



WELCOME TO OVGU

Winter Semester 2026/2027

Who are we?

Campus Welcome Center





International Office: Coordinator „Onboarding of International Students“

- Pre-arrival support
- Welcome events
- Sprachcafé Deutsch

| Christin Gebauer



Student Services:

International Student Advisor

- Personalized academic student advising

Alexandra Gottschalk

Presentation Structure

1. Your Arrival
2. The Campus
3. Campus Welcome Center
4. Welcome Services on Campus
5. Learning German
6. Campus Life

A photograph of a modern interior space. On the right, a large mural depicts several figures in a classical style. Below the mural is a long wooden cabinet with a white shelf. To the left of the mural is a wall with a dark, textured, stone-like appearance. Several white, cylindrical pendant lights hang from the ceiling. On the far left, there is a wooden wall and a white wall in the background.

1. Your Arrival

Late Arrival | Study Program Advisor | Deutschlandticket |
Further Recommendations

Late Arrival

- **Lectures start:** October 12, 2026
- **Recommended arrival:** October 31, 2026 at the latest
- **Important:** Semesters count immediately after enrolment (even if absent)
 - Leave of absence due to late arrival is not possible
- **Health insurance:** Payment starts with the beginning of semester although you are not physically in Germany
- **Visa:** University has no influence on embassy processing times

Late Arrival & Enrollment

Unable to enter Germany on time?

- **Re-apply via myOVGU for next possible term** (new admission letters: June / December)
 - ⚠ Re-admission is not guaranteed (NC programs)
 - Study regulations might change
- If already enrolled: **cancel enrollment and apply for a refund** within the deadline through the form „Waiver of enrollment“
- **If you arrive later and decide to remain enrolled:**
 - It is your responsibility to catch up on courses
 - OVGU is a campus-based university
 - Contact your student advisor to find out whether online materials / courses are available

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How to Find your Study Program Advisor



- **Search: "Study Program" + OVGU**, for example "Chemical and Energy Engineering" + OVGU



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UNIVERSITY | STUDY | RESEARCH | INTERNATIONAL | CAMPUS & CITY | CAREER

Home > Study > Study Programmes > Study Programm... > Chemical and Energy Engineering

STUDY PROGRAMME
Chemical and Energy Engineering

DEGREE CONFERRED	Master of Science (M.Sc.)
DURATION	4 Semesters
ENROLLMENT	Winter and summer semester
ADMISSION RESTRICTION	No restricted admission
ENTRY REQUIREMENTS	

Subject-specific advisor
Dr. rer. nat. Werner Hintz
Universitätsplatz 2
39106 Magdeburg
018-307
+49 391 67-52295
cee-advisor@ovgu.de

- **Search result: Advisor and contact details**, for example Dr. rer. nat. Werner Hintz, with number and mail address



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Deutschlandticket

- **Student Semester Ticket**
- **Activation:** Required before first use (possible from September 25, 2026)
- **App:** Download and activate in the **MVB App**
- **Ticket checks:**
 - Digital ticket ready *before* boarding
 - Student ID card is not required
 - ⚠ Valid photo ID mandatory (e.g., passport)
- **Validity:** Valid from Oct 1, 2026 – March 31, 2027 → Re-activation each semester
- **Coverage:** Local transport Germany-wide, long-distance trains (ICE/IC) excluded



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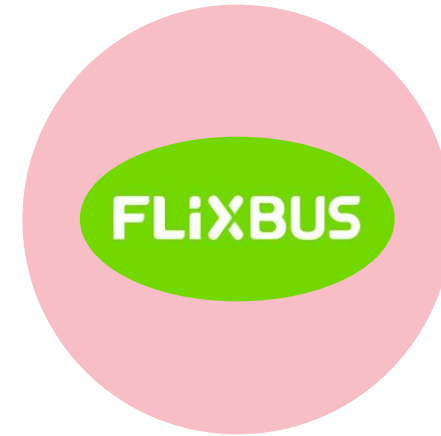
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- **Train and bus service in Germany (long-distance travel):**
 - **Deutsche Bahn** → DB Navigator App for tickets, timetables
 - [App Store](#)
 - [Google Play](#)
 - **Flixbus** → FlixBus & FlixTrain: App for tickets, timetables
 - [App Store](#)
 - [Google Play](#)
- **Public transport system in Magdeburg:**
 - Trams and busses: MVB App, DB App or
 - **Insa** → INSA - Infos zum Nahverkehr
 - [App Store](#)
 - [Google Play](#)





Use Otto Hotspot in Magdeburg for free Wifi!





2. The Campus

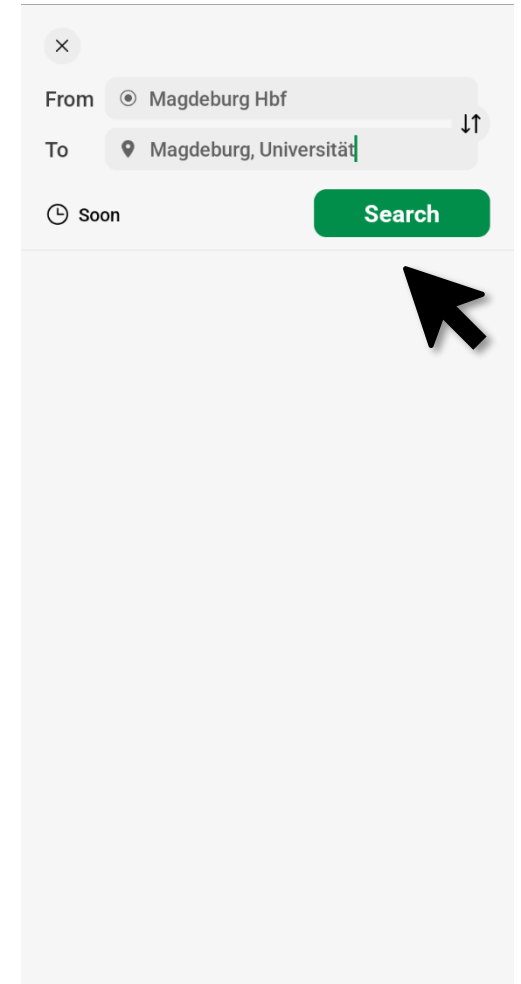
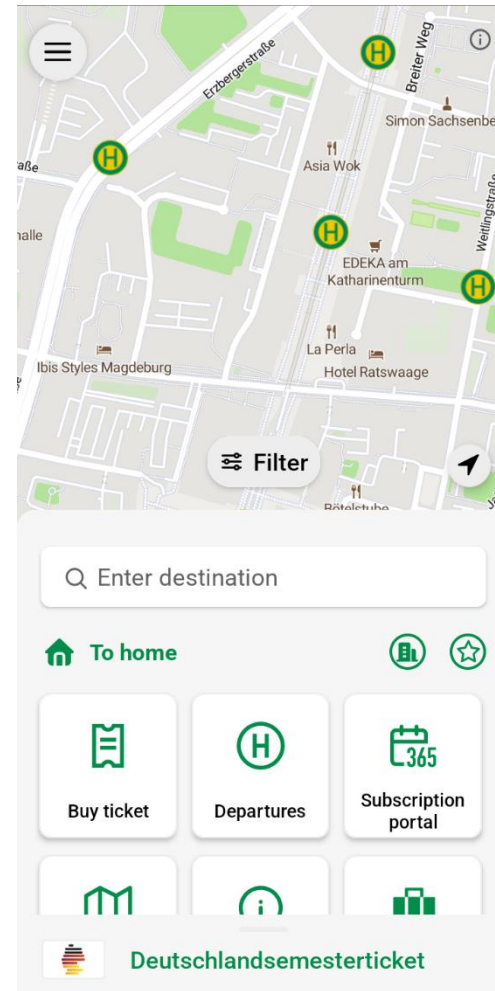
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How to get to OVGU



Start

Hauptbahnhof / Willy-
Brandt-Platz



How to get to OVGU



Stop:

Universität, Universitätsbibliothek or
Listemannstraße

Soon Options

15:51 ⁺⁰ → 15:59 8 min. >
From Magdeburg, Hauptbahnh...

🚊 1 ▶ 🚶 2 min. ▶ 🚊 48
⚠️ Achtung, für diese Verbindung gilt mehr als ein...
🕒 Fahrzeug mit niederflurigem Einstieg geplant

15:53 ⁺¹ → 16:10 ⁺¹ 17 min. >
From Magdeburg, Hauptbahnh...

🚊 9

15:58 ⁺¹ → 16:07 9 min. >
From Magdeburg, Hauptbahnh...

🚊 9 ▶ 🚶 2 min. ▶ 🚊 48

15:57 ⁺² → 16:07 10 min. >
From Magdeburg, Hauptbahnh...

Earlier Later

8 min.

9 min. ✕

Magdeburg, Hauptbahnhof/Willy-Brandt-Platz 15:58 ⁺¹
9 Reform
⚠️ Fahrzeug mit niederflurigem Einstieg geplant

Magdeburg, Verkehrsbetriebe 16:00 ⁺¹

🚶 2 min. walking · 100 m

Magdeburg, Verkehrsbetriebe 16:03
48 Listemannstr.
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Magdeburg, Universitätsplatz 16:07

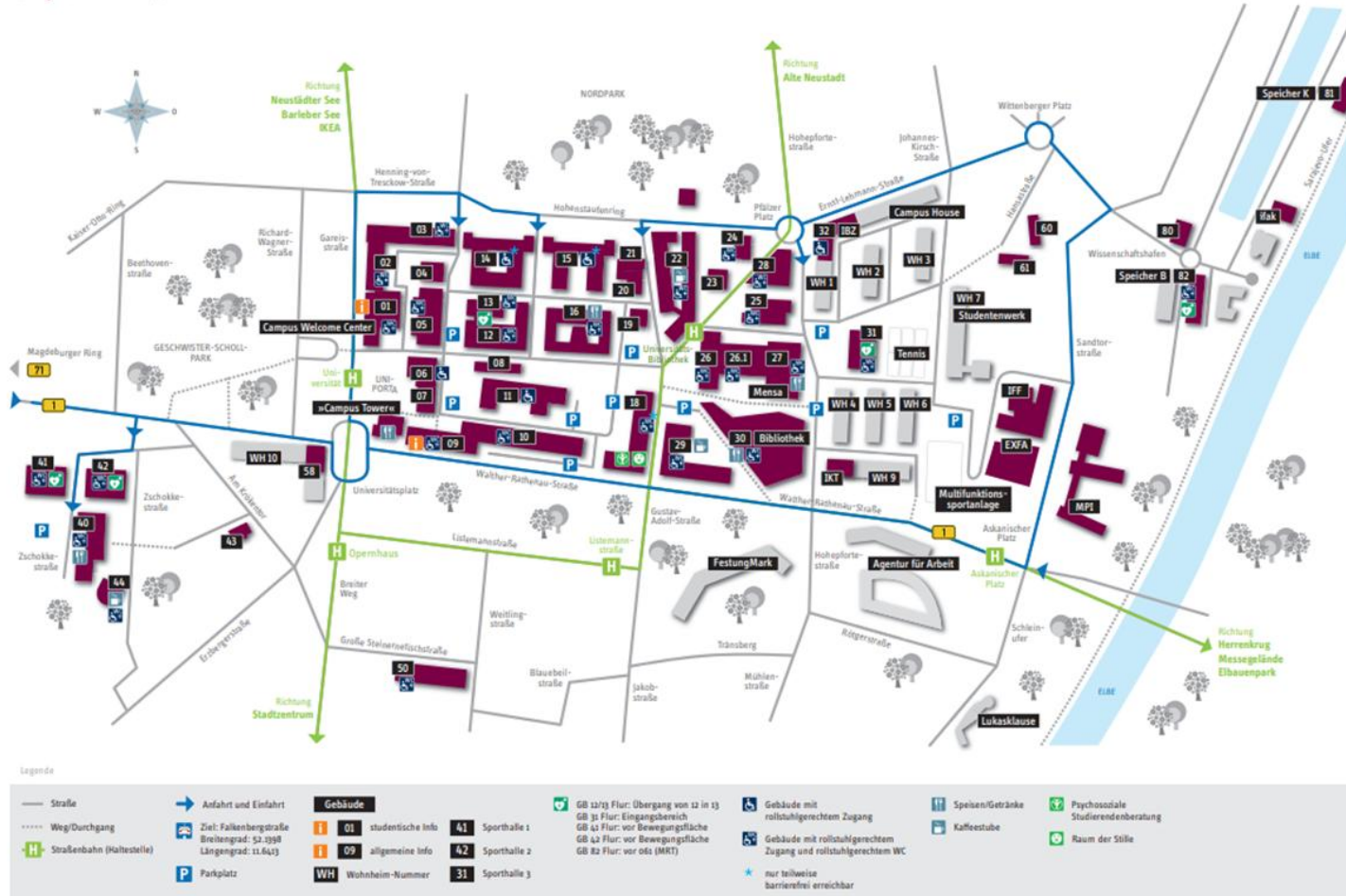
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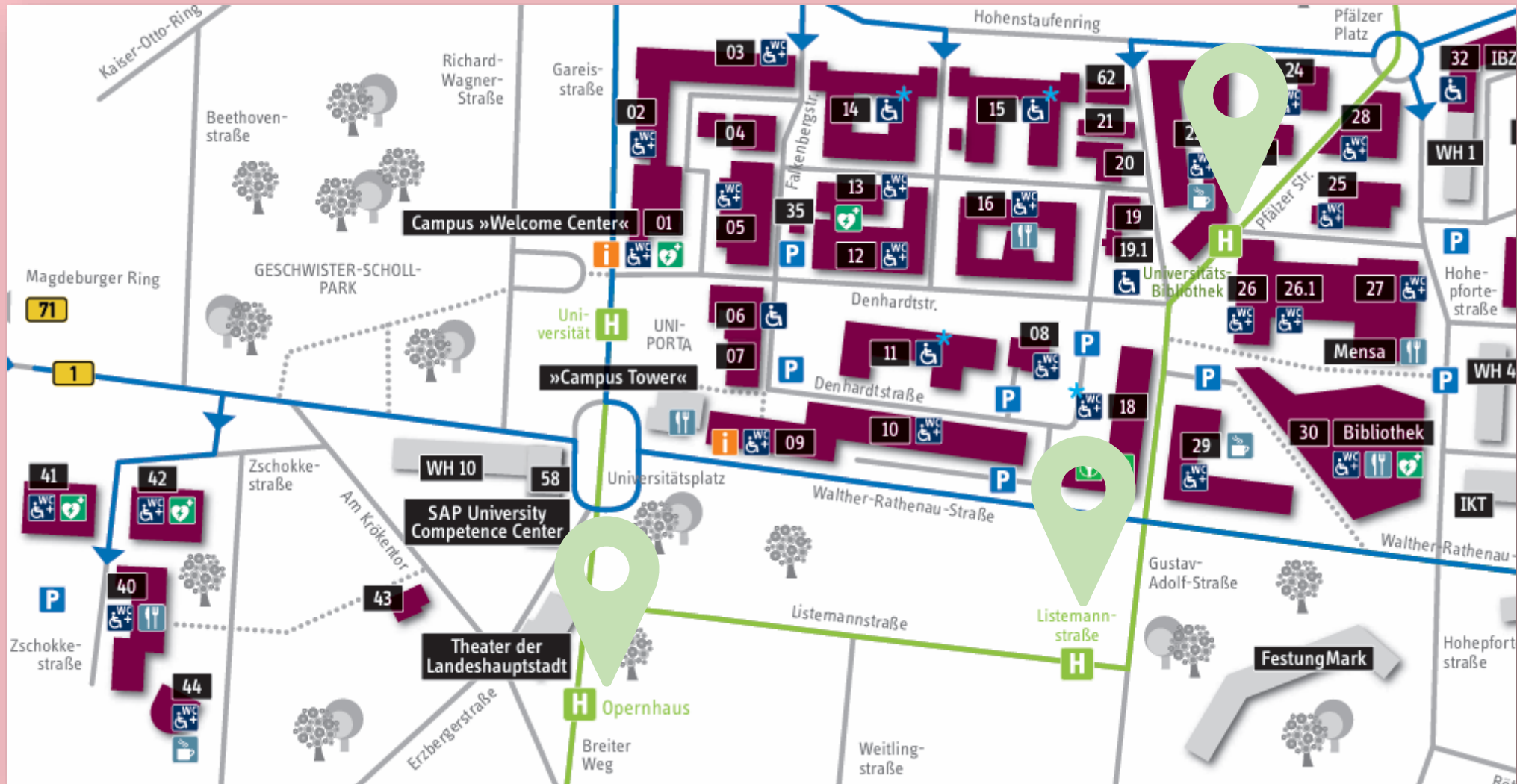
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Campus »Universitätsplatz«



Where to find the Campus Map:

- Welcome Desk at Campus Welcome Center (Building 01)
- Website: [here](#)





2. The Campus

How to get to OVGU | Campus Map | Student ID Validation

How to validate your Student ID

Validation of your student ID each semester:

- **Validation machines** in Building
 - 01, Campus Welcome Center
 - 06, hallway
 - 26, outside auditorium 1
 - 40, entrance B





How to validate your Student ID

Kiosk machines at the Mensa (cafeteria) to top up student IDs
cash or card

Payment for printing & copying on campus

Campus dining & cafeteria costs



Library: Building 30

**Student ID card =
Library card**



**URZ/ IT-Service Point:
Building 26.1**

it-service@ovgu.de



3. Campus Welcome Center

Service Hours | Support Offices

Service Hours

**Central service, information and
advice centre for students**

Opening hours:

Monday – Thursday: 9 AM – 5:00 PM

Friday: 9 AM – 1:30 PM

Fridays in October: 9 AM – 3 PM



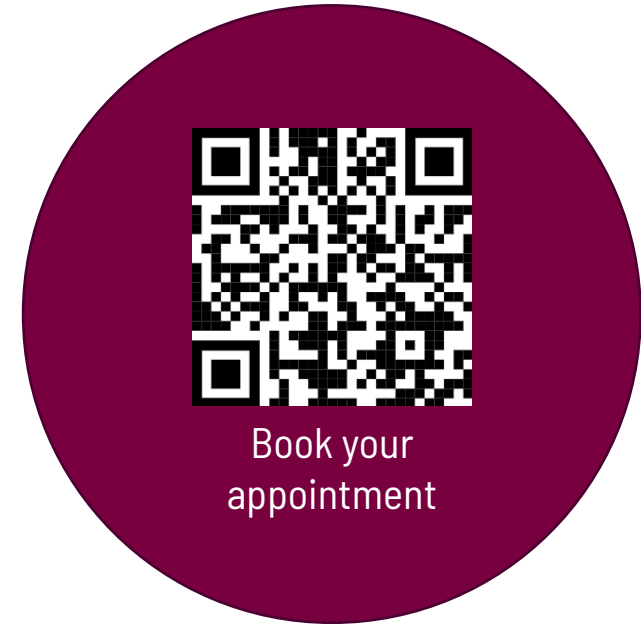
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Service Hours | Support Offices

Where to go?

- **Students' Office**
Application, enrollment, re-registration, leave of absence, re- and de-registration, change of program
- **International Student Advising**
Individual, course-related advice
- **International Office**
Support for international students (e.g., visa, Foreigners' Office) & studies/internships abroad
- **Servicepoint „Examinations“** General advice on all examination-related questions

❖ **Central Platform:** servicecenter.ovgu.de





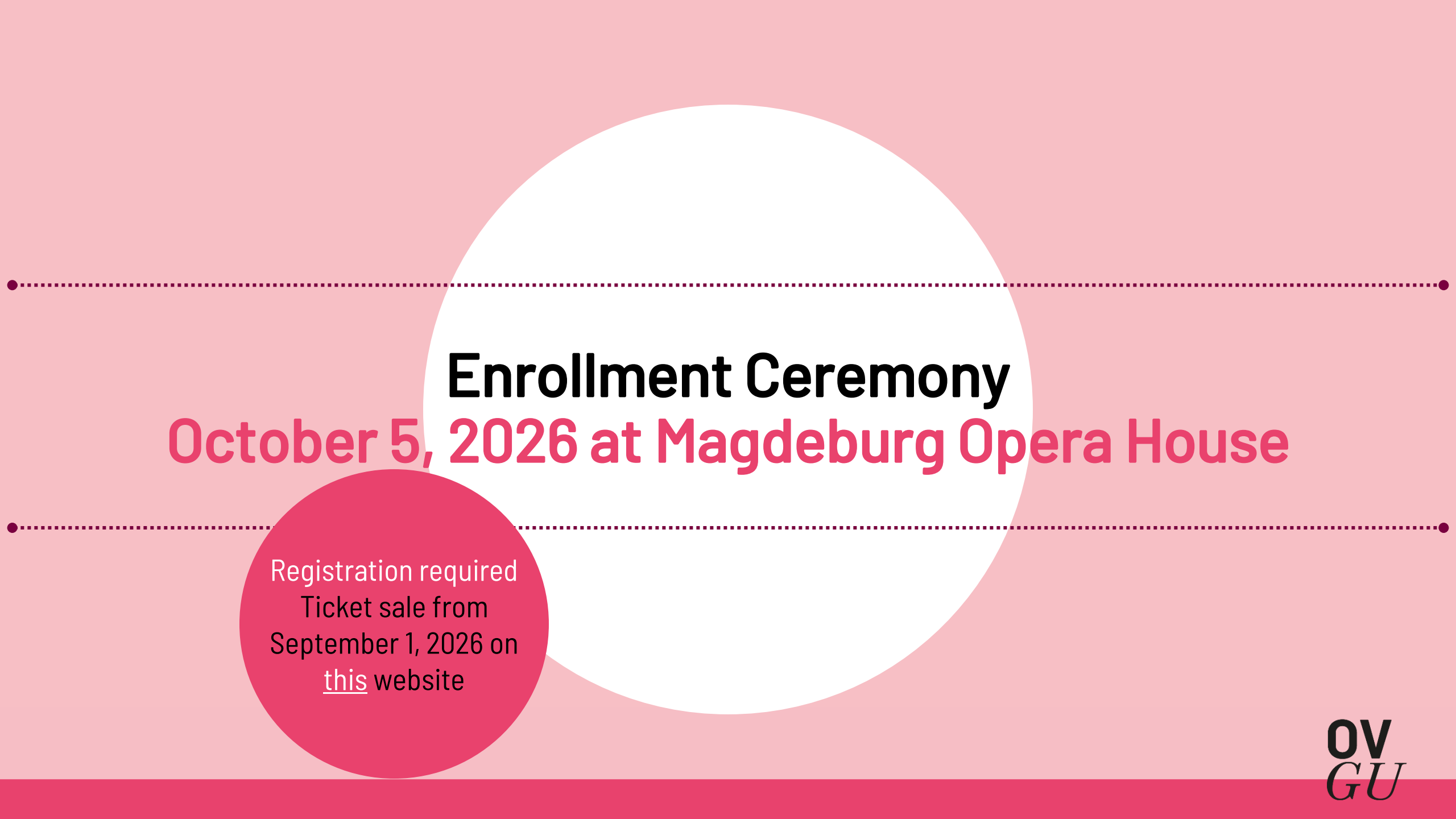
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Introduction Days of the faculties

October 5 – 9, 2026

The final program will
be published
mid-September
on the OVGU website.



Enrollment Ceremony

October 5, 2026 at Magdeburg Opera House

Registration required
Ticket sale from
September 1, 2026 on
[this](#) website

Market of Opportunities

October 8, 2026 in Building 22

Meet more than 50
central institutions,
student councils,
student initiatives,
contact points

More [here](#)

International Welcome Weeks

Monday

12:00 – 2:00 p.m.
3:00 – 5:00 p.m.

28 September 2026

IKUS Office Hours, Location: InterKultiTreff (IKT)
German Language Café, Location: IKT *

Tuesday

10:00 – 11:00 a.m.

29 September 2026

LSF-Workshop HYBRID: Information regarding designing timetables, exam registration etc. (English), Location: G22, room 111 and via Zoom *
Boat tour on the river Elbe, Meeting point: IKT *

Wednesday

2:00 – 4:00 p.m.
6:00 – 10:00 p.m.

30 September 2026

Campus Rallye (English), Meeting point: IKT *
Karaoke Evening, Location: JoGo (behind dorm 7) *

Thursday

12:00 – 2:00 p.m.
2:00 – 5:00 p.m.
7:00 – 11:00 p.m.

01 October 2026

IKUS Office Hours, Location: IKT
Visiting the Elbauenpark and the butterfly house, Meeting point: IKT *
Bar Crawl, Meeting point: IKT *

Friday

11:00 – 12:30 p.m.

02 October 2026

Uni Library Tour & Introduction to the library system, Meeting point: library foyer *

**28 September
– 10 October
2026**

Marked events*:

Registration through
“Welcome to OVGU”
app calendar
required

International Welcome Weeks

Monday

10:00 – 11:00 a.m.

From 10:30

12:00 – 2:00 p.m.

1:30 – 3:00 p.m.

7:00 – 10:00 p.m.

05 October 2026

Information Session "First Steps in Magdeburg" (English),
via Zoom

Official Matriculation Ceremony, Registration via the [OVGU website](#),
Location: Opernhaus

IKUS Office Hours, Location: IKT

Introduction of the Language Centre (SPRZ) of the OVGU,
Location: G40, room 238 at 2:00 p.m., Meeting point: Campus
Welcome Center (building 01) *

IKUS Oktoberfest, Location: Studierendenhaus (building 08) *

Tuesday

10:00 – 11:00 a.m.

12:00 – 2:00 p.m.

1:30 – 4:30 p.m.

06 October 2026

LSF-Workshop: Information regarding designing timetables, exam
registration etc. (English), via Zoom

IKUS Office Hours, Registration and collecting deposit for the Berlin
trip, Location: IKT

Guided City Tour on foot, Meeting point: IKT *

Wednesday

11:00 – 1:00 p.m.

2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

07 October 2026

Welcome Brunch with the International Office & Awarding of the DAAD
prize, Location: Studierendenhaus (building 08)

IKUS Office Hours, Location: IKT

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2026**

Marked events*:

Registration through
"Welcome to OVGU"
app calendar
required

International Welcome Weeks

Thursday

9:00 – 10:00 a.m.

11:00 – 3:00 p.m.

4:15 – 6:00 p.m.

6:00 – 11:00 p.m.

08 October 2026

Information Session "Living in the Dormitories" (English/German),
via Zoom

Market of Opportunities : Introduction of student initiatives, faculties &
central university organisations, Location: building 22

Awarding of the Otto von Guericke scholarship in the Old Town Hall
with a following tour through the town hall, Meeting point: Campus
Welcome Center (building 01) *

Speedfriending with following KICKUS GameNight, Location: IKT *

Friday

12:00 – 2:00 p.m.

1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

3:15 – 3:45 p.m.

09 October 2026

IKUS Office Hours, Location: IKT

City Tour by bus, Meeting point: IKT, End point: Magdeburg
Cathedral *

Organ Concert in the Magdeburg Cathedral *

Saturday

07:15 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

10 October 2026

Berlin Excursion, First come first serve at IKUS office hours on 06
October, deposit: 10 €, collection of deposit during the IKUS office
hours - Please bring the exact amount of money! Journey to Berlin will
be made together, return journey together is optional.

Meeting point: main entrance main station Magdeburg *

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The *Welcome to OVGU* App



- **Welcome Week Registration:** Sign-up for orientation events
- **Upcoming Events:** Calendar for IKUS (Intercultural Students) and other events
- **Information Services:** Special information for international students
- **Campus Plan & Mensa:** Campus map and the daily Mensa menu
- **Important Contacts :** Quick access to key contact details

Download [here](#)



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Accommodation Support



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MAGDEBURG**

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PROBLEMS IN FINDING ACCOMMODATION?

**FROM TUE, 1 SEP 2026:
HOUSING ADVICE FOR
INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS**

**THU, 10 SEP 2026 | 1–3 PM:
WEBINAR: FINDING ACCOMMODATION
AND RECOGNIZING RENTAL SCAMS**

**TUE, 15 SEP | FRI, 2 OCT | TUE, 20 OCT 2026:
WG-SPEEDFRIENDING - FOR STUDENTS
LOOKING FOR FLATMATES**

Accommodation Support

Housing Counselling on campus

- **Period:** 22 Sept – 30 Oct 2026
- **Location:** InterKultiTreff (IKT)
- **Time:** Tuesdays 3 – 6 pm, Fridays 10 am – 1 pm
- **Contact:** housing@studentenwerk-magdeburg.de
- Websites with further information:
 - Housing for International Students (Studentenwerk Magdeburg)
 - Finding Accommodation (International Office)



- **Student dorms**
- Cafeteria ("Mensa")
- Campus Child Care etc.

Consulting:

- Social counselling
- Financial advice
- Psychosocial counselling
- Legal advice

**More
information
here**





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Resident Registration

**Special appointments
at the Citizen's Registration Office:**

28 September – 17 October, 2026

Bürgerbüro Mitte, 
Leiterstr. 2A, 39104 Magdeburg

Appointment booking required:

[Termine.ovgu.de/bb](https://termine.ovgu.de/bb)



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Bank Account Setup

Special services for OVGU students:
**Open a German bank account with
Deutsche Bank (online) or
Sparkasse at Campus Welcome Center**

More information will be announced:

- Pre-arrival newsletter
- „Welcome to OVGU“ app

A photograph of five students in a lecture hall. A Black male student is leaning over a white male student, showing him something on a laptop. A white female student is looking at the laptop, and a red-haired female student is looking at her own laptop. The background shows rows of empty seats.

5. Learning German

OVGU | Other Language Courses

A photograph of three young women walking across a city street. The woman on the left is wearing a tan jacket, a blue skirt, and black boots, carrying a green backpack. The woman in the middle is wearing a white t-shirt, blue jeans with white stripes, and sneakers, carrying a black bag. The woman on the right is wearing a beige hijab, a patterned top, and jeans. They are walking from left to right. In the background, there are modern buildings, trees, and a large mural of a stylized figure. A purple circle is overlaid on the left side of the image, containing the text.

**Learning
German opens
up far more
than just the
classroom!**

It makes
everyday life and
bureaucracy
easier to
navigate!

MENSA
UNICAMPUS

Willkommen in der
FRISCHWERKSTATT

Unser neues Konzept:

- MEHR FRISCHES GEMÜSE
- BIS ZU 2 VEGANE GERICHTE TÄGLICH
- DEUTLICHE REDUZIERUNG DER CONV.
- KEINE FERTIGSOSSEN
- KEINE GESCHMACKSVERSTÄRKER

... und das

Hörsaal 6

It creates
opportunities to
connect with
locals, build
friendships



**It significantly
boosts job
prospects**

Rethinking the world *together.*

Zusammen die Welt *neu denken.*

An aerial photograph of a city, likely Örebro, Sweden, featuring a wide river (Örebro älv) flowing through the center. On the left bank, there are several large, modern white buildings, possibly part of a university or research park. The right bank features a mix of older and newer buildings, including a prominent blue cylindrical structure. A bridge is visible in the distance on the right. The foreground shows modern residential or commercial buildings with flat roofs and solar panels. A large purple circle is overlaid on the left side of the image, containing white text.

**And it also makes
you truly feel at
home**

OVGU Language Center (SPRZ)

Registration (Moodle):

5 Oct (9 AM) – 23 Oct 2026 (6 PM)

→ Be fast!

Course Start:

12 Oct 2026

Placement Test:

Mandatory from level A2 onwards

**More Information
[here](#)**

International Career Service (ICS)

Part 1 (Aug)

Intensive course
(Levels A1 to B2 ; e.g. A1.1.)

Part 2 (Winter Semester)

Continuous follow-up course
(e.g. A1.2.)

**Maybe next
summer?**

**More Information
[here](#)**

Sprachcafé Deutsch (Language Café)

Practice Speaking

Weekly with native speakers and other international students

Dates & Info

Check the „Welcome to OVGU“ app
and the calendar

More Information
[here](#)

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University of Applied Science (H2)

Levels A1 – B2

Placement test:

October 9, 2026

Mandatory from level A2 onwards

[Click](#) for dates & info

Registration & contact: daf@h2.de

Other language courses

Language
schools in
Magdeburg

Adult Education Center
(VHS)
Berlitz

Online

Websites: Vhs learning
portal, Goethe-Institut,
Deutsche Welle

Apps: Language apps like
Babbel, Duolingo, Lingoda

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6. Campus Life

Sports | Student Initiatives | Events

Sports Center

The background of the slide is a photograph of a modern building facade. On the right side, there is a large, stylized yellow number '3' above the word 'HALLE' in grey, three-dimensional capital letters. The building has orange and grey panels and large windows. A dotted horizontal line is positioned below the main title.

**Join the sports courses of the
Sports Center!**

Check courses offered in winter
semester - visible from October 8

**Registrations start on October 15
at 9 a.m. via website**

You need your student mail
address and IBAN
(German/European bank account)

Be fast!

**Courses start on
October 19 –
January 31, 2027**

Sports Center

Student Health Management:

(online) Workshops, e.g., stress management, self-regulation

Learn swimming with Schwimm Kultur

includes workshops, strengthens well-being, make new friends

Register on SP0Z website



Sports Center

Recommendations of the SPOZ:

Health Coaching

Physical activity, coaching, back health, endurance and self-directed training

Yoga Hatha

Online

CampusFIT

Gym

Team sports

Cricket, soccer, basketball, volleyball

Register on SPOZ website

You have experience in sports? Become an instructor!

Earn some money, offer classes / new sports

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Student Initiatives

Examples

Meet them at the
Market of
Opportunities on
October 8



Acagemics

Student Game
Developer Club

FlaR e.V.

Group rides, rad
camps, cycling

Love
Foundation

AIESEC

UMD Racing

Formula Student
Team

IKUS

Intercultural
Students

Students for
Climate Justice

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Events



Welcome Brunch with
International Office October 7
Festival of Cultures at Festung
Mark every 2nd year (2027)

Further events on campus:

Market of opportunities in winter,
Career pitches and fairs, Winter
market, faculty parties

**Events of the
International
Office**

**Thank you
for your attention!**

**Do you have
any questions?**



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Safe travel and see you soon on campus!