



Welcome to Ludwigsburg University of Education

Pre-arrival Information Session Summer term 2026



Housekeeping Rules



Note! This session is being recorded.



Getting to know others is easier when you see them.
So please keep your camera on throughout the session.
Make sure to smile! 😊



Please keep your microphone muted when not speaking to help eliminate background noise.



ASK QUESTIONS!

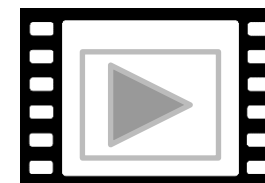
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Ludwigsburg



Ludwigsburg with approx. 94,000 inhabitants is situated 20 km north of **Stuttgart**, the capital of Baden-Württemberg, with about 630,000 inhabitants.

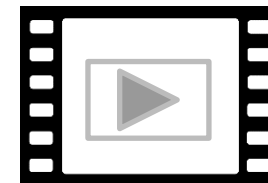


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Ludwigsburg University of Education (LUE) Pädagogische Hochschule Ludwigsburg (PHL)




- ❖ Largest of the six Universities of Education in Baden-Württemberg
- ❖ approx. 5,600 students
- ❖ 3 faculties: Education and Social Sciences, Cultural and Natural Sciences, Special Needs Education
- ❖ 6 Bachelor Programs and 13 Master Programs

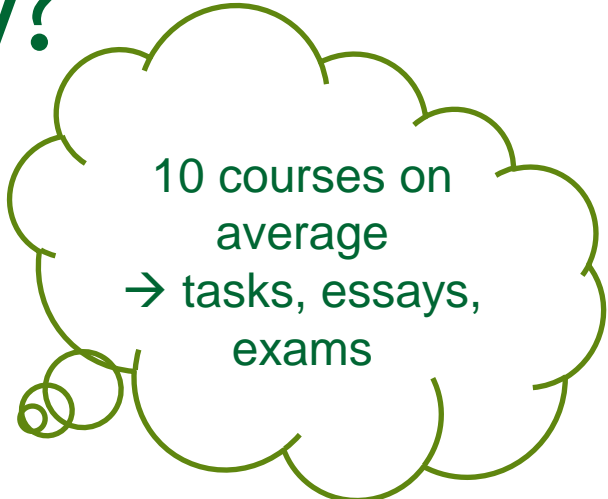


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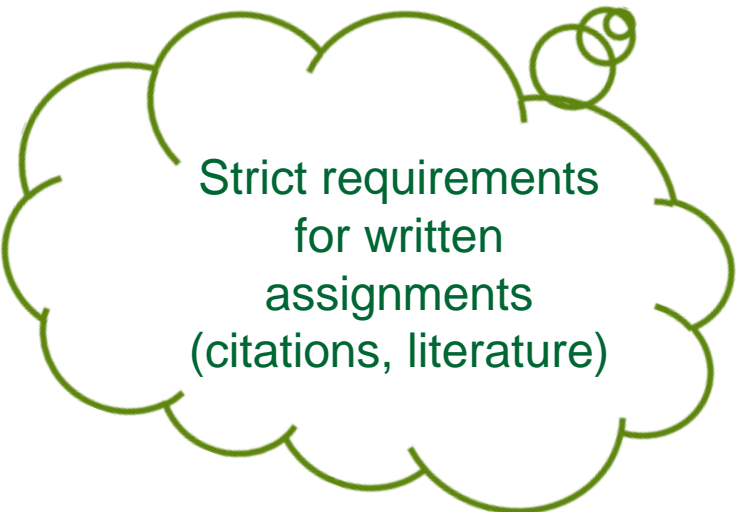
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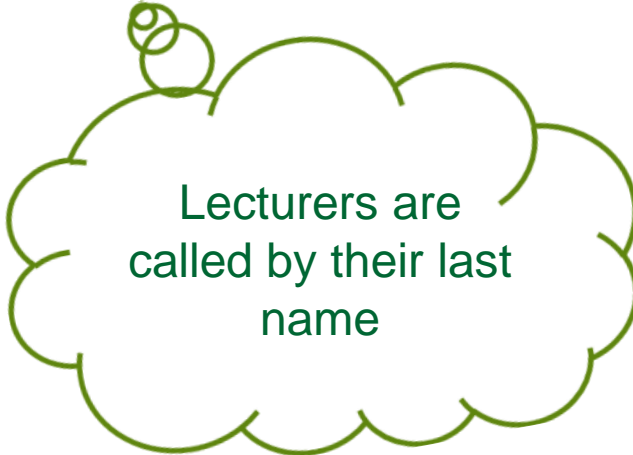
Organizing and
learning is done
independently



10 courses on
average
→ tasks, essays,
exams



Strict requirements
for written
assignments
(citations, literature)



Lecturers are
called by their last
name

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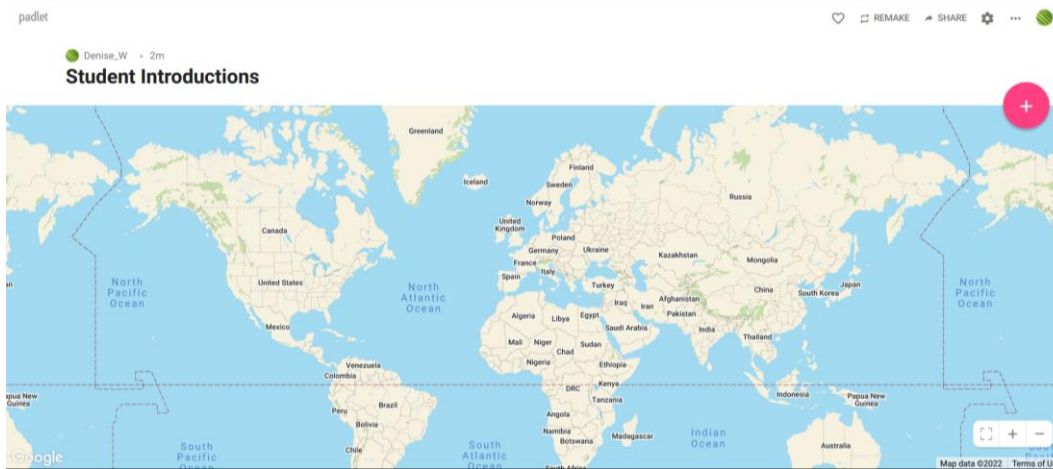
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Student Introductions/Vorstellungsrunde

We want to learn more about you!/
Wir würden gerne mehr über euch
erfahren!



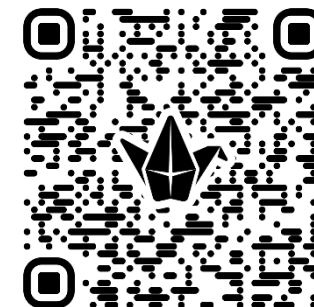
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Where are you joining from?

Add a marker to the map by clicking on the pink plus-icon and mention your name and the city of your home university.

Von wo aus hast du dich zugeschaltet?

Ergänze eine Markierung auf der Karte indem du auf das pinke + Zeichen drückst, nenne deinen Namen und die Stadt deiner Heimat-Universität.



ORGANIZATIONAL QUESTIONS / ORGANISATORISCHE FRAGEN

SOMMERSEMESTER 2026 / SUMMER TERM 2026



1. Housing - Student Village Ludwigsburg



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- Location: 3 minutes' walk to the university; S-Bahn stop in only 2 min. by foot; supermarket, bank, post office, pharmacy and doctors in max. 5 min. by foot
- Single or double room in an apartment (shared apartment) together with other students (women and men)
- There's a large kitchen with a dining area / living room.
- You share the bathroom and toilet with your flat mates.
- Washing machines and dryers are in the basement.
- All rooms are furnished with bed, closet, table and chair.
- **Common rooms are cleaned by all residents - no cleaning service!**
- Rent: Single Room € 2.010 / Double room € 1.412 per semester, includes electricity, water and heating
- Internet: € 9,50 per month
- Bed linen and duvet/pillows can be bought from the janitor (€ 65)

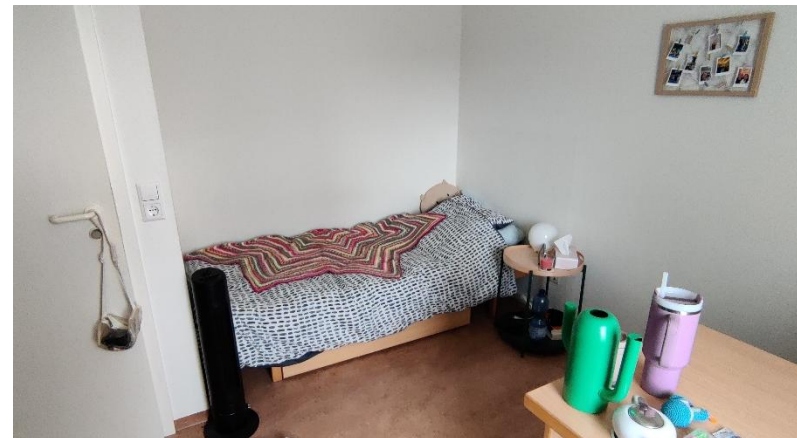
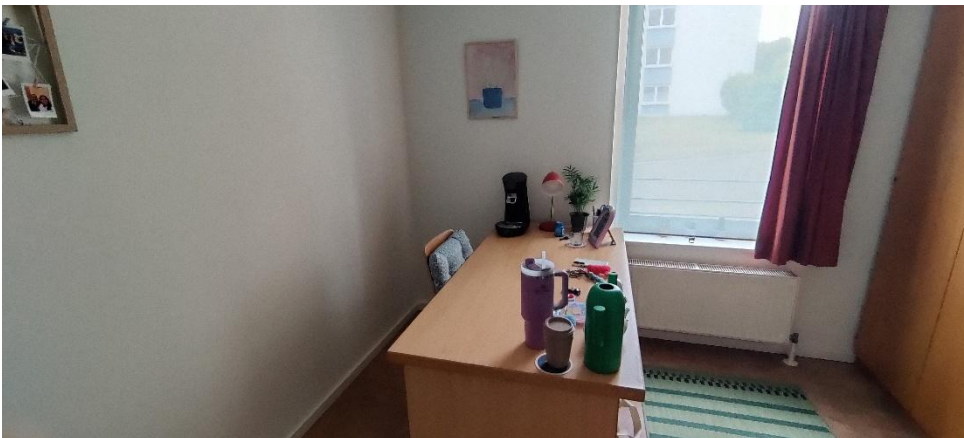
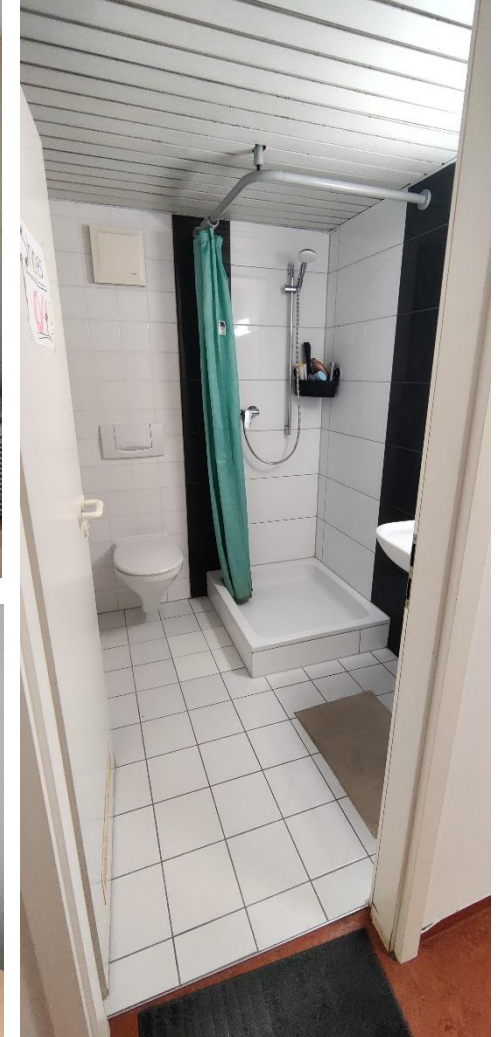
Important note:

- Rooms are currently blocked for you. You need to officially apply for a room until January 25 with the link that we have sent you today. Contracts are made directly with the operator. LUE is not the owner or operator of the dormitory.

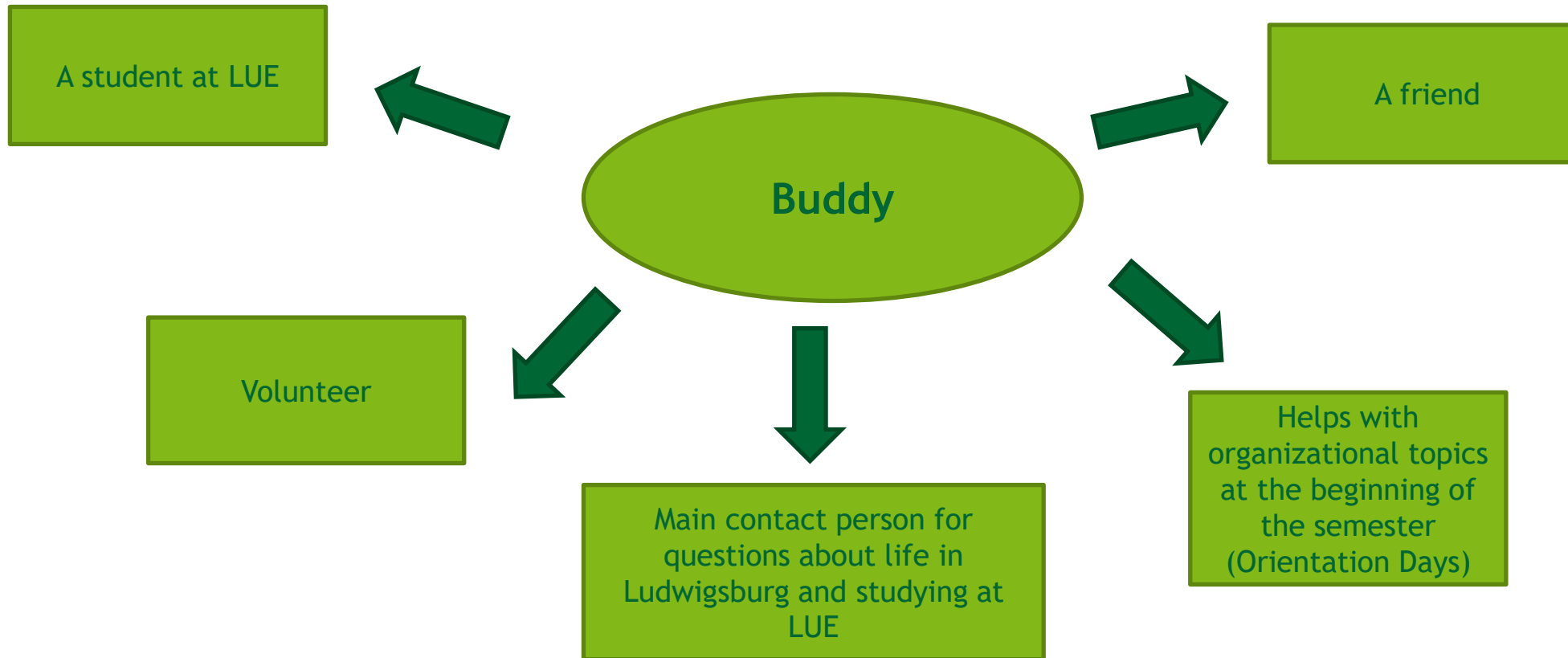
1. Housing / Unterkunft

Student Village / Studi-Dorf Ludwigsburg

Sample photos of a typical shared apartment



2. Buddies



We will forward you the contact of your buddy via email in the course of the next weeks.

Attention: Change of dates! 3. Arrival

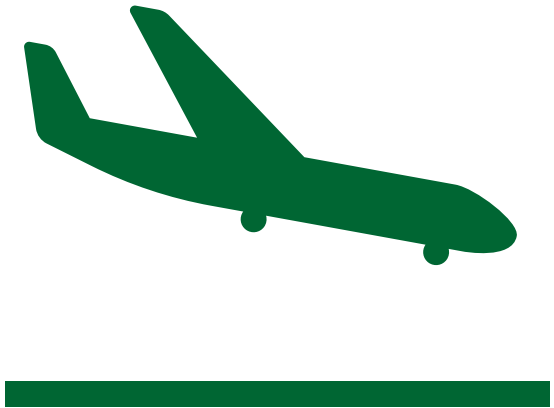
Move-in days are

Thursday, April 2 between 10.00 am and 2.00 pm

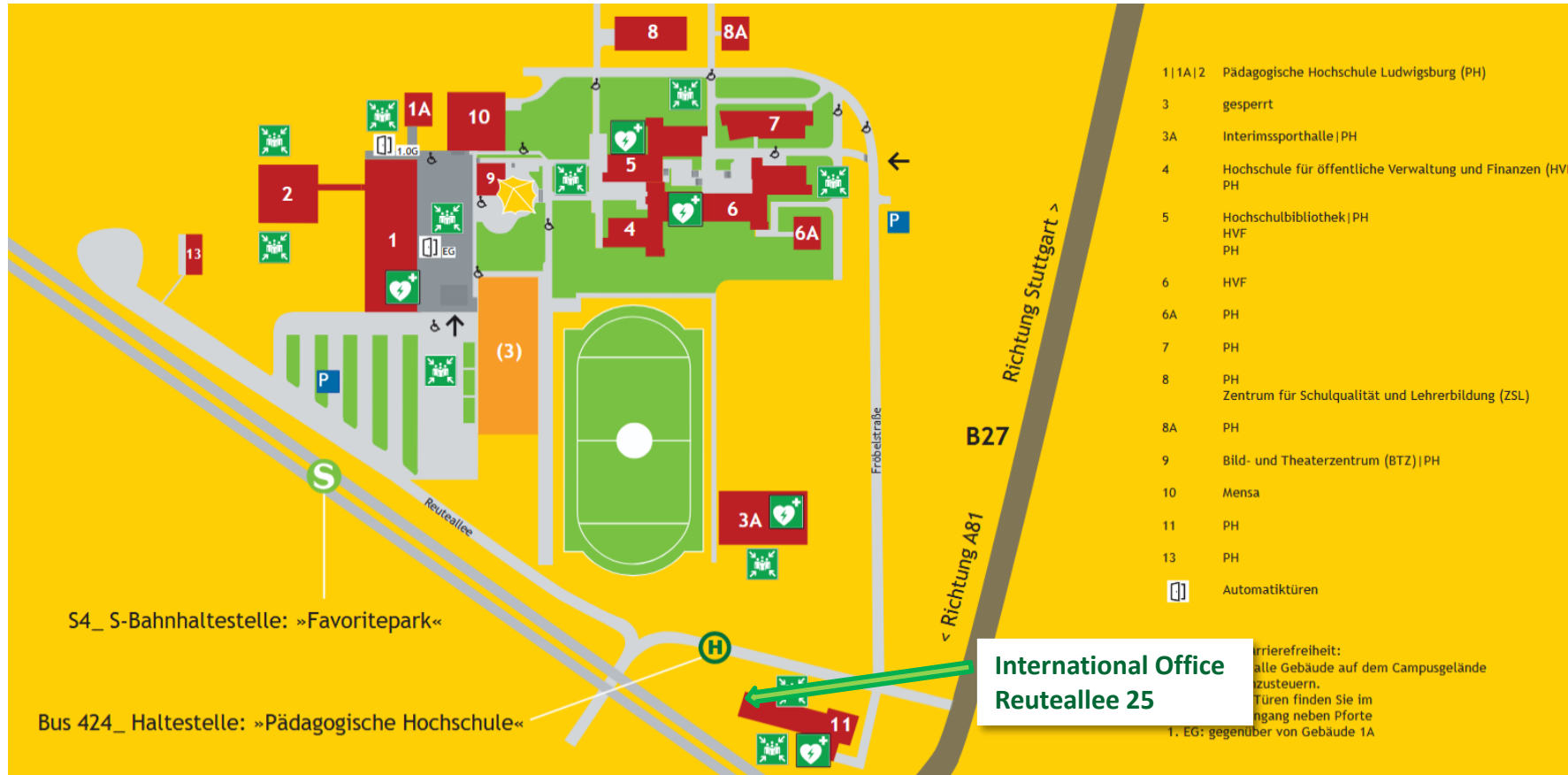
Tuesday, April 7 between 8:00 am and 4.00 pm

- Please tell your buddy at what time and place you will be arriving, so he/she can assist you with your arrival/move-in.
- Come (at best together with your buddy) to the International Office, room 11.015, to pick up your keys and bedding (if you ordered it in your application).
- If you can arrive only after 2 pm on April 2 or after 4 pm on April 7, please ask your buddy to pick up the keys for you and to give them to you upon arrival.
- Your buddy can also pick up the keys for you and meet you directly at the S-Bahn station, if you arrive by public transportation and have heavy luggage.

If your buddy cannot help you with your move-in, please get in touch with the International Office.



3. Arrival



Information on how to travel to “Favoritepark” by public transportation from Stuttgart or Frankfurt Airport or Stuttgart Main Station or how to arrive by car can be found in the information letter.

4. Visa / Passport /ID

Non-EU students:

- ❖ You need a **passport** that is valid for at least 3 months longer than the validity period of your visa. Remember to apply for this early in order to have enough time to apply for the visa. It takes at least 4 to 5 weeks (sometimes up to 12 weeks) to obtain the visa!
- ❖ A **valid student entry visa** is necessary for non-EU students. Please apply for this in good time at the German embassy/consulate in your home country. If having health insurance for your time in Germany is a criterion for your visa, please feel free to contact us at incomings@ph-ludwigsburg.de and we will be happy to assist you.
- ❖ Exception: citizens from the USA, Australia, Japan, Canada, Israel, South Korea, New Zealand and Great Britain can enter Germany with a tourist visa and **apply for their residence permit** after their arrival in Ludwigsburg. We will assist you with that. The tourist visa is valid for up to 90 days after the entry. However, you can also apply for a student visa directly at the embassy in your home country.

4. Visa / Passport / ID

- ❖ **Ukrainians** with a biometric passport who were in Ukraine shortly before or on 24 February 2022 have been able to enter Germany without a visa in recent years. They can also apply for their residence permit here in Ludwigsburg. As the entry requirements for Ukrainians may change at short notice, we recommend that you regularly check the currently valid entry regulations:
https://www.germany4ukraine.de/EN/einreise-aufenthalt-und-rueckkehr/einreise-aus-der-ukraine-nach-deutschland/seite_node.html
- ❖ Students without a scholarship need a **blocked account** to get a residence permit / visa (992 €/month): <https://www.germany-visa.org/de/sperrkonto-auslaendische-studenten/>
- ❖ Students with a scholarship need a blocked account for the difference between the monthly scholarship amount and 992 € (e.g., 700 € scholarship + 292 € blocked account per month).

EU students:

- ❖ For EU citizens an **Identification Card (ID)** is sufficient. It has to be valid until the end of the stay.

5. Health Insurance

For EU citizens:

- ❖ A blue **EHIC card** for health insurance, valid at least until the end of the semester or departure from Germany.

For Turkish citizens:

- ❖ The form A/T 11 Türk-Alman Sosyal Güvenlik Sözleşmesi, which you can get from your Turkish health insurance in order to cover health insurance in Germany.

For Serbian citizens:

- ❖ Form 111 SRB which you can get from your Serbian health insurance in order to cover health insurance in Germany.

For non-EU citizens:

- ❖ We recommend a **travel health insurance** for the arrival and the first days in Germany.
- ❖ After that you have to get a **student health insurance here in Germany**. This is a requirement for enrollment! It costs about 850 Euro per semester and includes everything (also e.g. dental prosthesis, hospitalization, free choice of doctor etc.). We will arrange an information meeting with AOK during the orientation week, during which you can take out the insurance.
- ❖ You can also take out private health insurance. This must be valid for the entire semester in the entire Schengen area.

6. Semester Dates

Attention: Change of dates!

Mandatory arrival days: **April 2 (Thursday) & April 7 (Tuesday)**

Mandatory orientation program for international students: **April 8 - 19, 2026**

Duration of the semester: April 1, 2026 - September 30, 2026

Lecture period: **April 20**, 2026 - July 24, 2026

Excursion week: May 26, 2026 - May 29, 2026

Examination weeks: July 27, 2026 - August 07, 2026

6. Public Holidays

Public holidays in Baden-Württemberg

University and all stores closed!

Good Friday:	April 03, 2026
Easter Monday:	April 06, 2026
Labour Day:	May 01, 2026
Ascension Day:	May 14, 2026
Whit Monday:	May 25, 2026
Corpus Christi:	June 04, 2026

7. Orientation Days

April 8-19, 2026

- ❖ Completion of all administrative formalities:
 - enrollment at the university
 - health insurance
 - opening a bank account (if applicable)
 - registering in the town of Ludwigsburg
 - application for the residence permit
 - etc.
- ❖ Getting to know the other international students and buddies
- ❖ Explore the university and the surroundings
- ❖ Excursions, e.g. to the Residential Palace of Ludwigsburg

More information will follow shortly before arrival.

8. Courses

FREE CHOICE
OF COURSES

OR

COURSE
PACKAGES

International exchange students can either **put together their own schedule**, choosing courses from the entire course catalogue across all faculties, or **enroll in one of our course packages** offered in the summer semester.

Free choice of courses from the entire course catalogue

General information:

- ❖ The majority of the courses is designed for future teachers
- ❖ Exchange students can choose from the entire course catalogue and are not restricted to a specific faculty
- ❖ Lecturers are flexible with ECTS and grades / certificates of participation
- ❖ We offer (free) German Language Courses: 4 levels / 4 hours per week/ 6 ECTS - mandatory for international students whose mother tongue is not German
- ❖ You can take one more language course (max. 2 language courses)
- ❖ School Practice (Internship) is possible: 2 weeks full-time = 3 ECTS, 2 days per week throughout the entire lecture period (30 days) = 10 ECTS
- ❖ We expect you to study full-time (minimum 20 ECTS); expectations of home university and scholarship have to be observed



Free choice of courses

Courses for the summer semester are not yet published.

- ❖ Course catalogue of the previous summer semester:
<https://lsf.ph-ludwigsburg.de/qisserverlb/rds?state=wtree&search=1&category=veranstaltung.browse&navigationPosition=lectures%2Clectureindex&breadcrumb=lectureindex&topitem=lectures&subitem=lectureindex>
- ❖ List of courses taught in English:
<https://lsf.ph-ludwigsburg.de/qisserverlb/rds?state=wtree&search=1&trex=step&root120251=161891%7C163218&P.vx=kurz>
Or: https://www.ph-ludwigsburg.de/fileadmin/phlb/international/Incomings/List_of_courses_taught_in_English.pdf
- ❖ Language courses:
<https://lsf.ph-ludwigsburg.de/qisserverlb/rds?state=wtree&search=1&trex=step&root120251=161891%7C164733&P.vx=kurz&noDBAction=y&init=y>

Criteria to consider when choosing your courses (free choice):

- ❖ You can choose from the **entire range of studies** (except for INEMA MBA Programme)
- ❖ Participation in one **German class for Visiting Students** (Deutsch für Gaststudierende/ DaF) is mandatory for international students whose mother tongue is not German (there are 4 levels and you get 6 ECTS)
- ❖ Maximum one other **language course**
- ❖ We expect that you **study full-time** (at least 20 ECTS per semester)
- ❖ We suggest to have **20-30 ECTS**, but you have to check the expectations of your home university and scholarship, if there are any



Course Selection

The courses for the summer semester will be online on February 16.

We will send you an email with information about how the course registration works technically and your log-in credentials.

There are 2 registration periods: 16.02. - 12.03.26 and 16.03. - 06.04.26.

Many courses have limits with regards to participants. We suggest to **register during the first registration period**. If you are not accepted to a course, try it again in the 2nd period. If you are still rejected, you can write an email to the lecturer or talk to him in person when the first session takes place. Usually, they are very flexible and accept exchange students to their courses.

Discuss your needs (ECTS, grade or certificate of participation) with your lecturers at the beginning. They are usually very flexible to the needs of our exchange students and can offer individual solutions.



Online meetings with our tutors to ask questions about the courses and to discuss your schedule will be offered.



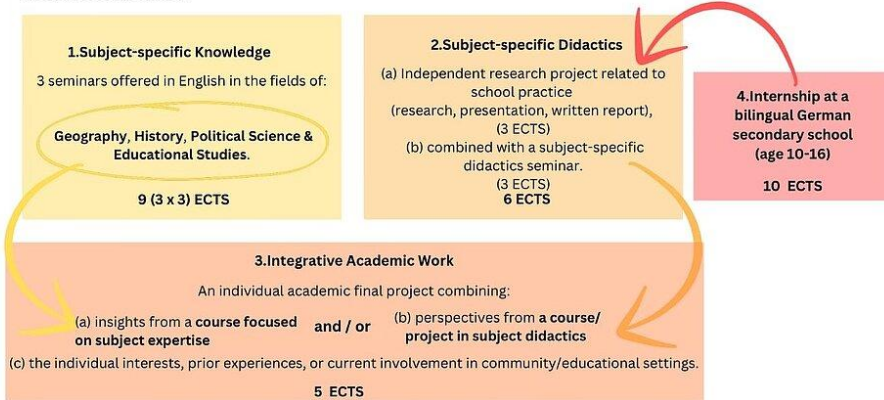
Course Package: Social Studies

“SOCIAL STUDIES FOR AN INTERCONNECTED WORLD”

30 ECTS Course Package (Summer Term: April-July)
Including 10 ECTS school-based internship

The course package "Social Studies for an Interconnected World" equips future teachers with the skills and knowledge needed to navigate international and inclusive educational settings. It emphasises critical reflection on society and engagement with diversity through a comprehensive curriculum that includes the following four components: subject-specific content, research projects, integrative academic work, and internship.

Course Structure:



Module Component	Requirement	ECTS
1. Subject-specific Seminars	Attend 3 seminars	9
2. Didactics	1 seminar + research project + colloquium	6
3. Integrative Academic Work	Final academic project	5
4. School Internship	Teaching practice	10
Total	20.01.2026	30

Included courses in the summer semester 2026

Teaching Social Studies for an Interconnected World

Course Package structure for Summer Term 2026:

Module Component	Planned Seminars 2026	Requirement + ECTS
1. Subject-specific Seminars	Geography: <i>Geographies of Indigeneity: Space, Identity & Resistance</i> (Charlotte Keefer) History: <i>Holocaust Education in Different Perspectives</i> (Carolin Hestler) Educational Studies: <i>Critical Global Citizenship & the Migration Society</i> (Anselm Böhmer)	Attend 3 Seminars → 9 ECTS
2. Didactics	Didactics: <i>Students learn what teachers teach? Constructing knowledge in the social studies classroom</i> (Florian Weber-Stein & Anja Vocilka)	1 Seminar + Research Project + Colloquium → 6 ECTS
3. Integrative Academic Work		Final Academic Project → 5 ECTS
4. School Internship		Teaching Practice → 10 ECTS

⇒ Courses on Wed. and eventually Tue;
Internship on Thur and Fri
⇒ German language course not possible timewise

More information: https://www.ph-ludwigsburg.de/fileadmin/phlb/international/Incomings/100625_Course_Package_Teaching_Social_Studies_for_an_interconnected_World_final_.pdf

Course Package: Art & Design

Course Structure:

Space	Surface	Media
Wood Sculpturing Seminar 3 ECTS	Drawing in the Wilhelma (zoo) 3 ECTS	Artistic Photography 3 ECTS
Ceramics 3 ECTS	Act drawing 3 ECTS	

Individual Academic & Practical Project (7 ECTS)

A self-directed project developed over the course of the semester, combining artistic practice with critical reflection.

- Hand-bound sketchbook as a 100-day diary for ongoing creative and reflective exploration (*reflection in action*)
- Final exhibition featuring participatory elements and the practical application of subject-specific didactics (*reflection on action*)

- + 7-day painting & drawing excursion (Pfingstexkursion) (3 ECTS)
Total costs: €400–500 (including food, accommodation, and travel)
- + Internship - 3 weeks before the summer term starts (5 ECTS)

Monday

18:15 - 19:45
Drawing Act
3 ECTS

Tuesday

12:15 - 13:45
Photography
3 ECTS

Wednesday

Thursday

14:15 - 15:45
Ceramics
3 ECTS

Friday

Set dates
Drawing in the Wilhelma (zoo)
3 ECTS

- + Internship - 3 weeks before the summer term starts (5 ECTS)

- + Compact Seminar: Wood Carving (3 ECTS)

- + Pfingstexkursion (3 ECTS)

- + Individual Academic & Practical Project (7 ECTS)

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More Information: https://www.ph-ludwigsburg.de/fileadmin/phlb/international/Incomings/010725_Course_Package_Putting_Art_and_Design_into_Practice.pdf

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“Putting Art & Design into Practice”

30 ECTS Course Package (Summer Term: April-July)

Including 5 ECTS internship

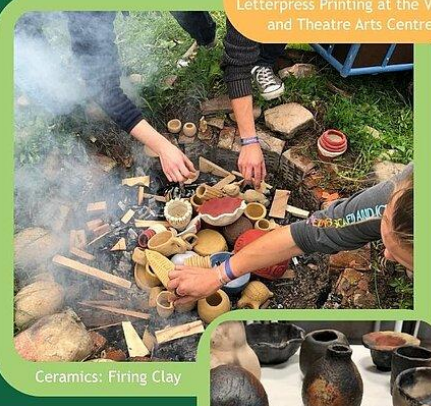
This practice-led course package is designed for international students and fosters the development of artistic skills and reflective practice across surface, space, and media. Alongside seminars, students complete an Individual Academic and Practical Project (IAPP), which combines a visual research diary with a final exhibition. The course package offers a holistic, interdisciplinary learning experience by integrating artistic creation, critical reflection, and teaching practice.



Letterpress Printing at the Visual and Theatre Arts Centre



Wood Sculpturing at LUE



Ceramics: Firing Clay

Internship locations:

1. *Kunstschule Labyrinth*, Ludwigsburg
Art school offering creative workshops for children and youth with hands-on learning.
2. *Schlossbergschule* (MakerSpace Internship)
School with a MakerSpace for project-based learning; interns support creative student activities.

9. Teaching Placement (Internship)

- ❖ Usually 2 weeks full-time during lecture periode
- ❖ Observing lessons and teaching some hours in the second week
- ❖ School types: Grundschule (primary school), Gesamtschule (comprehensive school), Realschule (secondary school), Sonderschule (special needs school)
- ❖ Normally, the school is here in the region, but travelling there by public transportation is likely necessary
- ❖ Classroom language is German, teaching placements in English are mainly possible in the subject English at secondary schools (others upon consultation), internships at primary schools and special needs schools are only possible when you have German language skills
- ❖ 3 ECTS
- ❖ **Important note:** For a school internship, you need a **police clearance certificate**. You need to apply for it in your home country before your stay and bring it with you. In addition, you must be **vaccinated against measles or be immune** to it (proof required).

10. Online Learning Agreement

- ❖ Only relevant for Erasmus+ students
- ❖ Please send them to us before your arrival (online platform)
- ❖ Changes can be made up to 5 weeks after the courses have started
- ❖ **Instructions how to complete the OLA** (Online Learning Agreement) can be found on: <https://www.ph-ludwigsburg.de/en/international/international-exchange-students/online-learning-agreement-ola>

11. Semester fee

- Social contribution to the Studierendenwerk (local student services organisation) for running the mensas, cafeterias, advice services.
- NO TUITION FEE
- It has to be paid every semester by every student
- 96,50 Euro for exchange students from partner universities
- 199,50 Euro for all other students (96,50 Euro + administrative fees)

Options to pay:

recommended

- Bank transfer before arrival from your bank account at home (Euro countries)
- Bank transfer before arrival from your new German bank account (e.g., [N26](#)) to avoid banking fees (see information letter)
- Transfer after opening a bank account at Sparkasse in Ludwigsburg. You bring the amount in cash to the appointment at the bank, put it on your account, and arrange the bank transfer.
- Details to arrange the bank transfer will be send via email.

The student ID card does NOT count as a public transportation ticket - you have to buy this separately!



Virtual pre-arrival Q&A Meeting at the **beginning of March**

We will discuss:

- Arrival day
- Orientation Programme
- Questions

Invitation will follow by email.

Next steps

- ❖ Apply for your room at the student residence with the link that you have received from us by email
- ❖ Check the validity of your passport/ ID
- ❖ Take care of your visa, if necessary
- ❖ Complete your Learning Agreement, if not already done (Erasmus+)
- ❖ Register for your courses and create your schedule as soon as the registration is open (February 16)
- ❖ Open a German bank account (mandatory if you receive a scholarship from us)
- ❖ Transfer the semester fee (instructions will follow by email)



**DO YOU HAVE ANY
QUESTIONS?/
HABT IHR FRAGEN?**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR
PARTICIPATION!//**

**DANKE FÜR EURE
AUFMERKSAMKEIT!**

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