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Welcome to Bremen





TODAY'S WELCOME SESSION

- ✘ Hochschule Bremen
- ✘ Orientation week
- ✘ Legal requirements
- ✘ Bank account & money
- ✘ Transportation/ travelling
- ✘ Health & safety
- ✘ Leisure activities

<https://www.hs-bremen.de/en/information-for/exchange-students/>



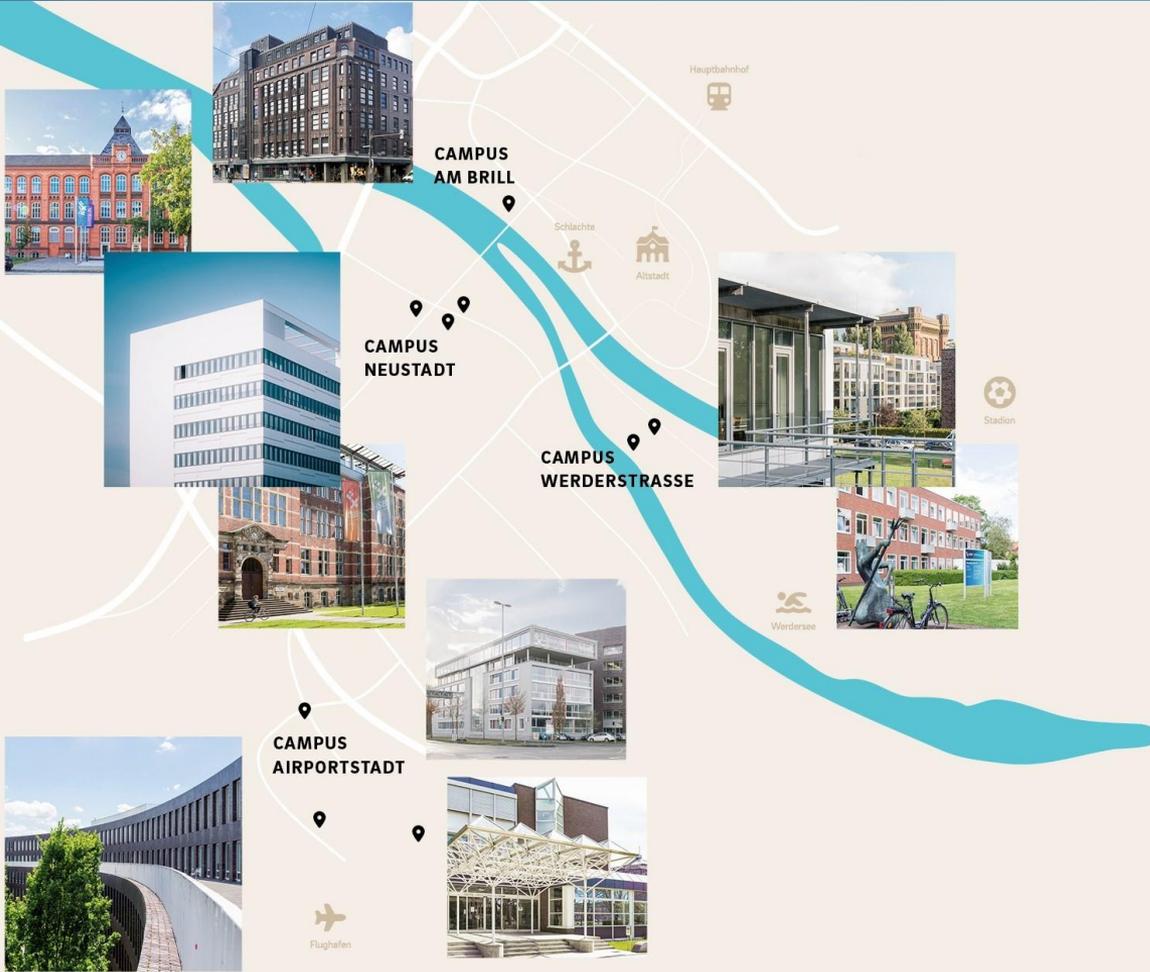
Hochschule Bremen - Facts & figures

In 1799, it all began with the Bremen Navigation School, forerunner institution of today's Nautical Science and Maritime Transport Department - nowadays the HSB Faculty of Nature and Technology.

Today, HSB is the second largest scientific institution in the Federal state of Bremen.

- **72 degree programs** spread across **five faculties**
- Cooperation with **380 partner universities worldwide**
- Appx. 9.000 students:
 - 200 exchange students annually
 - 20% international students on campus

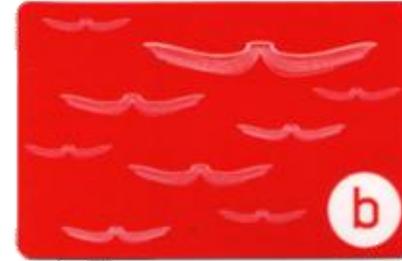




HSB Campuses

No central campus but
four locations in Bremen!

Good to have



Library card



- Cheap meals starting at 2,60 €
- [Weekly menu](#)
- Get a Mensacard!
 - At all canteens (times may vary)
 - Bring student ID & 10 € in cash
 - Get back the remaining balance at the end of the semester
- Fill in the [Online registration](#)
- Collect your card directly from the lending desk

Behaviour at HSB - Advice



No dress code



Write formal!

- Dear Prof. XY/
Dear Mr./ Ms.
surname
- Kind regards etc.
- No emojis



Address staff and
professors by their
surname



Closed door? Knock!

No answer?
Open the door and
ask if it is possible to
come in

Accommodation service into rooms

Are you still looking for a place to live?
Do you have issues with your landlord from into rooms?
Questions?



Talk to Madeleine during the break
E-mail: intorooms@hs-bremen.de



Behaviour in your new accommodation - Advice

- **Mould Prevention:** Ensure proper ventilation and report mould issues immediately.
- **Cleanliness:** Keep your space clean and respect shared areas.
- **No unauthorized guests:** Don't let anyone stay overnight without permission.
- **Noise Levels:** Keep noise low, especially at night, to respect neighbours.
- **Waste Disposal:** Follow recycling rules and dispose of waste correctly.





Lokale Erasmus Initiative Hochschule Bremen

HSB students support exchange students
and organise activities, events and parties!
[WhatsApp Group](#) for Summer term 2025



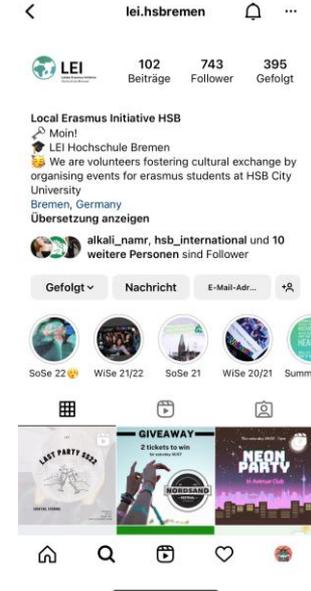
Caterina



Patricia



Tom



Meet. Greet. Chat. Play.

We are very happy to see you:)))

Fridays 17 – 20h

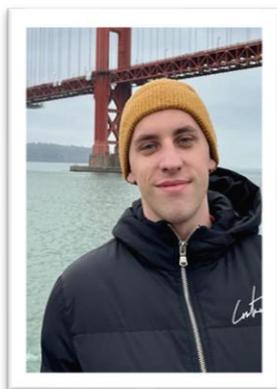
Your Team from the Café International

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[Instagram - Café International](#)



Andrea Thode



Robin Patz



Nouhaila Elaziz



Nico Molina



Café International 

WhatsApp-Gruppe



You like to sing?

Choir at the Hochschule Bremen

Welcome to the university choir IntoNation.
We rehearse every Monday from 7 to 10 pm.
If you are interested, please contact us by email or phone.

Julio Fernández



Head of the choir IntoNation

<https://www.hs-bremen.de/studieren/rund-ums-studium/studierendenleben/kultur/hochschulchor-intonation/>

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University sports - Hochschulsport

Wide range of very cheap sports activities!



- **Check for registration deadlines!**
- Be quick! Courses are highly popular and registration is on a first come, first served basis.
- Payment by bank transfer only - IBAN required (EU bank account)



Orientation week

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>10:00 - 12:00 Welcome Session Neustadtswall Campus AB building room AB 516 - 5th floor</p>		<p>10:00 - 14:00 Faculty Info Session DIOs 1 - 5 Location & time announced by your DIO</p>	<p>10:00 - 13:00 Team Building Event Neustadtswall Campus Meeting point: outside in front of the canteen "Mensa"</p>	<p>13:00 - 15:00 Bouldering</p>
<p>12:00 - 13:00 Briefing on all relevant HSB IT applications Neustadtswall Campus AB building room AB 516 - 5th floor</p> <p>14.00 - 15:45 3 Campus tours</p>	<p>15:00 - 17:30 German Culture Workshop Neustadtswall Campus AB building room S11/12 - 10th floor</p>	<p>15:00 - 17:00 German Language Rallye Meeting point: City centre at main stairs of the Bremen Cathedral</p>	<p>14:00 - 16:00 Check city registration documents AB 106</p>	
<p>16:00 - 19:00 International Get- together Neustadtswall Campus AB building room AB 516 - 5th floor</p>			<p>19:00 LEI Pub Crawl Local Erasmus Initiative Meeting point: Bar "Litfass" Ostertorsteinweg 22</p>	<p>17:00 - 21:00 Café International Neustadtswall Campus AB building room AB 516 - 5th floor</p>

NO REGISTRATION NEEDED FOR THE ORIENTATION WEEK (EXCEPT BOULDERING)

Decentral International Offices - DIOs

1 School of International Business

Each of our 5 faculties has its own **DIO**, which is in charge of the organization and coordination of the program-related matters:

- Learning agreement
- Arrival confirmation
- Course choice
- Course registration
- Transcript of records



Claudia Kuhlmann



Stefanie Gössling



Anne Thormann



Julia Leonhardt

2 School of Architecture, Civil and Environmental Engineering



Antonia Ley

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Jana Grünewald



Sabine Ganter

4 School of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science



Yana Yerofeyeva



Birgit Averbeck

5 School of Nature and Engineering



Sven Kreyenhop



Willi Wittig

Orientation Week

Meeting with the DIOs

- 1 School of International Business**
Meeting with all coordinators at Werderstraße Campus // 2nd of April 10:00 am // Room A 01
- 2 School of Architecture, Civil & Environmental Engineering**
Meeting with Antonia Ley at Neustadtswall Campus // tba
- 3 School of Social Sciences**
Meeting with Jana Grünewald at Neustadtswall Campus // students are invited to an individual appointment
Meeting with Sabine Ganter at Neustadtswall Campus // students are invited to an individual appointment
- 4 School of Electrical Engineering & Computer Science**
Meeting with Yana Yerofeyeva at Airport Campus / Flughafenallee 10 // 2nd of April 11:00 am // ZIMT 119

Friday 4th, 13h – Bouldering

Shoes are provided! Limited spaces available.

Registration is necessary, info email comes Monday afternoon.



☕ Break time!



City registration & residence permit

City registration (**ALL STUDENTS**) within 2 weeks after your arrival date

Necessary documents:

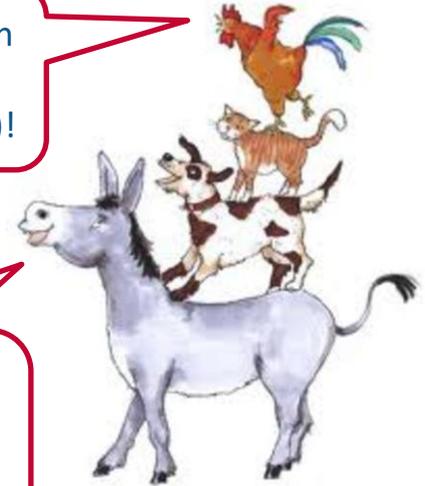
- ❖ [Registration form](#) (in German)
- ❖ [Landlord confirmation](#) (in German)
- ❖ Copy of your ID/passport

Use our [Fill in instructions](#)



All persons living in Bremen need to register at the Bürger Service Center (BSC)!

Put your name on the post box & doorbell to receive your tax ID



Need help with your city registration documents?



Thursday, 03.04.2025, 14h

after the **team building event**

Bring all necessary documents
filled in & printed out to our office at
Campus Neustadtswall, AB 106



Residence permit (CERTAIN STUDENTS ONLY)

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
APRIL			✈️				
	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
MAY							
	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
June							
	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
July							

Within 3 months after arrival date

Who needs to apply for a residence permit?

- ✂️ Students who are **not** a citizen of an EU member state, Iceland, Liechtenstein or Norway
- ✂️ If your visa is **not** valid for your whole stay
- ✂️ If you are from Australia, Canada, Israel, Japan, New Zealand, Republic of Korea, United Kingdom or USA and entered Germany without a visa

Where?

Bremen Service University (BSU)
on campus of the **University of Bremen**

More information can be found [here](#).

Bank account & money

Open / unblock a bank account



Complete the city registration

Put your name on your post box

Open / Unblock your bank account with:

- Valid passport
- Certificate of enrolment

Submit later:

- Confirmation of city registration (Meldebestätigung)
- German Tax ID

➤ We recommend [WISE](#) as a simple and fast solution

Payment in Germany

Cash!

There are still places that only accept cash especially in smaller towns or small shops as well as taxis.



Transportation / Travelling

Semesterticket



EC/IC/ICE Trains



Regional Trains (RE)

Tips



Hiking in the Harz mountains

Highest point of Northern Germany



Bremen Hbf  Bad Harzburg

2h 50 Min



Netherlands

Bremen Hbf  Hengelo (3,5 h)  Amsterdam (+2h)

Bremen Hbf  Weener (2h)  Groningen (+1h)

DAAD

Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst
German Academic Exchange Service

Klimaverträglich unterwegs Climate-friendly travel

10 Tipps für Stipendiatinnen und Stipendiaten in Deutschland
Ten tips for scholarship holders in Germany

daad.de

CHANGE
BY EXCHANGE



Climate-friendly travel



Tip: Rent a bike

Swapfiets

- Your “own” bike!
- Starting 14,90€ per month
- More information [here](#)



Health & safety

Get help



Medical on-call service

Doctor's office closed?
Acute illness/ injury
but not life-threatening?

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Pharmacy emergency service (Apothekennotdienst)

- night shifts
- opening hours on Sundays or public holidays
- Find a list of all participating pharmacies in every pharmacy

22 8 33



Ambulance/ emergency doctor

- life-threatening symptoms,
- after accidents (heavy bleeding or other serious injuries),
- suspicion of poisoning,
- for 3rd degree burns, etc.

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Health insurance



Never forget to
pay your fees!



Otherwise:

- no health insurance coverage
- no university enrolment
- no residence permit
- trouble with border control

Want to work in Germany while studying?
EU student with EHIC card?

- original insurance becomes invalid
- get a German health insurance

Statutory German health insurances



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Safety first

Cycling around the city

- Respect foot and bike paths
- Watch out for car drivers and trucks
- Watch out for e-bike riders and scooters
- Rule: Right before left

Moving around the city

- Watch your valuables – (cell phone / wallet)
- Especially: In confined spaces or in crowded trams
- **Do not walk on bike paths**
- **Watch out for the tram!**



Going Out

- Don't leave your drink unattended
- Always try to be out at night with at least two people

In general: Police officers are approachable, and it is okay to contact them if you need help/feel threatened

Leisure activities

Kultursementicket – Culture Ticket

Students receive free admission to theatres, museums and stages in Bremen:

<https://kultursementicket-bremen.de/>

Osterwiese



Where?

Behind the Bremen Central Station at “Bürgerweide”
(walk through the whole station
- it starts behind the station)

When?

11. – 27.04.2025

Costs?

Free entry
Individual costs for attractions

**Thank you and have
a great semester!**

