

Online Orientation Session International Office htw saar

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Admission & Visa

Advice and support for international students

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Summer Semester 2026

Every Monday until our Welcome Event **16.03.2026**

Same time, same link

- 19.01.2026: Admission & Visa
- 26.01.2026: Admission & Important Documents
- 02.02.2026: Admission & Housing in Saarbrücken
- 09.02.2026: Q&A and Studying at htw saar

- 17.02.2026: Prepare your Stay
- 23.02.2026: First Steps in Saarbrücken
- 02.03.2026: htw saar – IT & Learning Systems
- 09.03.2026: Get to know your new home: Saarland

**Save the Date:
March 16, 2026**

Welcome Event for new international students

Meet the International Office team, your student buddies and other new international students during our official introduction to your new university. Also, find out all about our Welcome Weeks we have planned for you!

Attendance is mandatory for all students that are already in Germany.



Enrollment / Matriculation at htw saar

- Contact apply@htwsaar.de if you have any questions about our application
- For the summer semester, admission or rejection letters are usually sent out by the middle of February, but this may vary depending on your individual study program.
- We at the International Office or at the Office of Admissions do not know these individual dates and we cannot influence them
- When your application status in the SIM application portal changes, you should receive an email about this change
- To be on the safe side, please check the portal on a regular basis.
- Watch the explanatory video: 

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- Log onto the SIM admissions portal: <https://sim.htwsaar.de/bewerbung#/Logon>
- Find your admission letter (Zulassungsbescheid) under “documents” (*not applicable for restriction free study programs*)
- Read everything carefully and check your individual deadlines!
- Finalize the enrollment process in the SIM application portal right away
- In case you are asked to provide additional documents:
 - You will be notified via E-mail
 - You will receive a deadline until when to upload these document
 - The tile „documents“ in the SIM application will appear in a different color with a number next to it
 - Click on this tile to find out which documents are missing or are not valid
 - Contact apply@htwsaar.de if you have any questions about what you need to provide

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Health Insurance

- “**insured**”: you have public health insurance in Germany (e.g. AOK, IKK)
 - Ask your German public health insurance to send an electronic notice about your insurance status to htw saar
 - The sending number of htw saar is HOOO3095
- „**not insured**“: you have private health insurance, travel health insurance or you can keep the health insurance from your home country
 - Please also contact any German public health insurance provider to issue you a waiver/exemption from German public health insurance
 - They will then also send an electronic notification to htw saar
 - The sending number of htw saar is HOOO3095

Find out more about this here: [Health Insurance](#)

Visa

- Whether you need a visa for Germany depends on which country you are from and how long you plan to stay here. Most students from non-EU countries need a visa. Find out more about whether you need a visa or not and about the visa process on these websites:
 - study-in-germany.com/visa
 - <https://www.mygermanuniversity.com/articles/Germany-student-visa-requirements>
- Join free webinars such as <https://www.mygermanuniversity.com/webinars>
- Start to gather information about the visa process in your country **long before** you receive your letter of admission. In some countries, it can take many months until you receive an appointment, so be prepared once you receive yours.
- Check what documents you will need and prepare whatever you can prepare even if have not been admitted yet

Deldayed Arrival

- Visas can take a long time - We are here for you!
- Several options depending on your individual case:
 - Late arrival letter for the embassy
 - Holiday semester (you can keep your seat in your program and start one semester late)
 - Other options are up to individual situation
- We are happy to guide you

Visa

- You will need **proof of financing** either directly when you apply for a visa, or the latest when you apply for a residence permit in Germany
- The most common proof of financing is a blocked account. From 1 January 2025, the presumed annual amount that must be paid into a blocked account when applying for a visa is 11,904 €
- Visit study-in-germany.com/proof-of-financing for more information
- Please be aware that you might have to show this amount twice, once for your student visa application and once again for the application of your student residence permit. So if your student visa is valid for 6 months or 1 year, please be sure that by the time of your appointment to apply for or to extend your residence permit, your blocked account again shows 11,904 €.

More important information at the beginning of your studies

- On our website you will find lots of important information.
 - [Bevore you start](#)
 - [First Steps](#)
 - [Finding a place to stay](#)
 - [Financing your Studies](#)
- If you want to know anything about the status of your application, please contact our student services: apply@htwsaar.de

Kontaktiere uns!



 WhatsApp
<https://chat.whatsapp.com/0nEFq0mRV2zFKg74WEbo9w0mRV2z>



 Instagram
<https://www.instagram.com/internationalstudents.htwsaar/>



 YouTube
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCuq7za9GlgZ8i02AehDLe3A>

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**Next Online Orientation
Session:**

26.01.2025

**Admission & Important
Documents**