



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: 07.09.2026

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 Sciences Faculty of Humanities, Social Sciences, and Theology	09:00-10:00 online Library and Catalogue Basics for international Students Regina Schmidt & Katarina Rantova (University library)	
09:30-10:00 Official Welcome Greeting Hr. Hirsch (Vice president) Cauerstr. 5b, H21				10:00-11:00 Online StudOn & ISS Join via Zoom Anna Vogel (Competence Center Education)	
09.10.26 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			
11:00-11:30 City Registration & Bank Account (Formalities II) Franziska Kleinschrodt (International Office) Cauerstr. 5b, H21					11:00-12:30 City Tour Fürth <i>Register here soon</i> 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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HIGHLIGHTS

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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 <i>You will get a voucher.</i> <i>We will walk there together in small groups.</i>				12:30-13:00 Psychosocial Counseling Services of the Studierendenwerk Erlangen-Nuremberg Sabine Eschelbach, Stephanie Gruber (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								14:00-15:00 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				14:30-15:30 Introduction to Language Center Frank Mielke (Language Center) Cauerstr. 5b, H21													
														16:00-17:30 City Tour Nürnberg <i>Register here soon</i> Meeting point: Henkerhaus, Trödelmarkt 58		16:00-17:30 City Tour Erlangen <i>Register here soon</i> Meeting point: Hugenottenplatz	
				16:30-17:30 Main Library Tour <i>Register here soon</i> Meeting point		Economics and Social Sciences Library Tour <i>Register here soon</i> Meeting point		Science and Engineering Library Tour <i>Register here soon</i> Meeting point									
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				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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