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Institute for Migration Research  
and Intercultural Studies

## **Master's degree program in International Migration and Intercultural Relations (IMIB)**

Information for first semester students

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## Greeting

Dear IMIB freshmen!

We are very pleased to welcome you to the Master in International Migration and Intercultural Relations in the winter semester 2024/25. This first semester booklet should make it easier for you to start your studies and help you find your way around your (new) city of study, Osnabrück. If you have any further questions, please get in touch with the contact persons listed in the booklet.

We wish you a great start to our Master's program and a wonderful time in Osnabrück!

Best regards!

Your IMIB Student Council

## **The Institute for Migration Research and Intercultural Studies (IMIS)**

The Master's degree program "International Migration and Intercultural Relations" (IMIB) at the University of Osnabrück is mainly run by IMIS and is part of the Department of Cultural and Social Sciences (FB 1). The interdisciplinary and interfaculty research institute IMIS was founded at the University of Osnabrück in 1991. The reflexive migration research institute is made up of (international) academics from various disciplines and research areas.

IMIS is concerned with the diverse aspects of spatial mobility and intercultural encounters in the past and present. Through its basic research, its publications, its public events and the scientific advisory activities of its members, IMIS contributes to the consolidation and networking of interdisciplinary work and to the dialog between science and practice. Thanks to its many years of research expertise and an interdisciplinary breadth that is unique in Germany, IMIS is now a nationally and internationally renowned and recognized research institute. In January 2018, IMIS was transferred to the organizational form of a research center at Osnabrück University.

The research interests and research projects at IMIS are currently concentrated in four fields:

- "Migration regimes",
- "Flight and people seeking protection: Conditions, forms and consequences of forced migration",
- "Migration societies" and
- "Knowledge production"

(Information on the individual research projects can be found at: <https://www.imis.uni-osnabrueeck.de/forschung/programm.html>).

Since April 2024, the interdisciplinary Collaborative Research Center 1604 "Production of Migration" has been in place at IMIS, which is

funded by the German Research Foundation (DFG). More information can be found online at

[https://www.imis.uni-osnabrueck.de/sfb\\_1604/profil.html](https://www.imis.uni-osnabrueck.de/sfb_1604/profil.html)

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## **The "International Migration and Intercultural Relations" degree program**

The IMIB course lasts two years (four semesters) and starts in the winter semester. In the first two semesters, students acquire disciplinary and transdisciplinary fundamentals of migration research as well as methodological knowledge, which they can deepen through elective modules. In the final semester, they write their Master's thesis, accompanied by a research colloquium. In addition to the teaching program, they complete an internship and an excursion to gain practical experience.

Students can actively shape their studies, for example by initiating their own seminars or proposing excursions. Final module papers do not have to be submitted as traditional term papers; alternative formats such as radio features, exhibition contributions or blog posts are also possible.

The IMIB Master consists of 8 modules with different courses:

- Module 1: Introduction to migration research: social, historical and legal foundations
- Module 2: Introduction to migration research: language, space and education
- Module 3: Methods and methodologies in migration research
- Module 4: Diversity in migration societies
- Module 5: Migration regimes
- Module 6: Empirical research project, free elective area
- Module 7: Migration research: transfer and dialog (lecture series, practical course, excursion)
- Module 8: Master's thesis

The degree program is assigned to Faculty 1 – Cultural and Social Sciences, which consists of the institutes and subjects of Geography, History, Art History, Art/Art Education, Textile Design and Social Sciences.

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Current information and consultation appointments:

[https://www.imis-cms.uni-osnabrueck.de/studium\\_promotion/master\\_imib/ansprechpersonen.html](https://www.imis-cms.uni-osnabrueck.de/studium_promotion/master_imib/ansprechpersonen.html)



## IMIB Student Council

The student council consists of IMIB students and represents the interests of the entire degree program towards the institute and on a university-wide level. If you have any questions and/or problems, please feel free to contact us!

In recent years, we have organized several events to bring together IMIB students from different semesters and invite them to exchange ideas. These include discussion evenings, workshops, film series, barbecues and pub evenings, IMIB on Ice (ice skating), an internship information event and an end-of-semester gathering in the castle garden.

In addition to planning events and the Freshers' Week, we deal with committee work (IMIS Board, Student Council Coordination Conference, Study Commission, Selection Committee), finances and organizational matters and are in close contact with the IMIS and the SoWi Student Council.

At the general assembly, all enrolled IMIB students elect the representatives of the student body – the student council. In addition to these elected representatives, the student council depends on committed students who want to get involved. Therefore, all IMIB students are welcome to participate in the work of the student council. The work is voluntary and all members have equal rights.

We are always happy to welcome new faces, fresh ideas and people who want to shape everyday student life together!

Normally our meetings take place regularly every Monday from 12 to 2 pm in the student council room 03/321 (always open). We will inform you about the new time at the beginning of the semester.

- [fachschaft-imib@uni-osnabrueck.de](mailto:fachschaft-imib@uni-osnabrueck.de)
- Instagram: [@imibosnabrueck](https://www.instagram.com/imibosnabrueck)

## Student consultation hours

As a student council, we are also available to you as contact persons for IMIB-specific topics or for general student matters. The student office hours offer you an informal opportunity to talk to IMIB students if you have any questions or initial difficulties. For planning purposes, please register in advance by sending an email to [fachschaft-imib@uni-osnabrueck.de](mailto:fachschaft-imib@uni-osnabrueck.de).



If required, the consultation can also take place via Big Blue Button (BBB) or by telephone.

Please note that we are not trained (psychotherapeutic) counselors. However, we are happy to help with the mediation or search for appropriate counseling centers at the University of Osnabrück.

## The student council room (03/321)



This room is always open to you: Whether it's for reading texts, chilling out, meeting for planning presentations, taking a nap, heating up food in the microwave or drinking coffee. The room is also used for the student council meetings, to which you are cordially invited.

## **EuMIGS – European Master in Migration Studies**

EuMIGS offers the opportunity to acquire a double degree in the field of migration research within a two-year Master's program with 120 ECTS credits. The double degree program provides for the second year of the Master's degree to be completed at one of the European partner universities. Upon successful completion, students receive a Master's degree from both their own institute and the host institute. All EuMIGS partner institutes are also members of the IMISCOE research network. This means that participants can also take part in the annual conferences and joint international training activities.

### **Participating Master programs**

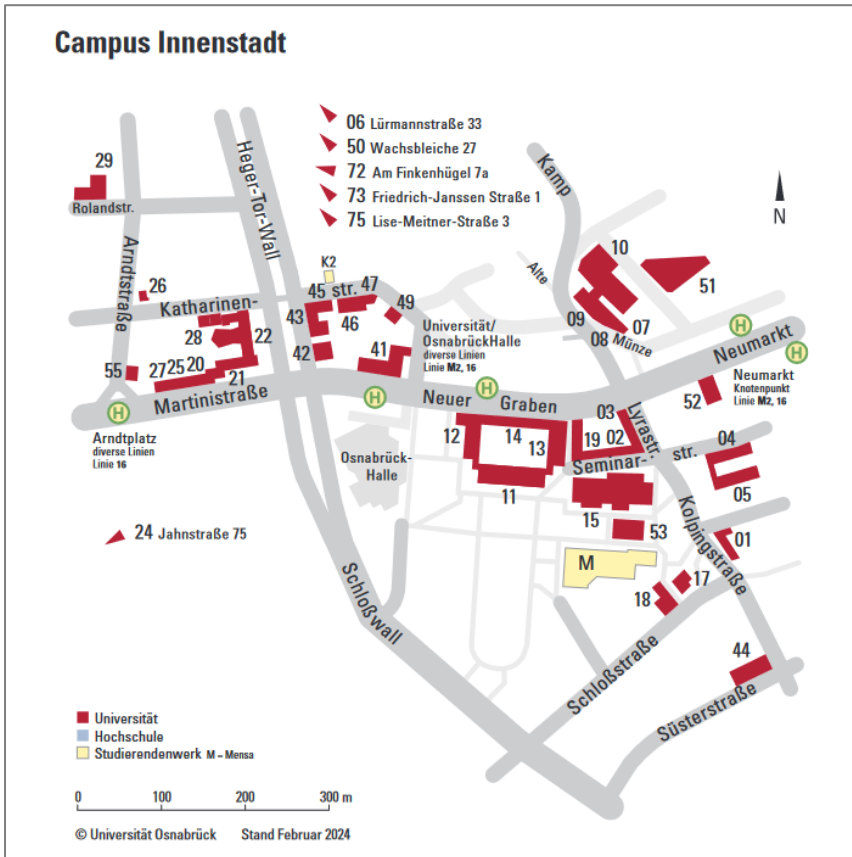
- Ethnic and Migration Studies, Linköping Universitet (Sweden)
- International Migration and Ethnic Relations (IMER), Malmö University (Sweden)
- International Migration and Intercultural Relations (IMIB), University of Osnabrück (Germany)
- Migration and Citizenship Studies, Université de Neuchâtel (Switzerland)
- Social Policies and Socio-Community Intervention (MOPS), Universidade da Coruña (Spain)
- Sociology with professional focus in Immigration Studies, University of Liège (Belgium)
- Sociology with study extension program in Migration Studies, Paris Lodron University Salzburg (Austria)

Applications for the double degree program must be submitted to the home institutions at the beginning of the first year of study (for current information see [www.eumigs.eu](http://www.eumigs.eu)).

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# Building compass



## Teaching and administration building



IMIS and Geo-Building  
(Building 02/03)

Seminarstraße 19 a/b

The Geography building  
(Building 02) is on the left and  
IMIS (Building 03) on the  
right.



**Castle (Building 11)**  
Neuer Graben 29

The main administration building of the university. Yellow, attractive and located next to the palace gardens.



**EW building (Building 15)**  
Seminarstraße 20

Seminar building opposite the IMIS.



**StudiOS (Building 19)**  
Neuer Graben 27

Student information Osnabrück: for questions about your student ID, BAföG or semester abroad.



**Kolping building (Building 01)**  
Kolpingstraße 7

The large building behind the many bicycle stands.



**Old District Hall (Building 41)**  
Neuer Graben 40

This is where most of the language courses take place.



**ELSI building (Building 44)**  
Süsterstraße 28

European Legal Studies  
Institute, also known as the Law  
Building, with a small library.

## **Libraries and workplaces**

The opening hours correspond to the status in October 2024. The circulation desks close Mon-Thu at 6 pm, Fridays at 4 pm and are completely closed on weekends. Please check the current opening hours on the website before your visit: [https://www.ub.uni-osnabrueck.de/die\\_bibliothek/oeffnungszeiten.html](https://www.ub.uni-osnabrueck.de/die_bibliothek/oeffnungszeiten.html)

### **Alte Münze Library (Central Library and Departmental Library for Humanities and Social Sciences)**

- Address: Alte Münze 16 / Kamp (building 10)
- Location identifier: B
- Opening hours: Mon.-Fri. 9-22 h, Sat. 10-14 h
- The holdings of the IMIS library are located on the 2nd floor. There is a reading garden on the roof, which is currently being renovated and will hopefully be reopened next spring.

### Heger-Tor-Wall Departmental Library (Law and Economics)

- Address: Heger-Tor-Wall 14 (Building 21/22)
- Location identifier: J/W
- Opening hours: Mon.-Fri. 8-22 h, Sat.+Sun. 10-20 h
- In the library at the HTW you can only get baskets on presentation of your student ID. On the top floor there are some nice bright rooms with a view over the city.

### Westerberg Departmental Library (Natural and Human Sciences, Mathematics / Computer Science)

- Address: Nelson-Mandela-Platz 1 (Building 96)
- Location identifier: N
- Opening hours: Mon.-Fri. 9-22 h, Sat. 10-14 h

### Research library of the ELSI (European Legal Studies Institute)

- Address: Süsterstraße 28
- Opening hours: Mon.-Fri. 9-18 h
- The ELSI is a reference library only; it is not possible to borrow items.

### Studizentrum (StudZ)

- Address: Kolpingstraße 1a (Building 53)
- Opening hours: Mon.-Fri. 9-22 h, Sat. 10-14 h



The StudZ is not a library, but rather a large co-working space with lots of workstations and group rooms that you can book free of charge. You can also borrow sports equipment here, such as spikeball, a volleyball or kubb.

## **Food and drink**

What would a day on campus be without food? In the following we refer to the inner city campus, but of course there is also a canteen and a cafeteria at Westerberg.

### **Mensa am Schlossgarten**

Lunch is served here daily between 11.30 am and 2.15 pm. Opening hours are shortened on Saturdays and the canteen is closed on Sundays. Recommendation "Frittiertes von der Kartoffel". For a €7 deposit, you can take your lunch/dinner home with you in a ToGo box. And in summer, the Mensa tray is also great for taking out into the castle gardens.

### **Cafeteria in the canteen building**

The cafeteria is located under the canteen and offers coffee, cold drinks, sandwiches, fruit and sweet baked goods. The coffee is not a delight, but it is cheap. The cafeteria is open Monday to Friday between 9 am and 3 pm. There is a drinking water dispenser opposite the cafeteria.

### **Snack, coffee and sparkling water vending machines in the StudZ**

If the cafeteria and canteen are already closed, the coffee and snack vending machines in the StudZ come to the rescue. But really only in an emergency, the coffee really isn't barista art. There is a drinking (sparkling) water dispenser right next to it.

### **Coffee and snack vending machines in the libraries**

There are also coffee and snack vending machines in the libraries at the Alte Münze and HTW. But here, too, it's better to go to a café in the city center for a treat and to the vending machine for a caffeine kick.

### **Cafés in the city center**

A good alternative for good coffee are the cafés in the city center (see below).



## **Osnabrück away from your studies**

If you only study, you're missing out! In order to help you with your leisure activities in Osnabrück, we have scraped together our collective knowledge, passed down from past IMIB generations, and compiled this small list of recommended bars, clubs, cafés, initiatives, associations and cultural events for you. We make no claim to completeness, nor to accuracy of taste, as our subjectivity has clearly played a part. Nevertheless, we hope to be able to tempt you to one or two nice activities in Osnabrück!

### **Bars and clubs**

#### **Confusion**

Queer bar with changing program, such as karaoke, game evenings or seasonal theme evenings.

#### **Countdown**

Cool bar where there is always something new to discover. There are telephones on the tables that you can use to make new friends. The drink prices are also fair and there are special offers on many evenings.

#### **Grand Hotel**

A cosy smokers' pub, quite student-oriented with fair prices and friendly service. There is often live music (indie, jazz etc.) or various other events.

#### **Grüner Jäger (Green Hunter)**

Whether summer or winter, there is always a beer garden atmosphere here. For sports enthusiasts, there's table football and a halfway acceptable pool table. Also good for watching soccer. Specially brewed beer, cheap coffee. Always a meeting place for young and old.

#### **Heimlich Bar (Secretly bar)**

Tucked away on the banks of the River Hase, this bar offers a small, stylish place for delicious, but unfortunately not entirely cheap cocktails.

## **HolyPoly**

A popular club with electronic music – techno on Fridays, tech house on Saturdays.

## **Kleine Freiheit (Little freedom)**

Known throughout Osnabrück for its "Astra Night" (Kleiner Freitag/little Friday), which takes place every Thursday. However, this place is not just a pub, but also an indie disco. Also popular: funk and electro parties.

## **Pollyesther's CAFE BAR · HEIMAT- Osnabrück**

Enjoy the culinary selection of dishes, hot coffee variations or delicious cocktails in a cozy atmosphere. In addition to the lovingly furnished lounge, an outdoor area with beach chairs awaits you for a relaxing time.

## **The Red Shamrock**

Somewhat hidden in Dielingerstraße, this is the only Irish pub in the city and the best place to go for a good Guinness or cider and excellent karaoke evenings (tip: better book seats in advance).

## **Tiefenrausch (Depth rush)**

The Tiefenrausch, always bathed in dim light and smoke, has its own intimate atmosphere. In the evenings, leather sofas and a huge selection of drinks invite you to linger. It should also be mentioned that Tiefenrausch is usually the last bar in Osnabrück to close its doors!

## **Unikeller (University cellar)**

Located next to the Osna-Halle and on the university campus in the city center is the Unikeller, where you can also enjoy a musical evening or two and play table football.

## **Cafés and culinary delights**

### **barōsta**

The barōsta can be found twice in Osnabrück's small "trendy street". Redlinger Straße is known for its small shops and culinary corners. At barōsta, you can enjoy home-roasted coffee – fairtrade and organic, of course – and home-baked cakes.

### **Bistro de la Cameleer**

A small bistro near the town hall with culinary delicacies from the Mediterranean. If you love falafel, halloumi and hummus, this is the place for you.

### **Lieblingskaffee (Favorite coffee)**

The stylish café is located directly opposite the theater and the cathedral. On nice days, you can also sit outside.

### **ROOM NO. 4**

Contemporary international cuisine is served in the restaurant with brick walls, industrial lamps and solid wooden furniture.

### **CAFÉ SOPHIES**

A family-run café with an adjoining bakery is located in the heart of the old town in one of Osnabrück's oldest town houses.

### **Café Flora**

Café Flora in Katharinenstraße is still brand new. It is located on the cycle path and in the afternoon you can sit in the sun on the street or in the park when the tables are occupied. It is reminiscent of hip cafés in Leipzig or Berlin – but in a pleasant way!

### **Rampendahl**

The Rampendahl is a place of home-style, hearty cuisine with its own brewery and a long tradition. Here you can sit comfortably over three floors and get a slice of bread and lard with your home-brewed beer.

## **Schlecks**

Only open during the warmer months of the year, Schlecks has become indispensable for some. The ice cream can be ordered just the way you like it, the waffles are filled with sprinkles and chocolate and the ice cream is spread out on a chilled stone slab and mixed with various ingredients of your choice. Delicious!

## **Café Felka**

Named after the artist Felka Platek (wife of Felix Nussbaum), the café in the historic villa is not only a place to enjoy food and drink, but also a meeting place for cultural exchange.

## **Zauber von OS (The magic of OS)**

Burgers at Zauber in the evening? A must for some. Just around the corner from the main train station, the café is also a great place to end the evening or to pre-lunch.

## **Culture**

### **Felix Nussbaum House / Museum of Cultural History**

A very interesting museum with a permanent exhibition of the Jewish artist Felix Nussbaum from Osnabrück and much more.

### **Haus der Jugend (House of youth)**

A variety of concerts attract visitors to the old town and the Haus der Jugend is also involved in the Popsalon (remember!). There is also a wide range of cultural events on offer – workshops, theater, conferences, etc. The rooms of various sizes can also be rented. The Stadt Galerie Café is located in the neighborhood.

### **Lagerhalle (Warehouse)**

The Lagerhalle is a socio-cultural center in Osnabrück with a diverse cultural program. It organizes a wide variety of events such as concerts, poetry slams, theater, film screenings, parties, etc. and is a partner of the Exilverein.

The "Independent Film Festival Osnabrück" with international, alternative films on political and social issues is held here, as is the "Morgenland Festival Osnabrück".

### **Cinema Arthouse and Hasetorkino**

The arthouse cinemas Cinema Arthouse and Hasetorkino show blockbusters as well as lesser-known but often exceptionally good films. Every two weeks on Mondays, the Cinema Arthouse hosts a sneak preview, where a current film is shown in its original English version. The Cinema Arthouse building is also home to the Blue Note – a bar for all jazz fans.

### **Rosenhof (Rose yard)**

The Rosenhof, an old cinema from the 1950s, is located close to the city center on Rosenplatz. Regular events such as cabaret, comedy, readings, parties and concerts take place here.

### **Substanz**

Until the end of August 2024, Substanz, Osnabrück's autonomous center, regularly hosted concerts, pub evenings and parties, as well as political events and information evenings and, for example, the plenums of No Lager Osnabrück. Unfortunately, Substanz was forced out of the premises and is currently in the process of finding new space. You can find current information here: <https://www.substanz-os.de/>

### **Theater Osnabrück**

Tickets are half-price for students and last-minute tickets are even available free of charge from two days before the performance. The main venue is located at the Domhof. Near the Heger Tor you will also find the emma-theater, which is also worth a visit.

### **The Queer City of Osnabrück**

Lars offers guided tours of Osnabrück's queer history. A must for every (future) Osnabrücker!

**Hase29, Kunsthalle Osnabrück** – Places worth seeing for art & culture.

## Initiatives and associations

There is a lot going on in Osnabrück and the AStA lists some of the exciting initiatives connected to the university here: <https://www.asta.uni-osnabrueck.de/rund-ums-studium/initiativen>.

Here you will find just a small selection of the initiatives that are particularly relevant for IMIB students.

### AStA

At the beginning of each calendar year, students at Osnabrück University elect the new Student Council (StuRa). This in turn elects the General Students' Committee (AStA) for one year. The elected officers are thus the official representatives of the student body.

### Caritas and Diakonie

Diakonie and Caritas are church institutions that support people throughout Germany. In Osnabrück, they also offer various forms of support to refugees and people with a migration background. For example, Caritas offers help with homework and job applications, while Diakonie runs the low-threshold meeting place Café Mandela.

### Coordination Refugees@UOS

The Coordination supports students with refugee experience in finding their way around the university. To this end, it also offers a tandem program with experienced students every semester, which consists of weekly meetings in tandem and monthly group activities as well as accompanying seminars.

### Exil e.V.

The Exil-Verein is committed to helping people with a history of flight and migration. It offers various services, such as (legal) advice, German courses, leisure projects with children and young people and voluntary exchange groups.

Exil's **FreiZeit für junge Geflüchtete (FjG)** project promotes the social participation of children and young people with a refugee background. To

this end, the predominantly volunteer staff offer low-threshold cultural, sporting and creative activities, excursions and opportunities to meet up two to four times a month. The aim is to provide space for personal development and social contact. The project also offers information and dialogue events to raise awareness of the needs and sensitize people to the topic of flight and being a child. FjG thrives on the voluntary commitment of around 40 volunteers who organize the activities together with the project coordinators and trainers.

- [fjg@exilverein.de](mailto:fjg@exilverein.de)
- Instagram: [freizeitfuerjunge\\_gefluechtete](#)
- Website: <https://freizeitfuerjungegefluechtete.de/>
- Plenum: every Monday at 7 pm at Exil (Möserstraße 34)
- Meet-ups: once a month, please follow us on Instagram



### **Kritnet**

The "Critical Migration and Border Regime Research Network" (krit-net) is an attempt to create an interdisciplinary European network of critical migration and border regime researchers and political activists. It focuses on transcending disciplinary boundaries and the boundaries between science, cultural production and politics/activism. The aim is to create a space in which research and activist knowledge production support each other.

### **Meine Bildung und Ich e.V. (My education and I)**

The aims of the association are to promote learning for children and young people, promote language skills, reduce discrimination, promote democracy and provide health and environmental education. Its services include free tutoring, language cafés for adults with a history of flight and migration, leisure activities and various workshops.

## No Lager Osnabrück

No Lager Osnabrück is a local anti-racist group with a supra-regional network. The group consists of people who are actively and passively affected by asylum (un)law. Through civil disobedience, public protest, joint organizing and solidarity practice, it tries to draw attention to the unjust migration regime. <https://nolageros.noblogs.org/>

## Osnabrück – bunt und solidarisch! (colorful and in solidarity!)

... is an alliance of people in and around Osnabrück that campaigns for a colorful Osnabrück based on solidarity and against right-wing extremism. It is supported by more than 30 organizations. It was founded at the beginning of the year in view of the European elections and launched a major campaign against the AfD. Planning is currently underway for a possible follow-up campaign for the 2025 federal elections. Contact via [info@osnabrueck-bunt-und-solidarisch.de](mailto:info@osnabrueck-bunt-und-solidarisch.de) or via Instagram.

## Refugee Law Clinic Osnabrück e.V.

We are the Refugee Law Clinic Osnabrück (RLC) and have been offering free student legal advice on asylum and residence law since 2017. We work together with local lawyers and are part of the Germany-wide network of RLCs.

# REFUGEE LAW CLINIC

OSNABRÜCK

With us, you can train to become a legal advisor – completely free of charge and on the side - and then support our team of advisors! Our services are based on the conviction that the right to asylum is a non-negotiable human right and that every person should live a life in safety and freedom. Our advisors come from a wide variety of degree courses and have all completed the six-month training course in the winter semester. This consists of attending the German-language lecture "Refugee Law in Practice", several in-depth courses on different focal



points and two counseling observations. The training can be completed without prior knowledge.

Once you have passed the exam, you can start counseling together with experienced counselors. Counseling topics include, for example, family reunification, preparing for and accompanying hearings or the Dublin procedure.

On October 29, 2024 at 4:15 p.m. our non-binding information event on this year's training will take place in 22/215. Come along with your questions! The event will take place in person - but we can also enable you to participate online if required.

You can also find all the information at <https://rlcosnabrueck.com/> or on our Insta channel [@rlc\\_osna](#). If you have any questions before the information event or would like to join the training in the winter semester, just send us a short message to [ausbildung@rlc-osnabrueck.de](mailto:ausbildung@rlc-osnabrueck.de) or via Insta-DM!

By the way: You can support the RLC even if you haven't completed your training, e.g. in the organizing team. You can get all the information you need at [info@rlc-osnabrueck.de](mailto:info@rlc-osnabrueck.de). We look forward to hearing from you!

### **Seebrücke (Pier)**

Seebrücke Osnabrück has made Osnabrück a safe harbor. The group has also initiated a city sponsorship for the rescue ship Sea-Eye 4 and carried out several major fundraising campaigns for civil sea rescue. With information events and actions of civil disobedience, Seebrücke attempts to repeatedly make the city's society aware of the deadly external borders.

### **ThinkTank Migration Policy**

This initiative consists of a group of students from the IMIB who meet regularly to exchange views on migration policy issues and to conduct a scientifically based discussion on current events and develop possible solutions.

## Europa macht Schule (Europe goes to school)



Europa macht Schule (EmS) is an intercultural education program that offers international and European exchange students the opportunity to present their home countries in German schools. The aim of the program is to promote the European idea and international exchange and to raise young people's awareness of cultural diversity in Europe and the world.

Students from different countries develop creative projects with school classes that provide insights into the culture, traditions and lifestyles of their countries of origin. From interactive workshops to local art and music to presentations on everyday life and history - the projects offer a wide range of opportunities to get to know other countries and cultures.

For the students, EmS offers the opportunity not only to break down prejudices through direct exchange with students from different cultural backgrounds, but also to develop a global understanding and intercultural skills.

To make this possible, we are looking for committed volunteers to support us in organizing and supervising the projects. As volunteers, we accompany the students and schools during the projects and are in close contact with them.

As a volunteer, you will receive a certificate from the BMBF and the DAAD in recognition of your commitment. You will also benefit from the opportunity to network with other volunteers and international students. Regular workshops and further training will help you to further develop your intercultural and organizational skills and gain valuable experience for your personal and professional development

The EmS team in Osnabrück is looking forward to your participation! You can reach us at [osnabrueck@europamachtschule.de](mailto:osnabrueck@europamachtschule.de). Experience the cultural richness of the world – right in the classroom!

## **Good to know**

### **When do I have to register for examinations and coursework?**

You must register via HISinOne for the individual examinations or coursework to be completed. It is therefore advisable to pay attention to the announcements of the Examination Office. In general, the registration period is towards the end of the lecture period; for the winter semester towards the end of January and for the summer semester towards the beginning of June. If there is any doubt as to which seminars you need to attend, you can register first and then withdraw later once you have made a clear decision (Please note the cancellation deadlines).

### **When do I transfer the semester fee?**

Every student at Osnabrück University must pay the semester fee for each semester. The amount to be paid can be found in your HISinOne profile. The semester fee must generally be paid in February for the summer semester and in July for the winter semester. There is no reminder e-mail!

### **Where can I copy or print?**

At Osnabrück University, students can use their student ID to make copies or print out documents at various locations. Copiers can usually be found in the StudZ on the 2nd floor and in the library Alte Münze. It is important to have credit on the card.

### **Are there language courses at the university?**

Students enrolled at Osnabrück University can attend a language course of their choice during the semester. There is a range of language courses offered by the Osnabrück University Language Center, ranging from subject-specific to general courses. Through a subsidy, enrolled students pay a contribution of €20 for each course. The ECTS earned in the language courses can be credited as additional credits. Registration for this

is done through HISinOne. If your favorite language is not included in the Language Center's course offerings, you can also take a look at the adult education center (Volkshochschule).

## **What about sports facilities?**

For sporting activities, take a look at the Unisports program. Registration is on a first come, first serve basis, so be quick. There is also a university league for soccer enthusiasts. If you drive through the city with your eyes open, you will also find public sports fields, table tennis tables and volleyball courts. There are also indoor and outdoor swimming pools.

## **How do I use my semester ticket?**

From the winter semester 2024/25, i.e. from October 1, 2024, the semester ticket will be valid nationwide. Students can use their semester ticket to travel on regional transport throughout Germany. The student ID card is no longer valid as a ticket. More information here: <https://www.asta.uni-osnabrueck.de/Deutschlandsemesterticket>.

## **What can I learn from the other IMIB cohorts?**

Solidarity is something that characterizes the IMIB student body. The student council has set up a [database for internship opportunities](#) as part of the compulsory internship in order to offer support and guidance. The student council is currently in the process of creating another database for module homework. These should not only serve as models for the new IMIBs, but also offer them support and inspiration. The access authorization will be made available to you in the course of the semester.

## What does Stud.IP/HISinONE/eduroam/Sogo/Kiwi/ Studo/Stud.App/SWOSY mean?

Osnabrück University has various digital portals that you can use to organize your everyday study life. The most important is certainly **Stud.IP** – here you can find all courses, dates etc.

**HISinONE** is like your locker for study and examination achievements. You already know the platform from your application – here you will find your completed and open modules, forms (e.g. for changing your address) and certificates (e.g. Imma).

You may know **Eduroam** from your bachelor's degree, it is the worldwide used wifi network at universities and colleges. At the UOS you can get access via this link: [Link](#).

**Sogo** is the webmail client for your UOS mail address, which you can also enter into your external mail program/app: [Link](#). By the way: If you don't always want to type name@uni-osnabrueck.de, you can also use name@uos.de as an alternative.

**Kiwi** is a fairly new AI portal of the university. It is based on ChatGPT 4, but meets certain data protection standards.

**SWOSY** is the "Mensa app". Here you can always find out what's on the menu. There is also an interactive campus map and you can check your card balance. If you still have the (nicer) SWOSY 1.0 app, go to "Language" in the settings and tap "German" five times.

**Studo** and **Stud.App** are different apps that can access Stud.IP. Both have a different range of functions, but are sometimes more intuitive to use than the Stud.IP mobile site.

## Is there somewhere I can borrow sports equipment?

Sports equipment, such as a spikeball set or Viking chess, can be borrowed from the StudZ (<https://zfh.uni-osnabrueck.de/service/sport-spielgeraeteausleihe-am-studz.html>).

The Asta also provides various equipment (pavilion, projector, etc.) for student councils, university groups and student initiatives to hold an event (<https://www.asta.uni-osnabrueck.de/service/verleih-von-equipment>).

## What exactly is this DigiLab?

The DigiLab offers a place – physical, mobile and digital – where students and teachers can explore and strengthen their creativity and skills in the age of digitalization. In the DigiLab, you can use 3D printers, an embroidery machine and a laser cutter and try out AR systems free of charge and under supervision. You can also borrow a variety of technical equipment (cameras, projectors, etc.) free of charge: <https://verleih.uni-osnabrueck.de/>.

## Where can I get my bike repaired?

You can repair your bike at the StudZ several afternoons a week (the opening hours for the winter semester are not yet known). Here you can repair it yourself, but you will receive instructions and tools.

## What do I do if I have legal problems?

If you ever need free legal advice from a lawyer, you can make an appointment with the Asta. More information at: <https://www.asta.uni-osnabrueck.de/service/rechtsberatung>.

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