



STUDYING AT JUSTUS LIEBIG UNIVERSITY: INFORMATION FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

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UNIVERSITIES IN GERMANY

- 1. A <u>full University</u> offers study programs in basically all fields of study
- 2. <u>Technical Universities</u> are specialized in technical programs (e.g. engineering) but also offer other non-technical study programs
- 3. <u>Art Schools</u> specialize in art, music, architecture or theatre. Usually, they do not offer other study programs
- 4. <u>Universities of Applied Sciences</u> offer a wide range of programs. Their teaching approach is less scientific and more practical compared to universities.

UNIVERSITIES IN GERMANY

Colleges, schools or universities can be

- state-run (e.g. Justus Liebig University, Phillips University Marburg, ...)
- private (e.g. Frankfurt Business School, ...)
- church-run (e.g. Giessen School of Theology, ...)

FIELDS OF STUDY

- Law and Economics
- Cultural and Social Studies and Humanities
- Sciences
- Medical Sciences
- Teacher Training
- Engineering

study programs offered at Justus Liebig University

FACULTIES AT JUSTUS LIEBIG UNIVERSITY

- 01 Law
- 02 Economics and Business Studies
- 03 Social Sciences and Cultural Studies
- 04 History and Cultural Studies
- 05 Language, Literature, Culture
- 06 Psychology and Sports Sciences
- 07 Mathematics, Computer Sciences, Physics and Geography
- 08 Biology and Chemistry
- 09 Agricultural Sciences, Nutritional Sciences and Environmental Management
- 10 Veterinary Medicine
- 11 Medicine

DEGREES

1. Bachelor programs

- 6 semesters (3 years)
- many different programs from almost all fields of study
- e.g. Biology, Business Studies, Psychology, Anglophone Studies, ...

2. Master programs

- 2-4 semesters (1-2 years)
- can be studied after completing a Bachelor program
- many different programs from almost all fields of study; e.g. Democracy and Governance, Choreography and Performance, German Studies, ...

3. State Examination programs

- between 6 and 13 semesters (3-7 years), depending on the program
- Law, Medicine, Teacher Training

CURRICULUM

- In Bachelor, Master and some State Examination programs, classes are offered as part of modules
 - modules bundle together classes sharing a thematic and/or methodological approach.
 - modules usually consist of two or three different classes.
 - module contents, kinds of examinations and learning goals are codified.

Exchange students usually do not have to pay attention to module structures. But sometimes, there are practical classes that must go together with lectures. Please check with your study advisor.

International students studying an entire program at Justus Liebig University must pay attention to module structures in order to successfully complete their studies.

CURRICULUM

- For each class, there is a pre-defined <u>workload</u>. The workload for a class is the sum of the hours of work spent for the respective class. It includes class participation and preparations for classes and examinations.
- 30 hours of work = 1 CP / ECTS point
- Credit points thus measure the *quantitative* workload students must spend for their classes.
- Additionally, for a successfully completed class, you will be awarded grades
- Grades measure the qualitative success of a class.

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CURRICULUM – GRADES IN BACHELOR'S AND MASTER'S PROGRAMS

Percentages for the evaluation of part examinations	Grades	Oral assessment	
≥97	15	Very good with distinction	
≥92	14	Very good	
≥87	13	Very good	
≥82	12	Good	
≥77	11	Good	
≥73	10	Good	
≥68	9	Satisfactory	
≥64	8	Satisfactory	
≥59	7	Satisfactory	
≥54	6	Sufficient	
≥50	5	Sufficient	
≥45	4	Fail	
≥38	3	Fail	
≥32	2	Fail	
≥21	1	Fail	
≥0	0	Fail	

CURRICULUM – GRADES IN LAW

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sehrigut:
eine besonders hervorragende Leistung
= 16 bis 18 Punkte
gut:
eine erhebliche über den durchschnittlichen Anforderungen liegende Leistung
= 13 bis 15 Punkte
vollbefriedigend:
eine über den durchschnittlichen Anforderungen liegende Leistung
= 10 bis 12 Punkte
befriedigend:
eine Leistung, die in jeder Hinsicht durchschnittlichen Anforderungen entspricht
= 7 bis 9 Punkte
ausreichend: eine Leistung, die trotz ihrer Mängel durchschnittlichen Anforderungen noch entspricht
= 4 bis 6 Punkte
mangelhaft:
eine an erheblichen Mängeln leidende, im ganzen nicht mehr brauchbare Leistung
= 1 bis 3 Punkte
ungenügend:
eine völlig unbrauchbare Leistung
= 0 Punkte
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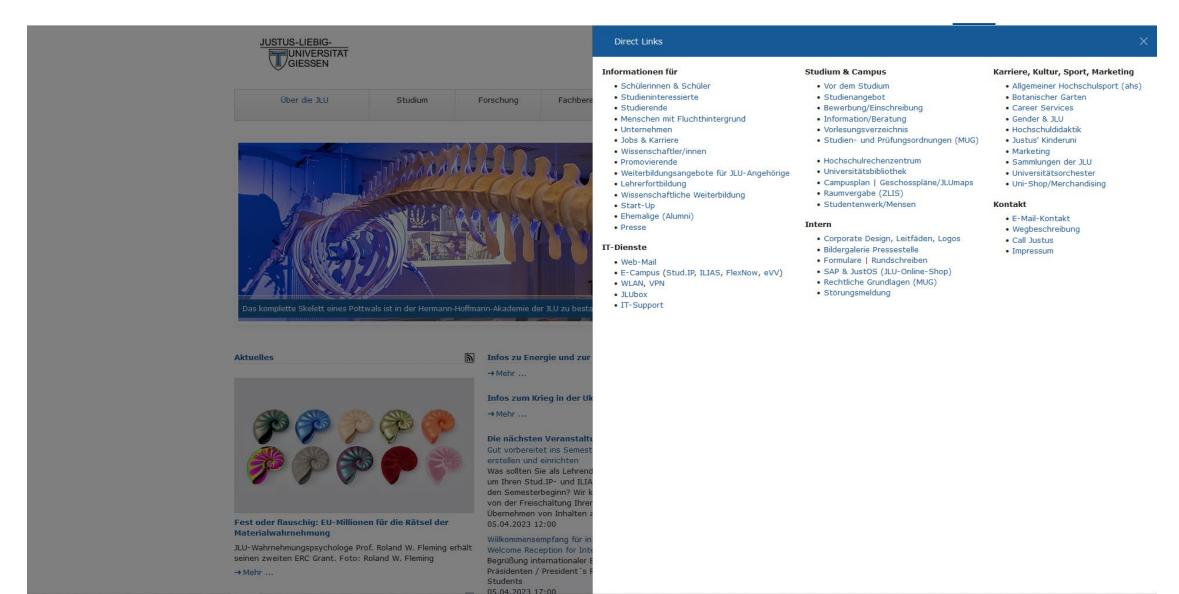
CURRICULUM – GRADES IN MEDICINE

Notenstufe	Notenspanne	D efinitio n	Definition
Α	1,0 - 1,5	Excellent	Hervorragend
В	1,6 - 2,0	Very good	SehrGut
С	2,1-3,0	Good	Gut
D	3,1 - 3,5	Satisfactory	Befriedigend
E	3,6 - 4,0	Sufficient	Ausreichend
FX/F	4,1 - 5,0	Fail	Nicht Bestanden

CURRICULUM

- Lectures
- Seminars
- Tutorials
- Exercise Courses
- Practical/Lab Training
- Field Trips
- Colloquium

CURRICULUM – UNIVERSITY CALENDAR



CURRICULUM – UNIVERSITY CALENDAR

- German term: Elektronisches Vorlesungsverzeichnis (eVV)
- contains all classes offered at Justus Liebig University during a semester
- is divided by faculties and study subjects
- can be accessed online: http://evv.uni-giessen.de
- some lecturers offer additional electronic material for classes (e.g. presentations, texts, exercises, ...). Usually, the material is provided via Stud.IP:
 - https://studip.uni-giessen.de/studip/
- The use of Stud.IP in a class will be announced by the lecturer in the first session

CURRICULUM – READING THE ENTRIES

[VI] The United States in the 21st Century with a Focus on the 2024 Presidential Elections

Dozent/-in: Prof. Dr. Margareta Olson

Format: in Präsenz

Zeit und Ort: regelmäßiger Termin ab 24.04.2024

wöchentlich Mi. 16:00 - 18:00 Uhr Phil. I, A 3 (Hörsaal)

nächster Termin: 24.04.2024 Uhr, Raum: Phil. I, A 3 (Hörsaal)

nach oben

CLASSES

- Most classes are going to take place live at JLU
- There are some online classes, though:
- Stud.IP, ILIAS, Big Blue Button → make sure to have all information
 - Stud.IP: for circulating material, contact to lecturer and students
 - ILIAS: e-learning platform, e.g. for recorded lectures
 - Big Blue Button (Cisco Webex): for live classes

CURRICULUM – TYPES OF EXAMINATIONS

- Regular attendance
- Presentation
- Written Exam
- Term Paper
- Essay
- Oral Exam
- Lab Report
- Thesis

CURRICULUM - TIME

c.t. = cum tempore (with time),

i.e. 10 c.t. = 10:15 h

s.t. = sine tempore (without time)

i.e. 10 s.t. = 10:00 h

Example:

Lecture "Introduction to Business Studies"

Wednesdays 18 – 20 h

= 18.15 - 19.45 h

CURRICULUM - TERMS

Sommersemester (SS): 01.04.2024 - 30.09.2024

Classes SS 2024: 15.04.2024 - 19.07.2024

Wintersemester (WS): 01.10.2024 - 31.03.2025

Classes WS 2024/2025: 14.10.2024 - 14.02.2025

www.uni-giessen.de/studium/semesterzeiten

CONTACTS

- Academic Advisors: Assistants in the departments who help with subject-specific questions
- Fachschaft: Active students in a department or faculty who collect material from lecturers, organize events, offer student counselling
- AStA (Allgemeiner Studierendenausschuss): Active students on university level who offer a range of counselling, e.g. section Representation for International Students (ASV)

CONTACTS

International Counselling

International Admission

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CONTACTS

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All the best for your studies!