Welcome to Aachen
Welcome Week Program
for new international students
Winter Semester 2023/24

RWTH
welcomes all internationals

Participation highly recommended and free of charge
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Welcome to RWTH!

Congratulations on being accepted to study at RWTH Aachen University! As one of Germany’s top technical universities and one of the best-ranked universities worldwide, you will soon be able to make the most of an academically stimulating environment as well as world-class teaching and research facilities.

With over 60,000 students from about 200 different countries, Aachen city has a vibrant, multi-cultural flair and offers everything you need for a comfortable student lifestyle. We believe that one day you will look back on your time in Aachen as not only an academically enriching experience, but also as a time that broadened your personal horizons, filled with international friendships, intercultural events, art, music, sport, culture and much more.

Why the Welcome Week?

Moving to a new city, a new country and beginning a new chapter in your education may seem a little daunting. There are many hurdles – organizational, linguistic, and financial – that have to be overcome before you can settle down and focus on your studies and making the most of your time in Aachen. We at the International Office have put together a diverse orientation program and this guide to help you overcome these challenges and feel at home in Aachen as quickly and as smoothly as possible by getting to know the University, Aachen but foremost other peer students and RWTH services personally. We hope that through these events, we can help everyone settle down smoothly and in the safest way possible.

We look forward to welcoming you soon.

Your International Office Team

P.S.: Get some impressions of the Welcome Week events by looking back at our prior programs and remember to sign up for the BeBuddy Mentoring Program.
What have we got planned for you?
A program adapted to your needs

When:
From Monday, 25 September to Friday, 29 September, 2023 at RWTH.

Target groups:
Some events are restricted to specific target groups only. Make sure to check the target group before attending them.

- **Degree students:** If you are enrolled to graduate and receive a Bachelor or Master’s degree from RWTH, you are a degree student.
- **Exchange students:** If you are enrolled at a University abroad while staying one or two semesters at RWTH as part of an exchange program (Erasmus, Partnership Worldwide, UNITECH or similar) or a project work (Visiting Project Students, Free Movers...) without graduating from RWTH, you are an exchange or visiting student.
- **Double Degree students:** If you are both enrolled in a University abroad and at RWTH to get a Master’s degree from both universities (e.g. Tsinghua or T.I.M.E. Double Degree), you are a double degree student and may participate both in events for degree and exchange students.

Where and when can you get a Welcome Week wristband?
You will get a Welcome Week wristband when checking into most Welcome Week events (e.g. Campus Tours, Open Consultations, Talk Show and Kick-Off).

Fit for RWTH

In order to keep you well informed about all procedures you need to take care of prior to or after your arrival in Aachen, we have created a **special website with videos** containing all details you need to prepare for your studies in Aachen.

You cannot attend some of Welcome Week events?
Check out our Latecomer page at [www.rwth-aachen.de/latecomer](http://www.rwth-aachen.de/latecomer)
Website will be published shortly
Information for your arrival

What should I bring with me? What should I do after I arrive?
In order to be best prepared for your new start make sure to read the **Survival Guide** and the **FAQ** provided by the Info Service Center thoroughly, as it contains all relevant information that will help you settle in Aachen.

Important information about the Welcome Week events

**Photo and video material**
Please note that the photo and video material produced during the Welcome Week might be published later on our websites, in social media and in print media. Please approach the photographer directly.

**Information for students with disabilities and chronic illnesses**
The representation of students with disabilities and chronic illness advocates for the interests of students - from barrier-free access to lecture halls to compensation for disadvantages and individual and confidential counselling. In addition, they provide students with study assistants who can accompany them in everyday university life. In case you need support or have questions, do not hesitate to get in touch with the advising service for Students With Disabilities and Chronic Illnesses ([https://www.rwth-aachen.de/cms/root/studium/Beratung-Hilfe/~eji/Studium-mit-Handicap/?lidx=1](https://www.rwth-aachen.de/cms/root/studium/Beratung-Hilfe/~eji/Studium-mit-Handicap/?lidx=1))

**Stay up-to-date**
The latest updates and short-notice changes about the Welcome Week events will be published on our event page: [www.rwth-aachen.de/welcomeweekprogram](http://www.rwth-aachen.de/welcomeweekprogram)
Advice about unofficial orientation programs

We would like to offer some clarification and words of advice, in case there is any confusion between the official RWTH Welcome Week events and external offers organized by other organizations.

The official Welcome Week program is available at our website [www.rwth-aachen.de/welcomeweekprogram](http://www.rwth-aachen.de/welcomeweekprogram). Furthermore, the only official tutoring/mentoring program organized by the International Office is the BeBuddy program [www.rwth-aachen.de/bebuddy](http://www.rwth-aachen.de/bebuddy).

The International Office discourages any activities promoting heavy drinking and alcohol excess and strongly condemns any games that involve peer pressure or inappropriate/unwanted sexual activity. Please decline participation in any activities that make you feel pressured, uncomfortable or violate your personal boundaries in any way.

Please do not hesitate to reach out to the International Office Welcome Week team if you have any concerns: [welcomeweek@rwth-aachen.de](mailto:welcomeweek@rwth-aachen.de). Any queries will be handled confidentially. We hope that you enjoy the Welcome Week events and that you have a safe and smooth start in Aachen. We are here to help you if you have any problems you would like to discuss.
## Your Welcome Week Program

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Monday, 25 September, 2023

Check-in
From 9am to 11am
In the Audimax Foyer, Wüllnerstraße 9

Get your Welcome Starter Pack composed of your Welcome Bag, your Welcome Week wristband at one of the check-in tables before making yourself comfortable in Audimax Large Lecture Hall for the official welcome ceremony.

At Check-in you can also:
- Get a Campus Tour ticket (see p. 11)
- Get a Library Tour ticket (see p. 14)

Welcome to RWTH Aachen University: Official Kick-Off event
From 11am to 1pm
In the Large Lecture Hall of Audimax, 2nd floor, Wüllnerstraße 9

Meet our staff and other new international students during the official introduction to the University by the Vice Rector for International Affairs and the International Office. Prof. Habel and Dr. Finsterbusch will open the ceremony with the DAAD Price Award for particularly dedicated international students. After that the International Office will present itself as well as the program we have planned for you and will give you a short intercultural training to prepare you for the possible cultural hurdles you might have. Last but not least, the student representation AStA, Representation of Foreign Students AV, the Equal Opportunities Project and the Freshman Week team will be introducing themselves and the Freshman Week program following the Welcome Week.

www.rwth-aachen.de/welcomeweek
www.rwth-aachen.de/international
Students with a non-EU nationality generally need to apply for visa to travel to Germany and apply for residence permit once they have settled in Aachen. The Immigration Office will be telling you everything you need to know regarding applying for and extending your residence permit. You will also have the chance to ask questions related to your own personal situation.

Our Welcome Week volunteers will show you around the central RWTH campus, starting at the student services building “Super C”, passing by the Hauptgebäude (main building), the main library, various lecture halls, before finishing in Pontstraße, the student district of Aachen! The spots in each Campus tour are limited and a tour takes approx. 90 minutes. Make sure to be in front of the SuperC building at least 10min before the time slot indicated on your ticket.

**Immigration Office Presentation and Q&A**
From 1pm to 2pm
In the Large Lecture Hall of Audimax, 2nd floor, Wüllnerstraße 9

**Campus Tours (EN or DE depending on the group)**
1st Tour at 2.30pm | 2nd Tour at 4.30pm
In front of the SuperC building, Templergraben 57

**Where can I get a Campus Tour ticket?**
You can get one of the limited Campus Tour tickets at Check-in before the official Kick-Off event on Monday, 25 September, 2023. Please note that the tickets are handed on the basis of „first come, first served“. Please only take a ticket if you are certain you will show up for your tour, as we have many participants interested in joining the event who might not all be able to get a ticket.

**Alternative for solo or self-tours**
Campus Tour audioguide and rallye available for free on our Campus Tour website: [www.rwth-aachen.de/campustours](http://www.rwth-aachen.de/campustours)
As RWTH student, it is a must to know the University’s Library and the Library staff is happy to show you around and explain how to get access to the materials provided or book a seat in the Library. The tours have limited spots and last approx. 30 minutes. Make sure to be at the meeting point indicated on your ticket approx. 10min before the time slot indicated. You will also find information on their services at [www.ub.rwth-aachen.de](http://www.ub.rwth-aachen.de).

**Library Tours (EN)**
1st Tour at 2.30pm | 2nd Tour at 3.15pm | 3rd Tour at 4pm
In the library building, Templergraben 61

Where can I get a Library Tour ticket?
You can get one of the limited Library Tour tickets at Check-in before the official Kick-Off event on Monday, 25 September, 2023. Please note that the tickets are handed on the basis of „first come, first served“. Please only take a ticket if you are certain you will show up for your tour, as we have many participants interested in joining the event who might not all be able to get a ticket.

**Alternative for solo or self-tours**
In case you cannot participate in a library tour, we recommend having a look at the virtual tour of the University Library available on YouTube.
Welcome to Germany

Information for students from abroad

Before you can begin with your studies, there are three things that must be completed in advance (confirmation of registration, bank account, health insurance). Good to know: for the latter, you can join TK while still in your home country. You can forward the missing forms later when you are in Germany.

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Students from the EU

Documents required by email:
• EHIC front and reverse side
• Identity card
• address
Certificate of insurance

Do you need a certificate of insurance to enable you to enrol at RWTH? Scan the QR code or visit our AOK student service:

Karlshof am Markt, 52062 Aachen, Germany

AOK Rheinland/Hamburg
Die Gesundheitskasse.
Tuesday, 26 September, 2023

Intercultural Training during the Welcome Week
From 10am to 1:30pm
Location to be announced with the confirmation of participation after registration.

What are the norms of German culture? How are these different to those of your own country? These are some of the key questions that are addressed in the intercultural competence training. We highly recommend new international students to take the opportunity to participate in one of the trainings to enhance their personal skillset and to help ease into a new culture.

Where can I register for one of the intercultural trainings?
You can check details regarding the registration on our website.

Important
In case you cannot make it to the training you have been assigned to, please cancel via the registration website and give another student the chance to fill in.
Many international RWTH students had the same questions as you do now. Some of them will tell you about their experience and will give you valuable tips on how to adapt in Germany during live interviews peer to peer. Do not hesitate to ask questions! www.rwth-aachen.de/io-faq

During the Global Village you can get in touch with student associations and local students, share experiences from your home country, take photos with your new buddies at the photobooth and enjoy a buffet provided by the International Office on the lobby of the Audimax.

**Important information regarding food and beverages:**
The buffet organized in the Audimax is free of charge. All food is without pork meat. Vegetarian and vegan food will be provided. The amount of food is based on one meal per expected participant and therefore might be out before the end of the event. The food and drinks provided have to be consumed inside. Please return your cups to the catering staff and do not take them outside. No alcohol is allowed into the building.

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Wednesday, 27 September, 2023

**Intercultural Training during the Welcome Week**
From 9am to 12:30pm
Location to be announced with the confirmation of participation after registration

Check further information on page 15.

**Fit for Studies / Student Advice Centre**
From 9.30am to 10.30am
In the Large Lecture Hall of Audimax, 2nd floor, *Wüllnerstraße 9*

You will receive a range of important information such as useful tips for successful studies and effective learning from the Student Advice Centre.

**Freshers’ Fair**
From 1pm to 4pm
In the Audimax Foyer, *Wüllnerstraße 9*

The International Freshers’ Fair is one of the many highlights of the Welcome Week. On this day, we gather together various university services so that you can pick up information and get as many questions answered as possible on one day and all at one location. Don’t forget to try your luck at the International Office wheel of fortune.

At this event, you can meet the International Office and staff from many different RWTH services, the Immigration Office, our Welcome Week partners, diverse student associations and many more! There will also be some of the faculty student council and/or advisors so you can find out how they can contribute to the success of your studies. A free buffet will be provided by the International Office.
RWTH Filmstudio regularly organizes movie nights for a very small entrance fee. You get the chance to see most recent as well as classic movies in German or in original version while enjoying some time with your peers on campus.

Bring your Welcome Week Wristband to see the movie : ’WarGames‘ in English

www.filmstudio.rwth-aachen.de/en/

Thursday, 28 September, 2023

You are wondering about the content of your study course and asking yourself how to create your class schedule, register for courses and exams? Several academic advisors will be hosting virtual sessions to answer your subject-related questions. Be on time for your session and check the target group ahead.

In case your faculty coordinator or faculty student council is not available during this event, you should contact them directly or visit the Ersti-Woche organized by the faculty student councils:

Departmental coordinators for exchange students
www.rwth-aachen.de/departmental-coordinators

Academic advisors for degree students
www.rwth-aachen.de/fachstudienberatungen

Faculty student councils
www.rwth-aachen.de/fachschaften
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Exercise is important for a good work-life-balance and a great way to meet new people. Join us with your international team on Thursday on Templergraben for some game activities! After checking in at the Super C building, your team will compete in various fun challenges, including twister, egg and spoon race, limbo dance and more. Give a hundred percent and try your chance at winning the Games without Borders!

Please note that alcoholic drinks are not allowed during Games without borders. Make sure to wear sports clothes as the games might be physically demanding.
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www.fintiba.com
Friday, 29 September, 2023

Onboarding for exchange students
From 10am to 1pm
In the Large Lecture Hall of Audimax, 2nd floor, Wüllnerstraße 9

The Incoming Student Services Team is offering an onboarding reception for exchange, visiting and double degree students specifically. After a short introduction of the staff and presentation about important processes to complete, the Incomings team will offer some ice-breaking games and give you the chance to network a bit.

www.rwth-aachen.de/exchange-students

International Academy Welcome Day*
(only for students from the International Academy)
From 9am to 1pm
SuperC building, 6th floor, Templergraben 57

The International Academy one of the RWTH private schools, offering courses of studies in exchange for an additional tuition fee. Students enrolled at the International Academy are warmly invited to this welcome ceremony organized by the Masters coordinators at the International Academy for them exclusively.

www.academy.rwth-aachen.de/en/
For the last Welcome Week evening, it is time to have some fun together starting at the beer garden on Templergraben managed by your Student Union AStA. Enjoy a cold drink with your new friends at the provisory BierTemp before the final party! Remember to bring cash with you as payment by card will not be possible. Please note that the number of seats at BierTemp are limited.

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1st Tour at 2.30pm | 2nd Tour at 4.30pm
In front of the SuperC building, Templergraben 57

Our Welcome Week volunteers will show you around the central RWTH campus, starting at the student services building “Super C”, passing by the Hauptgebäude (main building), the main library, various lecture halls, before finishing in Pontstraße, the student district of Aachen! The spots in each Campus tour are limited and a tour takes approx. 90 minutes. Make sure to be in front of the Super C building at least 10min before the time slot indicated on your ticket.

**Where can I get a Campus Tour ticket?**
More Information on page 10

**International Newcomers Party**
Admission from 11pm
Apollo Kino&Bar, Pontstraße 141-149

Let’s conclude this busy and exhausting Welcome Week with a night of dancing at one of Aachen most popular clubs, the Apollo Kino&Bar. Apollo offers not only diverse parties with student-friendly prices at night in the student district of Pontstraße but also hosts dance events and a movie theater showing independant movies, sometimes in original language.

**Admission fee: 5€**
Admission only for guests with a Welcome Week wristband
Additional Intercultural training appointments

In case you are not able to join the intercultural trainings during the Welcome Week you can register for one of the additional intercultural trainings:
Thursday, 21 September, 2023 from 9am to 12:30pm (EN) Location to be announced
Wednesday, 4 October, 2023 from 9am to 12:30pm (DE) Location to be announced

Check further information on page 15.
Location to be announced with the confirmation of participation after registration

Open Consultations at the International Office

Check the opening hours on our website

By participating in all obligatory events of the online Welcome Week, you can be sure that most of your questions will be answered by the beginning of the semester. However, we know that some individual inquiries remain unanswered due to the high number of participants during the events.
Therefore, we would like to invite you to get in touch with us during our open consultations and have your last doubts and question marks cleared with our different advisors.

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Further information about the services available at
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What’s next? Your online enrollment!

**Enrolling at RWTH in Winter term 2023/2024**
New students of Winter term 2023/2024 will be enrolled online and do not need to make a personal appointment. Please check our Fit for RWTH website in order to complete your enrollment as a degree student.

What’s next? Your Ersti-Woche!

**From Monday, 2 October to Friday, 6 October, 2023**

**Schedule:**
Check your individual schedule at the [Ersti-Woche webpage](#). The respective schedules by the faculty student councils will be available shortly before 2 October, 2023. Tip: don’t miss the Ersti-Rally on Wednesday, 4 October and master challenges with your tutor group!

**What is the Ersti-Woche or Freshman Week?**
The Ersti-Woche is the official introduction week at RWTH for all first year Bachelor (and sometimes Master) students. The events are organized by the Faculty Student Councils of each faculty to integrate and prepare you for your first semester the best way possible. The student councils („Fachschaften“) are formed by experienced RWTH students elected to represent the interests of their fellow students. They are an important source of academic advice (e.g. timetable, additional course materials, past exam papers...) and peer-to-peer support (e.g. they plan events to meet other students from your own faculty).

Course specific first-year information is available at the respective faculty website.

What’s next? Start of lectures!

Register for classes, prepare your timetable.
**From 25 September to 29 September, 2023!**

**Degree students: Get in in touch with your Faculty Advisor & Faculty Student Council**
Any questions regarding the course-specific organization of your stay have to be directed to your Faculty Advisor (Fachstudienberater*in). You can find their contact details at [www.rwth-aachen.de/fachstudienberatung](http://www.rwth-aachen.de/fachstudienberatung)
Your Faculty Student Council is also there to help you prepare your first timetable. A full list of faculty student councils with links to their relevant websites can be found at [www.rwth-aachen.de/fachschaft](http://www.rwth-aachen.de/fachschaft)
Exchange and Double Degree Students: Get in touch with your departmental coordinator
Different procedures apply to exchange students when it comes to course and exam registration and credit point recognition. In each faculty, there is at least one person in charge of advising exchange students on academic matters. If you have questions about the content of the courses, the language requirements, the course registration and exam regulations, you need to get in touch with your Departmental Coordinator. This person will also be in charge of signing your Learning Agreement and issuing your Transcript of Records.
You can find the contact details of your Departmental Coordinator at
www.rwth-aachen.de/departmental-coordinators

What’s next? Language courses
Register for a German Language Course at RWTH Language Centre

Studying in Germany will give you the best opportunity to learn the German language and experience German culture. The Language Centre will introduce you to their course offering during the Welcome Week. If you are interested in registering for one of their German language courses, please make sure that you have your RWTH User ID at hand when taking the obligatory placement test and setting up your Language Centre user account, which is necessary if you want to check your placement test results, sign up for a course or want to know what grade you have been given at the end of term.

The placements tests take place from 29 September 2023 10am to 8 Oktober 2023 11pm. You will find the dates of the placement tests and the course registration at
www.sz.rwth-aachen.de/go/id/lhix

Make sure that you have completed your enrollment at least two weeks before the placement test. Your enrollment will be complete once you have transferred the student service fee and the Admissions Office has accepted your enrollment documents. Afterwards, it can take up to one week to receive access to your Network Services and, thus, to your RWTH User-ID.
Please note that you will neither be able to participate in the placement test nor register for a German language course if your enrollment at RWTH has not been completed. Thank you for understanding.

Further information about the language courses can be found at
www.sz.rwth-aachen.de
Welcome to Aachen
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Further services for Internationals

BeBuddy Program
To support new international students in settling in, we offer a free of charge buddy program. This is a mentoring program where experienced RWTH students voluntarily offer help to new students (mentees) like you by acting as their „buddy“. If you need help to understand something, if you need administrative support or just a guide to the next supermarket: ask your Buddy!

Please register online for the BeBuddy program at least three weeks before your arrival in Germany. However, we cannot guarantee that you will be matched on time, as many international students come to Aachen during this period. We will do our best to provide you with a buddy as soon as possible.

Sign up online:
www.rwth-aachen.de/bebuddy

Intercultural Trainings during the semester
Participation in an intercultural workshop is highly recommended for new international students to enhance one's personal skillset and to help understand and ease into a culture which may be very different to what one has been accustomed to. Intercultural expertise is a highly-sought skill, essential not only within your academic life, but also for your future career. If you would like to learn more on intercultural communication, we recommend you to sign up for a workshop during your stay in Aachen.

The intercultural trainings in English are offered regularly and you can check the upcoming dates and registration procedure on the related website.

Student Associations
Student Associations can be a great way to get to know new people and have fun, work on projects or products together or help others. They offer a great variety of events, parties and projects you can participate in. You can find a helpful overview online. Get in touch with student associations at RWTH directly during Welcome Week events, contact studini@rwth-aachen.de (Mentoring of Student Associations) or check the website for further information.
The Humboldt-Haus
Welcome to the Humboldt-Haus, the international meeting place and event location of our university! If you are new in Aachen and want to meet local and international students, simply come to one of the many events offered at Humboldt-Haus by the university and various student initiatives. www.rwth-aachen.de/humboldt
The International Office on Social Media

Facebook
The International Office has created a Facebook Group for new international students to network and find friends: RWTH welcomes Internationals

Instagram
Furthermore, we have an Instagram account where we like to post news about RWTH and Aachen, impressions of the international atmosphere of the University but also competitions! If you follow our Instagram account, you will stay informed about the international highlights of RWTH Aachen University. Photos taken during the Welcome Week will be posted via our Instagram account and you also have the chance to be part of it by sharing your Welcome Week experience with #RWTHWelcomeWeek or by tagging us with @rwthinternationaloffice!

LinkedIn
Become part of the vast International Office network by following us on LinkedIn and discover news about visits of partner universities abroad, events taking place at RWTH related to Internationalization, services and programs offered by our International Office.
www.linkedin.com/company/rwth-international-office
Welcome to RWTH International Academy

The decision to invest in a specialized executive Master of Science degree is a big step in your life, and you should be sure that you are choosing the right program and the right university. RWTH Aachen University is one of Germany’s Universities of Excellence. It is a place where the future of our industrialized world is thought out.

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- M.Sc. Robotic Systems Engineering (RoboSys)
- M.Sc. Smart Production Engineering (SPE)
- M.Sc. Textile Engineering (Textile)

Master in Management and Engineering
- M.Sc. Management and Engineering in Computer Aided Mechanical Engineering (MME-CAME)
- M.Sc. Management and Engineering in Production Systems (MME-PS)

Master of Public Administration
- MPA European Studies

68% of our graduates did an internship in Germany or Europe during their studies.

9% Home Country

87% Germany

90% of our alumni have landed a job position within 6 months after graduation.
Contacts in the International Office

Welcome Week Team

The Welcome Week Organization Team is happy to help you with any questions you have concerning the program, participation requirements and social events planned during the Welcome Week for new international students. Our team is lucky to be supported by volunteers who will try to guide you the best way possible during the different activities planned.

You have missed the Welcome Week events? All Welcome Week presentations materials and recorded sessions as well as further event dates after the Welcome Week will be published on our Latecomer page!

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Please note:

During the Welcome Week, we have limited reachability due to our presence in the online and on-site events. In case you would like to reach out on very short-notice, you can also contact the Info Service Center for support.
Info Service Center

The team Info Service Center will be able to point you to the right direction and is your first contact to your questions. Check out their Survival Guide for all the detailed information that will help you prepare for your arrival and stay in Aachen the best way possible! The ISC regularly offers web-seminars during the semester to help you out with unanswered questions even after the beginning of your studies. Further information is available at www.rwth-aachen.de/isc.

Tip: The Survival Guide and the Frequently Asked Questions Website contain answers to many common questions regarding studies and life in Aachen: www.rwth-aachen.de/io-faq. You will find our current consultation hours at www.rwth-aachen.de/isc

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Incoming Student Services

The Incoming Student Services team supports exchange and other visiting or non-degree students with the administrative aspects of their stay. This includes the application and admission process, enrollment and extension of periods of stay as well as issuing various certificates such as “Certificate of Arrival” or “Certificate of Attendance”.

For academic matters, please contact your departmental coordinator. You find the contact details of your departmental coordinator at www.rwth-aachen.de/departmental-coordinators.

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Personal and virtual consultation:
If you are an exchange or visiting student, you are welcome to contact us during our personal and virtual office hours. You will find our current consultation hours at www.rwth-aachen.de/exchange-students
 Housing Advice Service

Finding accommodation in Aachen may be one of the biggest challenges at the beginning of your studies as international student. Our team is happy to support and guide you! We collect offers from private owners and can inform you about further student dormitories located in and around Aachen.

Have a look at our Housing Guide available at www.rwth-aachen.de/housing and register to our international housing Newsletter for regular updates about available offers, partnerships with private dorms, anti-scams and further housing-related tips and upcoming webinars and events related to housing.

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Where to find us?

1. Find the Mensa, AStA and Studierendenwerk
2. RWTH Shop
3. Super C Services:
   - IT Center (Ground Floor)
   - RWTH Branch of Immigration Office (4th Floor)
   - Info Service Center and Incoming Student Services (3rd Floor)
   - Welcome Center for international Researchers (5th Floor)
   - Admissions Office (5th Floor)
4. Find the Humboldt Haus and AV
5. Bürgeramt (Citizens’ Office)
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