

## Information for Incoming International Students Fall Semester 2018-19

### Arrival in Flensburg

Mandatory dates of arrival: 1<sup>th</sup> or 2<sup>th</sup> of September 2018

Please note:

- The closest airport to Flensburg is located in Hamburg. Hamburg is about 152 kilometres from Flensburg. Please try to book a flight with daytime arrival in Hamburg (before 17:00 hrs.)
- The train ride from Hamburg airport to Flensburg costs 30 € approx.
- The taxi ride from Hamburg airport to Flensburg costs 200 € approx.
- We offer a pick-up service for exchange students from Hamburg airport (cost 50 €, limited capacity and only from 10:00-17:00). Please let us know your flight number, date, as well as how much luggage you are bringing.
- If you come on your own to Flensburg then the pick-up from Flensburg train station is free. Please let us know your flight number, date, and train details.

### Welcome orientation and introduction program

The orientation week for new exchange students will be from **Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> of September 2018 until Friday, 7<sup>th</sup> of September 2018**. Orientation will include information on:

- German language courses
- Academic matters
- Course selection
- Official administration matters such as health insurance, city registration, resident permit, etc.
- Integration activities
- Excursions, tour of the university campus, the city of Flensburg and its surroundings
- Information about living in Germany
- Welcome breakfast on Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> of September 2018, at 9 a.m.

### Language courses

There will be free German Language Courses, starting on the 24<sup>th</sup> of September offered at several levels:

- beginners without prior knowledge (A1)
- beginners with prior knowledge (A2)
- intermediate (B1)
- upper intermediate (B2)
- advanced (C1)

The German Academic Culture course is mandatory and will start on the 10<sup>th</sup> of September. During the semester, there will also be free English Intermediate and Upper Level Courses

For more information: <http://www.uni-flensburg.de/en/international/languages/language-courses/>

### Lecture Period

Regular lectures for all study programs will start on the 17<sup>th</sup> of September 2018 and will continue until the 21<sup>st</sup> of January 2019.

### Health Insurance

Please note that if you choose German health insurance this will start when the semester officially begins on the **1<sup>st</sup> of September 2018**. Please make sure you have a travel health insurance for the trip. If you decide to use your country health insurance\* (documents in the English language), please make sure to check what it covers, and if there are any deductibles.

More information on German health insurance and some state health insurances to join can be found in this link:

<http://www.uni-flensburg.de/en/international/coming-to-flensburg/exchange-students/health-insurance/>

**\*not all foreign health insurances are accepted by the German Government**

### Finances

There are **immediate initial payments** due upon arrival so please make sure you have access to cash to cover your expenses and deposit for the first days. Some international bankcards may not work here and some places may not accept credit cards. When you arrive in Flensburg you can open a bank account here.

#### Immediate costs:

- Monthly rent 230 €-280 € (approx.)
- Rent deposit 300 € (single payment)
- Telephone card 30 € (if applicable)
- Health Insurance 92 € (per month, if applicable)
- Student Fee 100 € (single payment)
- Bed linen 50 € (single payment)
- Food 250-300 €
- Excursion/going out 50 € or more

### Email contact

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