University of Oldenburg in Germany

Exchange studies in Oldenburg
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Information about German Language courses for internationals:
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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 166,000 inhabitants, a centre of cultural, scientific and economic life in the region of North-West Germany.

Oldenburg is a good place to live. A mix of entertainment and culture – bars, restaurants and trendy venues as well as theatres and a number of museums – create a big-city feeling. Yet it is a safe place where you can get around easily on your bicycle, as most students do. The city has a well-developed bus system. Student fees cover public transport in the city itself and in a large regional area around Oldenburg. The green city is also directly connected to the European rail network.

The School of Educational and Social Sciences

Our university has an enrolment of round about 16,000 students. We are a young and modern institution, always striving to take on new challenges. Our School consists of three departments (uol.de/en/school1):

- Education (teacher training, education in childhood and adolescence, social work, adult and further education and psychology)
- Special Needs Education & Rehabilitation (learning disabilities, intellectual disability, physical impairments, emotional disturbances and behavioral disorders, Rehabilitation and Inclusion/Participation)
- Social Sciences (sociology and political science).

Courses taught in English

All of our schools offer certain courses in English, for example in the study areas of social sciences, economics, migration and intercultural relations, psychology, and sustainability. Furthermore, several degree courses are entirely taught in English. The current English courses can be found on the E-learning platform of the university: bit.ly/2ryhveR

European Studies

Our semester programme European Studies in Global Perspectives is taught in English. Students opt for one thematic area: “Society, Economy, and Politics” or “Languages, Cultures, and Education.”

Courses taught in German

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

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
- Assistance for exchange students in finding suitable furnished accommodation
- Semester ticket
- Free travel for the full six months of the semester for public transport in Oldenburg and all over Lower Saxony, including even Groningen in the Netherlands

Estimated expenses

You should expect to spend about 720 EUR per month.

- Student residence 180 to 250 EUR
- Health insurance approx. 90 EUR
- Food 200 to 250 EUR
- Miscellaneous expenses e.g. leisure, books, semester fee, residence permit, etc.

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.

Academic Calendar

Winter semester

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

Summer semester

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

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