

# Tips from students for students

## Introductory Week for International Students

March 2nd 2026





**Natalia**

- ... studies Biodiversity (MSc)
- ... German/Polish
- ... born in Göttingen
- ... Erasmus in Greece

- work: laboratory & dancing school
- dancing, working out in the gym, cooking
- moves to student dorm soon
- Study breaks: meets up with friends at Cafés/  
Mensa, enjoy the sun, mobile health campus
- Evenings: cooking, cinema, meet with friends
- Favourite places: Gamie, Badeparadies Eiswiese  
(Sauna), Kerstlingeröder Feld

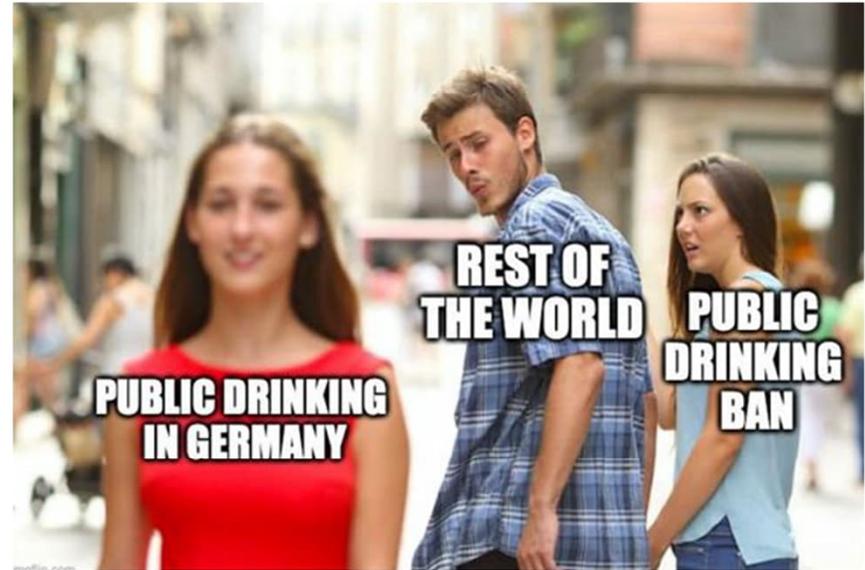


- Max. 30 ECTS per semester (exception, no overlap of courses)
- Max. 3 seminars/ lectures a week
- mensa or coffee breaks w/ friends!
- Balance between exams & term papers
- Key competencies (Mental health)
- SUB (Digital creative space)



# General information on living in GÖ

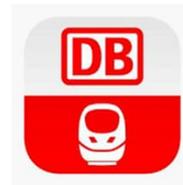
- Most shops are closed on Sundays & holidays
- Some places (e.g. restaurants, bars & Christmas markets) only take cash, but usually credit/ debit card is fine
- Public drinking is allowed, but not on public transportation



- Apply early!
  - E.g. Studentenwerk (dorms)
  - Wg-gesucht.de (shared flat or sublet)
  - “Kleinanzeigen” (sublet, flats)
  - Some hotels offer cheap accommodation at the start of the semester
    - Accommodation Service (international office)
- Be aware of scams!



- Deutschlandticket: regional transportation (busses, “slow” trains, not IC/ICE)
- “Supersparpreis”
- after 20 min delay, take any train
- after 60 min delay or if you never took the train -> get money back



## Be aware of common delays!



NOO OUR TRAIN IS 2  
SECOND LATE I'M GOING TO  
COMPLAIN ABOUT IT

HEY OUR TRAIN IS 3 HOURS  
LATE IT IS PRETTY GOOD

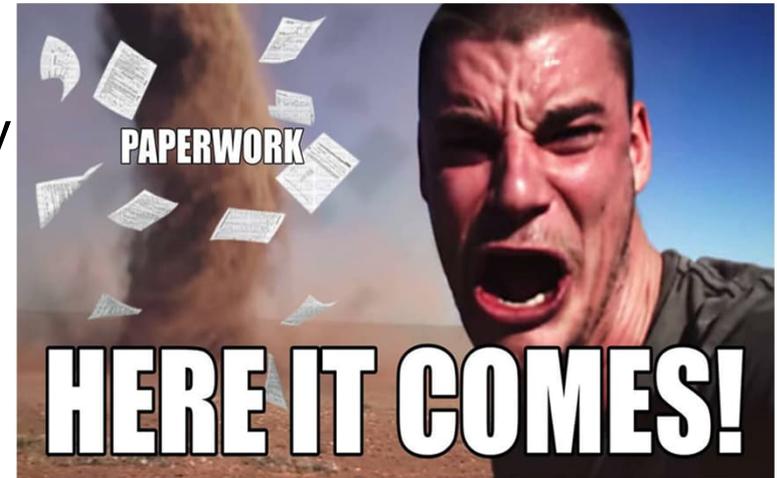


HEY OUR TRAIN IS ACTUALLY  
COMING THAT'S PRETTY GOOD



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- Appointment with the city council  
(Rathaus/Einwohnermeldeamt)
- Use a VPN if you live outside of Germany
- passport & “Wohnungsgeberbestätigung”
- If urgent, go without an appointment, but  
long waiting time



- Everyone has to sign up for it!  
(mandatory)
- 18,36€ /month
- You can split the costs with your  
flatmates  
(& people on the same floor in your  
student accommodation)
- <https://www.rundfunkbeitrag.de>





**Pardon?**  
**Please.**  
**Go ahead.**  
**Here you go.**  
**You're welcome.**  
**Not at all.**



**Bitte?**  
**Bitte.**  
**Bitte.**  
**Bitte.**  
**Bitte.**  
**Bitte.**



- Welcome activities for new international students
- Don't be shy, always ask for help
- Buddy Service: <https://www.uni-goettingen.de/en/604286.html>

# O-Woche



## #1 Mensa am Turm



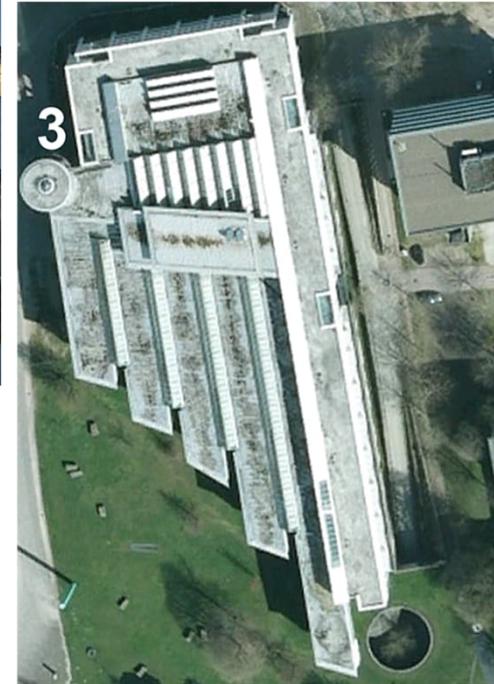
## #2 Zentralmensa



## #3 Nordmensa (CGIN)



# SUB - Central library



The only library where talking is “kind of” allowed

## ZHG Party



Dies Academicus will take place on June 3rd,  
2026 🔥

<https://vimeo.com/987027198/86e0466624?share=copy>



## Nacht der Kulturen



## Christmas market



# Going out



**Monroe's Park**

**Nörgelbuff**



**& Gauß Pub  
& Thanners  
& Bar-Racuda**

**Duke's Irish Pub:**

- Mon: Dart Night
- Tue: Pub Quiz
- Wed/Fri/Sat: Karaoke



**Nautibar**

- Tiefseetaucher



## Clubbing:

- Alpenmax (Mo: 1€ Party)
- EinsB
- Savoy (We: free entrance)
- Stilbrvch
- Pfeffer + Salz



## After Clubbing:

“Dönermeile” (e.g. Döner King or Pinocchio’s for their special fries)



- Mental health
- Movement
- Key competencies

- Sport courses
- Workshops
- Gym
- MyBox



<https://my.sport.uni-goettingen.de>

- Kieselsee, Stadtwall, Flütheweher, Harz mountains







## Foyer International



Have you been fascinated by the uniqueness of Korean Culture? Come and join us to learn more about Korea. There will be games, movies, quizzes, and many more. It's time to take a deep dive into it and discover in our Korean Workshop!



Where cultures collide, creativity explodes! Come to the Theatre Workshop and have a great time!



Had a long, hectic day? Want to feel relaxed? Dive into relaxation and calm with the help of easy and gentle body and breathwork, with some music and a cup of tea at the end.



Are you looking to meet new people in a nice, friendly, cozy environment while enjoying the sunshine and fresh air? Then what are you waiting for? Join our Garden Workshop!



Do Germany and its people give you question marks? Are you German and would like to enhance your intercultural competence? Then join us for Typisch Deutsch!



Do you want to spend some time learning interesting drawing tips and tricks? We are planning a drawing course that might help to enhance your creative side. Come to learn how shading works or which colors match perfectly. Join us for Drawing Course.

**O-Woche  
(Fresher's Week)!**