WELCOME DAYS
SUMMER SEMESTER 2024
Welcome to the University of Bonn

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Who is here today?

Please stand up if you are coming from

- Africa
- Anglo America
- Asia
- Australia and Oceania
- Europe
- Latin America
Who is here today?

Please stand up if you are

- An Erasmus Student
- A Global Exchange Program student
- An Institutional Exchange student
- A degree seeking student in a Bachelor’s or State exam program
- A degree seeking student in a Master’s program
- A doctoral candidate
Overview of Welcome Days Events

**Thursday, April 4**
**10:30 – 11:45 am**
Welcome Event for all new students and doctoral students from abroad
📍 Wolfgang-Paul lecture hall

**Thursday, April 4**
**01:30 – 02:30 pm**
Info Event *Free-time activities with city tour afterwards*
📍 Wolfgang-Paul lecture hall

**Wednesday, April 17**
**02:00 – 03:30 pm**
Info event *Doctors’ appointments and health insurance*
📍 International Club, Poppelsdorfer Allee 53, 53115 Bonn

Overview of all events: [www.uni-bonn.de/welcomedays](http://www.uni-bonn.de/welcomedays)
1. Checklist of Formalities
2. Uni-ID, Uni Bonn App and Semester Ticket
3. Health
4. Intercultural Experience
5. German Language Classes
6. Other Offers
7. Heads up, Questions, What’s next?
1. Checklist of Formalities
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- Health Insurance
- Enrollment → Uni-ID → Student ID/Semester Ticket
- Dorm lease (and Wohnungsgeberbestätigung = landlord confirmation)
- City registration
- Visa & residence permit (only non-EU citizens)
- Opening a bank account (mandatory for scholarship holders)
1. Formalities – Next Steps

More on formalities on our [website](#)
2. Uni-ID, Uni Bonn App and Semester Ticket
2. How to get your Uni-ID?

- Open the application portal and log in with the details you used for enrolling.
- If you are enrolled you will see a (1) behind “Uni-ID Provision”
- Click there to receive your Uni-ID and your initial password
- Now you can only login with your Uni-ID
- From then on you can also find a certificate of enrollment if required later.
2. What to do with your Uni-ID?

Firstly, activate your account at: https://gosa.gosa.uni-bonn.de/gosa

The Uni-ID is the access to a variety of IT services of the University:

- The University course catalogue BASIS and eLearning platform eCampus
- The University e-mail service
- The user-ID to get free WiFi in University buildings via eduroam
- The Uni Bonn App where you can find your student ID and your semester ticket (= public transport ticket)
2. Uni Bonn App

The Uni Bonn App is where you can find your student-ID and your semester ticket (= public transport ticket valid all over Germany)

Download the free Uni Bonn App via the Google Playstore or the Apple Appstore

![QR Code for Google Playstore](image1)

![QR Code for Apple Appstore](image2)
2. When and where exactly can I use the ticket?

Semester Ticket/Deutschlandticket

- Valid throughout Germany
- Valid all day everyday for you to use busses, trams, suburban and regional trains
- **Important**: Not valid in long-distance trains like ICE, IC, EC or FlixTrain
3. Health
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- Sick/slightly hurt, but ok? → Go see a resident doctor (choose a doctor via your preferred online search engine and check their websites for languages spoken)

- Injured, but you can move and feel okay to go seek medical attention? → Hospital: Accident and emergency department “Unfallambulanz“/“Notaufnahme”

- Injury/accident/medical emergency and you cannot move → call an ambulance
3. Health

- **Emergency numbers of Germany:** police: 110; fire department and ambulance: 112
- **Always carry with you:** Your health insurance card + Personal ID/passport
- Please note: You may have to pay directly at the doctor’s/hospital (claim a refund later); clarify with your health insurance!

Upcoming event: **Wednesday, April 17, 2024**
02 – 03:30 pm: Info event **Doctors' Appointments and Health Insurance**
4. Intercultural Experience
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- Being abroad is challenging and can be tough at times
- Be prepared for your *Culture Shock* moment – it’s part of the experience
- New country – new experiences – new friends – be open-minded
4. Tips for adjusting to a new culture

- Take care of yourself physically
  - University sports can help with getting motivated
- Explore your host country
  - free public transport since April 1 is included. Make use of it!
4. Tips for adjusting to a new culture

- Connect with other international students and Germans
- **International Club, International Choir, Study Buddy Program/Pro Buddy Program**, Instagram channel [@unibonn.international.students], incoming/outgoing exchange fair **SUPA**
- Information on events in our bi-weekly BONNews newsletter

→ “Fachschaft” = **student representatives**
4. Tips for Adjusting to a New Culture

- Give yourself permission to feel sad, frustrated or angry at times. Negative feelings are normal! You should process these emotions, rather than just pushing them away and ignoring the issue.

- If you experience mental health issues, contact the University’s Psychological Counseling or the Studierendenwerk’s Psychological Counselling Centre.

  ➢ Both are free of charge!
5. German Language Classes
UNIVERSITY OF BONN

SOMMERSEMESTER 2024

SEMESTERBEGLEITENDE DEUTSCHKURSE (SDK)
IN-SEMESTER GERMAN LANGUAGE COURSES (SDK)

EINFÜHRUNG
INTRODUCTION

Sprechen Sie Deutsch?
Nein? Noch nicht?
 Dann machen Sie doch einen Deutschkurs!

ALLTAGSSPRACHLICHE DEUTSCHKURSE
EVERYDAY GERMAN LANGUAGE COURSES

THEMENSPEZIFISCHER KURSE
SPECIAL TOPIC COURSES

In-Semester German Language Courses — University of Bonn (uni-bonn.de)
### ALLTAGSSPRACHLICHE KURSE
COURSES FOR EVERYDAY LANGUAGE

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What do I buy? Grocery shopping in German

How do I make a doctor’s appointment in German?
**ALLTAGSSPRACHLICHE KURSE**
**COURSES FOR EVERYDAY LANGUAGE**

Ja, ich kann die Literatur auf Deutsch lesen!

Ihre Argumentation heute war sehr überzeugend.

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<td>Sicher präsentieren und überzeugend diskutieren</td>
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Course duration
- 12 weeks
- Starting in the 3rd week of the semester: April 22, 2024 to July 19, 2024

Hybrid course
This course is held in a hybrid format on site in classrooms and online.

Learning German — University of Bonn (uni-bonn.de)
COURSE LEVEL AND PLACEMENT TEST

daf-sprachlernberatung@uni-bonn.de

A placement test is mandatory!
ABSCHLUSS
CLOSING REMARKS

CONTACT

German language courses:
sonja.hammer@uni-bonn.de

Language learning support:
daf-sprachlernberatung@uni-bonn.de
6. Other Offers
6. Other Offers – iStart Career Program for international students

Support with:

- Orientation
- Networking
- Applications

Find out more here: [www.uni-bonn.de/istart](http://www.uni-bonn.de/istart)
Short introductions on how to use the University Library (Main Library and MNL Branch Library) on-site and virtually:
- in English
- in German

More information: [www.ulb.uni-bonn.de/en/information-for/first-semester-students](http://www.ulb.uni-bonn.de/en/information-for/first-semester-students)
6. Other Offers – University Library

Short introduction: How to use the MNL Branch Library (on-site)

- MNL Branch Library
- 11:00 AM - 11:45 AM

Just starting out in your studies or not set foot in the library yet? You would like to get to know the new bonnus search portal? We regularly run brief...

Short introduction: How to use the Main Library (on-site)/bonnus

- Main Library
- 01:00 PM - 01:45 PM

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6. Other Offers – Actionbound App

City Tour with the Actionbound app

Uni Bonn Welcome Days
von Dezernat 6

Let's discover your new hometown!
Get news about events, Germany, Bonn and the University in the bi-weekly newsletter. Subscribe [here](#).
6. Other Offers – Instagram

Stay up to date with our Instagram channel @unibonn.international.students
6. Other Offers – Study Buddy Program

Our team: Ellen

study-buddy@uni-bonn.de

Sign up here!
6. Other Offers – Study Buddy Program

- **Unique** intercultural exchange
- Facilitate adaptation and acclimatization for incoming students
- Widen perspectives
- **Enjoy** the time together with your Buddy

→ Did we spark your interest? [www.uni-bonn.de/studybuddy](http://www.uni-bonn.de/studybuddy)
Upcoming Events in April:

- Info event “Free-Time Activities” + city tour (April 4, 1:30 pm)
- Language Café (every Monday, 6 pm)
- Language Café + Speedfriending special (April 8, 6 pm)

Visit our website for more dates and events: [www.uni-bonn.de/int-club](http://www.uni-bonn.de/int-club)
Upcoming Events in April:

- Hike to Drachenfels (April 13, 11 am)
- Bonfire (April 19, 7 pm)
- Just Dance (April 23, 6:30 pm)
- Cooking Night (April 30, 6 pm)
- Game Night with the Ukrainian Student Association (April 11, 7 pm)

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7. Heads Up, Questions, What’s Next?
7. Heads Up

Public Holidays on:

- Wednesday, May 1, 2024 (Labor Day)
- Thursday, May 9, 2024 (Ascension Day)
- Monday, May 20, 2024 (Whit Monday)
- Thursday, May 30, 2024 (Corpus Christi)

➔ University, doctor’s, shops, etc. are closed.

Plan ahead!
7. Questions

Do you have any questions that concern everybody?

Come to our office Poppelsdorfer Allee 53
or contact us via international@uni-bonn.de

International Service Point
in the entrance area
Monday – Thursday 8 am – 4 pm
Friday 8 am – 2 pm
7. What’s Next?

- **Erasmus students:** meet your **Erasmus Departmental Coordinator**
  → Your coordinator has invited you to a meeting or informed you how you can get in touch to discuss individual questions. If not, please contact them!

- **GEP students:** meet your GEP contact persons
  → Hanan Elabdouni, Clara Langenberg, Nuha Duale
7. What’s Next?

- **Institute exchange students**: meet your institutional coordinator
- **Master’s students**: meet your study program manager
- **PhD students**: meet your supervisor / research group

→ **Everyone**: Free Time Activity starts at 1:30 pm
WELCOME!

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