

Welcome Day

– Handout –

International Office - Faculty of Mathematics and Computer Science

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Together with the Introduction Video on our website (available [here](#) for Mathematics and [here](#) for Computer Science), this handout should provide you with the most essential information for starting your studies at the Faculty of Mathematics and Computer Science at the Georg-August University of Göttingen.

Starting your studies

The information provided on this Handout, as well as in our presentation, on our website and in our video concerns any issues about organising your studies, like choosing courses, setting up a timetable, navigating through the virtual campus, as well as getting to know important faculty members and learning how to participate in the diverse student life on campus.

Welcome Day (International Office of the Faculty of Mathematics and Computer Science)

The Welcome Day provides you with essential information about your studies and our faculty as well as it introduces you to our Buddy system.

It takes place on Monday, October 19th, 10:00 a.m. in NAM SR 2 (https://lageplan.uni-goettingen.de/?ident=8228_1_EG_0.118) in the Institut für Numerische und Angewandte Mathematik, Lotzestr. 16-18, 37073 Göttingen. We'll spend the morning together welcoming you in person, giving you an introduction about curriculum selection, how to plan your studies, course selection and informing you about the basic and general facilities provided by our uni and department and also invite you to lunch at the Zentralmensa sponsored by our department.

On this day you'll not only have the opportunity to meet your fellow international CS and Maths students, but also students who are already studying here, that are interested in meeting new people and cultural exchange, and who happily provide you with inside information on the most interesting courses to take or where to have the best night out in Göttingen. If you're not able to attend the Welcome Day, please write an e-mail to international-office@mathematik.uni-goettingen.de.

Our Buddy Programme

Within our Buddy Programme, we try that, every new master/international student gets assigned to another student already studying at the university, a so-called “buddy”. That's a person already familiar with the faculty and city and studying the same subject as you do. They are the first contact person for you if you have any questions about your studies or life in Göttingen in general. Do not hesitate to contact your buddy in any doubts you have, there are no stupid questions and all beginnings are difficult. Therefore, they are there to help you.

Before the semester starts, every new student will be matched with a buddy. You and your buddy will be contacted by mail, containing contact information so that you can get in touch. In case you arrived or matriculated later due to visa issues for example, please contact us so that we can assign a buddy to you.

University information

- [Here](#) the University gives information for international students for the winter semester 26.
- You can find the course catalogue [here](#).

Important contact persons

International Office

The team of the International Office tries to facilitate your start of your studies at our Faculty of Mathematics and Computer Science. You can contact us with any questions concerning your stay in Göttingen, how to get started at university, the Buddy Programme, where to find help if you don't know whom to address to, and so on. Please contact international-office@mathematik.uni-goettingen.de if you need help.

Study Office Mathematics

If you're studying mathematics, the Study Office Mathematics is there to help you in any questions concerning your choice of courses, structure and planning of your studies, advise in the different study tracks but also if you have problems regarding your enrolment or similar formalities. The Study Office Mathematics also runs an [instagram channel](#) where they inform about important events.

	Denise Krempasky
Task	Study Advisor
Contact in	Questions w.r.t. your courses, study track, etc.
Email	st@math.uni-goettingen.de
Phone	+49 551 39-27762
Website	https://www.uni-goettingen.de/de/358995.html

Study Office Computer Science

If you're studying Computer Science or Applied Data Science, the Study Office Computer Science is there to help you in any questions concerning your choice of courses, advise in the different study programmes but also if you have problems with your studies.

	Anne Pinkepank	Anna Platte
Task	Study Advisor M.Sc. + B.Sc. Applied Computer Science, B.Sc. Applied Data Science and Double-Major Computer Science (B.A.)	Study Advisor M.Sc. Applied Data Science
Contact in	questions w.r.t. your courses, study track	questions w.r.t. your courses, study track
Email	studienberatung@informatik.uni-goettingen.de	studienberatung@informatik.uni-goettingen.de
Phone	+49 551 / 39 - 26051	+49 551 / 39 – 21426
Website	https://www.uni-goettingen.de/en/619521.html	https://www.uni-goettingen.de/en/619521.html

Examination Office

If you have any questions concerning examination, if you have trouble with the registration for an exam or if you simply want to request your certificate, you can find more information [here](#).

Of further interest

- The student's representatives are a group of students engaging for better study conditions at our faculty. They also organise informational and social events regularly. You can find further information on their [website](#) to don't miss any events. You can also contact them in case you are having troubles with some class or teacher via their e-mail-address: fsmathe@math.uni-goettingen.de.
- Göttingen International Student Office is responsible for welcoming new international students on a university wide level. They offer a general [Introductory Week](#) for all International Students, give information on the application process as well as on studying and living in Göttingen. They are also responsible for all incoming international students and their enrolment at the university. If you have any question concerning your permission of stay, visa or related things, please contact them via mail (international@uni-goettingen.de) or via phone (+49 551/39 27777)

Leisure activities

WhatsApp group of international/master students

If you'd like to get into contact with fellow students from our faculty, we have a WhatsApp group with many students where you can ask questions about life in Göttingen or insight information about our faculty. A link to join the WhatsApp group will reach you with the Welcoming Mail. You can contact us to get further information on that.

Benefits of your student ID Card

Your student Identification Card provides many benefits:

- Paying at cafeterias, copy card, using lockers in libraries, room access in Learning and Study Building, and more, see [here](#) for full information.
- All regional trains and busses in Germany are free to use (please see [here](#) for terms and conditions).
- Either greatly reduced prices or free entry to cultural activities at the following institutions: Apex, BG Göttingen, Deutsches Theater, Göttingen Symphonie Orchestra, Junges Theater, KAZ, Chantry St. Jacobi, and many more. For details see [here](#).

Connecting to other students in an international environment

Besides the above-mentioned WhatsApp group there are various ways to connect to other international students at our university. Some of them are:

- Göttingen International is also organising a [welcome day](#).
- Göttingen International regularly offers a diverse range of intercultural events for foreign and German students. You can find them [here](#).
- There are several International Communities in Göttingen bringing together representatives of the respective countries in social activities and offering support where help is needed. Go [here](#) for more information.

- The Foyer International is an institute organising several events to meet other people in an international environment. Among others, they offer creative workshops (theatre, art, comedy, yoga) and language meetups.
- The Intercultural LearningLab offers a wide range of workshops and events around intercultural competencies.

Sports and Culture

- The HOCHSCHULSPORT GÖTTINGEN is offering more than 100 different sport activities during the semester. Check them out on their website, there is a list of all sport classes.
- The University has a wide range of cultural groups where you can participate, such as an orchestra, theatre groups and more. Find all groups listed here.

Jobs

Below we listed some options for you where you could find work during your study's.

- Stellenwerk (Jobportal Universität Göttingen)
- Start Guides - Career Start of International Students and Graduates
- At the Faculty of Mathematics and Computer Science it is possible to work as a student assistant. Your tasks would go from correcting exercise sheets to teach a tutorial. Please be aware that some jobs require German skills. If you are interested in this kind of work, please contact your buddy for assistance.