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Oldenburg - A lively university town in Germany's Northwest

Oldenburg looks back on more than 900 years of history and is now, with its 176,000 inhabitants, a centre of cultural, scientific and economic life in North-West Germany.

Oldenburg is a great place to live. Its lively mix of entertainment and culture – bars, restaurants and trendy venues as well as theatres and a number of museums – create a big-ci-

ty feeling. Yet it is a safe place where you can get around easily on your bicycle, as most students do. It is also a garden city, with streets lined with trees and many parks. Oldenburg also has a well-developed bus system, and is connected to the European rail network. Students enjoy free public transport for the entire semester throughout Lower Saxony, including even Groningen in the Netherlands.

Our university – Open to new approaches

Our university has an enrolment of around 15,000 students. Founded in 1973, we are a young and modern institution, always striving to take on new challenges.

Courses taught in English

All of our schools offer certain courses in English, for example in the study areas of Economics, Engineering Physics, Marine Sciences, Migration and Intercultural Relations, Psychology, and Sustainability. Furthermore, several degree courses are entirely taught in English.

Courses taught in German

Exchange students can choose from nearly the entire list of courses on offer.

European Studies

Our semester programme European Studies in Global Perspectives is taught in English. Students can choose between two topics: "Society, Economy, and Politics" and "Languages, Cultures, and Education."

Learning German

German language courses during the semester are offered at almost all levels, comprise 6 hours of language instruction per week and cover half of a level. During the semester break in September and March, we offer intensive German language courses on different levels.

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What we offer

- **Tutoring programme**
- **Buddy programme**
Puts you in touch with an Oldenburg student
- **Excursions**
e.g. weekend in Berlin or Dresden
- **Social and cultural events**
Intercultural Meet-Up, Board Game Night, International Dinner, ...
- **Language Tandem**
- **Accommodation**
Assistance for exchange students in finding suitable furnished accommodation
- **Semesterticket**
Free travel for the full six months of the semester for public transport throughout Germany, including Groningen in the Netherlands
- **Bike paths**
More than 270 kilometres of bicycle lanes make getting around easy, quick and healthy



Estimated expenses

You should expect to spend about EUR 1000 per month.

- Student residence EUR 200 to 450
- Health insurance approx. EUR 140
- Food EUR 250 to 350
- Miscellaneous expenses e.g. leisure, books, semester contribution, residence permit, etc.

Schools

- School of Educational and Social Sciences
- School of Computing Science, Business Administration, Economics, and Law
- School of Linguistics and Cultural Studies
- School of Humanities and Social Sciences
- School of Mathematics and Science
- School of Medicine and Health Sciences



Academic Calendar

Winter semester

October 1–March 31
Welcome Week: early October
Lectures: Mid October–Mid February
Application deadline: July 15

Summer semester

April 1–September 30
Welcome Week: late March/ early April
Lectures: Mid April–Mid July
Application deadline: January 15