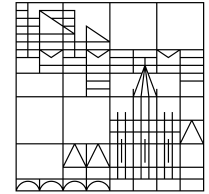


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**Welcome to Konstanz!**

**The M.A. programme in**

**Politics and Public Administration**



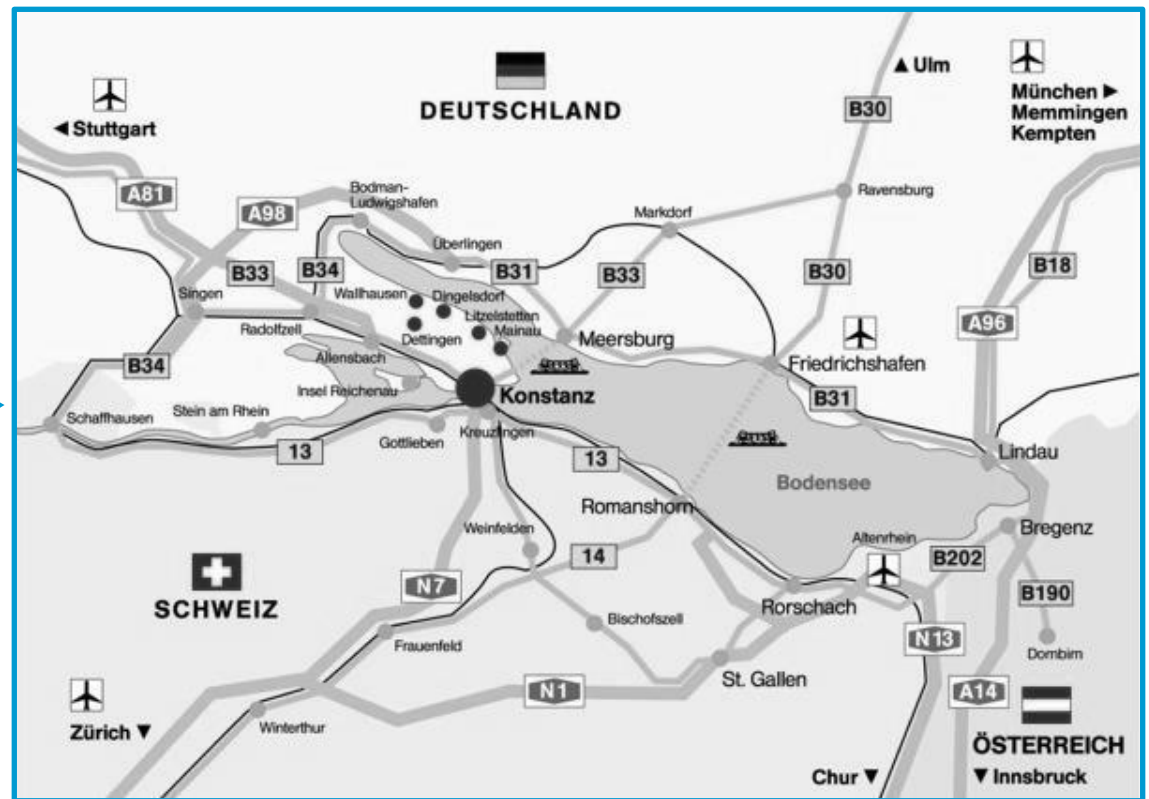
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# Konstanz: Studying in the heart of Europe – between Lake and Alps



# Your exchange to Konstanz: Main advantages

**Combine your studies at home with an exchange to Konstanz and enjoy a multitude of advantages:**

## 1. Study at a highly ranked university and department with close ties between teaching and research

- University ranked No. 1 in Germany and No. 7 worldwide among young universities (Times Higher Education ranking 2016: “THE 150 under 50”)
- Department ranked among the top-3 political-science departments in Germany (THE 2017)

## 2. Study in the heart of Europe – between Lake and Alps

- Distance to selected European destinations:  
Lake Constance: walking distance! | Black Forest: 1 hr |  
Zurich: 1 hr | Basel: 1.5 hrs | Alps: 1.5 hrs | Stuttgart: 2 hrs |  
Strasbourg: 2.5 hrs | Frankfurt: 3.5 hrs | Munich: 3.5 hrs | ...

# Your exchange to Konstanz: Main advantages

## Enjoy a multitude of advantages:

3. Course instruction predominantly in English (M.A. level)
  - Possible combination with German language courses and German cultural studies
  
4. Work as a student assistant at the Department / University or find an internship through our large internship database
  - Your benefit: practical experience + financial remuneration!
  
5. Personal support by our academic and administrative staff
  - 19 professors | approx. 70 junior and senior researchers | 8 administrative officers, including 4 student advisers!

# The Department

**19 (full or junior) professors, representing a broad array of studies:**

- **International Politics**
  - Prof. Dr. Dirk Leuffen, Prof. Dr. Gerald Schneider
- **International Politics and Conflict Management**
  - Prof. Dr. Katharina Holzinger
- **Political Economy**
  - Jun.Prof. Dr. Anselm Rink
- **Comparative Politics**
  - Prof. Dr. Christian Breunig, Prof. Dr. Nils Weidmann
- **German Politics and Public Administration**
  - Prof. Dr. Wolfgang Seibel, Jun.Prof. Dr. Christina Zuber
- **Big Data and Computational Social Sciences**
  - Jun.Prof. Dr. Andreas Jungherr, Jun.Prof. Dr. Karsten Donnay

# The Department

**19 (full or junior) professors, representing a broad array of studies:**

- **Public Administration**

  - Prof. Dr. Nathalie Behnke, Prof. Dr. Ines Mergel

- **Management, esp. Strategy and Leadership**

  - Prof. Dr. Sabine Boerner

- **Management, esp. Organisational Studies**

  - Prof. Dr. Florian Kunze

- **Policy Analysis and Political Theory**

  - Prof. Dr. Marius Busemeyer

- **Political Theory**

  - Prof. Dr. Volker Schneider, Prof. Dr. Sven Jochem, Jun.Prof. Dr. Aurélia Bardon

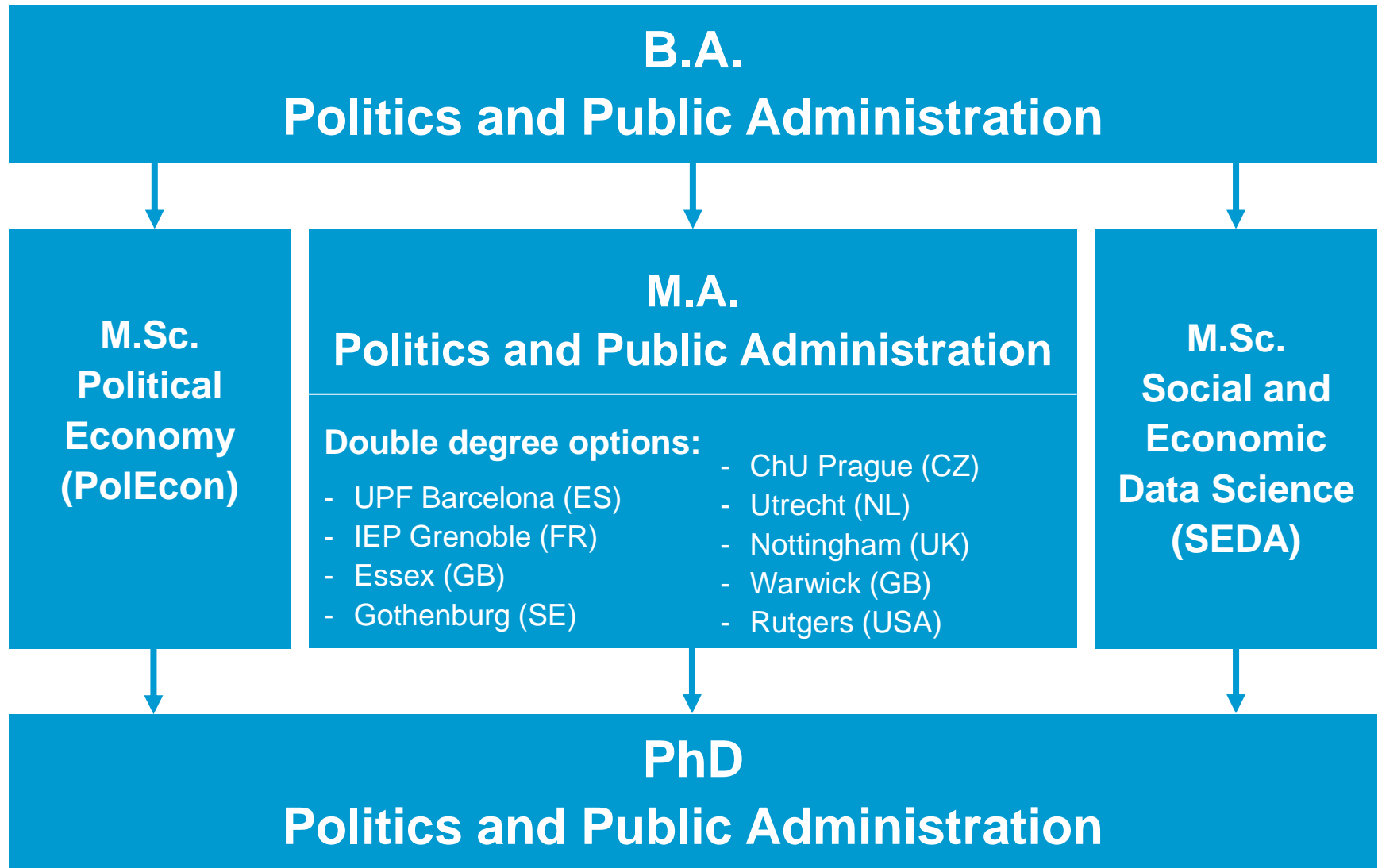
# The Department

**19 (junior) professors, representing a broad array of studies:**

- Empirical Research Methods  
→ Prof. Dr. Susumu Shikano
- Survey Research  
→ Prof. Dr. Peter Selb
- International Administration and Conflict Management  
→ Dr. Johannes Vüllers (temporary professorship)
- European Governance  
→ Prof. Dr. Gijs Jan Brandsma (permanent guest professorship)
- + Interdisciplinary orientation: close ties to neighbouring disciplines  
→ law, economics, sociology, history, philosophy, psychology, ...
- + Research orientation: close ties between research and teaching



# The Programmes



# MA in Politics and Public Administration

# M.A. Politics and Public Administration

The Master's Programme in Politics and Public Administration at the University of Konstanz is regarded as one of the most prestigious study programmes in this field in Germany.

Gain specialist knowledge in the fields of political science, public administration and management science. Choose one of the following 4 specialization areas depending on your individual interest:

- Comparative Politics and Policy Analysis
- Management and Public Administration
- International Relations and European Integration
- International Administration and Conflict Management



# M.A. Politics and Public Administration

## Why study Politics and Public Administration at Konstanz?

- several double degree options: studying at the University of Konstanz and one of our international partner universities
- interdisciplinary, international and practice-oriented education
- flexible study structure, individual areas of concentration
- close ties between research and teaching
- excellent libraries
- small seminars and highly qualified professors and lecturers

# M.A. Politics and Public Administration

## Study Plan (Recommendation – Flexible Options)

Sem. Credits	Study Area 1 Methods	Study Area 2 Theoretical and Empirical Foundations	Study Area 3 Applied Methods and Theories	Study Area 4 Elective Courses
1. 28cr	Research Design I 9cr Information Literacy 5cr	Basic Seminar I 7cr Basic Seminar II 7cr		
2. 30cr	Research Design II 9cr		Seminar I 7cr	Elective Course I 7cr Elective Course II 7c
3. 32cr	Colloquium 4cr		Seminar II 7cr Seminar III 7cr	Elective Course III 7cr Elective Course IV 7cr
4. 30cr			Master's Thesis (4 Months) 30cr	

# Financial Aspects of your Studies

## Usual expenses in Konstanz:

- Accommodation: 270 – 390 € / month  
(student accommodation)  
300 – 450 € / month  
(private accommodation)
- Food, clothes, ...: ca. 400 € / month
- University fees: 160 € / semester  
**(1500 € for non EU/EEA-students / semester\*)**
- Public transportation: 52 € / semester
- Health insurance: free for EU/EEA-students,  
80 € / month for non-EU/EEA-students
- Broadcasting fees: 18 € / month
- + Leisure activities: travelling, skiing, ...
- Remuneration from a job?

\* Fees only for degree seeking students and not for exchange students!

# The practical dimension: Job opportunities inside and outside the University

## Option 1: You work at the University

- There are a number of student jobs: in the departmental administration, the International Office, research projects, ...
- Contracts of between 20 and 50 hours per month
- Gross hourly wages of 9.16 € (B.A.) or 10.68 € (M.A.)
- Usually, all students interested in a job are able to find a job

## Option 2: You look for an internship

- Our department maintains a large internship database
- Internship positions at international organizations, NGOs, public authorities, private enterprises – in Germany, Europe, and worldwide

# The international dimension: Study abroad I

- **Austria**
  - Salzburg
  - Vienna
- **Belgium**
  - Antwerp
  - Ghent
  - Leuven
  - Liège
  - Louvain-la-Neuve
- **Croatia**
  - Zagreb
- **Czech Republic**
  - Brno
  - Prague ChU
  - Prague AAU
- **Denmark**
  - Aarhus
  - Copenhagen
- **Estonia**
  - Tallinn
  - Tartu
- **Finland**
  - Tampere
  - Vaasa
- **France**
  - Aix-en-Provence IEP
  - Bordeaux IEP
  - St. Germain IEP
  - Grenoble IEP
  - Lille IEP

- Lyon ENS
- Lyon IEP
- Nouvelle-Calédonie
- Paris I
- Paris III
- Paris IEP
- Rennes IEP
- Toulouse IEP
- **Hungary**
  - Budapest
- **Ireland**
  - Cork
  - Limerick
- **Italy**
  - Bologna
  - Bologna-Forlì
  - Florence
  - Milan
  - Pavia
  - Siena
  - Trento
- **Latvia**
  - Riga
- **Malta**
- **Netherlands**
  - Leiden
  - Maastricht
  - Rotterdam
  - Utrecht UU

- **Norway**
  - Agder (Kristiansand)
  - Bergen
  - Oslo
- **Poland**
  - Krakow
  - Poznan
  - Warsaw
- **Portugal**
  - Coimbra
  - Lisbon UCL
  - Lisbon UL
- **Slovenia**
  - Ljubljana
- **Spain**
  - Barcelona UAB
  - Barcelona UPF
  - Barcelona UPF-IBEI
  - Granada
  - Madrid UCM
  - Madrid UC3M
  - Madrid UPC
  - Cantabria (Santander)
  - Santiago de Compostela
- **Sweden**
  - Gothenburg
  - Linnaeus (Växjö)
  - Lund
  - Södertörn (Huddinge)
  - Stockholm

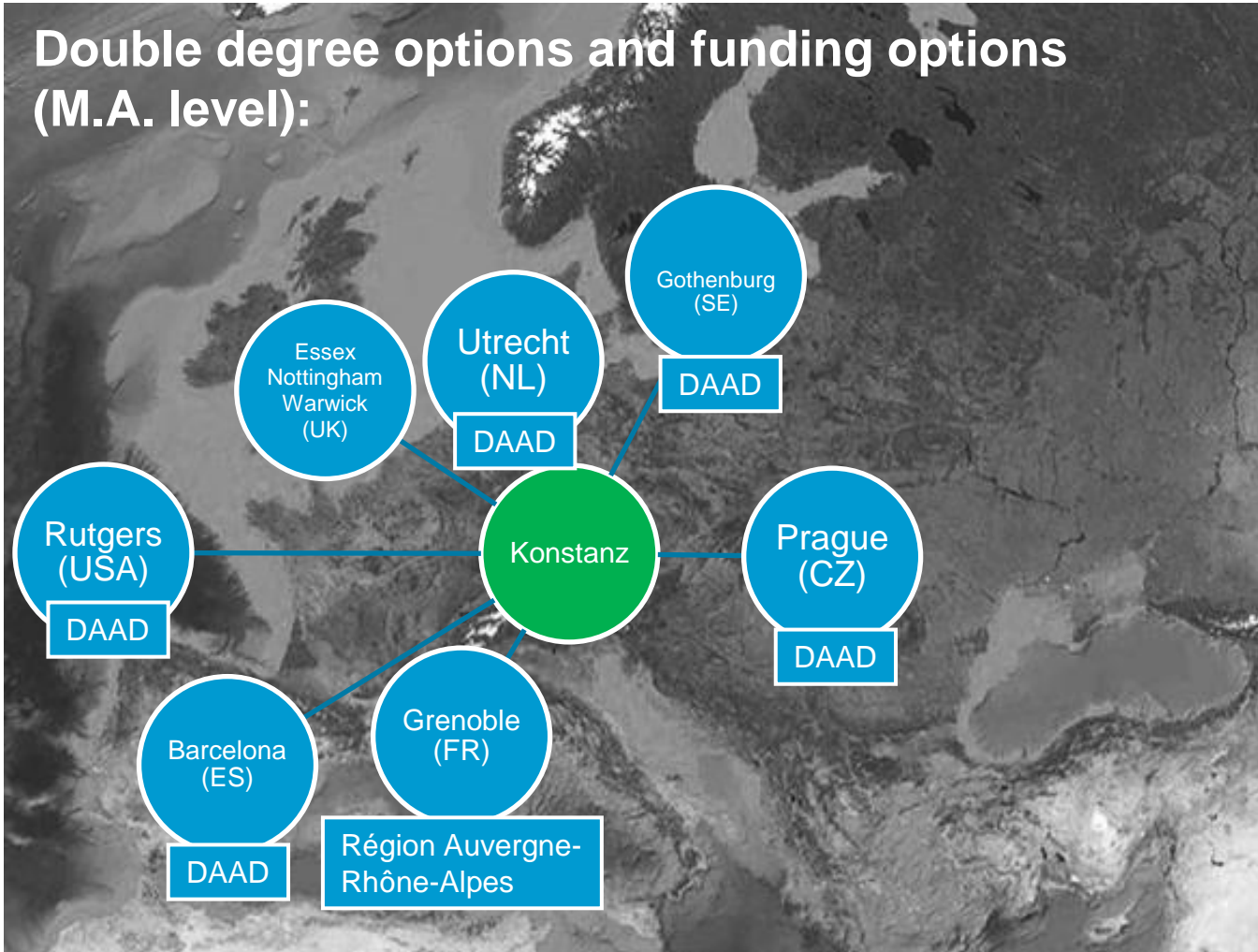
- Umeå
- Uppsala
- Switzerland**
  - Bern
  - Lausanne
- Turkey**
  - Ankara Bilkent
  - Ankara METU
  - Istanbul Bilgi
  - Istanbul Bogazici
  - Istanbul Marmara
- United Kingdom**
  - Bath
  - Belfast
  - Cardiff
  - Essex (Colchester)
  - Durham
  - Glasgow Strathclyde
  - Leeds
  - London CU
  - Nottingham
  - Sheffield
  - Warwick
  - Stirling
  - York





# The international dimension: Study abroad II

Double degree options and funding options  
(M.A. level):



# The service dimension: Central service facilities

## University Library

- Open access + open 24/7 (!)
- More than 2 million media: 1.7 million printed books, 135,000 e-books, 50,000 journal subscriptions, DVDs, and other media
- 1,000 workplaces + 200 PC and multimedia workplaces

## Language Institute (SLI)

- Course instruction in more than 20 modern languages, including German as a foreign language
- Self-access Study Centre (SLZ)
- Tandem learning
- Language testing in German, English, French, Spanish



# The service dimension: Central service facilities

## Competence Centre for Key Skills (SQ-Z)

- Training on communicative, social and personal skills
- Training on job-related skills
- Training on writing skills



## Career Service

- Counselling on job application and career planning
- Job application training
- Internship and job database



## International Office

- Counselling on administrative matters (housing, visa, health insurance, ...)
- Organization of orientation programmes



# A sound mind in a sound body: University sports

## Loads of indoor and outdoor sports (**uniSport**):

- **Team sports:** basketball, football, handball, floorball, lacrosse, rugby, underwater rugby, volleyball, ...
- **Racket games:** badminton, table tennis, tennis, ...
- **Individual sports:** archery, athletics, boxing, cycling, dancing, fencing, gymnastics, martial arts, running, ...
- **Mountain sports:** bouldering, climbing, hiking, trekking, skiing, snowboarding, snowshoeing, ...
- **Water sports:** canoeing, kayaking, rowing, sailing, standup paddleboarding, swimming, diving, ...
- + fitness centre (**uniMotion**)
- + fitness, health, and relaxation classes (**uniFit**)
- + national and international tournaments (**uniTournament**)
- + special events (**uniEvent**)



# Science in Paradise: The City of Konstanz



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## Inhabitants (in 2015)

- **Total:** 84,290
- **Foreign:** 12,004 (14,2%)

**Coastline:** 34 kilometres

**Sunshine:** 1858.6 hrs / year

**Twin cities:** Fontainebleau (FR),  
Lodi (IT), Richmond (UK),  
Suzhou (CN), Tabor (CZ)

# Science in Paradise: The City of Konstanz



## Cultural institutions:

- 1 theatre (3 venues/stages)
- 2 cinemas
- 3 cultural centres
- 1 aquarium
- 5 museums
- 2 indoor swimming pools
- 100 sports clubs



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# Science in Paradise: The surroundings



**Meersburg:** Medieval town, home to an Old Castle and a New Castle

**Rhine Falls:** Largest plain waterfall in Europe

**Reichenau:** Island in Lake Constance, UNESCO World Heritage!



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# Science in Paradise: The surroundings

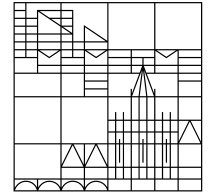


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- Säntis:** Highest mountain (2,502 m) in the nearby Alpstein massif
- Birnau:** Cloister church with stunning views on Lake Constance, Säntis and the Alpstein massif
- Pfahlbauten:** Neolithic pile dwellings, UNESCO World Heritage!



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**Thank you for your  
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