

## 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.

Beyond that, the Study Offices Mathematics and Computer Science offer general study guidance and inform you in detail about the courses offered, the available study tracks, and more.

- Mathematics: The study advisor in Mathematics provides some further information and offers a Course Guidance Seminar. One Study Guidance Seminar will take place on the 10<sup>th</sup> of April at 9:45 am, the other on the 11<sup>th</sup> of April at 1 pm.
- Computer Science: You will be approached by the study advisor by mail where she will forward all relevant information to you such as a list of recommended courses for the beginning of your Master. One Study Guidance Seminar will be held on the 14<sup>th</sup> of March at 11 am, and another on the 20<sup>th</sup> of March at 4 pm (both online). A Study Plan Support session will take place on the 8<sup>th</sup> of April at 2 pm in room 0.101, Goldschmidtstraße 7. For directions see: [Campus Map](#)
- Applied Data Science: You will be approached by the study advisor by mail where she will forward all relevant information to you such as details on your first Master's semester. One Study Guidance Seminar is scheduled for the 13<sup>th</sup> of March at 3 pm, and another will take place on the 17<sup>th</sup> of March at 11 am (both online). A workshop to help you set up your individual study plan for the first semester will be offered on the 11<sup>th</sup> of April 11th at 11 am (on campus).

### Welcome day April 9, 2025

We plan a welcome day for the students that have already arrived in Göttingen. We will meet at around 10:30 am in the math building at the Mathematisches Institut, Bunsenstraße 3-5. There we will do some introductions and a tour around the building. Then we will have lunch together in the canteen.

### 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 summer semester 25.
- 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](mailto: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.

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### 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.

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### 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: [fsrmathe@math.uni-goettingen.de](mailto:fsrmathe@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](mailto: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.