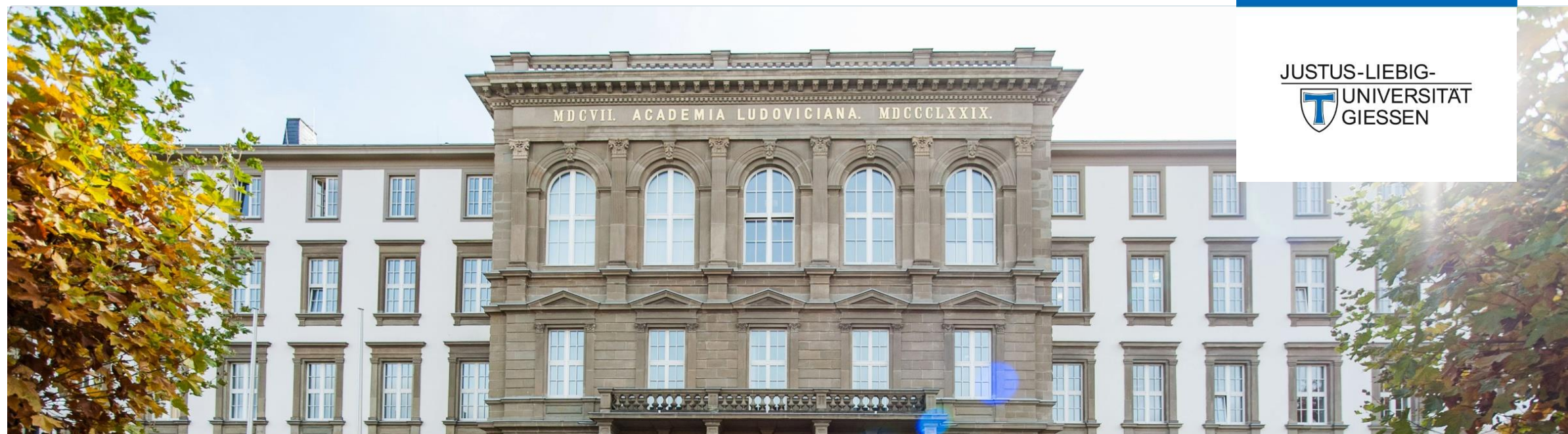


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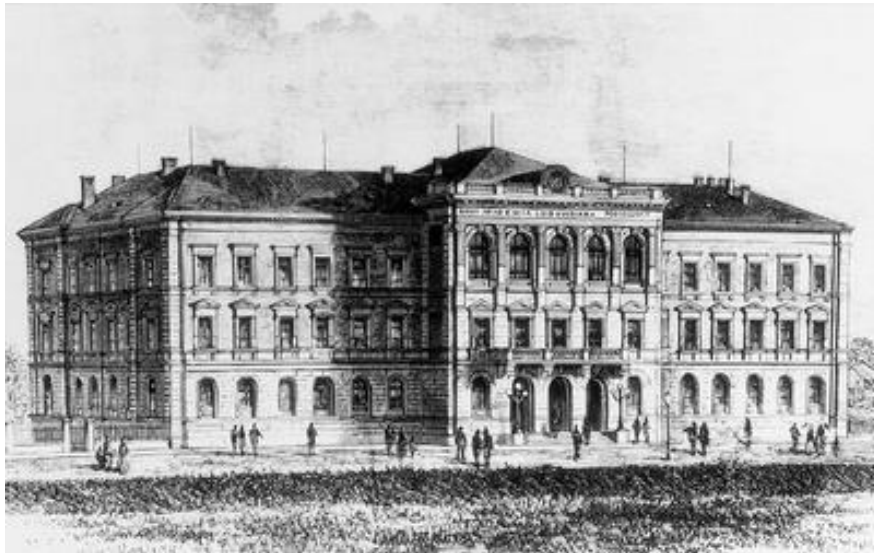
INFORMATION SESSION: STUDYING AT JLU

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1. INTRODUCTION TO JLU

- Situated in Giessen, in the middle of Hesse, near Frankfurt am Main
- Founded in 1607
- Eponym: Justus Liebig, professor of chemistry at JLU from 1824 – 1852, research in organic chemistry



Map: Ute Lederer

INTRODUCTION TO JLU - MORE FACTS AND FIGURES

- Number of faculties: 11
- Total number of students: 25,700
- Total number of international students: 3,100
- No tuition fees
(only a semester contribution of approx. 335€/semester)
- 3 Graduate Centres
- 5 Interdisciplinary Research Centres



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UNIVERSITY RANKING 2024

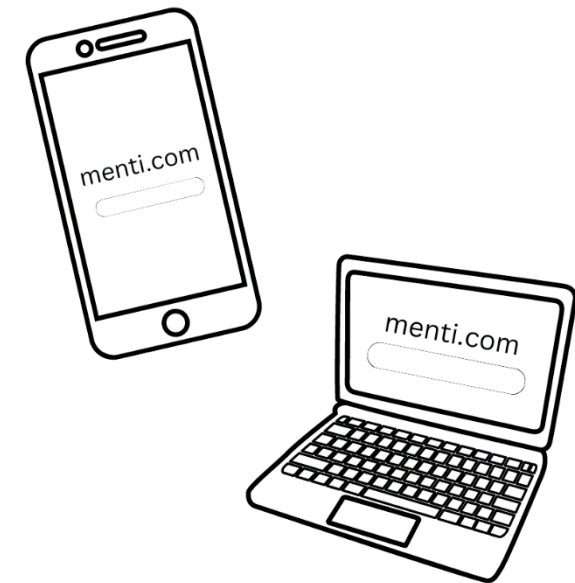
- JLU is part of the 400 best universities worldwide – not only in the QS World University Ranking but also according to Times Higher Education
- QS Ranking: Among the 50 German universities that made it into the ranking, JLU holds the 22nd spot
- The QS World University Ranking features 1,500 institutions across 104 locations



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

2. SURVEY: WHERE ARE YOU FROM AND WHAT WILL YOU STUDY?

- Go to **menti.com** and type in the code to participate in the survey



4. PREPARING YOUR STUDIES

- For your **studies and arrival** in Giessen you'll need to plan the following steps:

1. Visa & Residence Permit
2. Financing
3. Health Insurance
4. Finding Accommodation



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4.1. VISA & RESIDENCE PERMIT

- Apply as soon as possible for a **visa** at the German embassy in your home country
- After arrival: register as a resident of the city you are staying in & change your visa to a **residence permit** at least **8 weeks before it expires** (e.g. Giessen > Giessen city hall)
- If you are entering from a "**visa-free**" country (e.g. USA, Australia, Brazil, Japan, South Korea,...) contact the Immigration Authorities via email (auslaenderbehoerde@giessen.de) or telephone (0641 306-2280) for your registration
- For an **extension** of your residence permit, contact the Immigration Authorities at least 4 weeks before its expiry (Landkreis Giessen > 6 months before expiry)

4.2. FINANCING & FINANCIAL SUPPORT

- **Financial proof** for your visa (e.g. blocked account – Sperrkonto): For one academic year you will have to deposit 11,904 € (992 € per month as of January 2025)
- Securing a **grant** in Germany is not easy. As a rule, you will have to prove **excellent academic achievements** as well as **social commitment**.

For a first orientation: [DAAD Scholarship Database](#)

- You are allowed to **work** 140 full days per year (or up to 20 hours per week) as an international student – however, finding a job may take some time and **German skills** are often a requirement ([more information](#))

4.3. HEALTH INSURANCE

- All students must have adequate health insurance coverage
- You will need the [M10 report](#) already for enrolment
- Contact insurance of your choice *before* coming to Germany to receive **M10-certificate** which is then transferred to the university
- Please clarify the start of payment with your chosen health insurance
- Opt for a **public** health insurance (e.g. Barmer, Techniker, AOK, ...)
- If you are over 30 years old, you must choose a **private** health insurance but you also need an M10 report from a statutory health insurance!

Please seek advice at the International Office
BEFORE you sign any contracts for private insurance!

4.3. HEALTH INSURANCE

- Techniker Krankenkasse is offering one more **online information event** in English: **25 September from 2 pm – 3pm**
- Contents:
 - Health insurance regulations for EU students and Non-EU students
 - Electronic M10 notification for enrollment
 - Health care system and medical treatment in Germany
- Registration is necessary via: <https://online-terminvergabe-techniker.de/Portal/Event/SDOUPS>

4.4. FINDING ACCOMMODATION

- Look for an apartment or a shared apartment (WG) with the [Studierendenwerk](#) or from private landlords
 - e.g. "WG Gesucht", Stud.IP Notice Board
- Once you find accommodation, ask the landlord to sign the confirmation of tenancy (**Wohnungsgeberbescheinigung**) **for your registration with the city hall**
- Be aware that there is a **long waiting list for dorm rooms from the Studierendenwerk**
→ apply for all possible dorm options
- If you cannot get a room from the Studierendenwerk, seek a **private lease even if it is limited** to e.g. 6 months!



5. TIPS FOR SUCCESSFUL STUDIES

- Familiarize yourself with your **study programme**, e.g. programme structure, modules, special regulations, standard and average duration of study:
www.uni-giessen.de/en/study/courses
- Check out the dates of your faculty's **introduction days**:
www.uni-giessen.de/en/international-pages/study/enrol
- You will need a **laptop** and the common MS office tools



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WORKSHOPS TO ENHANCE YOUR STUDY SUCCESS

- **Workshop programme** for international students
- Extra-curricular (online) workshops, for example:
 - Intercultural Training
 - Academic Writing
 - Presentation Skills
 - Career Preparation
 - Anti-Discrimination

➤ You can find all workshops on our website
(will be published end of September):

<https://www.uni-giessen.de/de/internationales/studysuccess/workshop>



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6. ORIENTATION WEEKS

- **Orientation Week(s) / Days by the Faculties (StEW / StET)**
30 September – 4 October & 7 October – 11 October

- Please find your relevant events online:

www.uni-giessen.de/de/studium/studienbeginn/stew

www.uni-giessen.de/de/studium/studienbeginn/stet

- **Orientation Week for International Students (OWIS)**
7 – 11 October – mostly online

You will receive an invitation via email

www.uni-giessen.de/en/international-pages/study/enrol/owis



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EVENTS M.SC. ECONOMICS OF GLOBAL RISK

- **Information Session: Thursday, 26 September, 11:00 am**
- Where: online via BBB
<https://webconf.hrz.uni-giessen.de/b/lea-b3s-n32-dub>
- For: enrolled students and students interested in the master's Economics of Global Risk
- **Welcome Event: Thursday, 10 October, 11:00 am**
- On-campus: room will be announced
- For: enrolled students in M.Sc. Economics of Global Risk

ORIENTATION EVENT MA ANGLOPHONE STUDIES

Thursday, 10th October, 1pm – 2pm

- Where: room will be announced soon
- For: all enrolled students in Anglophone Studies

ORIENTATION DAYS FACULTY 09 (ABT, IBB, TM, ST)

Wednesday, 25th September 2024

- 11.00 a.m. Welcome and Introduction to the international degree programmes of the faculty 09 (ABT, IBB, TM)
- Online for students who know that they will arrive late

Tuesday, 1st October 2024

- 11.00 a.m. Welcome and Introduction to M.Sc. Sustainable Transition (digital study programme)

Wednesday, 2nd October 2024

- 10.00 - 11.00 a.m. Welcome and Introduction to the International degree programmes of the faculty 09 (ABT, IBB, TM)
- Location: Biologischer Hörsaal - room 232 (2nd floor), Ludwigstraße 23, 35390 Gießen

6. LATE ARRIVAL

- If you are arriving late, e.g. due to visa issues, please check in with your faculty whether online courses or blocked seminars (usually towards the end of the semester) are offered
- Also check in with your faculty up to which week you can join a course and still gain credits
- Enrol for the winter semester and stay enrolled unless you want to apply again
- **Late Arrival: Orientation & Networking Event on 20 November** at Lokal International (Eichendorffring 111, 35394 Giessen)

ACCOMPANYING PROGRAMME: JUSTINTERNATIONAL

Question Monday: every **1st** and **3rd** **Monday** of the month at **7:30 p.m. online** via BBB

- information about important topics pertaining to studying at JLU

Ultimate Get-Together: every **Wednesday** at **7:30 p.m. online** via BBB

- chat, exchange ideas and play some games

- You can find the series [here](#) and all upcoming events in the [International Calender!](#)



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All current and future students are invited!

7. JUST BEEN ADMITTED TO JLU? WHAT TO DO NEXT

For **enrolment** you'll need to complete these steps:

1. Log in to [GUDE](#), the JLU applicant portal, with your user ID (see your account activation email from international.admission@admin.uni-giessen.de) and your password.
 - Please read the FAQ email that has also been sent to you.
 - Check your GUDE account **inbox** for the **letter of admission** ("Zulassungsbescheid").
2. Click the button "**Request for Enrolment**" in GUDE if you would like to enrol.
3. Answer every question and submit **ALL** missing documents (yellow box) in the section „documents for enrolment“. You will only be enrolled when all necessary documents have been submitted.
4. Check your GUDE account **inbox** for the **letter of enrolment** ("Studienbescheinigung").

JUST BEEN ADMITTED TO JLU? WHAT TO DO IN DETAIL

1. Click “**request for enrolment**”.
2. Answer every **question**.
 - (university entrance qualification = school (i.e. high-school/secondary school) leaving date and grade)
3. *Optional*: Upload a **receipt of payment**/transfer of the **semester contribution**.
4. Your statutory **health insurance provider** will send the **M10 report** to us automatically. You have to actively request that they do this by contacting them.
 - More info on this here: <https://www.uni-giessen.de/de/internationales/studierenjlu/einreisen/k>.
5. Upload a **copy of your passport/ID card**.
6. Upload any **further documents** such as a German language certificate, etc. If you need to upload anything, the specific documents will be indicated in the yellow box on the right side in your account.

Important: Please check the **enrolment deadline** in your applicant account because restricted-admission study programmes have a short enrolment period. We strongly recommend **enrolling as early as possible**.

If you send us an email, please always include your **full name** as well as your **application/matriculation number** in the email.

YOU ARE ENROLLED – IS THERE ANYTHING ELSE TO DO?

- Your matriculation number can be found in your portal (8*****). Please check the yellow box.
- You may download your **study certificate** (“Studienbescheinigung”) from your account.
- Within **24-48 hours** after enrolment, you will receive an activation email for your student account from IAM.
- Please request your **chip card** via iam.uni-giessen.de and provide a German address.
It will be sent to you via postal mail (only within Germany).
Make sure to include your room number or *c/o* person if applicable.
 - Problems requesting your chip card? Please contact iam@uni-giessen.de.
- Please update your **address** in your GUDE account once you have a German address; you can do this by yourself via the portal.
- You will receive more information on the **semester ticket** closer to the start of the semester. The ticket’s validity period starts with the first day of the semester.

8. FACULTY CONTACTS FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDY PROGRAMMES

M.A. Anglophone Studies: master.anglophone.studies@anglistik.uni-giessen.de

M.A. Choreography & Performance: choreography-performance@theater.uni-giessen.de

M.Sc. Economics of Global Risk: Studiendekanat@wirtschaft.uni-giessen.de

M. Sc. Human Movement Analytics: hma-support@sport.uni-giessen.de

M.A. Interdisciplinary Studies on Eastern Europe: geschaeftsfuehrung@gizo.uni-giessen.de

M. Sc. Mind, Brain and Behaviour: mbb-coordinator@psychol.uni-giessen.de

M.Sc. Sustainable Chemistry: Hermann.A.Wegner@org.Chemie.uni-giessen.de

English-taught masters at faculty 09: studies@fb09.uni-giessen.de

For others: Find your course of study on this [website](#) and click on „Contacts“

SUPPORT SERVICES INTERNATIONAL OFFICE

Study consultation and preparation:

- ✓ Choice & change of subject
- ✓ German language courses
- ✓ Orientation Week for International Students (OWIS)

Practical advice on:

- ✓ Accommodation
- ✓ German statutory health insurance
- ✓ Social and individual issues

Legal & Financial advice:

- ✓ Visa and resident permits
- ✓ Financial issues



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INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

INTERNATIONAL & REFUGEE STUDENTS

Email: studium-international@uni-giessen.de

Phone: +49 (0) 641 99 12174/-43

Office hours:

Monday, 10:00 -12:00, rooms 20/37/38 (for international students)

Friday, 10:00 -12:00, rooms 20/38 (for refugee students)

INTERNATIONAL DOCTORAL STUDENTS

Email: promotionsstudium-international@uni-giessen.de

Phone: +49 (0) 641 99 12167

Office hours:

Monday and Wednesday, 10:00 - 12:00, room 21

International Office
Goethestrasse 58
35390 Giessen



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REGISTRAR'S OFFICE

APPLICATION, ADMISSION, ENROLMENT

Katarzyna Smolka & Onja Paulsen

Email: international.admission@admin.uni-giessen.de

Phone: +49 (0)641 99-16400 (via Call Justus)

Office hours: Tuesday, 8:00 -10:30 & Thursday, 10:00 – 12:30

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