Welcome TO THE UNIVERSITY OF WUPPERTAL!

Study and research in Germany
STUDY
in the heart of Europe
Welcome TO GERMANY

Germany is an open-minded, cosmopolitan country and home to more than 82 million people. Science and research have a long tradition in Germany, and its universities offer a wide range of bachelor’s, master’s and Ph.D. programs. Come and experience the “land of ideas”!

The University of Wuppertal is one of the state universities in North Rhine-Westphalia, which is economically the most significant German state with an outstanding educational and cultural landscape.

Set on the leafy slopes of the Griffenberg, the University’s main campus enjoys a panoramic view across the city – a perfect environment for developing inspiring ideas and academic projects that will shape the future.

Founded in 1972
23,000 students,
3,600 employees,
260 professors.
// School of Humanities
// School of Human and Social Sciences
// Schumpeter School of Business and Economics
// School of Mathematics and Natural Sciences
// School of Architecture and Civil Engineering
// School of Electrical, Information and Media Engineering
// School of Mechanical Engineering and Safety Engineering
// School of Art and Design
// School of Education
The close relationship between the university and regional as well as global enterprises – e.g. Bayer, Siemens and Vorwerk, as well as some of the country’s best-known small and medium-sized enterprises – provides interesting internship, research and employment opportunities. Our academic culture is marked by diversity, experience and innovation. The university offers a wide range of both frequently available and uniquely specialized courses with interdisciplinary study opportunities. Its internationally well-known professors and academics teach and research in 9 schools and in more than 40 research institutes.

114 study programs,  
44 research institutes and centers,  
70 international university cooperations,  
and 130 ERASMUS+ partner universities,  
students coming from  
100 different countries,  
10% international students.
THE CITY OF Wuppertal

Set amidst the hills and the valley of the diverse and green “Bergisches Land”, Wuppertal is part of Germany’s major industrial regions. Surrounded by a wonderful wooded area with 500 kilometers of footpath and woodland tracks, Wuppertal is also known as one of Germany’s greenest cities.

With its 360,000 residents, Wuppertal is the seventeenth largest city in Germany and has been home to the world-famous „Schwebebahn“ (suspension railway) since 1898 – symbol of the progressive engineering tradition.

In total, Wuppertal possesses over 4,500 buildings classified as national monuments. The American TV station CNN recommends Wuppertal as one of 20 places worldwide to visit in the year 2020.

The city of Wuppertal, situated close to Dusseldorf and Cologne, is the perfect mixture of vibrant metropolis and cozy village with a lot of leisure facilities. Wuppertal offers an extraordinarily lively and international artistic and cultural scene – ranging from drama at the municipal theater, museums, rock and pop to jazz sessions or small film festivals.
Choose from more than 110 programs covering a wide variety of disciplines. For more information, also on courses held in English, please contact us.

Study without tuition fees and get a subsidized public transportation pass for the whole state of North Rhine-Westphalia at low cost.

Benefit from various options for good and affordable accommodation, for example in our modern and fully furnished on-campus apartments.

Apply for available scholarships for incoming students and researchers awarded by the university or organizations such as DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service): www.daad.de/en

Boost your career with a high-end research internship in one of our research teams according to your interests, study plan and career goals.
Speak English on campus and use the opportunity to learn German in our Language Learning Institute as well as in your everyday life in Wuppertal.

Enjoy the welcoming atmosphere at university to get in touch easily both with local students and with international students from more than 100 countries worldwide.

Enjoy life on campus with numerous events and parties such as the street food festival, campus sports events, concerts, Christmas market, and many more.

Relax and work out: Our University Sports Center offers more than 80 indoor and outdoor sports programs as well as an on-campus gym.

Use Wuppertal’s central location on the European continent as well as its good transport infrastructure to explore Germany and Europe.
STUDENT SERVICES and campus life

// Personal support and academic advice from our academic counselors, the INTERNATIONAL CENTER and the International Students Team

// Career service: Individual coaching, business excursions, company visits, networking events and many more

// Well-equipped and technologically advanced libraries and media services

// A broad range of professional workshops and training courses (e.g. intercultural training, time management, stress prevention and many more)

// Numerous activities for international students: welcome days, buddy program, weekly get-togethers, tandem program and many cultural, social and fun activities

// Various student clubs and organizations

// A variety of subsidized student cafeterias and restaurants serving inexpensive but tasty meals and snacks
Come to Wuppertal and benefit from our innovative and digitally supported teaching and learning concepts as well as the university’s commitment to research and international cooperation. The University of Wuppertal offers a broad range of programs in natural sciences, engineering, business and economics, humanities as well as educational science, design and architecture. Our academic culture is marked by diversity, experience and open-mindedness. The University of Wuppertal is committed to the international orientation of degree programs and curricula, to international mobility and to promoting the all-round linguistic competence of both staff and students.

Our programs include international aspects such as

- an international or trans-European thematic focus
- programs offered in cooperation with one or more universities abroad, e.g. the Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Program in European Philosophy or the German-French Program in Applied Cultural and Business Studies
- programs held in a language other than German – e.g. programs taught in English or French

Please contact us for more information on lectures, seminars and practical courses in your field of study and areas of interest:

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The university’s Language Learning Institute offers German language classes for all levels (beginners to advanced). The course programs aim at developing profound communication skills in German, thereby focusing on real-life competences. They include topics of everyday life such as studying and working at a German university as well as daily activities and cultural background. Students can either choose the intensive track with classes every morning (400 hours per semester), the evening classes or one of the “German for Special Purposes” classes. Of course, apart from German, a variety of other languages can be studied at the Language Learning Institute.
The University of Wuppertal carries out international top-level research in different fields and provides a highly varied research landscape in the individual subjects. One of the university’s key competences lies in its interdisciplinary research activities, thus combining strengths and increasing public perception of its special potential and achievements. The interdisciplinary competence of the University of Wuppertal is further expressed by the university’s research centers and institutes, research teams, research training groups and research associations. Strong and long-term partnerships with university and non-university institutions, industry and public bodies advance research initiatives, catalyze the impact of research outcome and ensure the transfer of research results to society and the world of business.

The university is deeply committed to attracting well qualified and highly motivated international graduates to conduct research and take their doctorate in Wuppertal, and encourages them to remain in contact with the university afterwards.

Interested?
For more information on doctoral studies at the University of Wuppertal, please contact the Center for Graduate Studies: www.zgs.uni-wuppertal.de/en
To students from our partner universities who are interested in gaining insight into the university’s research projects, we offer individual on-campus research internships.

In accordance with their interests and study programs, students will participate in research projects and collaborate with a professor or a research group in their field of specialization. This may include, i. a. lab and experimental work, data collection and analysis as well as contribution to research papers.

This option will provide valuable research experience and enhance your résumé and future career opportunities.

To apply for a research internship, please hand in your résumé along with your application and specify your areas of interest and previous experience in a cover letter.