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International Office

# FIRST THINGS TO DO AFTER ARRIVING IN GIESSEN

# STEP 1: ACCOMMODATION

- Look for an apartment, a shared flat or a dorm room:  
<https://www.studentenwerk-giessen.de/wohnen/>  
<https://www.wg-gesucht.de>
- Ask the landlord to sign the confirmation of tenancy [**Wohnungsgeberbescheinigung**]!



- For more information visit our event “Finding Accommodation” that will take place **at 12 pm on Wednesday, 11 October 2023** via [Zoom](#)

## STEP 2: CITY OFFICE (STADTBÜRO)

- Book an appointment with the **Stadtbüro** for registration:  
[Online appointment scheduling city office / city of Giessen](#)  
(name of the service: “Anmeldung: Zuzug aus dem Ausland”)
- You need your **passport/identity card, confirmation of tenancy** and *when applicable*, your **residence permit [Aufenthaltstitel]** and previous certificates of registration [**Meldebestätigung**] for the registration
- 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!**



## STEP 3: BANK

- If you do not already have a bank account in Germany, open one.
- You will need the following documents for opening an account [**Kontoeröffnung**]: certificate of registration, Steuer-ID, passport/identity card, and residence permit (if applicable).
- 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**].
- Some banks require an appointment. Check in with them beforehand!



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# 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!
- You will usually need: passport/identity card, admission letter from the university and bank account details.
- 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**
- Should you prefer a *private* insurance provider, seek our advice at the International Office first, **BEFORE** you sign any contracts!



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# STEP 6: 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 **two weeks before your residence permit expires!**



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# STEP 7: PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

1. From Frankfurt International Airport (FRA) to Giessen
2. Travelling within Giessen
3. “Semesterticket”
4. NextBike
5. DB App

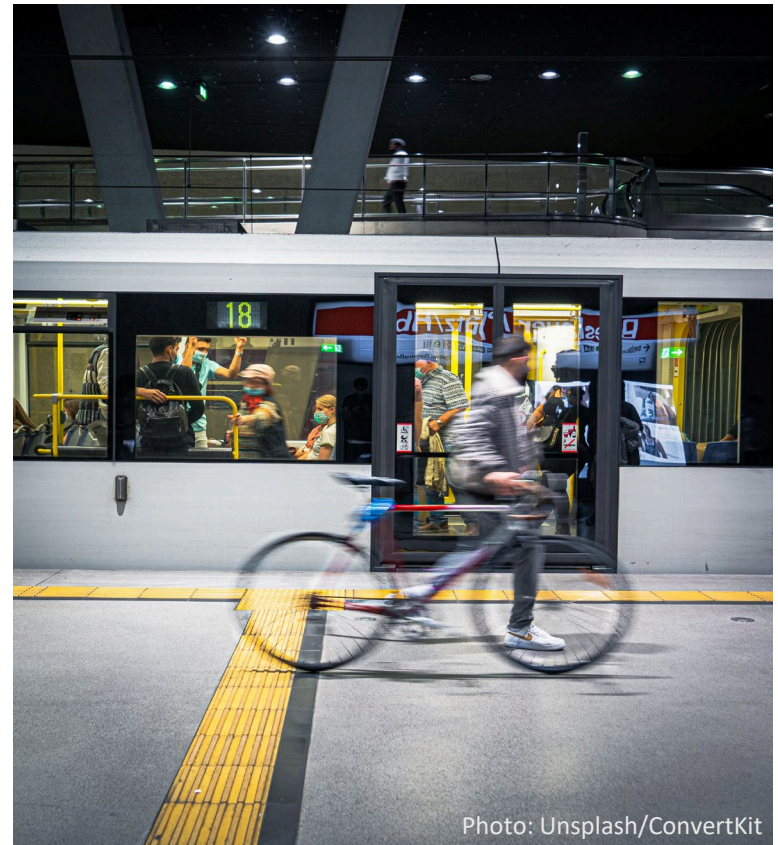


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# FROM FRANKFURT TO GIESSEN

- Frankfurt (M) Flughafen Regionalbahnhof / regional train station
- S-Bahn & U-Bahn (Metro)
- Frankfurter Hauptbahnhof (Hbf) (main train station)
- Regional-Express (RE) or Regional Bahn (RB): direction Kassel/Marburg/Siegen/Dillenburg
- Giessen Hbf (main train station)



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# HOW TO GET TO STUDENT DORMITORIES

## 📍 Eichendorffring 97 - 117

Bus 2 (direction Eichendorffring) => last stop

## 📍 Grünberger Straße 190 - 198

Bus 17 (direction Lufthansastraße) => stop: Heyerweg

Bus 1 (direction Rödgen) => stop: Heyerweg

## 📍 Unterhof 51 - 69

Bus 10 (direction Philosophikum II) => stop: Unterhof

## 📍 Leihgesterner Weg 124 - 134, 134a – 138

Bus 10 (direction Philosophikum II) => stop: Leihgesterner Weg

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

Bus 3 (direction Schwarzacker) => stop: Röntgenstraße



# SEMESTERTICKET



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- Included in your chip card
- Valid for all public transports in the State of Hessen (bus, metro, train) except for IC or ICE:  
<https://www.asta-giessen.de/service/semesterticket/das-ticket/>
- Must be updated at the beginning of each semester

# TRAVELLING WITHIN GIESSEN

- Bus

<https://www.swg-verkehr.de/fahrplaene> (the latest schedule)

- Nextbike

<https://www.nextbike.de/en/giessen/campusbike/>

- Minicar & Taxi

Lahn City Car: <https://www.lahncitycar.de>

Giessen Car: [www.giessen-car.de](http://www.giessen-car.de)

Stadt Taxi & Minicar: <https://stadttaxigiessen.de/>



## USEFUL APPS & LINKS

- DB Navigator (Germany-wide)  
<https://www.bahn.de/p/view/index.shtml>
- RMV (regional)  
<https://www.rmv.de/c/de/start/>
- DB Reisezentrum Giessen
- InfoCenter Hochschulen + Stadt  
<http://giessen-entdecken.de/infocenter/>

# UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday, 10.10.2023

10:00   10.10.2023	<b>German Language Courses</b> For degree-seeking, doctoral and on-campus exchange students	Join meeting
12:00   10.10.2023	<b>Residence Permit for Your Study Period</b> For degree-seeking and doctoral students	Join meeting
14:00   10.10.2023	<b>How to Study Successfully</b> For degree-seeking students	Join meeting
14:00   10.10.2023	<b>Question Time for Doctoral Students</b>	Join Meeting
16:30   10.10.2023	<b>Welcome Reception for International Students</b> Lokal International, Eichendorffring 111, 35394 Giessen	

Wednesday, 11.10.2023

10:00   11.10.2023	<b>Studying in Germany: The Academic System</b> For all students	Join meeting
12:00   11.10.2023	<b>Finding Accommodation</b> For degree-seeking, doctoral and on-campus exchange students	Join meeting
14:00   11.10.2023	<b>Introduction to the University Library</b> For all students	Join meeting

# STEP 8: THE END

Welcome to JLU!

Enjoy your time and studies in Gießen!

If you have any specific questions,  
please contact us at:

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