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# Welcome to the Wonderful City of Göttingen

Göttingen International Office





# I hope in Göttingen ...

(Focus on the recreational aspects of life in Göttingen)



I hope in Göttingen I'll learn how to play tennis.



Write your answer here!



I hope in Göttingen
I can go on hikes and spend time in nature.



I hope in Göttingen I can volunteer for a good cause.



I hope in Göttingen
I will meet cool people to party with.

I hope in Göttingen there are cheap cinemas and theaters.

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# Everyday Life Experience in Göttingen



Zentralcampus



**Nordcampus** 



# **University Libraries**



SUB (biggest library on Zentralcampus)



**KWZ** (modern building, not too crowded)



LSG (book rooms for up to 8 people, very popular in exam season)



# **University Canteens and Cafés**



Zentralmensa (biggest variety)



**Lunchbox** (only two options, only take away)



Café Central



Café Campus



Mensa am Turm (only vegan and vegetarian options)



**UMG** Gastronomie



Café SUB (nice view, practical)



# Supermarkets



**ALDI** (relatively cheap, limited variety)



**PENNY** (relatively cheap, limited variety)



REWE (not too expensive, very good variety)



(expensive, very good variety)



(relatively cheap, limited variety)



Kaufland (relatively cheap, very good variety)



tegut ... (expensive, very good variety)



# Buying Clothes in Göttingen



**H&M** (affordable, decent quality)



New Yorker (affordable, not the best quality)



**Zalando** (free returns, huge variety)



(footwear: shoes, sandals, flipflops, socks etc.)

SportScheck

SportScheck (sportswear and athletic equipment)



SCHUH CENTER
(affordable, footwear)



# Other Important Stores in Göttingen









#### **WOOLWORTH**

(cheap, household items: Bedsheets, blankets, decorations, etc.)

#### **IKEA**

(affordable, household items, Closest in Kassel, delivery to Göttingen possible)

#### dm

(cosmetics: shampoo, face mask, food supplements, etc.)

#### **Media Markt**

(electric items: chargers, speakers, hairdryers, etc.)



#### **ACTION**

(cheap, household items: dishes, cutlery, pots, mops, etc.)



#### Thalia

(books and stationary items, also: Hugendubel)



#### **BAUMARKT**

(tools, plants, drying racks, etc.)



#### **AIIMAN MARKT**

(Halal products, Asian products, also: Go Asia and Sinem)



# Secondhand Stores in Göttingen



**Klamotte Second Hand** 

(clothes, small household items, etc.)



**Lucys Vintage and 2nd Hand** 

(vintage clothes, more expensive)



**Brockensammlung** 

(furniture: beds, closets, tables, desks, dishes, clothes, books, etc.)



**KiM Second-hand Shop** 

(clothes, dishes, etc.)



#### Möbelino

(furniture, dishes, household items, etc.)



# Two Tips for Everyday Life



Get a bicycle!



Kleinanzeigen (German ebay)



# Swapfiets (rental bikes, free repairs, ideal for exchange students)



#### Make the best of the Semester Fee!





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# Göttingen Experience for the Adventurous Soul



**Innenstadt (City Center)** 

(cute coffee shops, cosy bars, very lively when the weather is nice)



**Burg Plesse** 

(beautiful hike in the north, amazing sunset views in summer)



Schillerwiesen

(best for picnics and barbecues in summer and long walks in autumn)



**Bismarckturm** 

(historical tower, short hike from Schillerwiesen)



# Lakes in and around Göttingen



Baggersee (5 km outside the center, reachable by bike in 30 min, swimming forbidden)



Kiessee
(manmade lake in the south of Göttingen, ideal for long walks and jogging, swimming forbidden)



Wendebach-Stausee
(8 km outside the center,
reachable by bike in 40 min,
amazing view)



# Towns and Cities to Visit around Göttingen



**Goslar** (cute medieval town, famous Christmas market)



Harz Mountains (scenic hiking trails)



Hannover (capital of Lower Saxony)



Hann. Münden (cute town, lovely canoe trip)



**Kassel** (GRIMMWELT Museum, Bad Wilhelmshöhe)



# Göttingen Experience for the Culture Vulture



**Forum Wissen** 

(informative and interactive permanent and temporary exhibitions)



Städtisches Museum Göttingen



Kunsthaus Göttingen (probably closing soon)



# Cinemas and Theaters in Göttingen



Deutsches Theater (normally free with Kulturticket)



**Unikino** (fun atmosphere, don't miss their Christmas event)



**CINEMAXX** 



Theater im OP (free with Kulturticket)



Lumière and Méliès (alternative movies)



Openair Kino (Freibad Brauweg, in summer)



# Göttingen Experience for Gym Rats and Sport Fanatics

















**ZESG** 

(University Sport Center, offers great variety at reasonable prices, basic and premium memberships, guided courses and free practice times)

**FIZ** (University gym, separate membership required)

(one of the biggest sports clubs in Lower Saxony, monthly membership fee)



# Typical Athletic Experiences in Göttingen







Swimming
Eiswiese Göttingen
Freibad Weende (beach volleyball)
Freibad Brauweg (openair Kino)
Freibad Grone







Basketball
(cheering for Göttingen
basketball team which plays in Bundesliga,
for free!)

### **Bouldering and Climbing**

RoXx (bouldering and climbing, cheaper option) BiG! (only bouldering, more expensive)



# Göttingen Experience for the Social Butterflies



### **Foyer International**

(ideal for meeting other international students, organizes regular workshops such as Typisch Deutsch, Drawing Workshop, Theater Workshop, etc. and offers events like country evenings, cooking evenings, and board game evenings)





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(offers gardening workshops, mostly in German)



Sprachcafe

(good opportunity to meet new people and practice languages every Wednesday evening)

#### **ESN Göttingen**

(Erasmus Student Network, ideal for meeting new people, organizes cooking evenings, kiosk crawls, hikes, parties, etc. not exclusively to Erasmus students)



# Göttingen Experience for the Foodie and the Party Animals









**Restaurants and Eateries** 

Dönermeile (only option after 11 pm)
Kartoffelhaus, Zum Szültenbürger (German)
Tante Giulia, L'Osteria, Fellini (Italian)
Goa India, India Haus (Indian)









#### **Cafes**

Birds P-Cafe Hoffnung Kaffehus



# Göttingen Experience for the Foodie and the Party Animals









**Clubs and Parties** 

Exil Savoy ZHG Party (once every semester) Nörgelbuff (Latino parties)









Bars

Thanners Nautibar Dots

Barracuda (student bar, only every Tuesday)
Monro's Park (live football matches, book in advance)



# Göttingen Experience for the Intellectual Souls



ZESS
(learn languages for free, get credits for them, many languages but not German)



Lektorat
(learn German for free, get credits for it)



Volunteering
Student Societies
General
Environmental and Climate Groups
Queers Zentrum Göttingen



Internationales
(intercultural competence training, voluntary intercultural activities, signed by the Head of the international office,

Apply here)



# Helpful Instagram Accounts

@unigoettingen

(University of Göttingen)

@ugoe.international

(Göttingen international office)

@esn.goettingen

(Erasmus Student Network)



@goewasgeht

(events in Göttingen)

@unikinogoettingen

(Unikino)

@lumiere\_melies\_goettingen

(Lumière and Méliès)

@unisport\_goettingen (ZESG)

@deutschestheatergoettingen

(Deutsches Theater)

**@fiz.goettingen** 



# Thank You for Your Attention

Looking forward to seeing you in Göttingen!

