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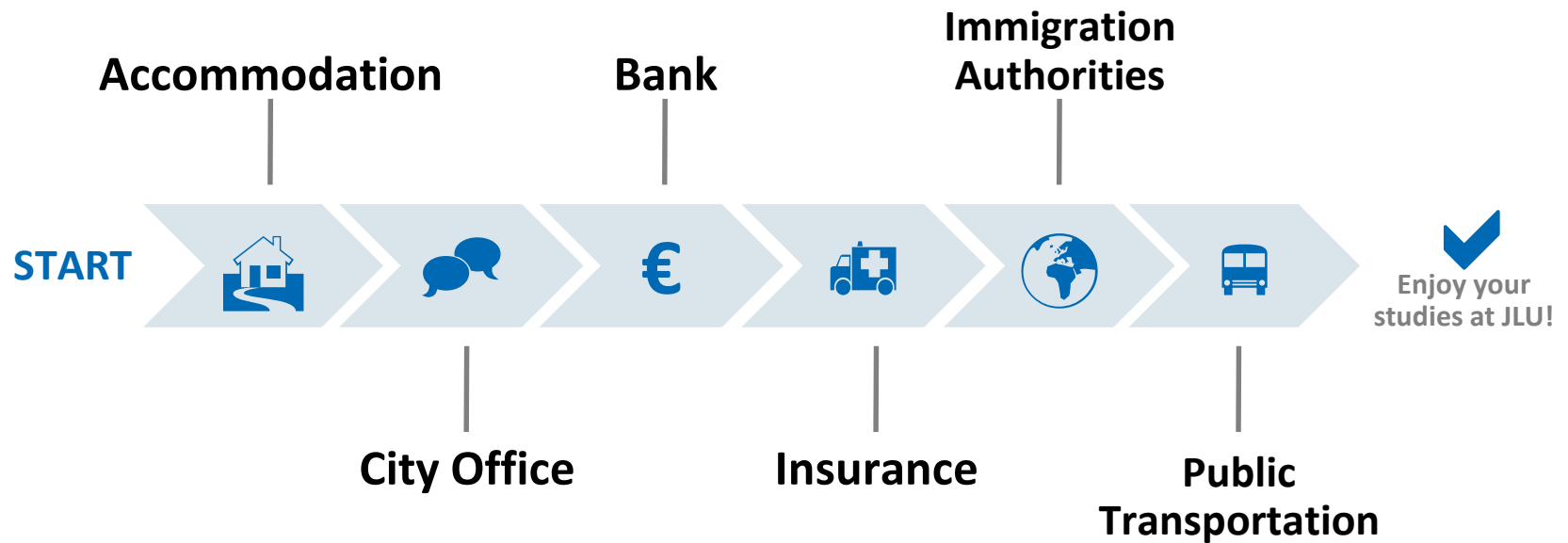
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INTERNATIONAL OFFICE AT JUSTUS LIEBIG UNIVERSITY GIESSEN

FIRST THINGS TO DO AFTER ARRIVING IN GIESSEN

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WELCOME TO GIESSEN!



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- Website of the city of Giessen: <https://www.giessen.de/>
- For students **arriving after the start of the lecture period**, there will be an information session and get-together on **28 May 2024** at Lokal International (Eichendorffring 111, 35394 Giessen). If you are arriving late and would like to participate, please get in touch with the team of International Office: studium-international@uni-giessen.de
- Visit [Justus Digital](#) for an overview of the OWIS programme, an FAQ and downloads.
- More information on the services of the International Office can be found here: www.uni-giessen.de/international-pages

STEP 1: ACCOMMODATION



- Look for an apartment, a shared flat or a dorm room
 - Student Residence Halls: www.stwgi.de/wohnen/
 - Private sector accommodation, e.g. [WG-Gesucht](#)
 - Please download the **brochure below** (available in [German](#) and [English](#)) and visit “[Finding Accommodation](#)” on **09 April 2024** for more detailed information

- Ask the landlord to sign the **confirmation of tenancy** (Wohnungsgeberbescheinigung)!



STEP 2: CITY OFFICE (STADTBÜRO)



- Book an **appointment for registration** online:
 - [“Anmeldung: Zuzug aus dem Ausland”](#)
 - You will receive your certificate of registration onsite
- After 7–10 working days, you will receive a letter with your 11-digit **personal tax identification number** (Steuer-ID aka Persönliche Identifikationsnummer).

Keep this letter safe!

FOR THE REGISTRATION YOU NEED:

- ✓ passport/identity card
- ✓ confirmation of tenancy
- ✓ **if applicable**, your residence permit (**Aufenthaltstitel**)
- ✓ **if applicable**, previous certificates of registration (**Meldebestätigung**)

STEP 3: BANK ACCOUNT



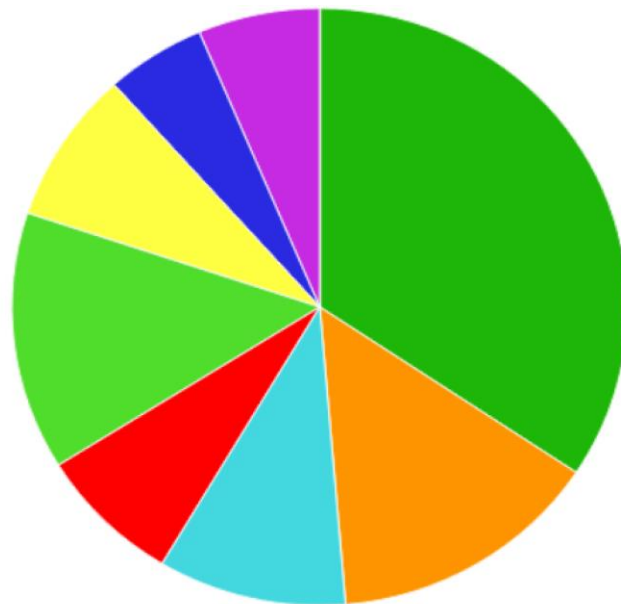
- If you don't have a **bank account in Germany**, open one:
 - Some banks require an appointment. Check in with them beforehand!
 - Banks and savings banks in Giessen (amongst others): Deutsche Bank branch, Postbank, Sparkasse Gießen, Volksbank Mittelhessen eG
 - Please remember to mention that you are a student.

- If you have a **blocked account** and would like to release the funds in it, you will need a confirmation from the immigration authorities (Ausländerbehörde).


**TO OPEN A BANK ACCOUNT
(KONTOERÖFFNUNG)
YOU NEED:**

- ✓ certificate of registration
- ✓ Steuer-ID
- ✓ passport/identity card
- ✓ If applicable, residence permit
- ✓ certificate of enrolment and the student ID

AVERAGE MONTHLY SPENDING



- Rent (34.3%)
- Meals (14.3%)
- Transportation (9.9%)
- Leisure, Culture, Sport (7.6%)
- Health Insurance (14%)
- Clothing (8.3%)
- Phone, Mobile, Internet (5.2%)
- Education (6.4%)

Average monthly spending for students in Giessen: around **€950** (+ semester contribution and radio taxes)

STEP 4: INSURANCE



- Take up a health insurance plan at a **public health insurance provider** (gesetzliche Krankenkasse).

- You need to be insured as soon as you enter Germany!
- Only for enrollment: Ask the health insurance to send a **digital insurance notification**, a so-called M10, to JLU using the JLU company number: H0001711

- If you prefer a **private insurance provider**, seek our advice at the International Office first, **before** you sign any contracts!



YOU WILL USUALLY NEED:

- ✓ passport/identity card
- ✓ admission letter from the university
- ✓ bank account details

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQ)



Do I have to get a German health insurance even if I am not in Germany?

- No, if you are not currently in Germany, you do not need a German health insurance. You have to get a German health insurance once you are in Germany.

Do EU Citizens also need a German health insurance?

- Citizens of the European Union that possess a European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) do not need an additional German health insurance during their stay in Germany.

STEP 5: IMMIGRATION AUTHORITIES



- Contact the immigration authorities via email auslaenderbehoerde@giessen.de or telephone **0641 306-2280** for your registration.
- For students **in Giessen**: Approximately two months before your residence permit expires, you will receive a letter from the Immigration Office. This letter includes a list of the documents required for the extension and an application form.
- If you don't receive any letter, please contact the immigration authorities **at least two weeks before your residence permit expires!**

STEP 6: PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

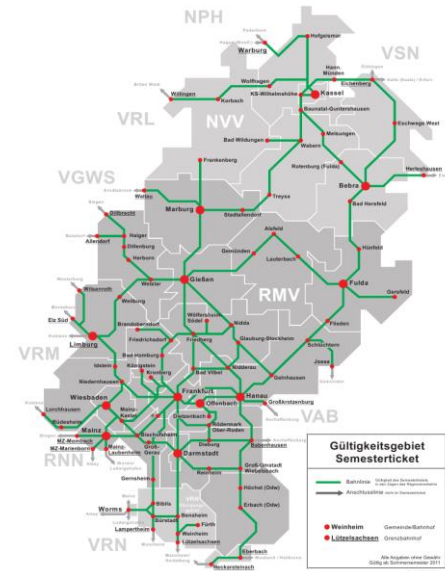


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Your "Semesterticket" (student ID card)...



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...is valid within the boundaries of the RMV and the NVV.

SEMESTER TICKET (STUDENT ID CARD)



- Must be updated at the beginning of each semester
- Valid in local trains, trams, buses, the underground
 - **No** fast long-distance IC and ICE trains



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- Deutschlandticket Upgrade: https://www.asta-giessen.de/en/semesterticket_upgrade/
- It is recommended to use the [RMV app](#) and the [DB Navigator app](#) for travel

FROM FRANKFURT TO GIESSEN



I. Frankfurt (M) Flughafen Regionalbahnhof

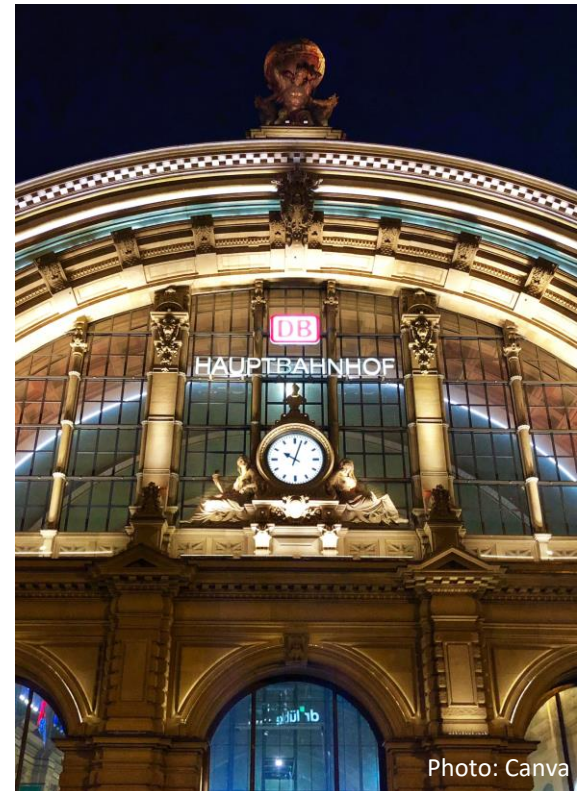
- S-Bahn & U-Bahn (Metro)

II. Frankfurter Hauptbahnhof (Hbf)

- Regional-Express (RE) or Regional Bahn (RB): direction Kassel/Marburg/Siegen/Dillenburg

III. Gießen Hbf

*Hauptbahnhof (Hbf) — main train station



TRAVELLING WITHIN GIESSEN



- Bus route maps and timetables:

<https://www.swg-verkehr.de/fahrplaene>

- Rental bikes:

<https://www.asta-giessen.de/en/leihraeder/>

- Minicar & Taxi

- Lahn City Car: <https://www.lahncitycar.de>
- Giessen Car: www.giessen-car.de
- Stadt Taxi & Minicar: <https://stadttaxigiessen.de/>



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HOW TO GET TO STUDENT RESIDENCE HALLS



📍 Eichendorffring 97 – 117

Bus no. 2 (direction Eichendorffring) → last stop

📍 Grünberger Straße 190 – 198

Bus no. 17 (direction Lufthansastraße) → stop: Heyerweg

Bus no. 1 (direction Rödgen) → stop: Heyerweg

📍 Unterhof 51 – 69

Bus no. 10 (direction Philosophikum II) → stop: Unterhof

📍 Leihgesterner Weg 124 – 134, 134a – 138

Bus no. 10 (direction Philosophikum II) → stop: Leihgesterner Weg

📍 Mildred-Harnack-Fish-Haus (Leihgesterner Weg 16)

Bus no. 3 (direction Schwarzacker) → stop: Röntgenstraße



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ENJOY YOUR STUDIES AT JLU!



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SUPPORT SERVICES FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS AND DOCTORAL STUDENTS



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International Office

Akademisches Auslandsamt

Goethestrasse 58

35390 Giessen

www.uni-giessen.de/internationales

Instagram: [@jlu.international](https://www.instagram.com/jlu.international)



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If you have any specific questions, please contact the International Office:

studium-international@uni-giessen.de (for international students)

promotionsstudium-international@uni-giessen.de (for international doctoral students)

UPCOMING EVENTS



Enjoy your studies
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10:00 | 09.04.2024

German Language Courses

For degree-seeking, doctoral and on-campus exchange students

12:00 | 09.04.2024

Question Time for Doctoral Students

Room 201 (2nd floor), Goethestrasse 58, 35390 Giessen

12:00 | 09.04.2024

Studying in Germany: The Academic System

For all students

14:00 | 09.04.2024

Residence Permit for Your Study Period

For degree-seeking, doctoral students and on-campus exchange students

16:00 | 09.04.2024

Finding Accommodation

For degree-seeking, doctoral and on-campus exchange students

INTERNATIONAL CALENDAR



The screenshot shows the website's navigation menu with the following items: Home, International Calendar, Term Dates, Brochures/Leaflets, and Contact. Below the menu are three blue banners: 'You want to be a part of JLU? Apply now!', 'Services for Refugees and Students at Risk', and 'Orientation Week for International Students (OWIS): 08 – 12 April 2024'. Below the banners are two featured content blocks. The first block is a YouTube video thumbnail for 'JLU – The Film' with a red play button and the text 'Justus Liebig University Giessen (JLU)...' and 'Ansehen auf YouTube'. Below it is the text '→ Learn more about JLU on YouTube!'. The second block is an image of a computer monitor displaying a world map with glowing nodes and connecting lines, with the text '→ Virtual International Programme of JLU' below it.

Please check our [International Calendar](#) for upcoming information sessions, lectures, workshops, excursions, cultural events and much more.



All the best for your studies at Justus Liebig University!