMPLAIN ABOUT IT**

**HEY OUR TRAIN IS 3 HOURS
LATE IT IS PRETTY GOOD**



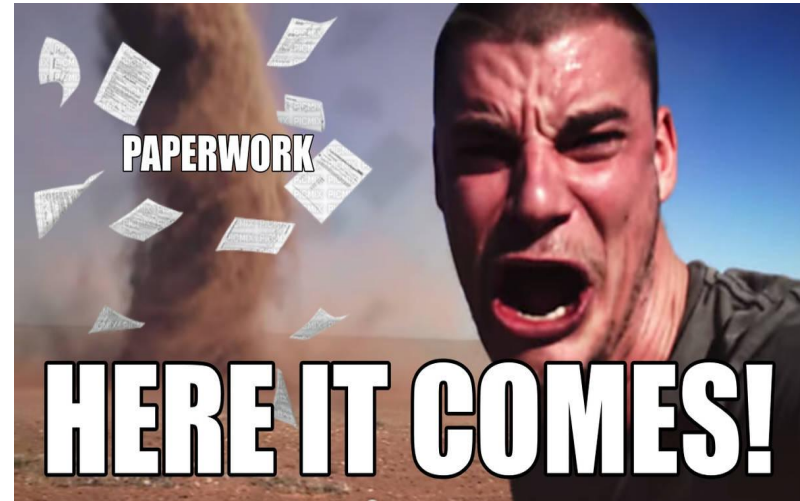
**HEY OUR TRAIN IS ACTUALLY
COMING THAT'S PRETTY GOOD**



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Be aware of common delays!

- Make an early appointment with the city council (Rathaus/ Einwohnermeldeamt)
 - Use a VPN if you live outside of Germany and if it is allowed to do so in your country
- Documents: passport & “Wohnungsgeberbestätigung”
- Check for appointments in the branch offices of Geismar, Grone and Weende



City Registration

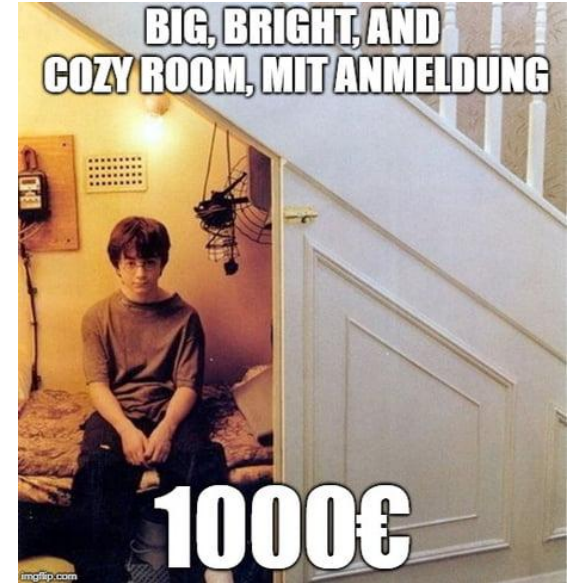
- Everyone has to sign up for it! (mandatory)
- 18,36€/month
- You can split the costs with your flatmates (and the people on the same floor in your student accommodation)
- <https://www.rundfunkbeitrag.de>

Broadcasting Fee



- Apply to accommodation early!
 - E.g. Studentenwerk (dorms)
 - Wg-gesucht.de (shared flat or sublet)
 - “Kleinanzeigen” (sublet, flats)
 - Some hotels offer cheap accommodation at the start of the semester
 - Accommodation Service (international office)
- Be aware of scams!
- If you can wait until the low season (2-3 months after the semester starts), you can get a long-term contract

Accommodation



- Most shops are closed on Sundays and bank holidays
- Some places (e.g. small shops, bars & Christmas markets) only take cash, but usually credit/ debit card is fine
- Public drinking is allowed, but not on public transportation



Remember!



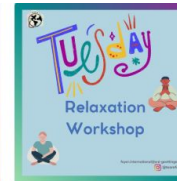
Foyer International



Have you been fascinated by the uniqueness of Korean Culture? Come and join us to learn more about Korea. There will be games, movies, quizzes, and many more. It's time to take a deep dive into it and discover in our Korean Workshop!



Where cultures collide, creativity explodes! Come to the Theatre Workshop and have a great time!



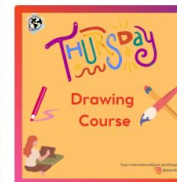
Had a long, hectic day? Want to feel relaxed? Dive into relaxation and calm with the help of easy and gentle body and breathwork, with some music and a cup of tea at the end.



Are you looking to meet new people in a nice, friendly, cozy environment while enjoying the sunshine and fresh air? Then what are you waiting for? Join our Garden Workshop!



Do Germany and its people give you question marks? Are you German and would like to enhance your intercultural competence? Then join us for Typisch Deutsch!



Do you want to spend some time learning interesting drawing tips and tricks? We are planning a drawing course that might help to enhance your creative side. Come to learn how shading works or which colors match perfectly. Join us for Drawing Course.

**O-Woche
(Fresher's Week)!**



**Monro's
Parc**



Duke's Irish Pub:

- Mon: Dart Night
- Tue: Pub Quiz
- Wed/Fri/Sat:
Karaoke

Nörgelbuff



**& Gauß Pub
& Thanner's
& Bar-Racuda**

Nautibar



Clubbing:

- Alpenmax
- EinsB
- Savoy
- Stilbrvch
- Exil



After clubbing:
 “Dönermeile” (e.g.
 Döner King or
 Pinocchio’s for their
 special fries)

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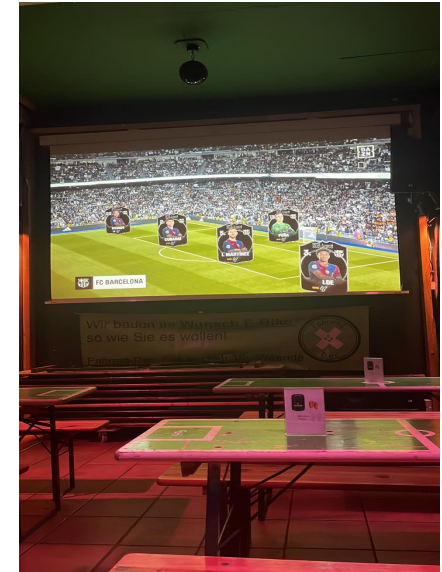
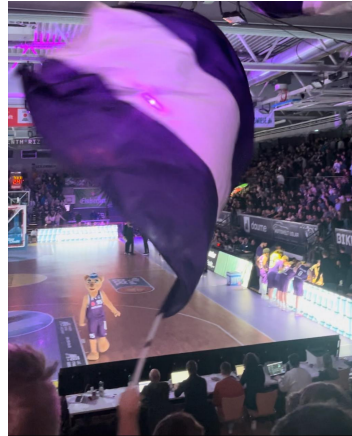
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| Sticker-Rundgang | 16:30 | Ernst-Caspari-Haus, 0.232 | HOSTENLOS |
| The Local Live Stream Tour | t.b.a | Vinyl Reservat | |
| Pump it up-Party | 19:00 | P-Cafe | HOSTENLOS |
| Göttinger Symphonieorchester | 19:45 | Stadthalle | |
| Rock gegen Rheuma | 20:00 | MUSA | |
| Luisa Neubauer | 20:00 | ZHG 010 | |
| Bun-Jon & The Big Jive | 20:00 | Nörgelbuff | HT |
| Christian de la Motte | 20:15 | APEX | HT |
| John Poppyseed & Job Verweijen | 21:00 | Kleiner Ratskeller | |
| FacepalM Nation, We Sleep & Plautzenotto | 21:00 | T-Keller | |
| KLANGWELT | 22:00 | EXIL | |
| Göza Latina | 23:00 | einsB | |


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- Live Sports: BG Göttingen, 1.SC Göttingen 05, and Stadion an der Speckstraße.



- Sports: Fiz, [Unisport ZESG](#)
- Kieselsee and City Forest
- The “Wall”



Any
questions
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