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Empowering Students for the Jobs of Tomorrow through International Education



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ERASMUS+ STAFF WEEK IN BREMEN

20 – 24 APRIL 2026

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UNIVERSITY OF BREMEN

The University of Bremen is a medium-sized university with around 18,000 students. It offers more than 100 master's and bachelor's degrees, as well as the state law exam. Moreover, with research-based learning, the university has reinterpreted project-based courses, a defining feature originating from when the University of Bremen was founded. As part of the European university network YUFE-Young Universities for the Future of Europe it is developing a new model for European higher education together with nine other universities.

2,300 academics (43% of which are female), among them 270 professors (32% of which are female), teach and carry out research in a wide range of disciplines. We have a long established tradition in interdisciplinary cooperation and excellent research in natural sciences, engineering, the social sciences and the humanities, as well as in teacher training. The university promotes diversity and has always encouraged innovative ideas and the independence of its early career researchers. Academics at all levels find a stimulating environment here. The university was successful in all rounds of the Programme for Women Professors and the Tenure Track Programme for the Promotion of Early Career Researchers and received the highest number of professorships from both federal programs.

Social responsibility has been the fundamental guiding principle of the University of Bremen since its establishment. For us, this means acting in a sustainable and climate-friendly manner. We are committed to our shared responsibility for the social and ecological changes needed worldwide, for democracy, diversity, and justice.

In line with the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals, we are dedicated to social change that recognizes the value of social and ecological aspects and that these cannot be offset by economic factors. It is in this spirit that we set our goals and implement specific measures to meet them. We are continuing to develop our university structures to support a culture of sustainability within the university. One of the latest steps towards this vision, was the approval of a new mission statement in 2023 with clear emphasis on sustainability and social responsibility.

MONDAY, APRIL 20

Stream I:

Union of Skills: Empowering Students for the Jobs of Tomorrow through International Education

Stream II:

Library Stream



Universität Bremen - University of Bremen

Venue: Fraunhofer MEVIS, Max-von-Laue-Str. 2,28359 Bremen, Ground Floor

Time	Topic
9:00 – 9:30	Registration
9:30 – 11:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Opening of the Bremen Staff Week 2026 Dr. Marejke Baethge-Assenkamp, Director International Office, University of Bremen * Official Welcome Dr. Mandy Boehnke, Vice President for International Affairs, Academic Qualification, and Diversity, University of Bremen * Introduction in Topic and Working Methods
11:00 – 11:15	Coffee Break
11:15 – 12:30	<p>Workshop</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * From Idea to Start-up: How does BRIDGE – the Joint Initiative of all Bremen Higher Education Institutions – Assist Students, Researchers, and Alumni in Starting their own Business? Meike Goos, Innovation and Entrepreneurship, University of Bremen * Creating Future Graduate Capital- Operationalising Cooperative Education Ruslan Bulat, Cooperative Education and Careers Division, University of Limerick <p>Open Discussion</p>
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch at Café Unique
14:00 – 15:30	<p>Workshop</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Navigating Careers Beyond Academia: Support for Doctoral and Postdoctoral Researchers * Imke Girßmann, Bremen Early Career Researcher Development <p>Open Discussion</p>
15:30 – 16:15	Campus Tour (optional)
19:30 – 22:00	Welcome Dinner, Beck's Mühle, Am Wall 212



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CITY UNIVERSITY OF APPLIED SCIENCES BREMEN

Young, cosmopolitan, inspiring – located in the heart of Bremen, Hochschule Bremen or HSB attracts almost 8,700 students not only from the region and nationwide, but worldwide, who can enrol in one of the 65 bachelor and master programmes. With offers and services tailored to the needs of its customers, and characterised by an international and practice-oriented profile, HSB successfully implements teaching and applied research in an entrepreneurial and social context. Professional, intercultural, social – we equip our students with the relevant tools and skills to succeed in an increasingly globalised world:

Internationality is HSB's trademark: More than half of our degree programmes include at least one integrated semester abroad, to be spent at one of our 370 partner universities or as an internship in a company. With

this international profile, HSB holds a leading position among the German universities for many years now.

But HSB is also increasingly attractive for international exchange and degree-seeking students: almost every 5th student on our campuses has an international background, thus contributing to an international classroom atmosphere making these intercultural encounters a learning experience and enrichment both for German and international students.

Hochschule Bremen is a member of the Strategic Alliance for Regional Transition (STARS EU). The STARS EU brings together the strengths of nine traditional, complementary European universities in an ambitious attempt to re-imagine higher education institutions: the aim is to create a new kind of European University.

TUESDAY, APRIL 21



Hochschule Bremen - City University of Applied Sciences (HSB)

Venue: Campus Neustadtswall 30, 28199 Bremen, AB-Building, Room AB S5

Time	Topic
9:00 – 10:45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Official Welcome Prof. Dr. Konrad Josef Wolf, President, HSB * Project Campus 2031@HSB - Getting Ready for the Challenges of Tomorrow Anna Peschke, Dr. Lisa Heindl, Björn Gernig, Campus2031@HSB, Centre for Teaching and Learning (ZLL), HSB
10:45 – 11:15	Coffee Break
11:15 – 12:45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * STARS EU – Uniting Europe for Future-Proof Education Dr. Jan-Eric Bartels, Centre for Teaching and Learning (ZLL), HSB Stefanie Schönleber, University Management (Rectorate), HSB
12:45 – 14:15	Lunch
14:15 – 15:45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * The Power of Transferable Skills in a Changing Job Market Dr. Monika Blaschke, Career Service, HSB
16:30	Guided City Tour



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PASSION FOR EDUCATION AND RESEARCH

Bremerhaven University of Applied Sciences was founded in 1975 and is located in the city centre of Bremerhaven near to the pedestrian zone. Currently, about 3000 students are studying at the university. The key feature of our university is its maritime profile. The reason why we are called the "seaside university" is not only geographical, being located directly at the estuary of the Weser into the North Sea in just five minutes' walk to the maritime district Havenwelten, but also academic, due to its innovative, modern and maritime-influenced study programmes.

With our offering of 25 study programmes, some of them with a double degree option, we provide quality education to the specialists and top performers of tomorrow. We have received a number of awards for our practice-oriented, innovative teaching concepts and for our excellent academic environment. Fostering the strengths of each individual is a key part of our philosophy. Students, teachers, researchers and colleagues

can therefore develop their potential with us and ensure progress in our region and beyond with their creative ideas. Our study programmes provide education for urgently needed specialists. In designing our programmes, we always keep an eye on the needs of the regional and national economy. As a university of applied sciences, we support regional companies with innovative ideas to meet the challenges of today.

We are here to foster individual strengths, develop potential and ensure progress. Having everything located in easy reach fosters personal connections and knowledge exchange. Our community gives us strength. Under the motto: "All on board", we advocate for equal-opportunity access and participation in everyday university life. That is why we are working on accessibility on our campus and have implemented a range of measures for all students and university members. In the barrier-free University workgroup, various members of the university work on implementing the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and enabling barrier-free access and equal participation in studies, teaching, research and everyday work at the university.



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Hochschule Bremerhaven - Bremerhaven University of Applied Sciences (HSBHV)
An der Karlstadt 8, 27568 Bremerhaven, Building T, Room 002

Time	Topic
8:45	Meet at Bremen Main Station, Departure to Bremerhaven Hbf (RE9, 4452) at 08:56 arrival at 09:31
10:00 – 10:30	Official Welcome Prof. Dr. Dr. h.c. Alexis Papathanassis, Rector, HSBHV
10:30 – 11:30	Workshop * Uniting Disparity - What are the Aspects and Properties of an International Education? Dr. Helga Beste, Third Mission, HSBHV
11:30 – 11:45	Coffee Break
11:45 – 13:00	Presentations of Workshop Results and Discussion
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch
14:00 open end	Optional Visit to the German Emigration Center or the Klimahaus (Climate Science Center) at own expense



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CONSTRUCTOR UNIVERSITY

Constructor University is an English-language private university in Bremen, Germany. Constructor University prioritizes interdisciplinary education, with an emphasis on promoting an entrepreneurial spirit on campus.

With students from more than 110 nations on campus, diversity lies at the heart of Constructor University. Our close-knit, international campus community offers a unique learning environment for all, fostering global citizenship and mutual understanding.



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THURSDAY, APRIL 23



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Venue: Campus Ring 1, 28759 Bremen Germany, IRC building, floor no. 4 D-Forge Room

Time	Topic
8:35	Meet at Bremen Main Station track 5 Departure to Bremen Schönebeck at 8:46 arrival 9:07
9:30 – 11:00	* Official Welcome * How to Prepare International Students for the Global Job Market Dr. Tanja Woebs, Career Service Center, Constructor University
11:00 – 11:15	Coffee Break
11:15 – 12:30	* Becoming a Leading Center for Higher Education in Africa, Including Strategies for Attracting Students from other African Countries Sara Belhaj, College of Engineering & Architecture, International University of Rabat * Implementation of Erasmus+ Projects in Africa - Partners-Prospective and Challenges Nambajimana Djamali, Mobilization and Partnerships Division, University of Rwanda
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch and Campus Tour
14:00 – 15:30	Wrap-up and Farewell
19:00	Dinner at Restaurant Camarillo, Schlachte 30, 28195 Bremen (at own expense)

FRIDAY, APRIL 26 (optional) Individual Meetings

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Library Stream:

Individual Meetings



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STATE- AND UNIVERSITY LIBRARY BREMEN

The State and University Library Bremen (SuUB Bremen) provides the students, researchers, and academic staff of the universities in Bremen and Bremerhaven with literature and specialist information in both print and electronic formats. It offers a wide range of digital and analogue services covering such diverse topics as information literacy, reference management systems, open access publications and research data.

It also is the Library of the Federal State of Bremen. Its holdings and services are freely accessible to all citizens.

The SuUB Bremen consists of the Central Library and eight smaller sites located at the University of Bremen and at the univer-

sities of applied science and art in Bremen and Bremerhaven. The library's own search engine E-Lib provides access to all printed holdings and to about 1.600.000 digital resources, incl. databases, eBooks, and eJournals.

The SuUB Bremen also holds a remarkable collection of rare books and manuscripts, dating back to its origins in 1660 and beyond.

The library has carried out several digitization projects funded by the German Research Foundation (DFG). Since 2016 it has offered a nationwide specialist information service for political science (FID Pollux), which is also funded by the DFG.

The stream will cover a range of topics including the strategic goals of libraries, diversity, artificial intelligence, research data management and open access as well as rare books and manuscripts. Individual meetings with our library experts on these and other topics will be arranged on demand.



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Monday 20/04	University of Bremen Fraunhofer MEVIS, Max-von-Laue-Str. 2,28359 Bremen, Ground Floor
9:00	Registration
9:30	Official Welcome at the University of Bremen
10:30 - 11:00	Welcoming the participants at the State and University Library Bremen
11:00 - 12:30	Getting to know each other
12:30 - 14:00	Lunch break
14:00 - 15:30	Guided tour around the library
15:30	Guided tour around the university campus
19.30	Dinner

Schedule for the participants of the Library Stream Mo - Fr

Tuesday 21/04	State and University Library Bremen
9:30 - 11:00	Paper Flowers and Board Games
11:00 - 12:30	Open Access
12:30 - 14:00	Lunch break
14:00 - 15:45	Research Data Management
16:30	Guided Tour: City of Bremen
Wednesday, 22/04	University of Applied Sciences Bremerhaven
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Thursday, 23/04	State and University Library Bremen
9:00 - 10:00	Guided Tour Juridicum am Domshof
10:30 - 11:30	Rare books and manuscripts
11:30 - 12:30	Electronic Ressources
12:30	Lunch break
14:00 - 15:00	Artificial Intelligence in the library context
15:00	Coffee and Cake: Get-together with German colleagues
19:00	Dinner at Restaurant Camarillo, Schlachte 30, 28195 Bremen (at own expense)
Friday, 24/04	State and University Library Bremen
9:00 - 12:00	Individual meetings with German colleagues „on demand“: Please let us know in advance the library topics you would like to discuss with German colleagues.



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