Studying and living in Würzburg
It’s fun making a career
You’re more than just welcome!

“Studying and living in Würzburg” invites you to browse the opportunities. The brochure lists good reasons for studying at one of the three Würzburg universities: the Julius-Maximilians University, the University of Applied Sciences, and the University of Music. It also highlights the attractions which make the City of Würzburg the perfect place to live and enjoy life. And there are truly many of them: magnificent castles and cool clubs, Franconian wine and festivals.

We are looking forward to welcoming you soon - as a new Würzburg resident. „Studying and living in Würzburg” is meant to make your choice a little easier.
Where is my quarter?

Würzburg’s quarters enfold the historic city center like a wreath. Those who want to live next to their college of study, should move right into the respective quarter. Each one of them has its very unique character!

**Historic city center** – Old and New University, the main FHWS (University of Applied Sciences Würzburg-Schweinfurt) building and the University of Music can be reached on foot. Because of its shape, the pentagonal medieval city center is named bishop’s hat and branches out in a maze of winding alleys.

**Grombühl** – Students of many faculties just love the doctors’ quarters at the university hospital. Situated behind the train station, the streets flanked with neo-renaissance style buildings create a world of their own.

**Zellerau** – The extensive former working-class neighborhood with the new green center has become the flatshare address. Downtown can be easily reached on foot.

**Heuchelhof** – The former commuter town is experiencing a thrilling social development. The multicultural quarter has excellent streetcar connections to the city center.

**Sanderau** – The old garden city right at the river Main is just a stone’s throw away from the New University, the main FHWS building and the university canteen.

**Frauenland** – Large apartment buildings mingle with single-family homes. In some places, these finer homes border the Hubland campus.

**Gerbrunn** – The independent municipality behind the North Campus still has some of that typical village character.

**Heimgarten** – The undiscovered urban district! The grand opening of the university’s North Campus will soon make this colorful and diverse settlement the center of student life.
A city to study. A city to live.

Studying in Würzburg means living right in the middle of Germany. The city is situated so favorably along railway and motorway junctions that you just can’t miss it. With its 127,000 inhabitants it is large enough to offer everything a student needs for living. Yet it remains small enough to provide everything within reach.

A city on the move

If you want to go from point A to point B, public transportation has the right of way. Streetcars and buses comply with the needs of the residents - and especially with those of the students. An example? When it was clear that a new campus would be built, the city fathers included plans for a new streetcar line to the new quarter.

A special treat is the semester ticket! It allows the students to explore the region by bus, streetcar or train at reduced prices. The city subsidizes the semester ticket - and welcomes students with a special gift. Anyone who registers their residence in Würzburg is granted a financial contribution to the semester ticket.

The wheels are turning!
Although the direct route from downtown up to the Hubland Campus is fairly steep, many students in Würzburg tackle it with their bikes. The main bicycle path runs up and down by the river - level, paved and impossible to miss even beyond the city limits. Not everyone, however, cycles along only for the fun of it. This bicycle path is so well-developed that many pedal along on their daily way to work.

Cycling along
Christin Czarnecki from Erfurt, biology student at the university and future elementary school teacher:

"The low-priced semester ticket gives us students a financial break - although after two years in Munich I can say: Würzburg really is a rather inexpensive city. Especially in summer. I don’t really make use of the ÖPNV streetcar and bus connections because in Würzburg I can reach nearly everything by bike. I even tackle the challenging path up to the Hubland Campus - just like many of my fellow students - every day."

How do I become a Würzburg resident?

When you start studying, you’re quickly overwhelmed with organizational items. The employees at the Würzburg town hall know that well. That’s why the city’s administration wants to make it as easy as possible for all those moving here. At the town hall citizens’ office, the „Bürgerbüro“, the most important errands can therefore be accomplished in one visit. The citizens’ office registers not only the newcomers but also their cars; it takes care of passport matters, runs a lost-and-found and much more. And the citizens’ office is available in digital ways, too. The website of the City of Würzburg provides a listing of documents the town hall visitors should take along for their requests. To avoid waiting in line, you can also schedule your appointment online, www.wuerzburg.de/buergerbuero.

Primary Residence campaign

Studying at one of the three Würzburg universities and moving one’s primary residence to Würzburg means cash in hand: the city contributes 30 Euros to the semester ticket for all newly arrived students for two entire semesters. In addition, students receive a coupon booklet with many discounts and free entrances worth over 100 Euros.

Students make a change
Jonas Selzer from Furtth, musicology student:

"Würzburg’s positive image is strongly based on its history and location in between vineyards. But there’s nothing old fashioned about it. Not for us students, that’s for sure. Of course, if you have your roots here, you live with the traditions you grew up with. I think it’s very much thanks to you that Würzburg is so flexible. Actually, I wanted to study in Berlin but here in Würzburg the musicology study program has a better reputation. And the Alps are a lot closer. Why? Well, I’m a passionate snowboarder."

First: Registering your residence at the Würzburg city office.

Town Hall, Rückermainstraße 2, 97070 Würzburg
Phone +49 (0) 9 31 37 20 00
Monday and Wednesday 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Tuesday 8 a.m. to noon and 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.
Thursday 8 a.m. to noon and 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.
Friday 8 a.m. to noon
www.wuerzburg.de/buergerbuero

Second: Department for „Staatsangehörigkeits- und Ausländerangelegenheiten“ (nationality issues and foreigners affairs).

Phone +49 (0) 9 31 37 22 73
+49 (0) 9 31 37 24 46
+49 (0) 9 31 37 24 61
+49 (0) 9 31 37 27 67

How to get your appointment. Find more information on the necessary documents.

Telephone hours:
Monday and Wednesday from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.
Tuesday and Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to noon
Phone +49 (0) 9 31 37 22 73
Room for rent - where do I look?
Daily newspaper Main-Post advertises rentals on Wednesdays and Saturdays. Another great way to find your new home is through internet portals such as [www.wuewouas.de](http://www.wuewouas.de) or the online room & apartment market [www.wg-gesucht.de](http://www.wg-gesucht.de). Freshmen should read the rental offers pinned to the black boards as early as during their first visit to their future university. The „Mitwohnzentrale” roommate service provides free rooms even on short notice, for a finder’s fee.

**Students with children**
University: Of course it is possible to be a student and still have a family. That’s why the university has established a family service which helps the students organize their studies all around their child and assists them in examination matters. The family service also offers qualified child care for toddlers starting at two months of age at the university-owned Infant and Toddler Daycare, and for school children all-day on-campus events during vacation time. For more information on university offers for child care and counseling, useful tips and addresses, go to [www.familienservice.uni-wuerzburg.de](http://www.familienservice.uni-wuerzburg.de).

Studentenwerk Würzburg: It’s another helper in organizational and financial matters and assists even as early as during pregnancy. For toddlers ten months and older, they provide qualified day care. The „Elternverein Studenten- sche Kinderkrippe Würzburg e.V.” parents association has been offering child care for many years. The child care concept has been designed especially for studying parents.
For information on day care, go to [www.kinderkrippe-wuerzburg.de](http://www.kinderkrippe-wuerzburg.de), for information on studying with children, see also [www.studentenwerk-wuerzburg.de](http://www.studentenwerk-wuerzburg.de).

**Getting around made easy**
Christopher Brandt (picture) from Bad Kissingen, functional materials technology student, university:
„It wasn’t exactly easy to find an apartment for three. But eventually we did. The Heuchelhof district is not as bad as its reputation. As a matter of fact, I really like it there and you have nature all around you. All of Würzburg is great, really - it offers all you need and you find your way around quickly. No getting lost for the first six months. Würzburg doesn’t overwhelm you when you first move here. Even if my study program had been offered in other cities, I would have chosen Würzburg.”

**For every taste**
Bernhard Löfler from Lörrach, medical student, university:
„If you’re lucky, you’ll find a beautifully renovated apartment in one of the city’s old buildings - superior standard in the Sanderau quarter, more down-to-earth in Grombühl. I live in the old railway quarter because it’s extremely comfortable for me: just five minutes to the university hospital. For no more than 200 to 300 Euros, all extras included, you can really find a decent place to live. I know many who were assigned to Würzburg University by the ZVS (the Central Office for the Allocation of Study Places) and tried hard to exchange their admittance with another student. But in the end they stayed because they had learned to appreciate the advantages Würzburg offers.”

**Dormitories and private homes**
The best way to live at low cost and still close to university is in one of the dormitories run by the Studentenwerk Würzburg. They are the perfect place to meet people and make new contacts. You should apply well ahead of time because the rooms are assigned through waiting lists.
wohnen@studentenwerk-wuerzburg.de
[www.studentenwerk-wuerzburg.de](http://www.studentenwerk-wuerzburg.de)

Living: home for many semesters
„Distinct and unique”, an art student defines the Würzburg apartment complexes. From the mammoth apartment-sharing project in the Zellerau to the in-law apartment in the bosky Steinbachtal - you find what you’re looking for. Chances are good that you will find the home that suits your tastes. If you have special wishes you might, however, have to look around a bit longer - if you’re bringing along a larger pet, for example, or if you want to share the apartment with five other men. And the many surrounding urban communities embracing Würzburg also offer more than a handful of interesting objects.

**Accommodation office**
If you are looking for a shared apartment or an apartment for rent or short-term let, you can find it online:
[www.studentenwerk-wuerzburg.de/wohnen/privatzimmervermittlung](http://www.studentenwerk-wuerzburg.de/wohnen/privatzimmervermittlung)
Student spokes council: Am Hubland, canteen, room 104.
Monday to Thursday 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Friday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
[www.stuv.uni-wuerzburg.de](http://www.stuv.uni-wuerzburg.de)

**Tutors United**
„We, too, enjoy living in the dormitory and take personal care of the freshmen. We are always available for help and advice. We organize a lot of different events for all those who live here and definitely have a lot of fun together."
The river Main winds right through Würzburg and vineyards stretch to the borders of the historic city center. This idyllic location is ornamented with world famous heritage buildings and monuments: castle, cathedral and the late baroque residence palace. How can a rich cultural life not flourish in such an exquisite environment? As a matter of fact, culture here has a particularly congenial character since the official and the „sub“ culture merge in many interfaces. Ambitious and high-caliber but relaxed - that’s the Würzburg culture makers. Würzburg is not adverse to new ways.

Welcome to participate

The climate is favorable: Small theater groups, rock and pop and Indies clubs, poetry and songwriter slams take their audiences along on their creative journeys. You can even play along! Those who move to Würzburg and want to „do“ something will find like-minded at the universities, in the scene. There are initiatives for rehearsal rooms, beginner courses for improv theater, youth centers, art and media projects.

Culture beyond all borders

Music for the small wallet

A full festival calendar makes for an entertaining year. Summer is particularly low priced when the giant „Umsonst & Draußen“ - outdoors and free for all - music party opens its doors. The Würzburg Africa and Streetmusic Festivals are the largest of their kind in Europe, and for all the classic fans with small wallets the annual Mozart Festival schedules two open air concerts. Future talents of art music can be listened to several times a week at the University of Music.

Good ideas

Dramas, operas and ballets - the Mainfranken Theater is the only stage area between Frankfurt and Nuremberg to offer this trinity. To involve the young in their innovative repertoire, the theater runs action weeks at the beginning of each semester: students get the left over tickets for free! But even the standard student discount makes the tickets totally affordable.

Students everywhere

Franziska Schäffner from Forchheim, music education student (Gymnasium), University of Music: „Würzburg is a university city and you can see that during the day as well as at night when you go out. The Africa Festival, for example, is always crammed with young people because you come into contact with a culture you usually don’t find in your neighborhood. The University of Music with its many concerts attracts not only the regular audience but also a lot of fans from the outside. And the opera tickets at the Mainfranken Theater are so well-priced that even students can afford the entrance fee."

A horn of plenty

Cornelius Lange from Schweinfurt, art history student, university: „When it comes to culture, Würzburg is a fantastic city. Here you can study original works of art from the Early Middle Ages to the present day - and the Classical Antiques Collection at the Martin von Wagner museum is a real masterstroke for archeology students. I know a lot of people who absolutely want to move to Hamburg or Berlin. For me, a city doesn’t have to be bigger than Würzburg. All you have to do is look around a bit to find out that the city offers a variety of clubs and in-places."

Intellectual and inspiring


Festivals: Internationales Filmwochenende (International Film Weekend, March/April) – Tage der Neuen Musik (Days of New Music, May) – Africa Festival (May/June) – Mozartfestival (June) – Umsonst&Draußen (Outdoors and Free For All, June) – Ringparkfest (August) – Straßenmusikfestival (Street Music Festival, September) – Jazzfestival (October) – Bachdays (Bach Days, November).
Leisure time: have fun! The city is yours

Studies, commitment and career have their very own space and development in Würzburg. But this universe would be too narrow if it wouldn’t expand with parties, fun and city life. And that’s exactly what Würzburg offers because every fourth or fifth inhabitant is a student. Such a significant contingent of people involved in university environments characterizes the streetscape and makes Würzburg a very young city.

Night life
Würzburg offers more than just one entertainment scene for night owls. The road between Old University and University of Applied Sciences is lined with cafés and pubs, one fancier than the other. Also very popular is the strip from the Karmelitenstraße to the Juliuspromenade with its many snack and wine bars. The Market and New Harbor areas remain live and busy until late into the night.

And then, of course, there are the Würzburg discotheques which really leave nothing to be desired. You can see it in their furnishing and equipment; you can hear it from the guest DJs from all over the world. At the beginning of the semester, you can get to know it all in one go: with buses that run every 30 minutes for one whole night at the oldest German Shuttle Party.

Summertime
When summer comes, the city opens on both river sides. Beer gardens offer the best views on the Main. Anyone longing for beach and sun can enjoy the ambulant sandy beach that heaps up along the river in the city every year. There is a reason for the flourishing life along the Main: besides the sunny city of Freiburg, Würzburg is one of the warmest places in Germany.

A sport for everyone
Sports fans agree: „Würzburg is pie-in-the-sky!“ Those who know, rave about the „great public outdoor pools at affordable prices“. Others go into rhapsodies about the running and skating paths along the Main. Many soccer fields are independent of clubs, and the Sports University offers all kinds of sports: committed to „sports for all“, the university invites students of all Würzburg universities to its facilities and, of course, to its variety of physical activities. From water polo to power Frisbee - you find your niche. And you will also find out that the entrance fee is very attractive for students.

Unbeatable prices
Mark Tschech from Nuremberg, economic sciences student, FHWS: „I’ve always liked this city with its fortress and palace and its location along the river - even as a child. Now I moved here and am really completely satisfied. The prices are absolutely unbeatable. It doesn’t matter where I go out at night - I always meet somebody I know. In the large discos of my hometown Nuremberg you have to go to a group if you want to have company - and more often than not you lose them in the crowd.“

Bundled
Thomas Schramm from Wolfratshausen, informatics student, FHWS: „In most of the pubs downtown you can sit and drink your cocktail with great comfort. Of the in-bars, three have a Caribbean flair which I think is terrific, and a friendly family atmosphere, which is totally different from Munich. But I didn’t come here for the night life. I moved here because the whole city is strikingly beautiful. And everything is bundled in the city center! True, you might not have as many stores to choose from but there really isn’t anything I miss.“

FreeTimeFun
Shopping: Large retailers and chain stores in the Domstraße - Schönbornstraße - Juliuspromenade - Schönbornstraße pedestrian zone. A large number of specialized shops and boutiques with fancy and inventive products all over downtown. Giant furniture stores and fashion outlets all around Würzburg.

Movie theaters: Central, Hofstraße – Cinemaxx, Veitshöchheimer Straße – Cineworld at the Mainfrankenpark in Dettelbach – Casablanca, Wagstraße in Ochsenfurt.

Education: Universities and Campuses

The three universities have been shaping and molding the educational landscape in Würzburg. Many other institutions and schools directly and indirectly support the students because they offer internships and may even be the students’ future employers.

Companies in the University City
Architects from the University of Applied Sciences shape the looks of the city. Present and past students of the University of Music design the concert life. Doctors and lawyers settle in the university environment.

A further essential strand in this relationship is the economy. International enterprises such as Koenig & Bauer take the students on as interns - and frequently keep them as employees after they have graduated. Great addresses for computer specialists are Garmin Würzburg and Intedis; and the internships at Mainpost, E.ON and the Würzburger Versorgungs- und Verkehrs-Gesellschaft are very popular. MBAs get jobs at banks, and experiences in social fields can be gained at institutions such as the Bürgerspital. The largest employer, however, is the university itself.

Julius-Maximilians-University: Abroad but at home
International students are more than welcome at the University of Würzburg! You study at a university rich in tradition which was founded as early as in 1402.

First contact for the foreign student is the International Office: It organizes the exchange programs and manages the applications and the admittance of students from all over the world. The staff at the International Office not only assists the students in their academic development, but helps them establish social contacts as well. All students should feel at home in Würzburg - just like exchange student David from Columbia: “I really like the city. It’s small, true, but so charming. Würzburg offers everything for a thriving university life: you can do sports or relax along the Main or go to the university library and study in absolute silence. All you need is right here. And the city is so very green. One thing I like best: The students you meet here are so different. You get to know people from all over the world. This is really priceless.”

University of Applied Sciences Würzburg - Schweinfurt: The polytechnicians of today
For the University of Applied Sciences Würzburg-Schweinfurt, the international students are an important component of university culture. For this reason, the university cultivates 70 partnerships worldwide and provides the foreign students with a variety of offers at the Würzburg site. The exchange students are assisted by tutors who help them choose their courses, deal with public authorities and cope with the minor and major difficulties that arise during their studies. Furthermore, the Akademische Auslandsamt - the Academic International Office - makes sure that the students get all the support they need. International and German students are brought together through excursions, company visits and leisure activities so that life outside of the university can develop and thrive as well.

Würzburg University of Music: Art education has tradition
The world of music has always been an international exchange market. Now encounters and diversity are attributes and basis to any artistic development. With currently more than 55 partner universities, the Würzburg University of Music is well networked. The International Office coordinates and supports the students on their way to and from foreign countries to make sure that these extraordinary educational stopovers become successful milestones along their career paths. Many instructors lecture in different languages which makes it easier for the students from over 40 nations to settle in and follow the lessons with ease. This has been a long and successful tradition at the oldest institute for music education in Germany.
These subjects can be studied at the University of Würzburg:

**Language, culture, media**
- Egyptology
- Old World
- Ancient Oriental Studies
- English and American Studies
- Digital Humanities
- Ethics
- European Ethnology/Folklore
- French
- Geography
- German Studies
- History
- Greek Philology
- Indology/South Asian Studies
- Italian
- Classical Archeology
- Art History
- Latin Philology
- Media Communication
- Musicology
- Philosophy
- Philosophy and Religion
- Russian Language and Culture
- Spanish
- Comparative Indo-Germanic Linguistics
- Prehistoric and Protohistoric Archeology

**Engineering science**
- Aerospace Informatics
- Nanostructure Technology
- Functional Materials

**Mathematics and informatics**
- Computational Mathematics
- Informatics
- Mathematics
- Mathematical Physics
- Business Informatics
- Econometrics

**Natural sciences**
- Biology
- Biochemistry
- Biomedicine
- Biomedical Medicine (minor)
- Experimental Medicine (minor)
- Business Informatics
- Dentistry
- Clinical Research and Epidemiology (minor)

**Life sciences**
- Biology
- Biochemistry
- Biomedicine
- Biomedical Medicine (minor)
- Experimental Medicine (minor)
- Medicine
- Pharmacy
- Dentistry
- Clinical Research and Epidemiology (minor)

**Law and business**
- European Law (postgraduate supplementary studies)
- Civil Law
- Jurisprudence for foreign law graduates
- Business Informatics
- Econometrics

**Master degree programs at the University of Würzburg**
- Egyptology
- Ancient Oriental Studies
- Applied Human Geography
- Applied Physical Geography, Change and Protection of Geosystems
- English and American Studies
- Educational Science
- Biochemistry
- Biomedicine
- Technical University of Business Administration (MBA postgraduate program)

**Education and society**
- Protestant Theology
- Catholic Theology
- Art Education
- Political Science
- Business Administration
Open-minded, innovative, strong in tradition

University library: open till midnight
Judith Pasquay (picture), student, at the Würzburg university library:
At the Würzburg library, more than three million media are waiting for all those who are eager for knowledge. Books, magazines and newspapers on paper or in electronic format plus CDs and DVDs. Students can also access the library offer online with their university password. Student Judith Pasquay truly appreciates that option. She says the book scanner is really fantastic: you can scan newspaper articles and book sections, save them on a flash drive and take them home. „That’s a great solution when you need books that are highly valued and impossible to borrow“, says Judith Pasquay. The library hours are really great, too: open until midnight during the week and until 10 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays.

Career Service: Something for everyone
Eva Hütter (picture), Business Management:
„I think that all students at the Würzburg University should pay regular visits to the Career Service pages. Personally, I found quite a few offers that were very useful for my studies and my later professional career. The seminar on how to deliver perfect presentations was absolutely terrific. We had to prepare a short Power Point presentation and then deliver it in front of a group while we were being filmed. After the presentation, we all watched the spot. You wouldn’t believe the moves and gestures you use without ever being aware of them. We went through the individual presentations step by step and our media skills had really improved a lot when we met for the second part of the seminar. By the way, the Career Service also runs a job exchange. So if you’re looking for an internship, apprenticeship or a job after graduation, try the job exchange and browse through the offers sorted according to study programs. And if you find something, the Career Service people also help you compile your application documents - and all this free of any cost.“
www.career-service.uni-wuerzburg.de

WueCampus: The information platform for students
Franziska Velmuth (picture), medical student:
„We medical students are really grateful for the WueCampus platform. If I look back at how things were handled before: before WueCampus, each hospital had its own website and if you wanted to know whether a certain seminar took place or not you had to search that specific page. WueCampus has centralized matters and collects all information on all courses and posts the current changes in the news forum. WueCampus also adds value to the study programs themselves: I find scripts and overheads on all lectures and in their Case Train I can even practice my knowledge on virtual patients. It’s really awesome when you’re told that a certain exam or cure you wanted to prescribe is classified as actually „not target-oriented“ and „an unnecessary cost factor“. WueCampus is the e-learning platform of the University of Würzburg. The instructors at the faculties usually post their scripts, overheads, practice sheets and solutions to specific problems. The students are invited to discuss their matters in a forum. They also find announcements and current information. Some faculties even provide mandatory courses on the WueCampus platform and the participants are asked to work out the solutions online.“

Sports activities at the university: Take your pick
David Wyrwas (picture) appreciates the large offer of activities at the university sports center. He likes playing handball and has tested his basketball skills. But that’s far from all: apparatus gymnastics, dancing, swimming, soccer are just a few of the items on David’s to-try-list. The special needs pedagogy student has selected sports as his major teaching subject and so gets in touch with a lot of different types of sports. That’s why he’s so grateful about the large portfolio at the university sports center. „The choice of university sports is enormous.“ Karate and Capoeira, badminton and ballet, futsal and tennis, juggling and mountain climbing - that and more the students can sign up for. And David has two tips for all those who prefer doing sports away from university: „Go running in the vineyards around Würzburg or skate downriver on that marvelous inline path paved along the Main.“

Computer center: Impossible without it
Madeleine Grund (picture), future Gymnastics teacher, is studying mathematics and informatics in her 6th semester:
„It’s a mystery to me how studying was possible before the offers of the computer center. First of all, the center provides WLAN to the entire university. If I want to, I can go online even during lessons and look at the overheads from close up. Or the CIP pools you have at hand in every institute: you have unlimited access to computers, scanners, printers and they run the software programs I need. For me that would be Mathematica - a program I frequently use in didactics, especially when it comes to plotting function graphs and calculating integrals. If you need somebody to teach you the use of specific programs, the guys at the computer center assist you. They offer a lot of courses and training seminars. And by the way, these courses are included in the tuition fee and therefore free of any extra charge. The computer center definitely makes studying a lot easier."

Student advisory service: Always ready to assist and advise
Katharina Grosspitsch (picture) is happy with the efficiency of the „Studienberatung“, the student advisory service. For the student advisors, Katharina Grosspitsch was anything but an everyday case: she had already successfully completed her first state examination in elementary school teaching and now wanted to add on a supplementary subject. Is that possible? And how do I do it? And what kind of subjects is the University of Würzburg offering? - that’s what she wanted to know. And on a day when almost the entire student advisory team was home ill and just one advisor in to help. That one person, however, gave her very best: „She spent so much time to help me and gathered information from everywhere“. said Katharina Grosspitsch. In no time at all, the advisor had found out what subjects offered by the University of Würzburg would suit my case. Katharina Grosspitsch finally decided to go for English. „The advisor could even tell me what kind of performance records I had to achieve“, she said. She even took the time to explain in detail how to enroll and Katharina left the office more than satisfied.
Well-prepared thanks to mock lessons

Frank Wenzel (picture), future Gymnasium teacher for biology and chemistry:

“I decided in favor of Würzburg because that’s where my subjects enjoy an excellent reputation. This manifests itself throughout your studies: scientific training is very good; just as good as the training in technical didactics. In biology, we are offered a lot of seminars that contribute very much to lesson preparation. For example, we work out mock lessons in small groups which we can use for our own preparations later on. It’s also very helpful when you have to teach during your regular internships. How the lesson actually went we find out later on in the follow-up meeting. And the video analysis provides a real-time view of your behavior in class.”

Of course Würzburg offers much more than a teaching degree for upper secondary schools like the German Gymnasium. If you rather teach at another type of school or are interested in special needs pedagogy you can be sure that the University of Würzburg offers the perfect study package. When it comes to special needs pedagogy, the university provides as many as five disciplines: pedagogy for persons with learning difficulties, speech-orthopedagogy, pedagogy for the mentally and physically disabled and pedagogy for persons with behavioral disorder.

Physics - from quantum worlds to galaxies

Johannes Tran-Gia (picture), physics student:

“Why has he decided to study physics at the University of Würzburg? The institute provides a wide variety of offers all around physics but has succeeded to keep the sheer volume of it at a manageable level”, he says. Plus, the professors have a good reputation and the lecturers are really nice. What he also liked were the many partnerships the faculty has in the USA, in England, France or Japan. As a matter of fact, he took advantage of the physicists’ contacts to go to Edinburgh for a year and came back a Master.

Many tutorials

Lara Wilczek (picture), medical student:

„Würzburg is beautiful - just as beautiful as my hometown Regensburg. They have great bars and a lot of cafes, so many cultural events and treasures, and I really like the vineyards all around. And I can reach everything by bike. What impresses me most about university life in Würzburg: the city really cares about its students. Many subjects are accompanied by tutorials, everybody is trying to help, and you’re never without support. I think Würzburg works just fine for us students.”

Law rocks

Simon Hembt (picture), law student:

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Physics - from quantum worlds to galaxies

Johannes Tran-Gia (picture), physics student:

“Why has he decided to study physics at the University of Würzburg? The institute provides a wide variety of offers all around physics but has succeeded to keep the sheer volume of it at a manageable level”, he says. Plus, the professors have a good reputation and the lecturers are really nice. What he also liked were the many partnerships the faculty has in the USA, in England, France or Japan. As a matter of fact, he took advantage of the physicists’ contacts to go to Edinburgh for a year and came back a Master.

Many tutorials

Lara Wilczek (picture), medical student:

„Würzburg is beautiful - just as beautiful as my hometown Regensburg. They have great bars and a lot of cafes, so many cultural events and treasures, and I really like the vineyards all around. And I can reach everything by bike. What impresses me most about university life in Würzburg: the city really cares about its students. Many subjects are accompanied by tutorials, everybody is trying to help, and you’re never without support. I think Würzburg works just fine for us students.”

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University of Applied Sciences Würzburg-Schweinfurt (FHWS)

The university in numbers

Students ................................................................. 9,000
Partnerships .......................................................... 134
Faculties .................................................................... 10
Study Programs ......................................................... 36
Dual Study Programs ................................................... 7
Professors ................................................................. 207
Teaching Staff for special assignments ......................... 26
Scientific staff ........................................................... 315
Non-Scientific staff .................................................... 357
Founding year .......................................................... 1971

These subjects can be studied at the FHWS:

- Architecture
- Civil Engineering
- Business Administration
- E-Commerce
- Electrical Engineering
- Specialised Translation (Business or Technical)
- Computer Science
- Computer Science in Engineering Applications
- Communication Design
- Plastics and Rubber Engineering
- Logistics
- Mechanical Engineering
- Mechatronics
- Media Management
- Nursing Management
- Social Work (BA)
- Industrial Mathematics
- Surveying and Geoinformatics
- Business Information Systems
- Business and Engineering
- Electrical Engineering
- Trade Journalism and Corporate Communications (Business/Technology)
- Specialised Translation and Multilingual Communication
- Information Design
- Information Systems
- Innovation for Small and Medium Enterprises
- Integrated Design and Construction
- Social Work (MA)
- Business with Europe
- Brand and Media Management
- Building Project Management
- Healthcare Management
- International Business in Cooperation with Christ University in Bangalore
- International Business with Focus on Asia or Central and Eastern Europe
- Developmental Music Therapy and Music Therapy with Dementia Patients
Practical knowledge management

At its two campuses in Würzburg and Schweinfurt, the University of Applied Sciences offers a large variety of subjects which are continuously adapted to the current needs of the market. The orientation of the 29 study programs focuses on real-life requirements and on the latest discoveries and developments in the special fields. The goal is to create an action-oriented environment for the students, an environment which allows them to apply their specialist knowledge in theory as well as in practice. What is more, the students can develop autonomously; the communicative training prompts discussions and brainstormings which, in turn, cultivate soft skills.

Excellenty equipped

René Anderl deliberately chose the media management study program at the University of Applied Sciences Würzburg-Schweinfurt: during his research for the perfect university he came across their top-notch Internet platform which convinced him with its highly detailed project presentations. Another decisive factor that speaks in favor of the FHWS was the local admissions restrictions which allowed you to study in small groups. And he was truly impressed by the fantastically equipped central media institute, by the possibility to gain practical experience in all fields, for example, by working in the FH radio team or by taking up the offer to direct your own movies or by participating in the organization of the Mainfranken fair. The city of Würzburg won him over with its university “because it’s a small city that got it all. Culture is tradition here. Plus, I really enjoy the wine festivals.”

Unparalleled in Germany

Julia Brakonier is studying social work and had done quite a bit of searching before she decided in favor of Würzburg: for one, because Würzburg is the only university to offer behavior-oriented social work as a major; secondly because Würzburg is a small city with a lot of culture - Munich, she says, was too large and too anonymous. Zurich, where she had done an internship, was way too expensive. The ability to establish contacts quickly would also be important later on during professional life. What makes Würzburg so perfect for students is its large range of cultural offers. Once a month, for example, the Mainfranken theater makes unsold seats available to students for free. Plus, she really likes the castle and the beautiful location on the Main. All places are within quick reach, public transport is excellent, line 10 runs frequently; and if that weren’t the case, she would just make use of the bikeways.

A straightforward biography

Cansin Can (picture), mechanical engineering student: „What made me study in Schweinfurt? I applied in Schweinfurt because it would allow me to stay close to home, which is Bad Neustadt / Saale, and I wouldn’t have to give up my free-time activities. I’ve always been very interested in technology: small wood blocks, metal objects, parts you could build something with or tools - they have always exerted an almost magical attraction on me. I was known as „Cs third son!“. With just 10 women among the 180 freshmen, the beginning was one of patience, assertiveness and strength. It’s fun studying at the FHWS (department Schweinfurt) because it’s a small place and we all know each other. Our professors are broad-minded and their doors are always open for us. The many projects and events make the university an interesting place to be. The semesters are full of variety and action, whether we talk lectures, parties or projects. And last but not least: all the things I built and wanted to build when I was a child have come true here at the FHWS in Schweinfurt and I know I’ve found the right place to study.”
The Würzburg University of Music wants to offer as much hands-on experience as possible. And it is constantly looking for professional partners. In the educational and scientific fields, it has teamed up with the University of Würzburg and when it comes to art it works closely with the cultural institutions of the region. At regular intervals, the university’s symphony orchestra joins forces with the orchestra of the Mainfranken Theater and the Bamberger Symphoniker. The Nürnberger Symphoniker give their support to all those who wish to obtain a conducting degree.

Famous guest conductors visiting not long ago were Marris Jansons and Krzysztof Penderecki. Thanks to the tuition fees the university is now able to invite a large number of guest lecturers for Master programs who enrich everyday university life especially of the instrumental soloists. The University of Music also frequently invites external specialists for chamber music, musician’s medicine and physiology.

Besides its significance as an educational institution, the university also acts as a culture carrier for the city and entire region - with more than 250 public events a year. Special highlights are the opera performances by the opera school where the future singers get to know the world of the stage. Alternating years, the Days of the Old Music and the Days of the New Music stage festivals that wow beyond the regional borders.

Pre-College: studying during school
The pre-college university program currently educating about 70 highly musically gifted pupils between ten and 18 years, is unique in Bavaria. The participants even have the possibility of obtaining course credits which can be carried over when they enroll as students.

Space for creativity
All students work in high-tech exercise rooms and sound studios, can study in an extensive library and make use of a large number of computer workstations. The meeting place in all the houses are the comfortable cafeterias. The musicians learn and study in a total of three buildings with concert and conference facilities, a large concert hall with 799 seats, two smaller concert halls (120 and 181 seats), a large auditorium (108 seats) and a theater (234 seats).

The different architectural styles of the music buildings add much to the flair of the Würzburg University of Music. The central building at the Ringpark has a contemporary modular design. Totally renovated and adapted to the requirements of today’s - and tomorrow’s! - way of teaching are the other two historical buildings in Renaissance and Baroque style located close to the Residence palace.
Bavarian music degree opens doors
Raphael Schollenberger (picture), future Gymnasium teacher for music education, majoring in trumpet: „I had paid a visit to the university before I took and passed the acceptance test and I was interested from the start. And friends had strongly recommended Würzburg as The Place to study. The modern and really well-equipped buildings are amazing. Thanks to the great reputation all over Germany, I absolutely wanted to get my music degree at a Bavarian university. The decision was easy because the teacher I favored works and teaches my major subject at the Würzburg University of Music. I definitely made the right choice.”

Impressive historic city and university buildings
Aya Ohtsuta (picture), piano: „Würzburg is a beautiful old city. I’m pretty sure I’ll extend my stay in Germany after I graduate. The Master study programs are really attractive. And I get along so well with the professor teaching my major subject. I often sit in the university cafeterias. I like the furniture, it’s comfortable and so easy to meet and talk to fellow students. The only problem I have are the many events: it’s so hard to choose!”

Want for more
Alise Timermane (picture), bassoon: „I’m an Erasmus student of the Göteburg University. I came to Würzburg at the end of my first study but now I’m so thrilled with the university that I’m going to enroll in a secondary two-year postgraduate study program. My professor is a wonderful teacher. In the meantime I’ve made a lot of friends, other Erasmus students, musicians and non-musicians, foreigners as well as Germans.”

Perfect exercise system
Franziska Schäffner (picture), future Gymnasium teacher for piano education: „I came to Würzburg because the school music department has an excellent reputation far beyond Bavarian borders. This family climate is sensational. It’s so easy to contact administration or university board members. Plus, they have a lot of really exceptional teachers. What’s paramount for a music university: we have a perfect exercise system! So variable building by building: in the Hofstallstraße building you sign up in lists hung up on the doors, in the Bibrastraße building you can book online and in the Hofstraße building they just give you the key.”

Open-minded audience
Cornelius Wünsch (picture), saxophone: „The motivation to study here was my dream teacher. By now, the city of Würzburg has convinced me, too. It has just the right size for studying. And the university fits the city. You’re never in danger of feeling lost and alone. The convenient size gives you the best chances to develop according to your own style and to perform as often as needed. During the Days of New Music you have the chance to play more modern music. And I have already participated in the Mozart festival several times. The audience has always been very interested and competent.”

Well-equipped and far from anonymous
Daniel Grote (picture), music theory: „It’s amazing how fast you get to know people. In Berlin, everything is a lot more anonymous. Another plus is the downtown location of the university buildings. Würzburg is, after all, a real beauty. The tuition fees have greatly enhanced the infrastructure, the equipment and the offers as a whole. I would probably give a bit more consideration to a better library distribution and higher salaries for the teaching staff. But you really notice that there is more money washing around these days.”

Early support for the highly gifted
Franziska Leicht (picture), piano: „Before I started studying I was involved as guest student in the early musical development program for highly musically gifted. I think it’s great that young talents are discovered and then given all the support they need to develop their skills. Where else do you have the opportunity to enjoy free lessons with a university professor? The time in the early development program was exciting and a definitely positive challenge. The fact that now - since the transformation of the early development department into a pre-college - the results can be turned into fully valid credits is fantastic. What a pity that wasn’t possible when I participated.”

Boundless
University life is characterized by a rich and creative internationality. Students as well as teachers arrive from all over the world. The share of foreign students is as much as 30%. Many of them sooner or later win international awards, culture or music awards, science prizes - or are appointed to judging panels. Sponsor „Musikalische Akademie Würzburg” cross-links the university with friends and promoters of classical music. The academy gives direct support to the students by contributing to the „Deutschlandstipendium” (national scholarship program), organizing in-house contests and funding individual concert projects.

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Good food and drinks in Würzburg

Every day, around 6,300 guests find their way into one of the student restaurants because that’s where you can eat great food at student prices. The chefs make a point of offering different meals every day and dish up international specialties from gyros to spring rolls and Taco salad. The rich choice of components allows you to compose your own menu. Awareness weeks enrich the menu at regular intervals.

Excellent student restaurants

The quality of food and staff has been impressively manifested more than once by the excellent positions gained in occasion of the Unicum cafeteria contests. The Studentenwerk Würzburg wants to meet the students’ taste and at the same time guarantee a well-balanced and healthy nutrition.

Offering: soup, several menus, a vegetarian dish, organic food, side-dishes such as rice, vegetables, salads and much more, salad bars with more than ten different types of fresh lettuce and vegetables, fresh fruit and juices to add vitamins, various delicious deserts and a large choice of beverages.

More than just food

Anna Merhart (picture):
"The student restaurants and cafeterias are more than just food stations; they are centers of communication. The daily appointment to meet for lunch or a cup of coffee is a highlight especially when university shows its stressful side."

For the sake of our health

Maximilian Fries (picture):
"Eating in the Bursen or Frankenstube is just like dining in a restaurant. But it’s less expensive and a lot faster. And they always serve at least one vegetarian dish and lately, even a completely organic one. This is what I consider a great development."

Dialog is the best solution

Hannah Klein (picture):
"What I like particularly about the student restaurants: If you do have a complaint you can be sure that there is somebody to write it down and do something about it. Students and Studentenwerk Würzburg as one team. That feels good."

The Studentenwerk is an organisation providing social, financial and cultural support services to students in Germany. The Studentenwerk Würzburg has plenty to offer: it supports over 48,000 students at five universities in Würzburg, Bamberg, Schweinfurt and Aschaffenburg with its services all around your studies.

It rents out more than 3,600 rooms in its attractive student dormitories located close to the university and favorably prized, and arranges private accommodation free of charge.

The student restaurants and cafeterias provide excellent catering from breakfast to supper. As a matter of fact, the „Student restaurant of year 2007“ is located in Würzburg.

The latest signpost brochure, the „Wegweiser“, contains information all about studying in Würzburg. Ask for the brochure in the „Studentenservice“ building which also accommodates administration offices.

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Every student who enrolls with one of the Würzburg universities automatically receives a very low-cost semester ticket. The student ID, which is actually a personalized chip card, is also the ticket for use of the VVM Mainfranken public transport system and valid for as many trips as you like.
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Advisors and helpers
Andree Keller (picture), social counselor:
“I help out in difficult situations, when financial problems arise for example, or in case of chronic diseases. In particular when life situations change due to a pregnancy, for example, our office provides orientation and assistance.”

Sandra Eitel (picture), attorney:
“As legal advisor at the Studentenwerk Würzburg I support students in legal problems. In a first meeting we clarify the legal situation, then we find a solution.”

Dr. Stefan Oschmann (picture), head of the psychotherapeutical counseling center:
“To keep problems to oneself often means to keep the problems! We can help you, we have been helping for 35 years already.”

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