

**YOUR START  
IN GIESSEN!!**

## Accommodations

- Look for an apartment or a WG-Room (with the Studentenwerk or from private landlords)
- Ask the landlord to sign the confirmation of tenancy [**Wohnungsgeberbescheinigung**]!

## Stadtbüro

- Book an appointment at the town hall [**Stadtbüro**] [via this link](#) to register as a resident of the city Gießen [**Wohnungsanmeldung**]  
Address: Berliner Platz 1, 35390 Gießen
- You would need your **passport/identity card** and confirmation of tenancy and *when applicable*, your **residence permit [Aufenthaltstitel]** and previous certificate of registration [**Meldebestätigung**] for the registration.
- You would receive your certificate of registration.
- After 7-10 working days, you would receive a letter with your 11-digit personal tax identification number [**Steuer-ID** aka. Persönliche Identifikationsnummer] -> **keep this letter safe!**

## Bank

- If you do not already have a bank account in Germany, do open a bank account here.
- Usually, you would need the following documents for the **account opening [Kontoeröffnung]**: certificate of registration, Steuer-ID, passport/identity card, and residence permit (when applicable).
- If you have a blocked account and would like to release the funds in it, you would need a confirmation from the immigration authorities [**Ausländerbehörde**].
- Some banks require you to book an appointment in for the account opening. Do check in with them beforehand!

## Insurance

- Take up a health insurance plan at a **public health insurance provider [gesetzliche Krankenkasse]**.
- You would usually need: **passport/identity card**, **admission letter from the university** and **bank account details**.
- Should you prefer a *private* insurance provider, do **seek our advice at the international office first, BEFORE you sign any contracts!**  
The telephone consultation hours are Mo., Wed., Fri. 10:00-12:00h, or via Email: [studium-international@uni-giessen.de](mailto:studium-international@uni-giessen.de)

## JLU Gießen

- The matriculation process will take place online.
- [Here](#) you would find all documents required for matriculation:  
After the matriculation, you would receive an Email with your **proof of matriculation [Studienbescheinigung]** and a **preliminary student ID card [vorläufigen Studentenausweis** aka **Chipkarte**].
- More information about your student ID card will be released at the beginning of the semester on this [website](#).

## Ausländer- behörde

- Contact the immigration authorities via Email [auslaenderbehoerde@giessen.de](mailto:auslaenderbehoerde@giessen.de) or telephone **0641 306-2280** for your registration.
- The immigration authorities will send you the relevant documents and more information via post, or book an appointment for your registration.

**!! Only for  
non-EU  
Students!!**

## The end!

- You did it!
- Enjoy your time and studies in Gießen ☺
- Should you have any further queries, do contact us at: [studium-international@uni-giessen.de](mailto:studium-international@uni-giessen.de)