

Online Info Session for international full degree students

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What is
kompass
international?



- kompass international is a team in the International Office of the University Bremen
- We carry out international and intercultural projects
- Our programs and events bring international and German students together
- We provide orientation, broaden horizons, highlight points in common and build bridges for your professional future
- So in general - we are friendly, welcoming, and open for all!



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Whatsapp: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/GnFVbVCUNIXlcc2xMdql3d>





Our Communities

Bangladesh Community Bremen

Cameroonian Community in Bremen e.V. (CCB)

Chinesische Student Community in Bremen

Ghanaian Students in Bremen (GSIB) Guineische
Studenten Verein in Bremen

Indian Students Association Bremen (ISAB)

Ivorische Community

Nigerian Student Community

Pakistan Students Association at University of Bremen (PSA)

Türkische Studierendengemeinschaft Bremen (TSB)



What is
important for
your start in
Bremen?

Arrival in Bremen

Necessary first steps

Insurance

***Statutory health insurance* is compulsory for all students at German universities**

- Different providers, for example, TK, HKK or AOK.
- They offer the same services but provide additional benefits (gym discounts e.g.)
- If you are still in your hometown and, due to visa problems, unable to be in Bremen in time for the start of your studies, please contact the study centre of your department immediately. Together, you can discuss how to proceed: [Academic Advisory Office, Career Orientation Office and Academic Advisor - Universität Bremen](#).
- Find information on health insurance here:
<https://www.uni-bremen.de/en/studies/starting-your-studies/international-students/offers-for-international-students/preparation-from-abroad>

Bürgeramt in the city center

- Take care about:
 - Registration in the city of Bremen (Stadtanmeldung)
 - Welcome-Money (Begrüßungsgeld) apply here:
<https://www.uni-bremen.de/en/studies/starting-your-studies/formalitaeten/tuition-fee-1/application-for-welcome-money>
- International students must make an appointments by telephone: (0421) 361-88662
- Address: Pelzerstraße 40, 28195 Bremen or Stresemannstraße 48, 28207 Bremen
- The best time to make an appointment is between 07:00-09:00 in the morning

bsu (Bürger-Service-Center at Uni)

- Take care about:
 - Residence Permit (Aufenthaltserlaubnis/ Aufenthaltstitel)
- The application will be sent to bsu@migrationsamt.bremen.de together with all required documents as one pdf file.
- Attention: Due to the large number of applications, the processing time is currently up to 6 weeks.
 - Check out more information here: <https://www.uni-bremen.de/en/bsu/news>

Bank account

- Different banks available for example Sparkasse, N26 or ING
- Sparkasse has an ATM and an office on campus
- Attention:
 - Bring your ID card and Student ID
 - Download the official app of your bank to use online services

Arrival in Bremen

Optional first steps:

- Pay your student fees in the beginning of the semester to get The 'Deutschland **semester ticket**' (is only for trams and regional trains)
- Get a German SIM card
- Look for a part-time job
- Look for a german course - this makes it easier to find a (part-time) job

Arrival in Bremen

Recommendations to bring:

- Cash money for the first days before you can open your bank account (food, rent etc.)
- Roaming data package (for Internet and emergency calls in the first days)
- Warm, water-resistant clothes, umbrella (it tends to rain suddenly)

Arrival in Bremen

First words (good to know):

- “Moin” → Hello, Hey, can be used at any time of day
- “Tschüss” → Goodbye
- “Schnacken” → to talk, other word for “reden”
- Check out our Instagram page for more german sayings



What is
important on
campus?

Zentrum für Netze (ZfN) (Centre for Networks)



- The university account is the key to the **central IT services** such as e-mail, WiFi, Stud.IP learning platform, MOIN platform and FlexNow 2 PABO platform.
- Students will be sent the access data for the university account with the certificate of enrollment.
 - **Note:** The account must then still be activated here:
<https://onlinetools.zfn.uni-bremen.de/aktivierung/?switchlang=en>
- Further information be found on the Homepage of ZfN: <https://www.uni-bremen.de/en/zfn>
- Opening times can be found here: <https://www.uni-bremen.de/en/dezernat5/it-servicedesk>
- You can always contact the IT-Service via E-Mail: servicedesk@uni-bremen.de

WiFi

1. Download the [Configuration Assistant Tool](#) or get the "geteduroam" App in the App store
2. Search for 'University of Bremen', choose 'eduroam (@uni-bremen.de)' and log in using your ZfN account (wlan password)

→ Problems? Here you will find an instruction:
<https://www.uni-bremen.de/en/zfn/wifi/overview-wifi>



Moin-Portal

Get the main
documents
from the University
for example your
"Enrollment Certificate"

The screenshot shows the Moin-Portal login page. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for 'Lehrveranstaltungen', 'Stud.IP', 'PABO', and 'Beratung und Unterstützung'. Below this, the University of Bremen logo and a 'Moin Bewerbung' button are visible. The main content area features a login form with fields for 'Benutzername:' and 'Passwort:', followed by 'Anmelden' and 'Passwort vergessen' buttons. The Moin logo and tagline 'mein online - informations - netz' are prominently displayed. Below the login form, there is a section titled 'Giao? Hi? Tach? MOINI' and a paragraph about the new digital environment. A list of common login problems is provided, including incorrect usernames, missing Uni-Accounts, and expired accounts. A 'Weitere Hinweise' section at the bottom provides additional information about portal access hours and account requirements.

Lehrveranstaltungen | Stud.IP | PABO | Beratung und Unterstützung

Universität Bremen Moin Bewerbung

Benutzername: Passwort: Anmelden Passwort vergessen

moin
mein online - informations - netz

Giao? Hi? Tach?
MOINI

Jetzt neu in digital: MOIN.

Das neu gestaltete Online-Informations-Netz. Für alle Studierenden und Lehrenden der Universität Bremen. Daten, Anträge, Dokumente – einfach alles online selbst verwalten.

Mit **MOIN**, Ihrem Online-Informations-Netz, haben Sie rund um Ihr Studium den wichtigsten Papierkram digital in der Hand. Damit Sie stets im Blick behalten, wo Sie stehen, was noch fehlt und welche Möglichkeiten die Zukunft bietet.

Bitte geben Sie rechts den ersten Teil Ihrer Uni-Mailadresse vor dem @-Zeichen und dazu Ihr Passwort ein.
Um sich an der Uni Bremen zu bewerben, können Sie oben unter "Bewerbung" ein Benutzerkonto anlegen.

Probleme mit der Anmeldung bei MOIN?

Dies kann folgende Gründe haben:

- 1. Ihr Benutzername des Uni-Accounts (nicht Bewerberkonto) ist falsch oder falsch geschrieben oder aber das Passwort falsch eingegeben.**
Bitte prüfen Sie mit einer Anmeldung unter [Webmail](#), ob Ihre Anmeldedaten (ohne @uni-bremen.de) richtig sind.
Wenn Sie sich dort nicht anmelden können, finden Sie Hilfe zur Selbsthilfe unter [Überblick Uni-Account](#)
- 2. Sie haben noch gar keinen Uni-Account, obwohl Sie neu eingeschrieben sind.**
Dieses Problem resultiert aus dem gleichen Problem wie 2. Wir müssen auch hier um Geduld bitten; Sie werden per Mail informiert.
- 3. Sie waren eingeschrieben und haben einen Uni-Account, die Anmeldung in Moin, bei webmail.uni-bremen.de und StudIP schlägt aber fehl.**
Der Uni-Account wird 18 Monate nach Ihrer Exmatrikulation von der Universität Bremen deaktiviert. Erstellen Sie sich bitte ein Bewerberkonto, wenn Sie sich erneut bewerben möchten.

Weitere Hinweise

Täglich von 0 Uhr bis 3 Uhr und mittwochs von 6:30 bis 9:00 (MEZ/MESZ) ist die Einsicht in das Onlineportal nicht möglich.

Als Studierende*r haben Sie bereits ein Konto. Ihr Benutzername dafür ist Ihr Uni-Account, das heißt der erste Teil Ihrer Uni-Mailadresse (vor dem @uni-bremen.de).

<https://moin.uni-bremen.de/>

FlexNow 2 - PABO

- Sign up for exams
- Overview of your accomplished CP in your major.

The screenshot shows the login interface for FlexNow 2 - PABO. At the top left is the Universität Bremen logo. The page title is 'FlexNow 2 - PABO'. Below the title is a 'Login' section with two input fields: 'Benutzerkennung:' and 'Passwort:'. Below these fields is a blue button labeled 'Anmelden'. To the right of the login section is a 'Hilfe' (Help) section with three links: 'Für Studierende', 'Für Modulverantwortliche', and 'Weitere Informationen'. At the bottom right of the page, there is a language selector labeled 'Sprache:' with buttons for 'DE' and 'EN'.

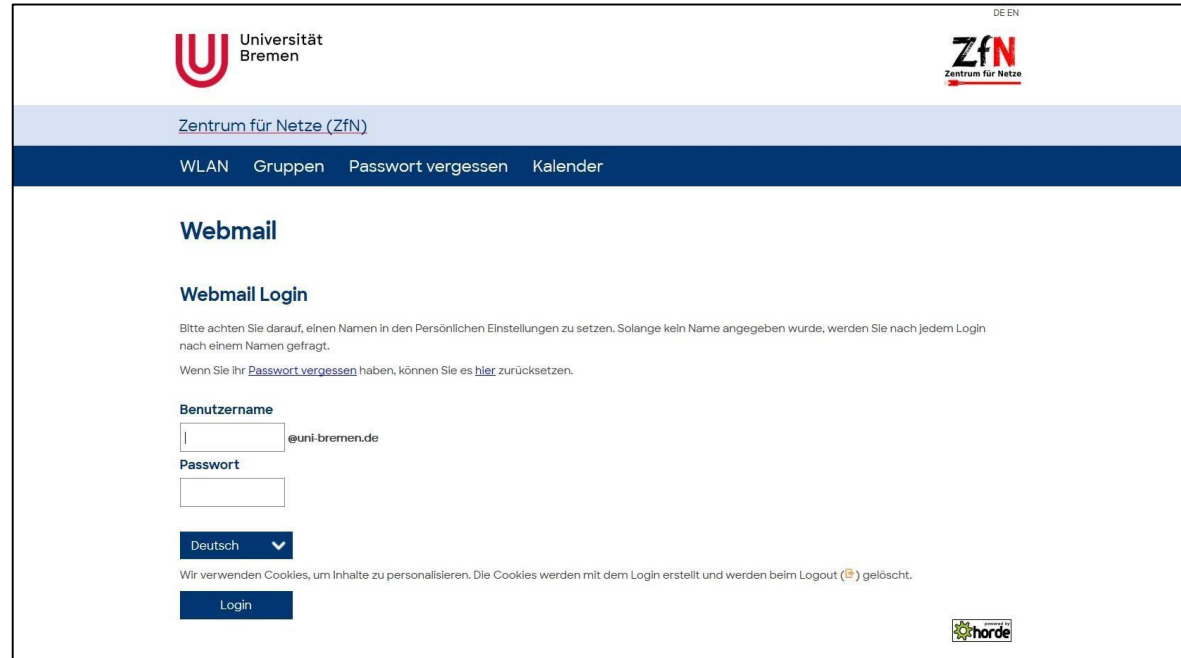
<https://fn2.vwg.uni-bremen.de:8443/FN2AUTH/>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y5Irpw8VWI>

E-Mail-Account of the University

Get all official e-mails here!

We advise you **to check this account on a regular base**, or to activate the transfer to another e-mail account.

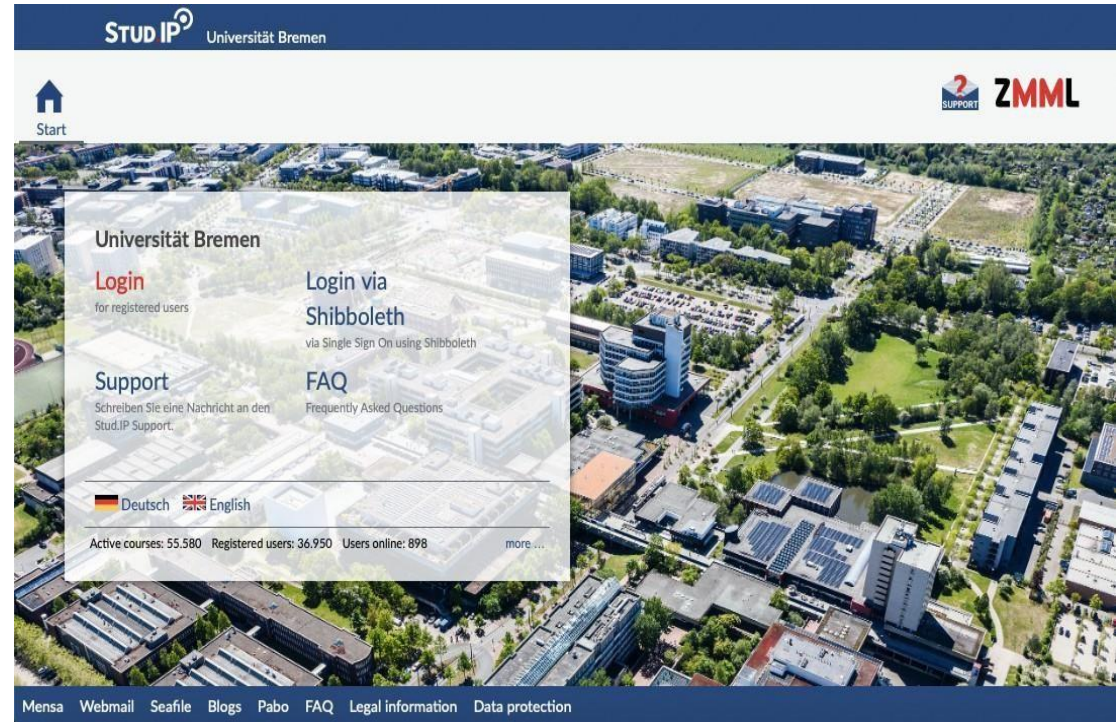


The screenshot shows the webmail login interface of the University of Bremen. At the top, there are logos for the University of Bremen and the Zentrum für Netze (ZfN). Below the logos is a navigation bar with links for WLAN, Gruppen, Passwort vergessen, and Kalender. The main heading is "Webmail". Underneath is the "Webmail Login" section, which includes instructions in German about setting a name and a link to reset the password. There are input fields for "Benutzername" (Username) and "Passwort" (Password). The username field is pre-filled with "@uni-bremen.de". Below the password field is a language selector set to "Deutsch". At the bottom, there is a "Login" button and a small cookie notice.

<https://webmail.uni-bremen.de/>

Stud.IP

- Here you sign up for your courses
- Organize your semester/ studies
- Get in contact with other students or professors
- Youtube: Stud IP Uni Bremen



<https://elearning.uni-bremen.de/>

State and University Library (SuUB)

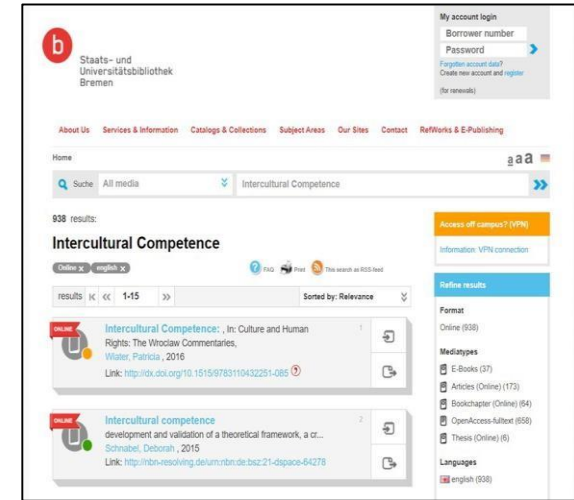
- To read, borrow and download books you need to have an account and a library card

➤ How to get a Library Card: [Anmeldung bei SuUB](#)

Enter your data online and pick it up (bring ID/ passport and student ID)

➤ How to find a book (only german):

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gZv4EPNwFCo&ab_channel=SuUBBremen



State and University Library (SuUB)

- **Central desk** is open from:

Monday to Friday: 8am - 10pm

Saturday: 10 am - 8 pm

<https://www.suub.uni-bremen.de/home-english/services-information/opening-hours/>

- **Print, Scan, Copy (charged)** : Use your Mensa Card to pay for the printers
- **Note:** The library has multiple locations

Mensa & Canteen

- **Canteen:** Uni-Mensa, Café Central, Cafeteria GW2, Mensa Domshof, Mensa MW1, Cafeteria Grazer Street

- **Meal plan:** <https://www.stw-bremen.de/en/canteen/>

- **Mensa card:**

You can get your Mensa card at the service point in the Mensa.
Bring your student card + 10€ (5€ deposit, 5€ initial charge).

- Opening hours of the Service-Point: Monday to Friday: 11am - 2 pm
- Recharge the Mensa card: At the Mensa entrance, In the entrance area of the library, Cafeteria GW2, Cafeteria NW1, in some student dorms of the Studierendenwerk.



Verein für Hochschulsport e.V.

University Sports

- The Hochschulsport at the University of Bremen offers students a wide range of inexpensive sports courses in the sports facilities on campus or in sports facilities in the city.
→ Be sure to register on the first day of registration opening!
- Current Courses and Dates to register: <https://www.uni-bremen.de/en/hospo/current-courses>

Sprachenzentrum (SZHB)

Language Center

- Learn or improve a language alongside your studies: You can choose from 600 courses at the Language Center: <https://kurse.sprachenzentrum-bremen.de/?semester=winter-2024>
- You can also find German courses here

Good to know as a student

- Sick leave: <https://www.uni-bremen.de/en/zpa/infos/infos-a-z/k/notification-of-illness>
- Semester Fee: <https://www.uni-bremen.de/en/studies/starting-your-studies/formalitaeten/re-registration-and-semester-fee>
- Academic year: <https://www.uni-bremen.de/en/studies/starting-your-studies/academic-year>



Student Support

StugA

- A **student council** (in the Bremen study program committee or StugA for short) is the student representation at subject level and as such the first point of contact for all students with questions about the course of study and problems during the studies (<https://stugen.de/>)

AStA



- The General Student Committee (AStA)

- More informations, office hours and contact details on the AstA Homepage:
https://www.asta.uni-bremen.de/geaenderte-oeffnungszeiten-im-asta-buero-changed-opening_hours-in-asta-office/

ADE

- The [ADE](#) (Administrative Unit - Equal Opportunities | Antidiscrimination) is there for students who need support in **dealing with conflicts, feel discriminated against or have experienced danger**. This also includes experience with bullying, sexual violence and stalking.
- Counselling is **free of charge and confidential**.

Counselling of the Studierendenwerk Bremen



- **Psychological Counselling:** The Psychological Counselling Center can help with study-related and personal problems: <https://www.stw-bremen.de/en/counselling-social/psychological-counselling/>
- **Social Counselling:** The Social Counselling service supports students who need help and information in personal, social and financial matters: <https://www.stw-bremen.de/en/counselling-social/social-counselling/>
- For the current opening times and contact details, please refer to the specified pages. Counselling is free of charge and all staff members are bound to confidentiality.

Need more information?

Visit these two websites:

- <https://www.uni-bremen.de/en/studies/starting-your-studies/international-students/offers-for-international-students>
- <https://www.uni-bremen.de/en/studies/starting-your-studies/international-students/offers-for-international-students/kompass/hist-bremen>



Tips for survival outside the university

Where can I find accommodation?

- Studierendenwerk: <https://www.stw-bremen.de/en>
- Classifieds:
 - <https://schwarzesbrett.bremen.de/>
 - <https://www.ebay-kleinanzeigen.de/>
- Especially for shared apartments: [WG-gesucht](#)
- More useful information: <https://www.uni-bremen.de/en/studies/starting-your-studies/international-students/offers-for-international-students/preparation-from-abroad>

Studierendenwerk Consultation for accomodation

- Studierendenwerk Bremen offering regular personal consultation hours for housing inquiries
- Location: Studierendenwerk Bremen, Bibliothekstr. 7, 28359 Bremen (on campus)

Opening hours:

Monday: 12:00 - 14:00

Thursday: 10:00 - 12:00

- More information: stw-bremen.de - [consultation hours for housing requests](#)

WG-Casting



- If you are looking for a room in a shared apartment, you can hardly avoid a WG casting.
- Various WGs try to find the perfect candidate for their apartment. So, a short and important tip for WG casting: You should tell a lot about yourself.
- Listen to our kompass podcast:

How I met my WG - the culture of student living in Bremen:

<https://open.spotify.com/episode/15cDsxecmHMW53MFTzLzEG>

Rundfunkbeitrag

- Rundfunkbeitrag is a fee for German public broadcasting. This money is used to produce public TV and radio and online programs.
- It is important to know that **you have to pay this fee.**
- The whole fee has to be paid **by one household.**
- Current fee: **18,36 Euro per month.**



Deposit System

For most carbonated drinks in the supermarket, kiosk, etc., you have to pay a **deposit of up to 25 cents per bottle/can**. If you return the bottle or can to a special machine marked 'Pfandrückgabe' or 'Leergutannahme', you will receive a voucher that you can either use for your purchase in the same shop or to get the cash back directly at the cash office.



Waste separation

Environmental protection is a high priority in Germany. All cities have a waste separation system with different coloured bins for residual and organic waste, paper, packaging and plastic.



Public Transport

You can download these free Apps:



[DB Navigator](#): Germany-wide passenger transport



[VBN Fahrplaner](#): Perfect for use within Bremen and the surrounding area.

Grocery supermarket

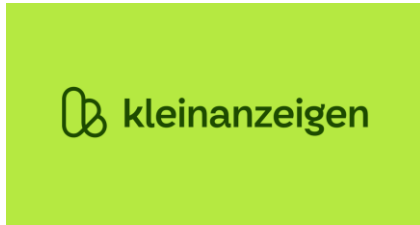
There are many different shops and supermarkets to buy groceries. Just search for the category online (e.g. Asian market Bremen). The area "Viertel" has a lot of diverse shops. The most common grocery shops in Bremen are:



Drugstores



Get (cheap) stuff (click on the logo for the website)



Get used products for a cheap price



Get used clothes for a cheap price

UNiDAYS

Student Discount



Get a rental bicycle



CarSharing

Good to know



Fire brigade: 112



Police: 110



Ambulance: 112

Good to know

Cycle paths in Germany:

Please be careful:
walking on the cycle paths in
Germany is not allowed!



Good to know

Where to go out?

Check the following websites:

- <https://www.bremen.eu/tourism/bremen-for/bremen-for-night-owls>
- <https://www.bremen-city.de/en/quarters/das-viertel/>
- <https://www.bremen.eu/tourism/activities>

More of good to know

- More useful information about **language cafés, venues, gastronomy, shopping, doctors, public holidays** can be found here:
 - <https://www.uni-bremen.de/en/studies/starting-your-studies/international-students/offers-for-international-students/living-in-bremen>
 - <https://welcometobremen.de/en>

KOMPASS EVENTS



URBAN GARDENING



HAPPY PLACES





Website: www.uni-bremen.de/kompass



Email: kompass@uni-bremen.de



Instagram: [kompassinternational.unibremen](https://www.instagram.com/kompassinternational.unibremen)



Whatsapp: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/HZ1KgLVVGYaleMqd3pq5XQ>



October **UPCOMING EVENTS**

TUE
07

Online Info Session

Zoom Link: Will be posted!
At 1pm

THU
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Infostand & Welcome Desk

SFG Building
11am - 1pm

SAT
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City Tour Bremen

Meeting Point: McDonald's at Domsheide
2pm - 5pm

FRI
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Freimarkt Opening

Meeting Point: Tram Stop
"Hauptbahnhof-Nord/Messe"
8pm - 10pm

SAT
25

Art Exhibition Hamburg

Meeting Point: Central Train
Station at "Info Point DB"
12pm - 6pm

**We'll post all the details one week before the
event, so keep an eye out!**

*All details on
our Instagram ;)*



Thanks for joining!

We wish you an
unforgettable time at the
university!