

Friedrich-Alexander-Universität
Erlangen-Nürnberg

WELCOME WEEK 5-11 OCTOBER 2026

FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Welcome to FAU!

We are very pleased to welcome you to our university.
To support your start at FAU, we offer a **Welcome Day in September** and city tours for all international students who arrive early to attend the FIT courses. **In October** the Office of International Affairs organizes a **Welcome Week** for all newly arrived international degree-seeking and exchange students.
For those who arrive later in the semester, there will be a **Late Arrival Get Together in November** where you can ask questions and make friends! We look forward to meeting you and hope to make your start at FAU as smooth as possible!

Please note that updates to the program may occur, so make sure to check our website regularly.

Last update: 01.10.2026

All photographs: FAU

Monday, 05.10.26	Tuesday, 06.10.26	Wednesday, 07.10.26	Thursday, 08.10.26	Friday, 09.10.26	Saturday, 10.10.26
09:00-09:30 **Registration & Welcome Bags** (International Office) Cauerstr. 5b, H21			**FACULTY DAY** The **Faculty of Engineering**, **Faculty of Business, Economics, and Law**, **Faculty of Science**, and **Faculty of Humanities, Social Sciences, and Theology** put on a program that is catered toward welcoming students of their faculty, specifically. It might include speeches, a tour of their campus or a get together at their cafeteria. The faculties provide different types of programs based on their capacity. The program will be online on their website **Faculty of Engineering** **Faculty of Business, Economics and Society** **Faculty of Humanities, Social Sciences, and Theology**	**09:00-10:00** **online** **Library and Catalogue Basics for international Students** **Join via zoom** Regina Schmidt & Katarina Rantova (University library)	
09:30-10:00 **Official Welcome Greeting** Hr. Hirsch (Vice president) Cauerstr. 5b, H21					
10:00-11:00 **Living in Germany & Studying at FAU (Formalities I)** Mine Lorenz (International Office) Cauerstr. 5b, H21	**10:00-11:30** **Off to a good start- The essential steps for starting your studies at FAU** Celina Henning (Student Advice Service) Cauerstr. 5b, H21	**10:00-11:30** **Understanding the Germans** Kerstin Sommer (Head of International Office) Cauerstr. 5b, H21		**10:00-11:00** **Online** **StudOn & ISS** Join via Zoom *Anna Vogel (Competence Center Education)*	
11:00-11:30 **City Registration & Bank Account (Formalities II)** Franziska Kleinschrodt (International Office) Cauerstr. 5b, H21					**11:00-12:30** **City Tour Fürth** *Register here* Meeting point: At the Corner of Marktplatz and Gustavstraße
11:30-12:30 **Health insurance** Mine Lorenz & Andreas Schaller (International Office) Cauerstr. 5b, H21	**11:30-11:45** **Need Help with Writing? Services Offered by the Writing Center** Julia Ellis-Simpson (Writing Center) Cauerstr. 5b, H21	**11:30-12:30** **Your Success and Wellbeing at FAU** Harriet Ziegler & Monika Stärk (Office of Gender and Diversity) Cauerstr. 5b, H21			
	11:45-12:00 **Introduction ESN & STUVE** Evi Sakkou & Divya Mittal Cauerstr. 5b, H21				
	12:00-12:30 **Residence Permit (Formalities III)** **Only for non-EU students** Mine Lorenz (International Office) Cauerstr. 5b, H21				

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12:30- 13:00 **FAU-Entrepreneurship & Innovation Ecosystem** Lisa Drescher (Digital Tech Academy) Cauerstr. 5b, H21	**FREE LUNCH IN CAFETERIA** **12:30-14:30** *You will get a voucher.* *We will walk there together in small groups.*	**12:30-13:00** **Psychosocial Counseling Services of the Studierendenwerk Erlangen-Nuremberg** Isabell Schuck, Stephanie Gruber, Elizabeth Provan-Klotz (Studierendenwerk) Cauerstr. 5b, H21			
13:00-14:00 **BREAK**		**13:00-14:00** **BREAK**		**13:00-14:30** **Scavenger Hunt** International Office Meeting point: Schlossgarten	
14:00-15:00 **Introduction to Campo** Thomas Lintner (Campo Support) Cauerstr. 5b, H21	**14:30-15:30** **Introduction to Language Center** Frank Mielke (Language Center) Cauerstr. 5b, H21	**14:00-15:00** **My FAU Story – Real Talk from experienced international Students** Divya Mittal, Paraskevi Sakkou & Musab Umair Cauerstr. 5b, H21			
15:00-16:00 **Working as an international Student** Sophia Brandt (Career Service) Cauerstr. 5b, H21				**16:00-17:30** **City Tour Nürnberg** *Register here* Meeting point: Henkerhaus, Trödelmarkt 58	**16:00-17:30** **City Tour Erlangen** *Register here* Meeting point: Hugenottenplatz
17:00-18:00 **Main Library Tour** *Register here* Meeting point **Economics and Social Sciences Library Tour** *Register here* Meeting point **Science and Engineering Library Tour** *Register here* Meeting point	**16:30-17:30** **Main Library Tour** *Register here* Meeting point **Economics and Social Sciences Library Tour** *Register here* Meeting point **Science and Engineering Library Tour** *Register here* Meeting point	**17:00-18:00** **Main Library Tour** *Register here* Meeting point **Economics and Social Sciences Library Tour** *Register here* Meeting point **Science and Engineering Library Tour** *Register here* Meeting point			
	19:00 **Pub Crawl- Bring your Buddy if you want!** ESN Schlossplatz			**20:00** **ESN-Party** Delphi Bar	

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!! Important Arrival Information: We strongly recommend that you plan your arrival for **October 1st or 2nd at the latest**. Please note that **moving into student dormitories is not possible on weekends or public holidays**. Arriving before the start of the **Welcome Week** gives you time to get to know your new surroundings without stress.

ARRIVAL CHECK-LIST

- ☐ Attend all Welcome events to get the information you need, and to connect with other students
- ☐ Ask your landlord/the Student Union's Housing Service for a "Wohnungsgeberbestätigung"
- ☐ Register at your city's Resident's Registration Office
- ☐ Put your name on your letter box
- ☐ **If needed** apply for your residence permit (does not apply to everyone!)
- ☐ Open a bank account
- ☐ Connect with your assigned buddy or join our Buddy Program here
- ☐ Find your local supermarket, pharmacy, shopping area, etc. (Please take note that all shops are entirely closed on Sundays as well as on public holidays)
- ☐ Activate your IdM account and put in your German address
- ☐ If you are living in a dormitory, hand in your enrolment certificate to the Housing Service (Download on Campo)
- ☐ Buy your Deutschland Ticket for public transport
- ☐ Join our **WhatsApp** community for International Students
- ☐ Join our **Facebook** group FAU International Incomings
- ☐ Join our **StudOn** group Events for International Students and find fun trips to take part in and get to know more people
- ☐ For more updates and information follow us on Instagram @uni_fau_internationalaffairs

FURTHER INFORMATION

- Follow us on Instagram: @uni_fau_internationalaffairs

- Missed a session? Watch the recording from last semester here

- More information here (International Student Service Point)

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