Welcome to Bonn Summer Semester 2024
Agenda

1) Uni-ID, Student ID and the Semester Ticket
2) Housing / City Registration
3) Get connected
4) Checklist
5) Q&A / Formalities
Uni-ID, Student-ID and the Semester Ticket
You successfully completed the online enrollment form

✓ You transferred the social fee: include your matriculation number as payment reference

✓ A German statutory insurance cleared up your insurance status with the University of Bonn

✓ The student registry sends an e-mail informing you that you are officially enrolled to the University of Bonn.
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.
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)
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
Uni Bonn App

1. Open the app and click on the menu icon to expand the sidebar
2. Click on “Settings” to change the Language to English/German
3. Click on "Login" in the sidebar to get to the login page
4. Enter your Uni-ID and password in the appropriate fields and click on the “Login" button.
5. Click on "Tickets & Passes“ to find your student-ID and semester ticket (= public transport ticket)
Housing & City Registration
You do not have confirmed accommodation yet?

1. The University of Bonn does not provide any accommodation
2. Stay flexible
3. Keep your options open
4. Start looking for accommodation as soon as possible – do not give up!
5. Consider a short time accommodation for the first couple of weeks while you are room hunting at sight
You do not have confirmed accommodation yet?

- **Student dorm rooms**: [Studierendenwerk Bonn](https://www.studierendenwerk-bonn.de/) (€ 300-550)
- **Private market**:  
  - [www.wg-gesucht.de](https://www.wg-gesucht.de)
  - [www.wg-suche.de](https://www.wg-suche.de)
  - [www.housinganywhere.com](https://www.housinganywhere.com)

Find more information about housing in Bonn in our [flyer](#) or contact [housing@uni-bonn.de](mailto:housing@uni-bonn.de)
You have confirmed accommodation in one of the student dorms?

1. You will receive an e-mail from the Studierendenwerk Bonn. Read the information and attachments carefully.
2. Fill in and sign:
   a) Rental contract
   b) General terms of lease („Allgemeine Mietbestimmungen“)
   c) SEPA direct debit authorization
3. Send these documents back to the Studierendenwerk Bonn. Via Post!
4. Pay first rent and deposit
5. Arrange a move-in date and time with your property manager
6. Settle-in and get connected with the international tutors of your dormitory
Why do you need to register with the city?

It is a legal requirement.

Also, the city registration is important for many following steps:

1. opening a bank account
2. applying for a residence permit
3. getting a German tax-ID etc.
How to register with the city?

The city registration has to be done **in person**: A landlord confirmation(“Wohnungsgeberbestätigung”) is required

**Make an appointment for the city registration before coming to Bonn**


− Appointments can have a prolonged waiting period.
− To get an earlier appointment: Try to refresh the page around 7:20 a.m. or call the city administration via + 49 228 776677. If necessary, ask your Study Buddy for help.

Watch our **info video** on Accommodation, City Registration and Broadcasting Fee on Youtube
Get connected
Get in touch with other (international) students

- Follow the Uni Bonn International Students Instagram Account for regular updates on all things regarding living and studying in Bonn

- Join our International Choir

- Subscribe to the BONNews newsletter to get bi-weekly news about events, Germany, Bonn and the university - subscribe here: listen.uni-bonn.de/wws/subscribe/bonnews.int

- Take English-taught seminars at undergraduate level International Classroom Bonn
Join the Study Buddy Program

- The program matches newly-arrived international students (Mentees) with a University of Bonn student (Buddy) who helps them as they start their studies and adjust to life in Bonn.

- Matching by gender, age, study field, languages, interests (as best as possible)

- **Register** for the program [here](http://www.uni-bonn.de/studybuddy) (minimum 3 weeks before arrival)

  www.uni-bonn.de/studybuddy

  study-buddy@uni-bonn.de
Come to the International Club

Events and meetings for all international and German students and doctoral students several times per week:

- Game nights, quizzes, language cafés, cookery events, hikes, sports activities, Karaoke, movie nights, and many more

Meeting point at Poppelsdorfer Allee 53

www.uni-bonn.de/int-club
club@uni-bonn.de
Checklist
Which **documents** should you bring?  

- **A valid passport** – plus if needed a visa for students **and/or an ID card**
- Copy of the passport and visa and/or ID card stored separately while traveling in case of theft or loss
- **Documents relating to your studies**, e.g. your letter of admission and certificate of enrollment
- **Proof of funding**: bank account statement, proof of scholarships etc.
- **Debit card, credit card, cash (Euros)**
- **Driver’s license**, if you have one, (International) student ID
What should you bring in regard to your **health**?

- **Prescription drugs and prescriptions** for the duration of your stay - ask your doctor if you can get your medication on prescription in Germany
- **Medical reports** that you need for continued medical treatment in Germany
- **Proof of health insurance** (either for the period between your arrival and the beginning of the semester (October 1 or April 1) or for your entire stay (e.g. European Health Insurance Card or similar)
- **Vaccination record**
Which **technology** should you bring?

- **Charging cable** for your electronic devices such as your cellphone, laptop, tablet, etc.
- **Plug adapters** so that you can use and charge your electronic devices. Germany uses Type F plug sockets and 220 V mains electricity.
- If you are renting a room in a Studierendenwerk dormitory: **Ethernet cable** to get internet access
- Consider buying a prepaid SIM card in Germany since using foreign SIM cards might be much more expensive. Check if your phone would be compatible with such a prepaid card.
Which **clothes, linen and toiletries** should you bring?

- **Towels, bed linen and other items** that you will need for your accommodation.
- If you are renting a room in a Studierendenwerk dormitory: you can order a “**Dorm Basic Set**” (€ 60) before you arrive.
- Find out about what **the weather** is like in Germany so that you pack enough **warm clothes** for the winter and **lightweight clothes** for the summer.
- Enough **toiletries** to cover the start of your stay.
Contact details of who is welcoming you at your accommodation (i.e. dorm house keeper – make an appointment beforehand, landlord, flatmates, receptionist)

Directions to your accommodation

Translation App

Address book (paper or electronic): contact details of your family, friends, important contacts, emergency numbers in Germany

Photos and other little mementos for decorating your room – what will help you get set up and feel comfortable in your accommodation?

Please bear the import restrictions in mind imposed by the German customs authorities (for travelers from outside the EU/EEA)

Find the full checklist here
Important Dates & Next Steps
Check the Welcome Days website regularly to stay up to date on all information sessions: www.uni-bonn.de/welcomedays

April 01, 2024: latest recommended arrival for the semester

April 04, 2024, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 a.m.: Welcome event for all new international (doctoral) students – Place: Wolfgang Paul Lecture Hall, Kreuzbergweg 28, 53115 Bonn

April 04, 2024, 13:30 p.m.: Info session on free-time activities + city tour – Place: Wolfgang Paul Lecture Hall, Kreuzbergweg 28, 53115 Bonn
Visa for study purposes
Insurance
Enrollment
Payment of social fee → Student ID
Accommodation (dorm lease)
City registration
Residence permit (only non-EU citizens)
Opening a bank account (mandatory for scholarship holders)
Contact

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