



Friedrich-Alexander-Universität
Erlangen-Nürnberg

WELCOME WEEK FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

4 - 11 MARCH 2025

7 - 14 APRIL 2025

Welcome to FAU!

We are very pleased to welcome you to our university. Our two Welcome Weeks combine important information with activities to get to know each other. The Central Office for International Affairs offers Welcome Weeks for all international students at the beginning of each semester. The program is open to all international freshmen and exchange students alike. Please note that updates to the program are possible, so kindly [check our website](#) on occasion.

We hope to make your start as a student at FAU as easy as possible.

Last update: 08.04.2025

LEGEND

Information for all international students

Information only for non-European students

Social events for all international students and their buddy partners

Event for all international students, but with limited spots. Free of charge, but registration required.

External event from the FAU



Bild: FAU

WELCOME WEEK PROGRAM MARCH

TUESDAY, 4 MARCH

10:30 AM – 11:30 AM	Formalities I Living in Germany and Studying at FAU <i>Central Office for International Affairs</i> Room: Kl. Hörsaal, 00.017, Bismarckst. 1a	
11:30 AM – 12:00 PM	Formalities II City Registration and Bank Account <i>Central Office for International Affairs</i> Room: Kl. Hörsaal, 00.017, Bismarckst. 1a	
12:00 PM – 01:00 PM	Q&A and International Student Network <i>Central Office for International Affairs</i> Room: Kl. Hörsaal, 00.017, Bismarckst. 1a	
From 07:00 PM	Pub Crawl <i>With the International Student Network</i> Meeting Point: Schlossplatz Erlangen, in front of the Margrave's statue	



For more updates and information follow us on Instagram
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Please note that the photo and video material produced during the events might be published later on our websites, in social media and in print media. Please approach the photographer directly if you do not want to be pictured.



WEDNESDAY, 5 MARCH

10:00 AM – 11:00 AM	Introduction to the FAU Language Center <i>Frank Mielke from the FAU Language Center</i> Room: Kl. Hörsaal, 00.017, Bismarckst. 1a	
01:00 PM – 02:30 PM	Formalities III Health insurance and Residence Permit <i>Central Office for International Affairs</i> Online: Click here to join	
02:30 PM – 03:00 PM	Sports at FAU & Q&A <i>Student from Physical Activity</i> Online: Click here to join	
03:00 PM – 03:30 PM	Working as an International Student in Germany <i>Ana Schönberger from the Career Service</i> Online: Click here to join	

THURSDAY, 6 MARCH

9:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Any Further Questions? – Open Consultation at the International Office <i>Central Office for International Affairs</i> Erlangen, Helmstr. 1, ground floor	
01:00 PM – 02:30 PM	City Tour Nürnberg (registration required! Click here) <i>Geschichte für Alle</i> Meeting Point: Henkerhaus, Trödelmarkt 58	
05:00 PM – 10:00 PM	<i>External Event:</i> Long Night of Writing - Multiple Workshops on How to Write Essays <i>FAU Library</i>	

FRIDAY, 7 MARCH

10:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Scavenger Hunt <i>Central Office for International Affairs</i> Meeting Point: Marktplatz Erlangen, in front of the Paulibrunnen	
12:00 PM	Pay your Excursion Fee in Person <i>Central Office for International Affairs</i> Erlangen, Helmstr. 1, ground floor	
2:00 PM – 3:00 PM	Library and Catalogue Basics for International Students (registration required! Click here) <i>FAU library</i> Online (you get the Zoom Link after registration)	

SATURDAY, 08 MARCH

10:15 PM	ISN Party <i>ISN</i> Meeting Place: Schloßplatz	
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MONDAY, 10 MARCH

09:00AM – 12:00 PM	German Intensive Language Course Placement Tests (only for students who have signed up for intensive FIT course) <i>FAU Language Center</i>	
01:00 PM – 02:00 PM	Guided Library Tour: Main Library (registration required! Click here) <i>FAU Library</i> Meeting Point: Entrance area of the library	
01:00 PM – 02:00 PM	Guided Library Tour: Library of Science and Engineering (registration required! Click here) <i>FAU Library</i> Meeting Point: Entrance area of the library	
01:00 PM – 02:00 PM	Guided Library Tour: Library of Economics and Social Science (registration required! Click here) <i>FAU Library</i> Meeting Point: Entrance area of the library	
02:30 PM – 03:30 PM	Introduction to Campo <i>Astrid Semm & Thomas Lintner from Campo Support</i> Room: Kl. Hörsaal, 00.017, Bismarckst. 1a	
03:30 PM – 04:00 PM	Q&A on Campo <i>Astrid Semm & Thomas Lintner from Campo Support</i> Room: Kl. Hörsaal, 00.017, Bismarckst. 1a	

Parallel events, choose one

04:00 PM – 04:30 PM	IT Infrastructure and Services at FAU <i>Lorenz Meinhard-Wech from the RRZE</i> Room: Kl. Hörsaal, 00.017, Bismarckst. 1a	
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TUESDAY, 11 MARCH

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10:30 AM – 11:30 AM	Guided Library Tour: Library of Economics and Social Science (registration required! Click here) <i>FAU Library</i> Meeting Point: Entrance area of the library	
01:00 PM – 02:30 PM	City Tour Erlangen (registration required! Click here) <i>Geschichte für alle</i> Meeting Point: Hugenottenplatz	

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WELCOME WEEK PROGRAM APRIL

MONDAY, 7 APRIL

10:00 AM – 10:15 AM	Official Welcome Greeting <i>Prof. Dr. Hirsch, Vicepresident of the FAU</i> Room: Gr. Hörsaal, 00.014, Bismarckst. 1a	
10:15 AM – 11:30 AM	Formalities I Living in Germany and Studying at FAU <i>Central Office for International Affairs</i> Room: Gr. Hörsaal, 00.014, Bismarckst. 1a	
11:30 AM – 12:00 PM	Formalities II City Registration and Bank account <i>Central Office for International Affairs</i> Room: Gr. Hörsaal, 00.014, Bismarckst. 1a	
12:00 PM – 01:00 PM	Q&A and International Student Network <i>Central Office for International Affairs</i> Room: Gr. Hörsaal, 00.014, Bismarckst. 1a	
01:30 PM – 03:00 PM	Free Lunch in Cafeteria (with voucher!) Cafeteria Langemarckplatz	
04:00 PM – 05:00 PM	Library and Catalogue Basics for International Students (registration required! Click here) <i>FAU library</i> Online (you get the Zoom Link after registration)	
05:00 PM – 05:30 PM	Working as an International Student in Germany <i>Ana Schönberger from the Career Service</i> Online: Click here to join	



TUESDAY, 8 APRIL

10:00 AM – 11:00 AM	Studying Online with StudOn <i>Anna Vogel from ILI</i> Online	
11:00 AM – 11:30 AM	Smart Study Strategies: Mastering Online Learning <i>Elisabeth Krauß from ILI</i> Online	
01:00 PM – 02:30 PM	Formalities III & Q&A Residence Permit, Health insurance <i>Central Office for International Affairs</i> Room: Kl. Hörsaal, 00.017, Bismarckst. 1a	
From 07:00 PM	Pub Crawl <i>With the International Student Network</i> Meeting Point: Schlossplatz Erlangen, in front of the Margrave's statue	

WEDNESDAY, 9 APRIL

09:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Any Further Questions? – Open Consultation at the International Office <i>Central Office for International Affairs</i> <u>Erlangen, Helmstr. 1, ground floor</u>	
Times vary, please check the website	Faculty Day The faculties put on a program that is catered toward welcoming students of their faculty, specifically. It might include speeches, a tour of their campus or a get together at their cafeteria. The faculties provide different types of programs based on their capacity. You can find them on their websites or in the drop-down menus <u>on our website</u> .	
Faculty of Humanities, Social Sciences, and Theology Please visit their <u>webpage</u> for more information.		
Faculty of Business, Economics, and Law Please visit their <u>webpage</u> for more information.		
Faculty of Sciences The Departments plan individual introductory events		
Faculty of Engineering Please visit their <u>webpage</u> for more information.		

THURSDAY, 10 APRIL

10:00 AM – 11:00 AM	Introduction to the FAU Language Center <i>Mr. Mielke from the FAU Language Center</i> Room: <u>Anatomie 1, Krankenhausstr. 9</u>	
11:00 AM – 11:30 AM	Need Help with Writing? Services Offered by the Writing Center <i>Susanne Jäckle from the Writing Center</i> Room: <u>Anatomie 1, Krankenhausstr. 9</u>	
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03:30 PM – 05:00 PM	City Tour Erlangen (registration required! Click here) <i>Geschichte für alle</i> Meeting Point: Hugenottenplatz	

SATURDAY, 12 APRIL

08:00PM	ISN Party <i>ISN</i> Place: Delphi Bar	
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MONDAY, 14 APRIL

10:00 AM – 11:00 AM	Guided Library Tour: Main library (registration required! Click here) <i>FAU Library</i> Meeting Point: Entrance area of the library	
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10:00 AM – 11:00 AM	Guided Library Tour: Library of Economics and Social Science (registration required! Click here) <i>FAU Library</i> Meeting Point: Entrance area of the library	
11:30 PM – 01:00 PM	Understanding the Germans <i>Kerstin Sommer from the Central Office for International Affairs</i> Room: Kl. Hörsaal, 00.017, Bismarckst. 1a	
01:00 PM – 01:30 PM	Psychosocial Counseling Services of the Studierendenwerk Erlangen-Nuremberg <i>Elisabeth Provan-Klotz, Sabine Eschelbach, Stephanie Gruber from the Studierendenwerk</i> Room: Kl. Hörsaal, 00.017, Bismarckst. 1a	

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We hope you will have a great start at FAU!

Your Central Office for International Affairs

ARRIVAL CHECK-LIST



- ☐ Contact family and friends back home and let them know that you have arrived safely
- ☐ Attend all Welcome Days events to get the information you need, and to connect with other students
- ☐ Ask your landlord/the Student Union's Housing Service for a "Wohnungsgeberbestätigung"
- ☐ Register at your city's Resident's Registration Office
- ☐ Put your name on your letter box
- ☐ **If needed** apply for your residence permit (does not apply to everyone!)
- ☐ Open a bank account
- ☐ Connect with your buddy
- ☐ Find your local supermarket, pharmacy, shopping area, etc. (Please take note that all shops are entirely closed on Sundays as well as on public holidays)
- ☐ Activate your IdM account
- ☐ If you are living in a dormitory, hand in your enrolment certificate to the Housing Service (Download on Campo)
- ☐ Buy your Deutschland Ticket for public transport
- ☐ Join our **WhatsApp** community for International Students
- ☐ Join our **Facebook** group FAU International Incomings
- ☐ Join our **StudOn** group Events for International Students and find fun trips to take part in and get to know more people
- ☐ Join our **Buddy Program** here
- ☐ For more updates and information follow us on Instagram @uni_fau_internationalaffairs