For New International Students

Frequently Asked Questions And Their Answers

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Getting Started

Q1. Once I get accepted, what are the first steps I should follow?

Q1.1 Before arriving to Leipzig

- Accept your study place at Leipzig University by email (see declaration of acceptance and details at the end of your Letter of Admission).
- Apply for a visa (if applicable).
- Pay your semester fee by [see deadline on your Letter of Admission] Please note
 that it is not refundable. See details on transferring the semester fee in the
 "Confirmation of Receipt" document which you will receive in AlmaWeb after accepting
 your study place.
- Get familiar with the **structure of the Master's program** (for M.Sc. Structural Chemistry and Spectroscopy (SCS) (details page 8-9).
- Join us online for the induction event prior to the start of classes and get all important details about your Faculty and your study program and classes. For the specific date see the Faculty website or Q3
- Register for your modules (i.e. classes) in last week of September specific dates
 to be announced in due time on our Faculty website (chemie.unileipzig.de/en/timetables) and in Q3.
- You will get a chance to take part in an online guided module registration during the module registration period. For the specific date see the Faculty website or Q3

Q1.2 After arriving to Leipzig

• **Enrol** at Leipzig University – the enrolment is taking place **in person** April 2nd and 3rd, 2024 in Studierenden Service Zentrum (SSZ),

Goethestr. 3 - 5, Erdgeschoss. You need to book an appointment for your enrolment using <u>thebooking system</u>. Details are given in your Letter of Admission.

- Pick up your UniCard at enrolment.
- Take out mandatory health insurance (details pages 5-6).
- Register with the city authorities (Bürgeramt, details pages 4).
- Register with the Foreigners' Authorities (Ausländerbehörde) if you need a residence permit for Germany (details pages 4-5).

Q2. Where can I find crucial information for enrollment?

Have a careful read of your Letter of Admission and the Confirmation of Receipt provided to you in your AlmaWeb account. They contain crucial information on enrollment.

Find further details at:

<u>www.uni-leipzig.de/en/international/exchange-students-at-leipzig-university/before-you-arrive</u> (exchange students)

<u>www.uni-leipzig.de/en/international/exchange-students-at-leipzig-university/during-your-stay</u> (degree students)

Q3. What are relevant dates I should look out for?

Feb. 29th, 3:30 pm (CET),

Mar. 04th, 10:00 am (CET) and

Mar. 25th, 08:00 am (CET): **Q&A Sessions** (online). Please sign up and find

Zoom-Links at:

https://terminplaner6.dfn.de/p/e7f74479151a46456a42f6f7848ba923-614603

March – specific date tba **Induction meeting**

Mar. 20th, 05:30 pm (CET) **Guided module registration** (online)

https://uni-leipzig.zoom.us/j/67571367420?pwd=dTRYdmJLY0JuSzNBb3dTd2V2RjdwUT09

Meeting ID: 675 7136 7420

Passcode: 784238

Mar.19th, 12:00 pm (CET)

- Mar. 25th, 5:00 pm (CET) **Register** for your modules, i.e. classes (online)

Apr. 2nd, and 3rd 2024 **Enrolment** in person (details above and in

your Letter of Admission)

Apr. 04th, 01:15 pm (CET) **Campus tour,** meeting place: entrance of the

Faculty main building at Johannisallee 29

Date to be announced in due time Official in-person Welcome by the Dean of

Study Affairs/ Meet-and-Greet

Apr. 2 2024 – Jul. 06 2024 **Lecture period**, afterwards: examination

period (roughly 3 weeks)

Academic calendars of the Leipzig University can be found on the following webpage:

https://www.uni-leipzig.de/en/studying/current-students/academic-calendar

Study Visa and Legal Framework

Q4. I am an international student in need of a VISA, how can I get it?

Q4.1 Applying for a German Study VISA

For non-EU citizens, one important thing to take care of is applying for a visa – if necessary. You will likely need a German student visa in order to study in Germany. If you are unsure whether you require a visa for studying in Germany, this can be answered by the German embassy in your home country. Applications to your local German embassy or consulate should be submitted as early as possible to avoid enrollment delays. The website of the university offers a very good overview of all necessary steps:

https://www.uni-leipzig.de/en/international/studying-at-leipzig-university/prospectivestudents

<u>Please note:</u> For applicants with a university degree from certain countries like China, India or Vietnam the embassy might require an additional assessment of their university diplomas. For this so-called APS some additional time must be allowed.

Q4.2 What if my VISA is not ready on time for the start of the studies?

Please note that after classes have started enrolment is generally not possible and also not recommended. The reasons are extra costs you might have to carry such as health insurance, dormitory etc., and most importantly, it is difficult to catch up with the missed lectures. Primarily, there will be face-to-face classes. Therefore, try your best to apply for a visa for summer semester 2024. If it becomes clear that the visa will not be issued in time, then use the option to **defer your admission for one semester**.

Q5. How can I defer my admission?

To defer your admission, send an email to Annegret Cornehl at the Office of Study Affairs, then a fresh Letter of Admission for the next semester can be issued to you in May/ June app. We therefore recommend that you already apply for your visa before you have received a new Letter of Admission using your Letter of Admission for the previous semester and additionally attaching an email by Annegret Cornehl confirming your deferral. Students who have to defer for the second time due to visa delays should also contact Annegret Cornehl, she will inform you on what you cando in this situation.

Q6. Once I arrive in Leipzig, how can I register my residency at the Citizen's Office (Bürgerbüro)?

Please carefully read the top section "Changed service in the Resident Services Offices" and "General Information" on this page:

https://english.leipzig.de/services-and-administration/bureaus-offices-and-other-facilities/resident-services-offices

You need to (as much as possible) do the registration within 14 days after your arrival. This registration is free of charge.

If you cannot find any free appointments now, new appointments for the Resident Services Offices are activated as follows: daily at 10:00 a.m. (same-day appointments), daily at 5:00 p.m. (long-term appointments), and Fridays at 11:00 a.m. (long-term appointments).

For the registration, you would need the following documents:

Personal identity card and/or passport;

Confirmation of housing provider according to § 19 of the Federal Registration Act*;

Filled-in registration form**;

Rental contract;

Your enrollment certificate (just in case).

*If you are living in a dorm it should have been provided to you upon moving in, otherwise you can request it from the Studentenwerk or your landlord if you are living in private accommodation. The template of the document called "Wohnungsgeberbestätigung nach § 19 Bundesmeldegesetz" can be found here on the website [1]

**You can find it under the name "Wohnung an- oder ummelden in Leipzig - Registering a place of residence when moving to Leipzig or within Leipzig" on the website [1].

https://www.leipzig.de/buergerservice-und-verwaltung/aemter-undbehoerdengaenge/behoerden-und-dienstleistungen/dienstleistung/wohnung-an-oderummelden-5333e768c725b#requireddocuments Q7. How can I apply for my residency permit at the Foreigner's Authority (Ausländerbehörde)?

If you do not come from an EU or EEA country, you will need to apply for a **residence permit** after enrollment. Though your visa might be valid for the first couple of months in Germany, the sooner you apply for a residence permit the better.

In fact, the procedure is very clearly described on this webpage: [2]
Please read it carefully and follow the instructions, but I will repeat the main information here.

You need to submit your application and the relevant documents. After the decision about your application, you will be invited to have your biometric data recorded.

Costs for issuing a residence permit card are 100 euros (it is possible to pay during your appointment for the biometric data collection).

Required documents (you can find all the forms on this page [2]):

- Application form (<u>Antrag auf Erteilung/Verlängerung einer befristeten</u>
 <u>Aufenthaltserlaubnis</u>);
- Instructions on study course (<u>Belehrung zum Antrag eines Aufenthaltstitels zum Studium)</u>;
- Visa for study course (copy);
- Valid passport (copy);
- Rental contract (copy);
- Confirmation of health insurance
 - In the case of statutory health insurance: informal letter from the health insurance company;
 - In the case of private health insurance: Certificate of insurance;

- Evidence of financing through a blocked account, scholarship, work contract or letter of obligation; 934 euros per month
- Current enrollment certificate (copy).

https://english.leipzig.de/youth-family-and-community/foreign-nationals-and-migrants/foreigners-authority/residence-for-training-and-study-purposes/residence-permit-for-a-study-course#c223339

Health Insurance in Germany

Q8. Do I need health insurance in German?

It is mandatory to have health insurance in Germany and you need give proof of it to Leipzig University before enrolment.

Exception: If you do not have a visa yet, you have time until your arrival to submit your proof of health insurance.

Please find more information on which health insurance is valid for you in Leipzig University's interactive guide (Link is provided to you in your Letter of Admission in AlmaWeb).

How to proceed:

You always submit Leipzig University your proof of health insurance electronically via one of the statutory health insurance companies. The German statutory health insurance provider then notifies Leipzig University electronically via AlmaWeb.

To report your insured status, please provide one of the German statutory health insurance companies the following dates. You can already submit your dates from abroad. Find out further details in your Letter of Admission provided to you in AlmaWeb.

Q9. What should I do if I'm sick?

Firstly, when you feel ill, one should go see a general doctor. If necessary, then the doctor will redirect you to a specialist. If so, you will receive an "Überweisung" (same holds for dentists).

In order to find the right doctor a lot of this information can be found online or even by asking friends for recommendations for good doctors. Websites such as the state's (https://asu.kvs-sachsen.de/arztsuche/) and private ones (https://www.doctolib.de/) can help you find a doctor for that. In addition, should you hold a private health insurance policy or if you have an EHIC from another EU – country, we highly recommend you get in touch with your insurance by calling the English help/service center. They will guide you with the proper way to find doctors that can treat you while insured. Some insurance companies even have their own form of Doctolib on their websites where you can find what you need.

In very urgent cases, the hospitals have "Notaufnahme" receptions (Emergency Rooms).

For basic/urgent/necessary treatments patients usually do not have to pay in case you are insured with a German statuatory health insurance. However, you should clarify with your private health insurance company/ your health insurance company from another EU country how they prefer to handle any costs incurred by medical treatment, i.e. will hospitals/practitioners accept the proof of the health insurance or are students expected to pay costs and have them reimbursed later or can even ask for an invoice to be paid directly by the insurance company.

For cases seeking psychological help (i.e. therapy), Studentenwerk Leipzig offers such help for students. more information can be found through this link: https://www.studentenwerk-leipzig.de/en/counselling-social-issues/psychosocial-counselling. Another option is www.enhance-university.de (registration is in German but they offer consultations in English). Both services are free of charge. In addition, you can find similar help through the research portals I mentioned above.

Finally, Leipzig University does not have medical services. Only in case, student accidentally hurt themselves on their way to/from class/lab, they need to contact Dr. Andreas Kiontke at our Faculty as soon as possible to sort things out with the accident insurance.

More info can also be found at this link under "Healthcare": https://www.uni-leipzig.de/en/international/teaching-and-research-at-leipzig-university/welcome-centre#c21562

Helpful Contacts

Q10. Who do I contact if I need advice or help on something?

Send an email to Dennis, our Buddy for international master's students: buddychemie@uni-leipzig.de

Or

Annegret Cornehl

For questions about your course load, modules, and general organization of your studies. Administrative contact for Erasmus+ and exchange students:

https://www.chemie.uni-leipzig.de/en/fakultaet/verwaltung-und-service/office-of-study-affairs

annegret.cornehl@uni-leipzig.de

+49 341 97 36004 (Tuesday 09:00 – 12:00 am / Thursday 01:00 – 03:00 pm)

Johannisallee 29, room 130 (during office hours)

Services in Leipzig

Q11. What services are offered for students in Leipzig?

What Chemical Societies are available to join?

Associations for Chemistry Students:

Chemistry Student Council (Fachschaftsrat)

Consists of students that share their experiences and help with exam prep during their opening hours or via email. Follow them on social media or their website to be up to date about events.

www.facebook.com/FSRChemieLE/

fsrchemie@uni-leipzig.de

https://stura.uni-leipzig.de/fsr-chemie-mineralogie/

JCF/GDCh

The JCF is the young group of the Gesellschaft Deutscher Chemiker (GDCh) which is the largest chemical society in continental Europe. They organise lectures, excursions and seminars.

https://jcf.io/leipzig

btS

A student group focusing on the biosciences. They also organise lectures, excursions and seminars to help with career orientation.

https://www.facebook.com/btS.Leipzig

https://bts-ev.de/leipzig/

Where should I refer to for international affairs of Leipzig University?

International Center:

The International Centre is responsible for a wide range of tasks. It cultivates the University's international relations and is the "home" of our foreign students, scholars and alumni.

https://www.uni-leipzig.de/en/university/structure/administration-and-offices/international-centre

Where can I find housing in Leipzig?

Studentenwerk Leipzig (SWL) International:

Studentenwerk Leipzig offers housing for students as well as several other services that aim at bettering and supporting the lives of university students.

https://www.studentenwerk-leipzig.de/en/housing

How can I find a Job in Leipzig?

If you are looking for a job not necessarily at the faculty, you can search also via Studentenwerk, which supports students in their job-seeking (https://www.studentenwerk-leipzig.de/en/student-job-office). Otherwise, you can try one of several job portals present in Germany such as Indeed and Stepstone.

Working at the faculty: There are many student assistants (SHK) and research assistants (WHK) at the Faculty of Chemistry and Mineralogy and at Leipzig University in general. Please note the offers on the noticeboards of the student council and the faculty. Also ask the professors if they need support in their working groups: after doing lab courses in a certain research group, they get to see your performance in the lab and you get to know them more. Then you can ask your professor for available positions.

Especially at our faculty, such jobs include, for example, the supervision of internships or the management of tutorials. Accordingly, these jobs are only given to students from the 3rd semester and higher.

You can also take a look at the info stands in our faculty building, especially the one on the left side on the ground floor; from time to time there are some jobs displayed.

How can I get psychological support?

For cases seeking psychological help (i.e. therapy), Studentenwerk Leipzig offers such help for students. more information can be found through this link: https://www.studentenwerk-leipzig.de/en/counselling-social-issues/psychosocial-counselling. In addition, you can find similar help through the research portals I mentioned above.

Is there support for students with families/children?

It is possible to rent out student apartments for your family. Studentenwerk Leipzig (SWL) rents complete apartments to student families. Find out more at www.studentenwerk-leipzig.de/en/counselling-social-issues/studying-with-children

How can I get help with my academic English/German?

Academic Lab:

Offers support in your work on academic writing projects with a variety of offerings (in German and English). They organize events and workshop for all students as well as personal consultations that can be booked online.

home.uni-leipzig.de/academiclab/en GB/

How can I get guidance for my career?

Career Service:

It makes sense to start thinking about career opportunities while you're still at university. You have many options: do you want to start working or continue studying? What about a doctorate? But where can you make the right contacts? Our university's Career Service offers guidance and support.

www.uni-leipzig.de/en/studying/guidance-and-services/career-service/

Mothers-to-be and parents-to-be have a multitude of questions – from organizing to financing their studies when they have a baby. We provide solutions and family-friendly service through various offers.

Leipzig University Basics

Q12. What is my university email?

As a student, you have your own email account, which you need to check regularly. Important communication from the university, the library and event dates will be communicated here. https://mail.uni-leipzig.de

Important: After filling in your log-in information, choose studserv!

Your log-in info is your Alma-web user name (e.g. ab12cdef) and password. Your e-mail address is your Alma-web username followed by: @studserv.uni-leipzig.de

Q13. How can I get my Student UniCard?

Your UniCard is printed about two weeks after you have paid the semester fee. The card is needed for public transportation, university library, printers and for payment in the dining halls.

www.uni-leipzig.de/en/studying/current-students/unicard/

Organizing my Studies

Q14. How should I organize and plan my studies at Leipzig University?

To obtain your degree, you need to complete a fixed number of so-called modules, some of which are obligatory. A module usually comprises a lecture or a lecture plus other classes (exercise or seminar) and normally finishes after one semester. At Leipzig University, you set up your study plan individually, i.e. you decide which modules you take in which semester. Each semester you need to sign up for your modules online. Attend our induction meeting for advice on how to compile your study plan. A webpage giving a link to the course catalogue listing the module offer, registration deadlines and the exam dates can be found on our Faculty's website. The module offer is very much the same each year. So, if you check out last semesters course catalogue, you will havean idea of the modules you can take next semester. Please regularly check the course catalogue at the beginning of the semester for changes of times and rooms.

As an Erasmus+ or exchange student, you can pick and choose from the regular modules offered in our degree programs. You also need to register for them online.

chemie.uni-leipzig.de/en/timetables

Q14.1 How do I register for modules?

Module registration is extremely important so make sure you enroll for modules before the deadline ends. For deadlines, have a look at Important Semester Dates at a glance. Module registration is done via <u>TOOL</u>. Please make sure to be registered as all information concerning the module and exam will only be sent to you if you are registered. Registration to a module automatically means registration to the respective exam which then is obligatory. Deregistration from modules and corresponding exams is possible via <u>AlmaWeb</u>

Use your AlmaWeb log-in details to log into TOOL. https://tool.uni-leipzig.de

Guide for module deregistration:

https://www.uni leipzig.de/fileadmin/ul/Dokumente/abmelden-vonmodulen almaweb klickanleitung englisch en.pdf

Q14.2 What classes should I take each semester if I am an MSc. Structural Chemistry and Spectroscopy student?

• Duration: 4 semesters, i.e. 2 years

Total workload: 120 credit point

Obligatory modules (20 credit points, i.e. 4 modules (one module gives 5 credit points)

- Structural Analysis in Inorganic Chemistry (summer semester)
- NMR on Biosystems (summer semester)
- Chemistry of Natural Products (winter semester)
- 1 out of 4: Physical Chemistry of Clusters / Function Control at Complex Surfaces / Surface Spectroscopy - Methods and Applications / Modern Methods in Theoretical Chemistry

Choice-obligatory modules (40 credit points, i.e. 8 modules (5 credit points per module)

e.g.: Mass Spectrometry / Solid State Chemistry / Protein crystallography / Highlights in Natural Products Synthesis / Modern Concepts in Catalysis / Basics of Interaction of Electromagnetic Radiation with Matter / Computational Spectroscopy / ...

Full list can be found under "Module description" in the right section on this webpage: https://www.chemie.uni-leipzig.de/en/study/during-studies/course-catalogue-and-module-registration

Laboratory courses / research internships (30 credit points, i.e. 3 modules (10 credit point per module)

e.g.: Laboratory Course in Receptor Biochemistry / Laboratory course in Bioorganic Structural analysis by NMR / Laboratory course in Supramolecular Coordination Chemistry / Laboratory Course Advanced Synthetic Organic Chemistry / ...

Full list can be found under "Master programmes" on this webpage: https://www.chemie.uni-leipzig.de/en/study/during-studies/course-catalogue-and-module-registration

Master Thesis (30 credit points):

Requirements to start: finished all mandatory modules, all laboratory courses, and 6 out of 8 choice-obligatory modules

Q14.3 What are "obligatory modules"?

Obligatory modules are the modules that a **mandatory** within this Master's program. There are four of them, one per chemistry branch:

- Inorganic chemistry Structural Analysis in Inorganic Chemistry;
- Organic Chemistry Chemistry of Natural Products;
- Analytical Chemistry NMR on Biosystems;
- Physical / Theoretical chemistry here one of four modules can be chosen to count as obligatory: Physical Chemistry of Clusters / Function Control at Complex Surfaces / Surface Spectroscopy - Methods and Applications / Modern Methods in Theoretical Chemistry

Q14.4 What are "choice-obligatory modules"?

Choice-obligatory modules are modules that can be **freely chosen** from a list of modules offered at the faculty, main point – there must be **8 of them to finish the program**.

Q14.5 What are laboratory courses/research internships?

In a laboratory course, students have an opportunity to do scientific research in many different areas (the list of modules can be found under "Timetables of the past semesters" on this webpage: chemie.uni-leipzig.de/en/timetables)

In this part of the program, much freedom is provided to students to choose what they would like to do. A laboratory course is done individually, and generally, within this course, you help research groups in the faculty to contribute to their scientific studies. A laboratory course has 10 credit points corresponding to **300 h workload** and a maximum allowed duration of **6 months**.

To decide where you would like to do a laboratory course (apart from the list of modules mentioned above), it is helpful to read about the research of different professors and their groups. The list of the institutes and professors working in each of them with the description of what kind of research they do can be found on the webpage:

https://www.chemie.uni-leipzig.de/en/faculty/institutes

Once you have made your choice, it is needed to contact the corresponding professor, asking if they would accept you for a laboratory course. You are allowed to do up to one laboratory course outside the Faculty, given that before you start you find a professor within the Faculty who will grade your external laboratory course.

It can take some time for a professor to answer; therefore, take care of it at least one or two months before the desired starting date.

After receiving a positive answer and discussing the details with the professor, it is required to submit a so-called "yellow sheet" which you can download here under "Qualification theses":

www.chemie.uni-leipzig.de/en/study/during-your-studies/thesis-and-research-practical-courses

As the next step, you need to send the signed document back to the Office of Study Affairs, and afterward, the laboratory course can be started.

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Q15. How can I improve my German while studying at Leipzig University?

Learning German will help you a long way in your everyday life in Leipzig. Plus, it broadens your career prospects. Although we do not offer German language courses at our Faculty, you have other free or reasonably priced options available at other institutions. Check out

their websites for fees, admission and registration.

A. Studienkolleg Sachsen

Studienkolleg Sachsen is a part of Leipzig University. They offer German language courses for different levels of proficiency. The lowest level of German required is usually B1. Courses normally start at the beginning of each semester. Participants need to take an assessment

test that takes places some weeks earlier. Studienkolleg Sachsen charge a reasonable fee.

www.stksachs.uni-leipzig.de

Phone: +49 341 9730240 Lumumbastraße 4

B. Tandem

The Language Center of the university offers "Tandem" placements, where you are paired with someone wishing to learn your native language, in order to learn from each other independently of a classroom setting. Upon successful completion of a module, students are awarded credit points.

www.sprachenzentrum.uni-leipzig.de/hi.site,postext,tandem-vermittlung.html

C. Deutsche Welle

The Deutsche Welle offers e-learning materials for all levels of German speakers free of charge on their website. Here you can learn German at your own pace without the typical classroom setting.

http://www.dw.com/en/learn-german/german-courses/s-2547

D. Academic Lab

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Leipzig University's Academic Lab offers free workshops for developing skills in academic

writing and presenting both for German and for English.

home.uni-leipzig.de/academiclab/en GB/

E. Language Cafés (Argus)

On-site language cafés take place at Leipzig University.(time slots and seminar room

numbers are provided upon registration).

For more details and the registration process please follow this link:

https://www.sprachenzentrum.uni-leipzig.de/en/argus-cafe

Please note that the cafés are not language courses, but an opportunity to use your foreign

languages in a relaxed atmosphere and in a small group. You should have a working

knowledge of the language (min. A2/B1)

F. inter DaF. e.V.

This renown language school provides German courses at varying levels of the

European Framework of Languages. For the courses fees are due.

www.interdaf.uni-leipzig.de/start-englisch.html

G. Volkshochschule Leipzig

Volkshochschule Leipzig offer German language courses for different levels

of proficiency. They charge a reasonable fee for their courses.

www.vhs-leipzig.de

Phone: +49 341 123 6000, Löhrstraße 3 – 7

H. zu Hause e.V

zuHause e.V. offers German language courses usually free of charge if you can

provide a so-called Leipzig Pass. It is issued to persons with little income.

www.zuhause-ev.deinfo@zuhause-ev.de Phone: +49 341 52917248

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Str. 9-13

I. Free apps such as Duolingo or other online paid programs (Lingoda, Babbel)

Living in Leipzig

Q16. How can I get around Leipzig?

A. Public Transport

Being a student of Leipzig University, gives you the option of attaining a Deutschlandticket, which allows you to use public transport during the whole semester – in Leipzig and throughout Germany.

This is how you obtain your Deutschlandticket: The costs of this ticket are already included in your semester fee. Apart from means of transport in the inner city circle of Leipzig and Halle, your ticket allows you to use seven S-Bahn lines, numerous regional railway and regional express lines as well as around 500 bus and PlusBus lines. You need to obtain a digital version of your Deutschlandticket, or alternatively a chipcard. The procedure is explained at:

https://www.studentenwerk-leipzig.de/en/mobility/semesterticket/

B. Bicycles

Bicycles are also a good form of transport in Leipzig. As part of your semester fee you can use bicycles from the company Nextbike for free for 10 hours a month after registering. There are also many options to buy a used bike starting from about 50 euro.

- <u>www.ebay-kleinanzeigen.de/s-fahrraeder/leipzig/c217l4233</u> (online)
- <u>www.kuehnis-fahrradeck.de/gebrauchte-fahrraeder-leipzig-guenstig-kaufen/</u>
- https://radgeschaeft.wordpress.com/
- <u>www.leipzig-leben.de/fahrradladen-kettenrreaktion-leipzig-connewitz/</u>
- e.g. Lucky-Bike (every 1st Saturday of the month at "Alte Messe" (Prager Str. 200)) (Second-Hand Market)

Q17. What can I do during my Spare time?

The university has several cafeterias (Mensa) in which you can get subsidized food with your student ID card. You can go to any cafeteria regardless of your faculty.

www.studentenwerk-leipzig.de/en/student-restaurants-cafeterias

The University of Leipzig also offers a very wide variety of **sports courses**.

Keep in mind though that most sports courses will be in German.

https://www.zfh.uni-leipzig.de/

If you are interested in **music**, you can audition for the university choir or orchestra.

www.unimusik.uni-leipzig.de/universitaetschor

Please note Public Holidays

Be aware that on public holidays as well as on <u>all Sundays</u> supermarkets and shops, and most services and public offices are closed. Restaurants, many museums, and the shops at the main train station remain open.

Q18. How can I get accommodation in Leipzig?

Student dorms

In order to apply for a room in the student dorms please follow the instructions at:

www.studentenwerk-leipzig.de/en/housing

We recommend the dormitories 'Philipp-Rosenthal-Str. 29-33', 'Straße des 18. Oktober 23-33' and 'Tarostraße 12-18', since they are closest to the faculty. When you have signed your rental agreement, look up the termination deadline and terminate your lease with the Studentenwerk in a timely manner, should you stay in Leipzig for less than a year.

Private housing

The rent for a private room in Leipzig differs between 200-350 Euros. Most of our students choose to live in the parts of city not too far from our Faculty buildings, i.e. Südvorstadt and Reudnitz.

www.wg-gesucht.de

www.studenten-wg.de/angebote_lesen.html

Q19. Is funding available?

For funding options, you can have a look at:

 $\underline{\text{https://www.uni-leipzig.de/en/international/studying-at-leipzig-university/prospective-}} \\ \underline{\text{students}} \ \ \boldsymbol{\rightarrow} \\ \text{Finance}$

Q20. Where is the main campus and how do I get to the Faculty of Chemistry and Mineralogy?

Public transport: A network of busses and trams covers the entire city. For more information on fares and connections, please visit the website of Leipzig's public transport provider LVB (Leipziger Verkehrsbetriebe)

www.l.de/verkehrsbetriebe/

Holding a valid Student ID of Leipzig University, you can use all LVB lines in the area of the city (and MDV) the whole week for free.

University – Main Building (Augustusplatz 10) and StudentService Center/ International Centre (Goethestraße 6):

You can get there via tram line 4 (direction "Stötteritz"), tram line 7 (direction "Sommerfeld") and tram line 15 (direction "Meusdorf") from Leipzig Central Station (one stop).

Faculty of Chemistry and Mineralogy (Johannisallee 29):

You can reach the main building via tram line 16 (direction "Lößnig" from Leipzig Central Station (five stops).