

**Contribution Ordinance
of the Student Body
of RWTH Aachen University
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On the basis of § 57 (1) of the law governing the Universities of the Federal State of North Rhine-Westphalia (Higher Education Act – HG) in the version of the announcement dated September 16, 2014 (Law and Official Gazette of the State of North Rhine-Westphalia p. 547), most recently amended by Article 1 of the Act to Amend the Higher Education Act and the Art School Act dated November 25, 2021 (Law and Official Gazette of the State of North Rhine-Westphalia p. 1210a), RWTH Aachen University has issued the following regulations:

§ 1

Purpose and Obligation to Contribute

- (1) The RWTH student body collects the student body fee from its members each semester to fulfill its duties.
- (2) Students on leave of absence are also subject to the contribution requirement. Students on leave of absence to perform civilian service or basic military service are exempt from paying the student body fee.

§ 2

Amount of the Fee

- (1) In accordance with Paragraphs 3 through 5, the student body fee – plus the current contributions for the student aid fund and for the fee hardship fund – shall be,
 1. 209.58 euros in the summer semester 2022
 2. 212.13 euros in the winter semester 2022/2023
 3. 218.02 euros in the summer semester 2023
 4. 218.07 euros in the winter semester 2023/2024
 5. 11.14 euros from the summer semester 2024.
- (2) It is divided into the following partial contributions:
 1. for the General Students' Committee (AStA) as a contribution for
 - a) AStA 6.70 euros from the winter semester 2020/2021, this partial amount increases annually by 0.05 euros for the winter semester,
 - b) student sports 1.10 euros
 - c) childcare at RWTH Aachen University 1.50 euros,
 - d) Hochschulradio Aachen e.V. 0.50 euros,
 - e) Queerreferat an den Aachener Hochschulen e.V. 0.19 euros,
 - 1a. In deviation from § 2 (2) No. 1 Letter a, the partial contribution shall be as follows:
for the AStA in the summer semester 2022 4.75 euros
 - 1b. In deviation from § 2 (2) No. 1 Letter d, the partial amount for Hochschulradio Aachen e.V. in the summer semester 2022 shall be 0.00 euros.
 2. for the student councils 1.00 euro
 3. as a mobility contribution for
 - a) the travel ticket
 1. from the summer semester 2022 137.43 euros,
 2. from the summer semester 2023 142.24 euros
 3. from the summer semester 2024 0.00 euros

- b) the extension of the travel ticket to the area covered by the local public transport system of the state of North Rhine-Westphalia
 - 1. from the summer semester 2022, 58.50 euros,
 - 2. from the summer semester 2023 59.40 euros,
 - 3. from the summer semester 2024 0.00 euros
 - c) the extension of the travel ticket to the area of validity of the Limburg add-on
 - 1. from the summer semester 2022 5.11 euros,
 - 2. from the summer semester 2023 5.29 euros,
 - 3. from the summer semester 2024 0.00 euros.
 - d) the partial amount for the contribution to the hardship fund amounts to
 - 1. 0.36 euros in the summer semester 2022,
 - 2. 0.01 euros from the winter semester 2022/2023.
- (3) The partial amount for the student aid fund is 0.30 euros in the summer semester 2022 and 0.01 euros from the winter semester 2022/23, and thereafter 0.30 euros for the following semester if the balance in the earmarked reserve for the student aid fund is less than 50,000.00 euros as of May 1.

§ 2a

Contribution in the case of the 9-Euro-Ticket project

- (1) In the summer semester 2022, in deviation from
- 1. § 2 (2) no. 3 lit. a) point 1, the mobility fee for the travel ticket shall be €95.72 ,
 - 2. § 2 (2) no. 3 lit. b) point 1, the mobility fee for the extension of the travel ticket to the area of validity of the local transport of the state of North Rhine-Westphalia shall be €29.25,
 - 3. § 2 (1) no. 1, the student body contribution plus the current contributions for the student aid fund according to § 2 (3) as well as for the contribution hardship fund according to § 2 (2) no. 3 lit. d) item 1 shall be €138.62.
- (2) If no full or partial refund of the student body contribution for the summer semester 2022 has been made before June 2, 2022 on the basis of the social regulations of the student body, the refund of overpaid earmarked contributions for the payment of the semester ticket shall be made by the university on the basis of the subsequent adjustment of the contribution rates. This takes the form of a contribution credit for the winter semester 2022/2023. Students who are no longer enrolled in the winter semester 2022/2023 will receive a refund of the difference via the Registrar's Office upon request. An application should be submitted by December 31, 2022.

§ 3

Collection and Due Date

- (1) The student body fee is collected by the university free of charge and paid to the AStA.
- (2) The student body fee is due
 - a) upon enrollment,
 - b) upon return to studies,
 - c) upon leave of absence.
- (3) The following students do not pay a mobility fee and do not receive a travel permit:
 - a) Guest and cross-registered students,
 - b) Severely disabled persons with official ID, supplement and token,
 - c) Students with an exemption according to § 4.
- (4) If the de-registration or the revocation of enrollment occurred before the start of the lecture period of the semester for which the student body fee was paid, the student body fee must be refunded in this respect; otherwise there is no entitlement to a pro-rata refund. Reimbursement will be made through the Registrar's Office.
- (5) The student body fee may be waived in whole or in part in cases of social hardship.

§ 4

Tasks of the Social Committee

The waiver or reimbursement of the student body and mobility fee is regulated by the Sozialordnung.

§ 5

Use of the Funds

The AStA uses the student body fees according to the financial regulations of the student body on its own responsibility.

§ 6

Entry Into Effect

This Contribution Ordinance is published as an Official Announcement of RWTH Aachen University ("Amtliche Bekanntmachungen") and comes into effect on the day after publication.

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It is pointed out that, in accordance with § 12 (5) NRW HG, any claims regarding a violation of procedural or formal requirements of the regulatory or other autonomous rights of the University may no longer be asserted after one year has elapsed since the official publication of this announcement unless:

- 1) the announcement has not been properly published,
- 2) the Rectorate has objected, prior to publication, to the decision of the committee adopting the regulations,
- 3) the University has been previously notified about the defect of form or of procedure in a complaint, specifying the infringed legal provision and the fact which gives rise to the defect, or
- 4) the legal consequence of the exclusion of complaints was not pointed out in the public announcement.

The Rector
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