University of Konstanz
Exchange Students
Final Preparations & Information

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Accommodation / Seezeit Student Residences

Next steps for moving in the Seezeit Student Residences

- Reservation confirmation approx. 1 month before beginning of contract
- Arrange move-in date and time with tenant service (Mieterservice)

  - Can't be there in time? Impossible date?
    - Book temporary accommodation
    - Authorisation for room handover (buddy?)

  - Provide own pillow, blanket and sheets
    - Order for 45 Euro (deducted from deposit)
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Accommodation / Seezeit Student Residences

Haven’t applied for Seezeit Student Residence?

☐ Check private residential market (website)
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Bureaucratic tasks / formalities

Study Visa for Germany (non-EU/EEA)

Who does not need a visa?
- Visa free entry: Students with EU/EEA nationality/passport AND
- Students with passport from Brazil, USA, Canada, Brazil, South Korea, Australia, New Zealand, Japan, Israel

Who needs a visa?
- Students with Non-EU/EEA nationality & visa obligation

Where do I get my visa from?
- German Embassy / Consulate of your region:
  Check website of the German Embassy
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Study Visa for Germany (non-EU/EEA)

When can I start the visa process?
  • once you have received your admission letter
  • please start **asap** if you haven't started yet!

Which visa do I apply for ?
  • visa for study purposes (if possible for whole duration of intended stay)
  • **no** tourist/visitor's visa

What do I need to present when applying for a visa?
  • Find checklist on the website of the German Embassy/Consulate
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Study Visa for Germany (non-EU/EEA)

Minimum required documents:

- Application form
- Health insurance
- Admission letter of the University of Konstanz
- visa fee
- Proof of financial resources for 1 semester (intended duration of stay):
  i.e.: 720 Euros / month x 5 months = 3600 Euro
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Proof of financial resources for non-EU/EEA students

You need to prove that you have sufficient funds to finance your stay in Germany

Currently: 720 € per month

4 Possibilities accepted as an official proof by immigration authorities:

1. A formal written commitment from relatives or acquaintances submitted to a German Diplomatic Mission abroad or Local Immigration Office in Germany.
2. Blocked account opened at a German bank.
3. Scholarship confirmation (monthly!)
4. A written confirmation of financial support from your parents.
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Health Insurance

**EU students:** EHIC (European Health Insurance Card)

**Non-EU/EEA:** German State Health Insurance

- take it out from abroad
- take it out on first day of orientation
- starts with beginning of semester (1.10.2019)
- get travel insurance for first month

**Important for all non-EU/EEA students:**

Only German statutory health insurance accepted by immigration authorities and university!

**30 years or older:** Take out German private health insurance
# Preparations before your arrival in Konstanz

## Finances

### Living expenses

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<td>300€ - 450€</td>
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<td>120€ - 250€</td>
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<td>Public transportation</td>
<td>55€/semester</td>
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<td>Learning materials</td>
<td>50€ - 100€</td>
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<td>Personal expenses</td>
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Be prepared to bring extra money for the semester start.
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Orientation Programmes

GO-Konstanz - German Language & Orientation Programme

GO Konstanz September 2019 (4.-30.9.2019)

- German Language Programme on all levels
- Orientation Programme
  - orientation on campus
  - administrative support
  - study organization
  - meet people
  - discover the region
- 300 Euros

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Orientation Programmes

OriPro - Orientation Programme

OriPro October 2019 (4.-11.10.2019)
  • Orientation Programme
    – orientation on campus
    – administrative support
    – study organization
    – meet people
    – discover the region
  • free of charge
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Course Selection

- Courses for winter semester 2019/2020 are online now and complete by the latest at the beginning of September
- Courses taught in English are available
- Until then, please refer to the courses that were offered in the previous winter semester 2018/2019 (likely but no guarantee that they will be offered again).
- Erasmus+: please send Learning Agreement to your respective Departmental Erasmus+ Coordinator
- Please check our Incoming Student Guide for more details on recurring course offers.
- Course selection will be done during the Exchange Days in the orientation programmes
- You won't miss any „course registrations“
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Checklist

Important things to do before departure:

- upload photo for your UniCard in MobilityOnline!
- Non-EU/EEA: get a student visa for students from non-EU/EEA countries (except USA, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Japan, South Korea, Israel and Brazil)
- Non-EU/EEA: students from USA, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Japan, South Korea, Israel and Brazil and all other non-EU/EEA students without a long term visa for the whole duration of intended stay: get proof of funding (for visa and residence permit)
- plan your trip to Konstanz (book your flight)
- receive any necessary immunizations and pack a supply of important medications
- apply for a credit / debit card
- pay any fees, e.g. for GO Konstanz (300 €), social contribution fee (90 €)
- schedule a move-in date and inform your buddy about your arrival date
- purchase sufficient health insurance coverage (EU/EEA: EHIC)
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Checklist

What you should pack (part1):

• your passport (valid for the entire duration of your stay in Germany); an identity card (not driving license!) will suffice for EU citizens and students from Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway and Switzerland
• non-EU/EEA: proof of funding (required if you need to apply for a residence permit or a visa extension)
• letter of admission from the University of Konstanz
• immunisation records
• international driving licence or a certified translation of your national driving licence
• other travel documents (plane tickets etc.)
• confirmation of residence hall reservation
• credit card or traveller's checks
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Checklist

What you should pack (part2):

- important medication and information about your medication in German or English
- important telephone numbers: bank, home university and University of Konstanz International Office, buddy, etc.
- copies of all documents (passport, admission letter, proof of funding, plane tickets...)
- In Germany, the wall outlet voltage is 220 V. Students from other regions of the world should consider bringing an adapter for electrical devices.
- clothing: In the winter, the temperature can drop below the freezing point and it can snow. Please do not forget warm clothing! Summer temperatures can reach 30 degrees Celsius. Bring your bathing suit!
- LAN/Ethernet cord (and router) for Seezeit residence halls
Arrival in Konstanz
(before the beginning of orientation)

Things to do upon arrival in Konstanz

- Meet your buddy
- Move into accommodation
- Get your move-in confirmation from the landlord for the municipal registration (Bürgerbüro)
- Explore residence and city
- Join our Welcome-„Stammtisch“ at 20.00 in the Constanzer Wirtshaus on the official arrival days:
  2.+3.9. & 1.+2.10. (3.10. is national holiday!)
First day on campus (start of orientation)

Things to bring to uni

- passport or personal ID card (NOT a driving licence)
- a printout of your reservation confirmation from Seezeit
- a printout of your letter of admission to the University of Konstanz
- a printout from your bank documenting your payment of the course fee (GO-Konstanz) and the student services fee
- health insurance policy
- the Erasmus+ confirmation of arrival (Erasmus+ students only).
- about 120 Euro in cash, to pay for a bus ticket and the excursions.
- a passport photo (only non-EU/EEA students)
- All smartphones, laptop and tablets

**Important:**
If you have not yet paid your course fee and the student services fee, please also bring along this additional amount in **cash** to be paid to the Universitätskasse (university cashier's office).
Contact

1 September–18 October 2019
Mon–Fri 9.00–16.00
Room G 302

Check-In

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Stay updated!


https://www.facebook.com/groups/UniKonstanzInternationalWinter20192020/
Any questions?

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