

Orientation Program

FOR INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE STUDENTS



Spring Semester 2023

Dear exchange students,

Welcome to Konstanz! We, the International Office and the student organisation HelpingHand, are delighted that you have chosen to spend a semester at The University of Applied Sciences (HTWG) in Konstanz.

Studying abroad is an adventure as you are going to be exposed to different lifestyles, values, attitudes as well as a different university system.

We offer you an orientation program during which we would like to provide you with valuable information concerning your studies and make you familiar with our institution, the town and its people. We are positive that this orientation program will help you to settle in smoothly here in Konstanz!



HAVE A GOOD TIME AND ENJOY YOUR STAY!

Program Overview

| Wednesday, March 8 th | | | | |
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| time | activity | meeting point | who | what to bring |
| 10:00 am | welcome snack & presentation of HTWG | seminar room on 2 nd floor in building B (B220) | obligatory for all students | |
| 11:30 am | campus tour including introduction to HTWG's library | in front of building B | optional for all students | |
| 12:00 pm | signing of documents | seminar room on 2 nd floor in building B (B220) | obligatory for all students | „Wohnungsgeberbestätigung“ from Seezeit |
| 1:00 pm | invitation to lunch | Restaurant Brauhaus | optional for all students, drinks at own expense | |
| 7:00 pm | get2gether | to be announced | optional for all students | information will be sent via email |
| Thursday, March 9 th | | | | |
| 9:00 am | German language test | online | obligatory for all students except complete beginners | invitation link will be sent in advance |
| 10:30 am | how to use HTWG's online learning tools & discussion of schedule | online | obligatory for all students | invitation link will be sent in advance |
| 1:00 pm | invitation to lunch at „Sedir“ | in front of building B | optional for all students, drinks at own expense | |
| 2:30 am | city tour competition | Restaurant „Sedir“ | | information will be sent via email & what's app |
| 5:30 pm | purchase of German SIM cards | in front of building B | optional for all students | approx. 15 € for a SIM card |

Program Overview

| Friday, March 10 th | | | | |
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| time | activity | meeting point | who | what to bring |
| 9:45am – 12:15 pm | group 1: Intercultural Workshop “Studying in Germany” | seminar room on 2 nd floor in building B (B220) | obligatory for all students | |
| 1:30 pm – 4:00 pm | group 2: Intercultural Workshop “Studying in Germany” | seminar room on 2 nd floor in building B (B220) | obligatory for all students | |
| 7:00 pm | pub crawl | in front of building B | optional for all students | information will be sent via Email & what’s app |
| Monday, March 13 th : Start of Lectures | | | | |



Special Activities

| Monday, March 13 th | | | | |
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| time | activity | meeting point | who | what to bring |
| 11:15 am – 2:00 pm | newcomer's fair: presentation of initiatives, groups and services at HTWG (in German) | P001 | optional for all students | |
| Wednesday, March 15 th | | | | |
| 7:00 pm | international Dinner | to be announced | optional for all students | information will be sent via Email & what's app |
| Saturday, March 18 th | | | | |
| 3:30 pm | trip to Meersburg | to be announced | optional for all students | information will be sent via Email & what's app |
| Further activities (dates to be announced) | | | | |
| trip to the "Mercedes Benz" museum in Stuttgart | | BBQ at the "Bismarck" tower | | trip to the flower island "Mainau" |



Dates of further activities will be announced via email and What's App.

You're welcome to make suggestions for more!