

International Student Guide

Faculty of Economics &
Business

WiSe 2021/22

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Hello from Frankfurt and Goethe University!

We appreciate your interest in Goethe University and the Faculty of Economics and Business and will be happy to welcome you in our international community. Students from all over the world are part of it, either aiming for a degree or coming as exchange students from one of our more than 130 partner universities. Many of the Faculty's academics come from abroad or have an international educational background. An international atmosphere is highly evident on campus as well as in Frankfurt, a city with a population of which half of the population has a migration background.

Enjoy your time with us by learning, networking, meeting new people, experiencing an exciting environment and a different culture. Make it to be the best time of your life with our support!

We hope to host you soon at the Faculty of Economics and Business and to win you as ambassadors of Goethe University to the rest of the world.

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Director International Office Faculty of Economics and Business





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Regional Traditions



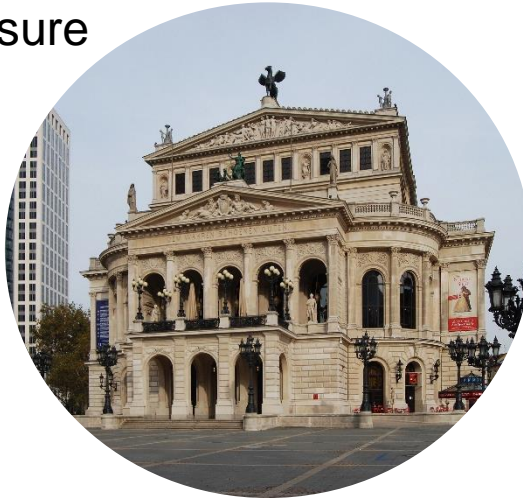
Clubs & Bars



Financial Center



Cultural & leisure activities



Top Ranked University



Why choose
Frankfurt?



Multicultural

Nomination & Application Deadlines

Nomination deadlines

Summer term 2022: 15th November 2021

Winter Term 2022/23: 15th May 2022

Application deadlines

Summer term: 15th December 2021

Winter term: 15th June 2022

Contact Person for Application:

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PEG Gebäude,
Room 2.G176, 2nd Floor
60323 Frankfurt am Main

 +49-(0)69-798-15080

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Living in Frankfurt

We are known for being Germany's most international city, the center for the financial industry and a lot more. You will be able to discover so many different cultures all here in Frankfurt, as well as meet people who speak the language. The city shines through his diverse cultures and the hostable atmosphere.

This starts with the city's architecture. The view of Frankfurt's bold high-rise architecture is just as attractive and yet very different. Directly opposite the high-rise buildings, on the other side of the Main, a unique collection of 13 museums has been developed and these are devoted to different works of art, from classical paintings to modern media.

Those who think of the city on the Main, think of the airport, the Paulskirche and Goethe, think of the Stock Exchange, the Book Fair and the skyline. There is no doubt about it; Frankfurt brings opposites together in a charming way.





Financial center

300 national and international banks
the German Central Bank (Bundesbank),
the European Central Bank
the German Stock Exchange Group
House of Finance at Goethe University

Cultural offerings

Around 50 museums and exhibition halls
Famous Book Fair
the European Central Bank Cultural Days
Opera House of the Year
English Theater, International Theater
Large number of dancing clubs and festivals

Green Surroundings

Taunus Feldberg
Frankfurt Mainufer
Grüneburgpark
Nidderpark
Frankfurter Grüngürtel



Registration at the Residence Registration Office

All international exchange students have to register at the Residence Registration Office (*Einwohnermeldeamt*) within a week after their arrival in Germany. The location of the Residence Registration Office for students who live in Frankfurt is:

Residence Registration Office
(*Zentrales Bürgeramt*)
Zeil 3
D-60313 Frankfurt am Main

Opening hours: Mon 9 am – 5 pm,
Tue, Wed & Fri 7.30 am – 1 pm,
Thu 10 am – 6 pm

Foreigners' Registration Office

Non EU citizens have to register at the Foreigners' Registration Office in addition.

Foreigners' Registration Office (*Ausländerbehörde*)
Rebstöcker Straße 4
60326 Frankfurt am Main

Opening hours: Mon 8 am – 1 pm,
Wed 7.30 am – 3 pm, Thu 1 – 6 pm,
Fr 7.30 am – 12 pm

Detailed information concerning this subject can be obtained from the International Office of Frankfurt University or from the department of foreign affairs.

[Website](#)

Accommodation

Students Dormitories

Exchange students from partner universities of the Faculty can apply for a room in one of the student dormitories. Most of the dormitories are maintained and administered by the *Studentenwerk* (student services organization). Due to a shortage of rooms, only a limited number of exchange students can be hosted there.

Please apply at the International Office of the University (IO) for a room in a student dormitory. You will receive an application form as soon as you are officially nominated from your home university. Application deadlines are June 15th for the summer semester and December 15th for the winter semester.

For further questions please contact **Julia Freier** from the IO under [Email](#)

Temporary Accommodation

If you look for temporary accommodation the youth hostel in Frankfurt may be a good location for you.

Youth Hostel Frankfurt

Haus der Jugend , Deutschherrenufer 12 60594 Frankfurt

☎ +49 (0) 69 - 61 00 150

[Email](#)

[Website](#)



Private Accommodation

Should you not wish to live in a student dormitory or should you not apply successfully for a room there and look for a private accommodation please notice the following links for shared private flats:

[WG Gesucht in Frankfurt](#)

[Easy WG](#)

[Studenten Wohnung](#)

[Housing Anywhere](#)

[Wohngemeinschaft](#)

Facebook Groups:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/wg.wohnung.frankfurt>

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/wg.und.wohnung.frankfurt.am.main>

Please also see [here](#).

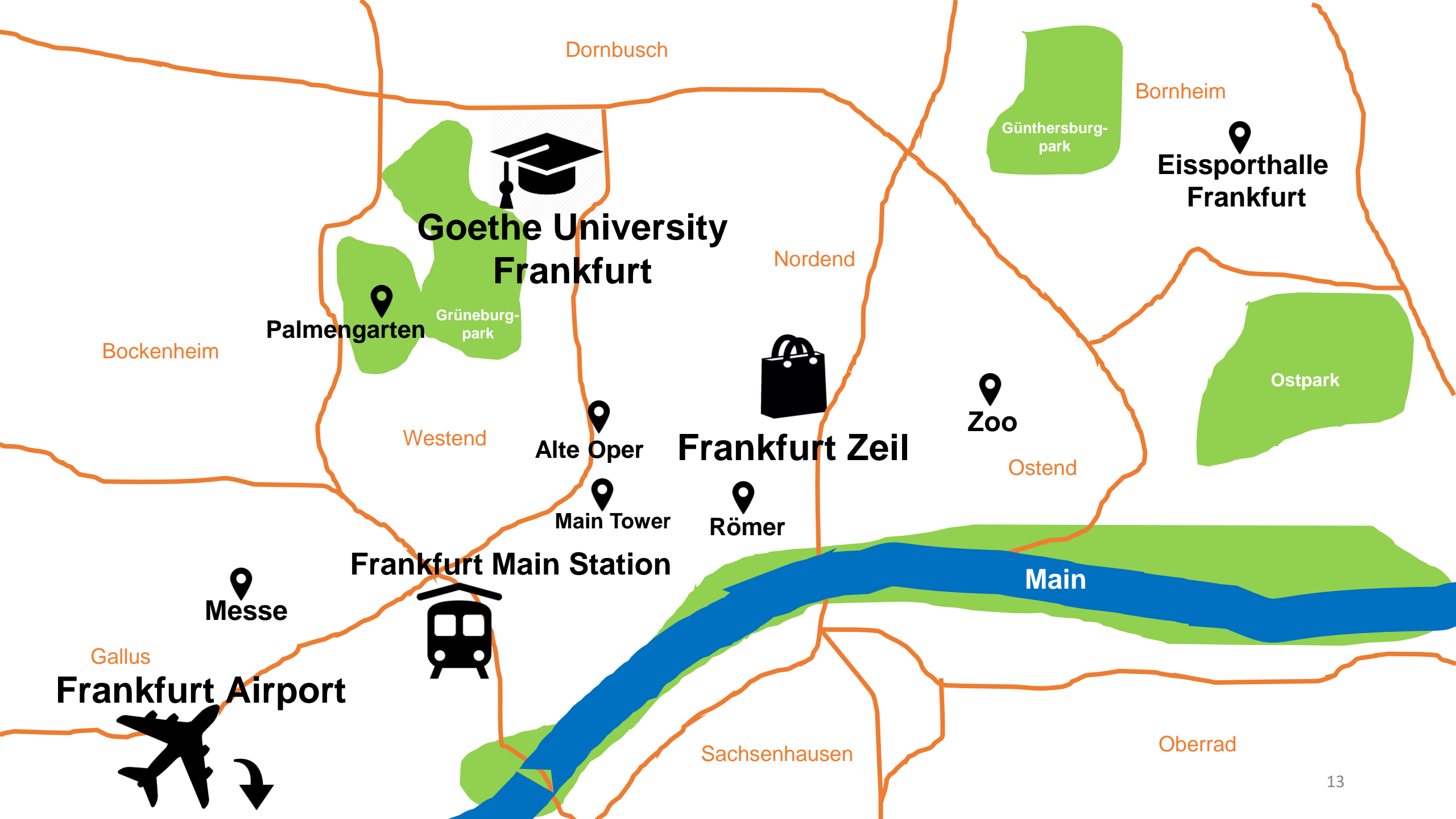
Transport

Frankfurt has a very well-developed inner-city network of public transport including bus lines, underground lines and tram lines organized by the *Rhein-Main-Verkehrsverbund*. If you take the subway (U-Bahn, line 1,2 , 3 or 8) to reach the Campus, please leave at *Holzhausenstraße*.

Frankfurt Airport is located outside the city. Should you arrive by plane, you can reach Frankfurt/Main station in about 20 minutes by commuter train (S-Bahn). From the main station the journey to the University takes less than 10 minutes by underground. Should you come from Frankfurt-Hahn Airport, you can travel to Frankfurt by bus. This takes about 1.5 hours.

All students enrolled at Frankfurt University receive a semester ticket (approx. 200 Euros which are included in the Semester fees), allowing them to use public transport in Frankfurt and surroundings. To reach your destinations within Frankfurt you can also use the excellent infrastructure of bike lanes throughout the town.





Dornbusch

Bornheim

Günthersburg-park

Eissporthalle
Frankfurt

Nordend

Goethe University
Frankfurt

Palmengarten
Grüneburg-park

Bockenheim

Ostpark

Zoo

Ostend

Westend

Alte Oper

Frankfurt Zeil

Römer

Main Tower

Frankfurt Main Station

Main

Messe

Gallus

Frankfurt Airport

Sachsenhausen

Oberrad

Insurance

It is strongly recommended to all international exchange students to have a valid health insurance for the whole period of their stay. German health insurance companies offer special student coverage for approximately 60 Euros per month.

Students from EU countries may keep their own home health insurances as well as their own private insurances and may bring their European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) which in case of illness is also valid in Germany.

To cover claims by third parties arising from personal liability cases, a personal liability insurance is recommended. Accident insurance while pursuing study activities is provided free of charge by the Federal Government of Germany. The special DAAD-Group Insurance Scheme comprises sickness, personal accident, and private liability.



Banking

On arriving in Germany, you should open a bank account. Here are some addresses of banks which are close to the University:

Frankfurter Sparkasse

Reuterweg 71, 60323 Frankfurt

☎ +49 (0) 69 26411045

Frankfurter Volksbank

Platz der Republik 6, 60325 Frankfurt

☎ +49 (0) 69 217212460

Commerzbank Bank

Bockenheimer Landstr. 51, 60325 Frankfurt

☎ +49 (0) 691708850

Postbank

Goetheplatz 6, 60325 Frankfurt

☎ +49 (0) 228 4333111

Costs

Below you will find examples of costs you will have to bear during your studies in Frankfurt:

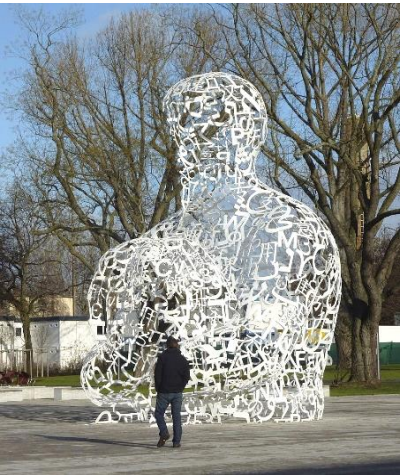
Study fees (per Semester)	319,92 Euros (Semester ticket included)
Accommodation in a dormitory	200 Euros to 350 Euros
Privately rented rooms	280 Euros to 500 Euros
Lunch at the cafeteria	2 Euros to 5,10Euros
Evening in a Frankfurt Club or Bar	around 25 Euros

All in all, you will need between **700 and 950 Euros** for your monthly expenses

Please see also the information of the Federal Statistical Office Germany.

The University

Frankfurt University is a lively, urban and cosmopolitan university that provides an excellent atmosphere in which to research, study, think, and create. The university was founded in 1914 through private funding. Thus, the university owes its establishment to the link – which is characteristic for the city of Frankfurt – between dynamic research, the legacy of the Enlightenment, and the conscious commitment of the citizens of Frankfurt to the fundamentals of international trade and industry.



As one of the major institutions of higher education in Germany, the university is committed to providing a wide spectrum of disciplines in research and teaching, to generating outstanding achievements, and to breaking new ground through the targeted utilization of the advantages and synergies of interdisciplinary work in research and teaching. In competition with the best national and international universities, Frankfurt University aims to fulfill its training and educational mandates through performance and open-mindedness. The University supports the practical application of knowledge based upon solid fundamental research.



FACTS AND FIGURES

Number of Students (2018/19)

- Overall Number of Students: 47.334
- International Students: 7.254

Number of Staff

- Full and Associate Professors: 580
- Research Staff: 3.056
- Administration: 2.038

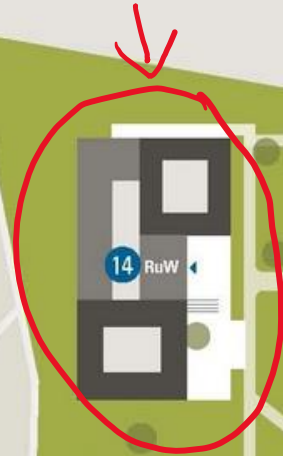
FACULTIES AT THE UNIVERSITY

- Law
- **Economics and Business**
- Social Sciences
- Educational Sciences
- Psychology and Sports Sciences
- Protestant Theology
- Roman Catholic Theology
- Philosophy and History
- Linguistics, Cultural Studies & Art
- Modern Languages
- Geosciences and Geography
- Computer Science and Mathematics
- Physics
- Biochemistry, Chemistry and Pharmacy
- Bio Sciences
- Medical Sciences

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- Biochemistry, Chemistry and Pharmacy
- Physics
- Computer Science and Mathematics
- Economics and Business

Map of Campus Westend

Faculty of Economics
and Business



Grüneburgpark



CAMPUS WESTEND

Anbau Casino	8
AStA Campusoffice	6
Casino	7
Exzellenzcluster »Die Herausbildung normativer Ordnungen« (ExNO)	20
Goethe-Card	18
Haus der Stille (Interkulturelles Begegnungszentrum)	16
Hörsaalzentrum (HSZ)	13
House of Finance (HoF)	9
IG-Farben-Haus	1
Immobilienmanagement-Container (IMM)	17
Kindertagesstätte (KITA)	5
Max-Planck-Institut für europäische Rechtsgeschichte (MPI)	11
Nebengebäude (NG)	3
Norbert Wollheim Memorial (Gedenkstätte)	2
Präsidium und Administration (PA)	10
Psychologie, Erziehungswissenschaften und Gesellschaftswissenschaften (PEG)	12
Rechtswissenschaft und Wirtschaftswissenschaften (RuW)	14
Seminarhaus	19
Seminarpavillon	21
Studierendenwohnheim der Kirchen (ESG/KHG)	15

The Faculty

The Faculty of Economics and Business at Goethe University owes its existence and identity to the link forged between business and academia.

In 1901, the Academy for Social and Commercial Studies was established by Wilhelm Merton, founder of the renowned German industrial organization *Metallgesellschaft*, as the commercial college for the city of Frankfurt.

This college, the first faculty for economics and business administration of its kind in Germany, formed the nucleus for Goethe University, established in 1914 by the citizens of Frankfurt. It was during this time that those features characteristic the study of economics in Frankfurt emerged: a focus on theoretical analysis, the close connection between the disciplines of economics and business and the open approach towards a broad spectrum of theoretical, practical and policy-oriented issues.

With more than 5,500 students studying business administration, economics and business education, the Faculty is not only one of the most prestigious, but also one of the largest Faculties of business and economics in Germany. Graduates enjoy an excellent reputation in the national and international business world, as indicated in numerous rankings.

In 2005, the Faculty of Economics and Business, became one of the first academic institutions in Germany to successfully complete the accreditation process of AACSB International.





Your Benefits

- Committed professors - internationally leading experts
- Courses held in English
- Practice-oriented teaching by renowned guest lecturers from the business community
- Jobs and internships at your doorstep in an economically strong region
- Excellent study conditions on a new campus
- Support from Student Services and a Buddy Program
- International student community
- Frankfurt, financial and service center of global importance



FACTS AND FIGURES

- 2 Bachelor- and 5 Master Programs
- Over 5500 students
- approx. 1200 international students
- 8 Teaching- and Research Departments
- Over 65 Full-tenured Professors
- 13 Assistant and Adjunct Professors
- 20 Honorary Professors
- 100 Lecturers and Instructors from industry
- More than 137 international Partner Universities in 53 countries

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More than 137 international Partner

100 lecturers and instructors from industry

ACADEMIC CALENDAR

The academic year is divided in 2 semesters:

Summer Semester 1 April – 30 September

Winter Semester 1 October – 31 March

Lecture Periods

Winter Semester 2021/22:

18th October 2021 – 18th February 2022

Summer Semester 2022:

11th April 2022 – 15th July 2022

Examination Periods

Examinations take place during the three weeks following the lecture period:

Winter Semester:

mid-February – early March

Summer Semester:

mid-July – early August

mid-July – early August

Summer Semester:

mid-February – early March

Winter Semester:

mid-July – early August

Courses

Continuously updated information on all courses offered at the Faculty of Economics and Business and all other Faculties of the University is available through [the LSF system](#) on the internet. The Faculty of Economics and Business offers part of the course program in English. You can find these courses under this [link](#).

Should you wish to attend courses of one of the graduate programs please check with the program director first to find out if you meet academic prerequisites and if you are allowed to attend these courses. Since there is no course registration, except for seminars, we recommend to attend a large choice of courses in the first two or three weeks of the semester and then decide which courses are most suitable for you.

The normal workload for one semester is 30 ECTS (European Course Credit Transfer System) credits. Please make sure with the coordinator of your home University that the courses you attend here will be recognized for your studies.

Some courses offer Tutorials/Mentoriums in addition to the lecture. These courses are taught by senior students or assistants and help you to better understand the content of the lecture.



Grading System

Grade Frankfurt	In Words	Explanation	ECTS Grade
1 / 1,3	Very Good	A very good achievement	A / A
1,7 / 2,0 / 2,3	Good	An achievement that considerably surpasses the demands set	B / B / C
2,7 / 3,0 / 3,3	Satisfactory	An achievement that satisfies average demands set	C / C / D
3,7 / 4,0	Sufficient	Sufficient	E / E
5,0	Not sufficient	An achievement that does not meet demands set	F

Examinations



Examinations usually take place at the end of the semester during the examination phase (after the lectures end!).

Please note that you will have to register for the exams via a form which will be provided by us once you arrive. As soon as you filled it in you can then hand it into the examination office of our faculty. The deadlines end during the semester, which is why you do not need to worry about this before your arrival.

Generally, the exams are about 90 minutes long (this depends on the Credits given for the course) and therefore you can also achieve 90 points.

Accounts

Every student gets different types of accounts at the University, which can be a little confusing at the beginning of your stay.

1. HRZ-Account

That account is mainly used for the portal “[QIS/LSF](#)”, “[OLAT](#)” and for the [library website](#).

2. Goethe-Card

The Goethe Card is the most important student ID during your stay at Frankfurt University. This card can be used as a semester ticket per semester, can be used as prepaid card for the mensa as well as for the entrance to Botanic Garden in Frankfurt.



This is your
Student ID



Student's Initiatives

The student government association represents the interests of the students of the Faculty of Economics and Business:

[Fachschaft WiWi](#)

Our students are involved in a variety of student organizations and extra-curricular activities. The Faculty offers comprehensive support and advising services throughout a student's entire degree program. Friendships that develop from activities outside the classroom often last long beyond graduation.

Some of our Initiatives

[AIESEC](#)

[Bachelor Meets Business](#)

[180 Degrees Consulting Frankfurt](#)

[Founder Club Frankfurt](#)

[Goethe Business & Economics Club](#)

[Green finance consulting e.V.](#)

[Impress! e.V.](#)

[MTP—Marketing zwischen Theorie und Praxis e.V.](#)

Sports at the University

All students, members, and affiliates of Goethe University Frankfurt are entitled to use the University Sports Centre (*Zentrum für Hochschulsport*). Sports at Goethe University are purely recreational and hence emphasize a good time and offer a break from the daily routine. At the Center for University Sports, you will find many sport offerings.

Address:

Zentrum für Hochschulsport (ZfH)

Ginnheimer Landstraße, 3960487 Frankfurt

☎ +49-(0)69-798-24516

Email

www.uni-frankfurt.de/hochschulsport



SSIX Buddy Programm

We are the SSIX Buddy Program, a student initiative from the Faculty of Economics and Business, and we support the guest students from partner universities of the Faculty.

What is our motivation?

This initiative aims at getting to know the international students and to support them in their new study environment in Frankfurt as much possible. Our buddies are students from the Faculty and therefore brilliant partners for those who need assistance.

You can contact your Buddy before your arrival in Germany already, so that she or he can assist you in organizing your stay. As soon as you are here, we will help you with getting to know the University and exploring Frankfurt as well as with introducing you to fellow students.

We regularly organize activities like parties, bar crawls and enterprise visits, and you are more than welcome to join.

Please feel always free to get into contact with us or your Buddy. Students from other faculties are kindly requested to contact the Buddy Program of the central International Office, please see [here](#).

We look forward to welcoming you in Frankfurt!

Your SSIX Buddy Team

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ssixbuddy@googlemail.com

