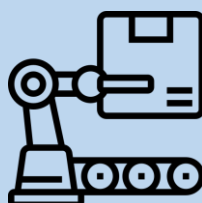
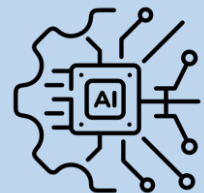
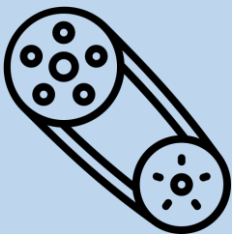


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Welcome, dear international freshmen!

During our introduction week sessions, you will get to know the OVGU campus and your fellow students a little better. However, since we know how difficult it is to take in all this new information at once, we have put together this booklet for you. It is designed to give you a sense of campus life and help you get off to a smooth start in your studies here in Magdeburg.

In this guide, you will learn what is essential for navigating your degree program. You will get a comprehensive overview of where to turn if you ever need help, whether for academic organization, housing, or student life, and what all the new university systems are.

We, the FaRa FMB (Fachschaftsrat der Fakultät für Maschinenbau), wish you a fantastic start to your studies and much success in overcoming all the upcoming challenges of your rewarding academic journey!

Your FaRa FMB Team

IMPORTANT NOTE: The words in [blue and underlined](#) are clickable!

1. THE STUDENT COUNCIL (FaRa FMB) WHO WE ARE & WHAT WE DO

The FaRa FMB is a dedicated group of around 30 student volunteers from various semesters who serve as the official representative body for all students at the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering.

Our primary goal is to make your studies as smooth and uncomplicated as possible. While we are navigating our own courses, we fight tooth and nail every day to make Otto von Guericke University Magdeburg and our faculty a little bit better. We act as the bridge between you and the university administration, ensuring that your suggestions, concerns, and criticisms are brought directly to the attention of the faculty.

We are your main point of contact for all questions and concerns regarding your degree program. Whether you need help communicating with your professors, want updates on university innovations, or need general advice, we are here to support you. We are also committed to offering you better and more varied events throughout the semester to help you connect with your fellow students.

To continuously improve and implement new ideas, we always need fresh input. We are always happy to welcome new members who want to get involved and bring new views and dynamics to the student council!



Our Services & Events

SEArch (Student Exam Archive) & Memory Minutes: We maintain an extensive collection called "SEArch" which contains "Memory Minutes", records of past exams written entirely from memory by fellow students. These memory-based notes are perfectly legal and offer an incredibly helpful way to prepare for modules across the Mechanical, Electrical, and Process Engineering faculties. For the website, click [here](#)!

Field Trips: We arrange group visits to major manufacturing plants, engineering firms, and trade fairs. You can sign up for these limited-capacity events via our [FaRaFMB Klubhaus](#) portal.

Social Events: University is not just about studying. To help you unwind and connect with your peers, we host several highly anticipated events throughout the year. You can look forward to our famous Bowle Party, the MALIA OPEN AIR, competitive Beerpong Tournaments, and our campus Flea Market (Flohmarkt). We post details about social events in our [News](#) section.

Job Board: Looking to gain practical experience or secure funding during your studies? We try to update the FaRa FMB website with the latest job listings. [Our board](#) features a wide range of opportunities, from on-campus student assistant (Hiwi) roles or working student jobs (Werkstudenten Jobs) in Industries.

Would you like to become part of our community and actively help our goals? Then just come to our student council meetings, which take place every two weeks! The best way to get involved is to attend regularly and help out at our events. That way, you will quickly become a member. We look forward to seeing you and hearing your ideas!

For questions, you can reach us by [E-mail](#), or visit us in [office hours](#).



2. OTTO-VON-GUERICKE UNIVERSITY

Otto von Guericke University (OVGU) consists of three main campus areas spread across the city:

Campus "Universitätsplatz" (Main Campus): This is the heart of the university and the central hub for most faculties. It is home to the library (Building 30) and the central Mensa (main cafeteria). You will also find the Campus Welcome Center (Building 01), the Student Center (Building 08), and most of the student dormitories (marked as WH) located here.

Campus "Leipziger Straße" (Medical Campus): Situated in the southern part of the city, this campus is integrated with the University Hospital (Universitätsklinikum). It features its own dedicated library and Mensa (Cafeteria) both located in Building 41.

Center for Method Development (CMD): Located further north in the Barleben area, this site is dedicated to specialized university facilities.

To download all campus plans, click [here](#)!

2.1 Welcome to OVGU App

To make your start in Magdeburg as smooth as possible, download the official "Welcome to OVGU" app, available for both Android and iOS. Designed specifically for new and international students, it puts all essential campus information right in your pocket.

2.2 Main Campus (Campus "Universitätsplatz")

- Die Hörsäle (The Lecture Halls)

On the Universitätsplatz main campus, you will find all the lecture halls and seminar rooms for your degree. Unlike some universities that use a single building for a specific faculty, your core course modules, math, and physics, will take place in various numbered buildings across the campus.

When you check your schedule (Stundenplan) or the university portals, room locations are usually written in a specific format, such as "G16 - H5". This abbreviation simply means "Building (Gebäude) 16, Lecture Hall (Hörsaal) 5".



- Die Bibliothek (The library), for more information click [here](#)!

The main University Library (Bibliothek) is located in Building 30 on the Universitätsplatz campus and serves as a central resource for your engineering studies. It provides quiet workspaces as well as group study rooms that you can reserve [online](#).

Your OVGU Card functions as your official library card. You can use it to borrow textbooks for a standard loan period of four weeks. If you need more time, you can easily extend the loan online via the library's web portal. Please remember to return or renew your books on time to avoid late fees.

In addition to physical books, the library offers extensive [digital resources](#). By logging in with your OVGU university account (often via EduVPN), you gain free access to numerous academic articles, engineering research papers, and e-books from major scientific publishers, which you can download directly to your devices.

- Mensa and Cafes (Dining on Campus)

Operated by the Studentenwerk Magdeburg, our campus offers several great spots to grab a coffee, a quick snack, or a full hot meal between lectures.

Mensa UniCampus & Café Latte: The largest dining hall located in the main campus, right opposite the library. It features both an upper and lower dining area. On the ground floor, you will find Café Latte, which serves coffee and snacks starting early in the morning. You can always check the daily menus online on the [Studentenwerk website](#)!

Cafeteria "PIER 16": Located on the ground floor of Building 16, this is a highly popular alternative spot among students. It is especially well-known for its custom burger menus, shawarma, and excellent coffee options.

Mensa Kellercafé: Situated slightly south of the main campus hub inside Building 40 (Zschokkestraße), this cozy cafe offers sandwiches and breakfast items, as well as warm meals during lunchtime.

OVGU dining is 100% cashless! You must pay using your OVGU Card, which you can top up with a bank card at the Aufwerter machines located by the Mensa entrances or inside the library.



- Finding Your Way: Understanding Room Numbers

We know that navigating the campus can be a challenge at first. To help you quickly find your classes, here is how the OVGU room numbering system works.

The OVGU Standard Formula: GXX-YYY

In your course schedule (in the LSF portal), room locations are always displayed in this exact format:

GXX (Gebäude): The Building Number (which you can find on the campus map).

Y (Etage): The Floor Level.

ZZ: The exact Room Number.

Examples from our Mechanical Engineering Buildings:

G10-158 (Dean's Secretariat): Building 10, 1st Floor, Room 58.

G11-105 (FaRa FMB Office): Building 11, 1st Floor, Room 05. (Come visit us here!)

Special Floor Abbreviations:

Sometimes, letters are used instead of numbers to indicate the floor level:

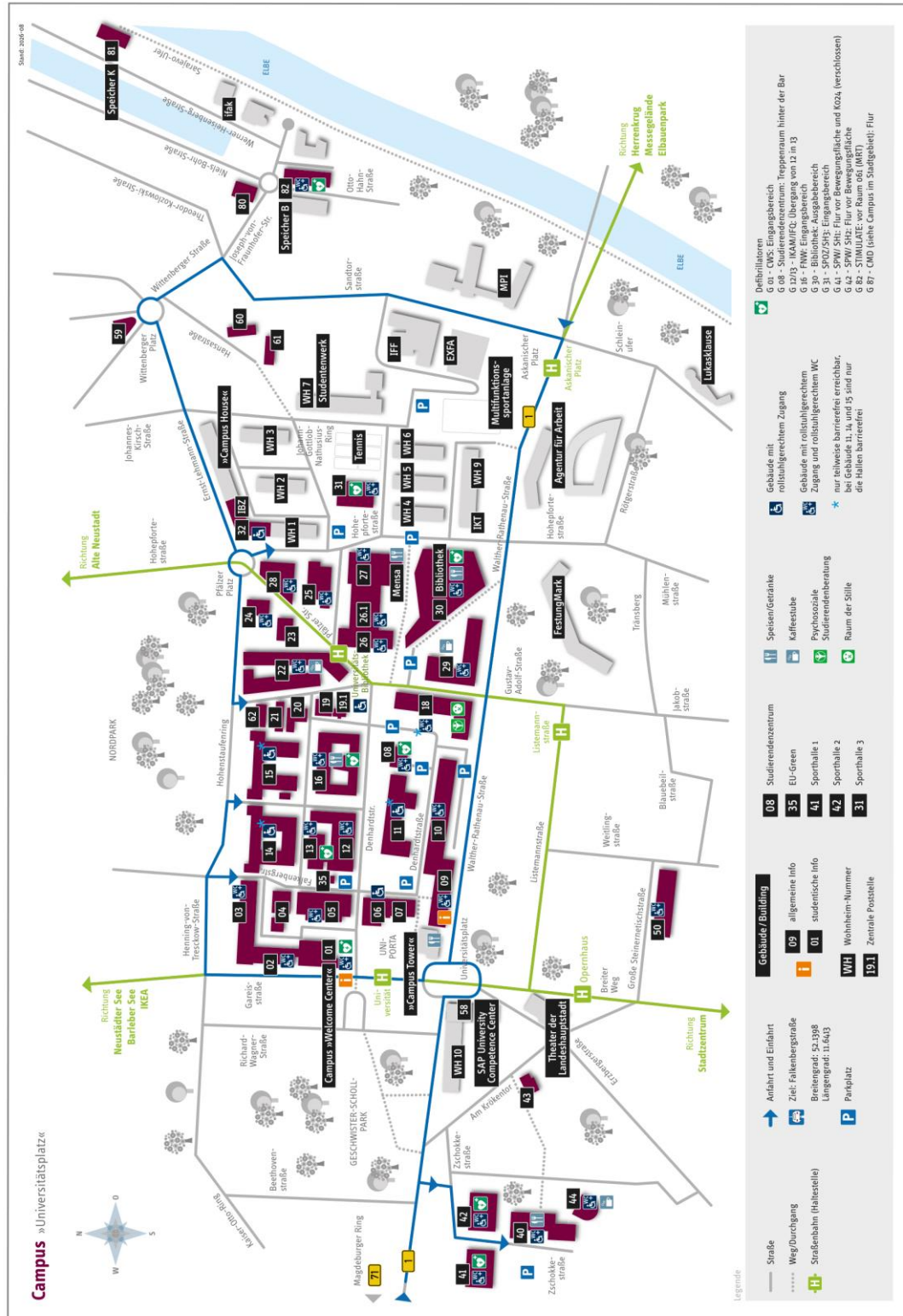
E (Erdgeschoss): Ground Floor (e.g., G10-E01)

K (Keller/Untergeschoss): Basement or Laboratory Level (e.g., G10-K02)



2.3 Main Campus Map

For more details and downloadable campus maps, please visit the [OVGU Campus & City website](https://www.ovgu.de/campus).



3. STUDENT LIFE

At the start of your studies, there are many new things you should keep in mind. Here's a brief overview of the most important ones.

3.1 OVGU Card

Your OVGU Card is your official, multi-purpose student ID. After you receive it and pay your semester fee, you must update it at one of the campus validation machines (Validierungsautomat), which prints the current semester dates on the card. You must re-validate it at the beginning of every new semester.

Validation Locations: Building 01 (Welcome Center), Building 06 (ground floor), Building 26 (near Lecture Hall 1), Building 40 (Entrance B), and the Mensa lobby.

Exam Requirement: You are legally required to bring your valid OVGU Card and an official ID (like your passport) to enter any exam hall.

- What can the OVGU Card do?

Library & Lockers: It acts as your library card for borrowing books and serves as the electronic key for the lockers at the University Library (UB) entrance

Cashless Dining: Cash is not accepted at the Mensa or campus cafes. You must top up your card using your bank card at the Aufwerter machines located by the Mensa and library entrances.

Printing & Copying: It is used as a cashless payment method at the university copy stations.

3.2 The Semester Ticket (Deutschlandsemesterticket)

Your semester fee includes a transit pass that allows you to ride all local public transport in Magdeburg (MVB trams and buses), as well as regional trains (RE and RB lines), for free. It also provides student discounts at various local theaters and museums.

The ticket is now fully digital and managed via the MVB App. To learn how to activate your Semesterticket and download the app to your smartphone, please click [here](#).

The semester ticket is valid from Oct 1, 2026 to March 31, 2027. Re-activation each semester is necessary!



3.3 Essential University Web Portals

There are important OVGU websites to help you organize your studies. You can easily log in to all of these platforms using your OVGU student account.

- [MyOVGU](#)

This is the administrative platform you likely used during your application. Throughout your studies, you will use MyOVGU to download your official certificate of enrollment (Immatrikulationsbescheinigung), check the status of your semester fee payments, update your contact information, or officially withdraw from the university.

- [LSF \(Lehre, Studium, Forschung\)](#)

This is your most important academic portal. You will use the LSF to find all details regarding your lectures (such as times and room locations) and to officially register for your exams. **Tip: For comprehensive LSF video tutorial in English, click [here](#)!**

- [Webmail OVGU](#)

This is the inbox for your official student email address (@st.ovgu.de). While you can set up email forwarding to your personal email provider, this feature is not always reliable. We highly recommend logging in and checking this inbox regularly so you do not miss any important university announcements!

- [E-Learning \(Moodle\)](#)

This is the central platform for your daily coursework. Once you register for a module, you will use E-Learning to download lecture slides, scripts, and exercise sheets. Professors and module coordinators also use this platform to send important updates and communicate directly with all course participants.

- [URZ \(University IT Center\) & Software Access](#)

Through a partnership between the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering (FMB) and the URZ, you have access to essential engineering and academic software, including MATLAB, SolidWorks, Creo Parametric, LabVIEW, and Citavi. You can find the download instructions on the [OVGU FMB Software für Studierende](#) page.

IT Support: If you experience any technical problems with your account or software, you can open an online ticket via the OVGU URZ Portal or email the IT support team directly at it-service@ovgu.de.



3.4 Academic Workshops

The University Library is not just for borrowing books; it is also a training center. Through the [UB E-Learning Portal](#), you can join free interactive workshops on time management, using AI research tools (like Undermind and ORKG Ask), and practical tutorials for referencing software (Citavi or Zotero).

3.5 Learning German at OVGU

[The Language Center \(Sprachenzentrum\)](#) is your main hub for improving your German skills.

Information Event: October 5, 2026, at 2:00 PM in Building 40, Room 238.

- [Semester German Courses](#)

Courses range from A1 to C1, including special modules like "Technical German" for engineering students.

Mandatory Test: You must take an online placement test (Einstufungstest) before the system allows you to register.

Registration: Open from October 5 (9:00 AM) to October 23 (6:00 PM) via the LSF/Moodle portal. Warning: Spots fill up extremely fast!

Start Date: Classes begin the week of October 12, 2026.

- [Language Café](#)

Practice speaking German in a relaxed atmosphere with local guides and senior citizens, organized by @ovgu_international.

When: Wednesdays, 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM.

How to Join: Email sprachcafe@ovgu.de or check the OVGU app for location details.

- [Language Tandem Program](#)

The Language Center matches you with a German native speaker who wants to learn your native language. You arrange your own informal meetups (like grabbing a coffee) to practice speaking together.

- [German Courses Offered by the International Career Service](#)

The International Career Service is offering for the international students enrolled at the Otto-von-Guericke-University Magdeburg German courses starting from the first level A1 until the level B2. The main goal is to support the integration process of international students living in Germany by improving their communication and therefore reduce the language barrier. For more information, visit their website.

3.6 [University Sports Programs \(SpozOVGU\)](#)

The OVGU Sports Center (SPOZ) organizes the university's athletic programs in partnership with the Magdeburg-Stendal University of Applied Sciences. You can choose from over 60 different sports, ranging from team games and martial arts to yoga and fitness classes.

All courses are offered at highly subsidized, student-friendly prices.

Tip: Keep an eye on the registration dates at the start of the semester, as popular sports classes fill up extremely fast!

3.7 [IKUS \(Intercultural Students\)](#)

IKUS is a student organization dedicated to helping international freshmen take their first steps in Germany. Whether you need help navigating German authorities, have questions about your studies, or want to make friends from all over the world, IKUS is your go-to support network.

IKUS organizes the [official International Welcome Weeks](#) for new students. Throughout the semester, they also host intercultural country nights, parties, and excursions.

3.8 Housing & Accommodation

Finding the right place to live is crucial for a successful start. Magdeburg offers three main types of student accommodation, along with dedicated support networks to help you secure a room.

- Your Accommodation Options

[Studentenwerk Dormitories](#) (Studentenwohnheime): This is the most popular, affordable, and secure option. The Studentenwerk operates 12 renovated halls of residence directly on or near the campus, offering around 1,400 rooms.

Cost: €230 to €370 per month. This is a "Warmmiete," meaning high-speed internet, cable TV, water, electricity, and heating are fully included. More information for application can be found [here](#).

Shared Private Flats (Wohngemeinschaft / WG): Renting a single room in a larger shared apartment is a classic part of German student culture. You share the kitchen and bathroom with flatmates. The most popular platform to find open WG rooms is the website [WG-Gesucht](#).

Private Housing Companies (Wohnungsbaugesellschaften): Local housing cooperatives like [WOBAU](#) or [MWG](#) offer affordable private apartments across the city. Important Note: These flats are almost always rented entirely unfurnished (unmöbliert). Local online resale platforms like Kleinanzeigen are excellent for picking up affordable, second-hand furniture.

- Housing Support & Counseling

[IKUS](#): While the student organization IKUS does not directly assign dorm rooms, their volunteer team provides essential one on one housing counseling. If you are struggling to find a place, they can assist you with filling out German application forms, communicating with private landlords, and understanding the complex legal details of your rental contract (Mietvertrag). You can contact them via [E-mail](#) or in office hours.

[Studentenwerk Housing Counseling](#): Due to high demand, dormitory rooms fill up quickly, meaning many students must find accommodation on the private rental market. If you need assistance navigating this process, the Studentenwerk provides dedicated housing counseling at the start of each semester. September through October (for the Winter Semester) and March through April (for the Summer Semester). You can reach the housing counselors directly at housing@studentenwerk-magdeburg.de

3.9 Financial Support & Scholarships

- Studentenwerk Magdeburg Financial Advice Office

If you are facing financial difficulties, the university's financial advisors offer free, confidential support to help you manage your studies securely. They can assist you with many options. For more information, visit [Financial Advice website](#).

Don't hesitate to reach out if you need help getting your finances under control!

- The Deutschlandstipendium (Germany Scholarship)

Provides €300 per month for at least two semesters and is open to students of all nationalities. It rewards excellent academic performance, active social commitment, and overcoming personal or cultural obstacles. You can apply online via the OVGU Scholarship Portal **between April 15 and June 15**. For more information, click [here](#).

- DAAD and STIBET programs

offer various scholarships primarily for graduates and Master's students. Please note that the DAAD generally does not fund Bachelor's students, and you are not eligible to apply if you have already been living in Germany for more than 15 months. You can explore these specific funding opportunities directly in the [DAAD Scholarship Database](#).

The homepage of the OVGU for scholarships also refers to a number of study foundations whose funding is tied to very good academic performance as well as social, political or religious commitment. For more information, click [here](#).

4. CAREER

4.1 Where to Find Job & Internship Opportunities

- [JobTeaser](#)

This is OVGU's official digital career portal. It is a good portal for finding internships, working student (Werkstudent) roles, and graduate jobs in Magdeburg and across Germany. Registration in the job portal is done via log-in via the university account. After a short registration, all JobTeaser offers are available. In addition, your own CV can be uploaded to attract the attention of companies.

- [FaRa FMB Website](#)

We try to regularly update our online job board with local student assistant (HiWi) positions and industry opportunities.

- Chair Websites & Campus Boards

Many university departments post open HiWi roles directly on their specific institute websites or on physical bulletin boards (usually located on the ground floors of campus buildings).

4.2 Career Advice: The International Career Service

The OVGU International Career Service is your dedicated bridge to the German job market, offering free, professional support tailored specifically for international students. From your first semester until graduation, their team provides personalized coaching to help you adapt your CV and cover letters to German corporate standards, alongside realistic job interview simulations. You can look into their [website](#) for more useful information.

- [FIT for Career Start](#)

Throughout the year, you can join their specialized workshops, which teach you German work culture and build a strong professional network on platforms like LinkedIn and Xing. They also connect you directly with employers through organized excursions to regional engineering offices and the annual Firmenkontaktmesse, a massive campus career fair featuring top companies.

5. ESSENTIAL CONTACT ADDRESSES

Tip: If you are ever unsure who to contact for a specific problem, just ask us at the FaRa FMB first, and we will point you in the right direction!

5.1 Dean's Office & Exam Office (Dekanat & Prüfungsamt)

While our student council is here to help you, official administrative and exam-related matters are handled by the Dean's Office and Exam Office, all conveniently located in Building 10. E-mails and more information can be found on [here](#).

- Faculty Leadership & Administration

Dean: Prof. Dr.-Ing. André Katterfeld (Room 159)

Vice Dean for Studies and Teaching: Prof. Dr.-Ing. Daniel Juhre (Room 159)

Dean's Assistant: Dr.-Ing. Martin Schünemann (Room 157)

Dean's Secretariat: For general inquiries, contact Kirstin Winter (Room 158)

- The Exam Office (Prüfungsamt)

For exam registrations, credit recognitions, and thesis submissions, you must contact the **specific coordinator for your study program**.

Ina Benkhardt (Room 155): Responsible for MB, WPLP, BiME, CoME, IDE, AIEng, EMO-M, WMB, and WLO.

Carling Greulich / Simone Janke (Rooms 156 & 153): Responsible for EngSci and SEM.

5.2 Primary Contacts for International Students

- For General Support

[Eva Böhning](#) and [Alexandra Gottschalk](#) are your main points of contact. They are available to answer questions regarding study opportunities, application requirements, and the recognition of foreign educational qualifications. You can also reach out to them if you have any general worries about your studies or need guidance on legal and social matters both within and beyond university life.

- For Administrative Matters

The [Students' Office](#) is responsible for your admission. You should contact them for any questions related to processing your applications, including enrollment, changing your course of study, re-registration, taking a leave of absence, or officially de-registering from the university.

Important Tip: If you need face to face consulting with either the general support team or the Students' Office, you must book an appointment (Termin) in advance through their [official university websites](#). Drop-in visits without a prior booking are generally not accepted.

5.3 Studentenwerk

- Social Counseling

The Studentenwerk Social Counseling team is your first point of contact for everyday bureaucratic and social challenges. If you need help navigating the complexities of studying and living in Germany, they offer free guidance to all students. You can find more information on their official [website](#).

- Financial Advice (Finanzierungsberatung)

If you are facing unexpected financial difficulties, the Financial Advisory service provides essential support and practical solutions. You can reach out to them during financial emergencies to explore options on their official [website](#).

- PsychoSocial Student Counseling (PSB)

University life can sometimes be overwhelming, especially when adapting to a new country and culture. The PsychoSocial Student Counseling (PSB) provides free, strictly confidential support from a team of expert psychologists. You can find more information on their official [website](#).

6. Campus Parties & Events

University life at OVGU is not just about lectures and exams! Throughout the year, the campus comes alive with vibrant festivals, parties, and cultural gatherings, giving you the perfect opportunity to unwind, celebrate, and make friends from all over the world.

6.1 Semester Opening Party (Semesterauftakt-Party)

At the beginning of every winter (for this year 8th of October) and summer (April) semester, a massive kick-off party is held to welcome freshmen and celebrate the new term. These affordable, student-friendly dance nights usually take place in large campus halls or popular local clubs like Festung Mark and Insel der Jugend. For more information, click [here](#).

6.2 Magdeburger Studierendentage (Student Days)

Organized by the Studentenwerk every summer semester (usually around June), this is a massive, weeks long festival series. The campus transforms into a huge celebration featuring open-air concerts, outdoor cinema nights, poetry slams, and giant BBQ parties. For more information, click [here](#).

6.3 IKUS Cultural Events

The IKUS student organization regularly hosts highly popular international gatherings, including the Länderabende (Country Nights) and the Festival of Cultures. These campus mini-parties are a fantastic way to experience traditional music, dancing, and delicious homemade food from a different country each time. For the events schedule, click [here](#).

6.4 Campus im Juni

June is one of the most vibrant months at OVGU. A major highlight is the **Tomorrow Labs Festival**, which transforms the Science Port into a free, open-air laboratory with tech and scientific innovations. For entrepreneurs, the **Startup Lounge Pitch Night** offers a fast-paced stage for student business ideas, while the **Tag der Lehre** provides an interactive forum to discuss and shape university teaching methods. The celebrations continue all month long with the **Intercultural Summer Festival**, **CAMPUSpride**, the **JOBS HERE** fair and live **summer concerts**. To stay updated on the exact dates, simply follow the official university Instagram account at [@uni_magdeburg](#).

7. SOCIAL LIFE

Magdeburg offers plenty of fantastic spots to socialize, meet new people, and enjoy your free time outside of classes. Here are some popular places across the city, depending on what you are in the mood for:

Enjoying Music (Musik Genießen)

Festung Mark is a great choice for concerts and events.

Gesellschaftshaus offers music tailored for both young and old generations.

For an open-air music experience, you can visit the **Seebühne** located in the Elbauenpark.

Kulturzentrum Moritzhof is a popular spot for alternative concerts.

AMO Kulturhaus is the main venue for musicals and bigger concerts.

Experiencing Culture (Kultur Erleben)

- Museums

If you are interested in museums, you can explore the **Kulturhistorisches Museum**, **Museum für Naturkunde**, **Jahrtausendturm**, **Technikmuseum**, and **Dommuseum**.

- Theater and Opera

For theater and opera performances, top venues include **Schauspielhaus Magdeburg**, **Theater in der Grünen Zitadelle**, **Altes Theater Magdeburg**, and the **Opernhaus**.

Kulturzentrum Moritzhof also hosts cinema, theater, and readings.

Going Out at Night (Abends Ausgehen)

- Clubs

For dancing at clubs, popular choices among students are **Insel der Jugend**, **Luises Garten**, **Festung Mark**, **Buttergasse**, **Factory**, and **Datsche**.

- Bars and Pubs

If you prefer bars and pubs for a more relaxed evening with friends, check out **Flowerpower**, **Strandbar**, **Unitheke**, **The Hyde**, **Moonlight**, and **Stern Bar**.

Playing Sports (Sport Machen)

You can go swimming at the **indoor pools in Olvenstedt** (Schwimmbhallen Olvenstedt) and on Große Diesdorfer Straße.

For outdoor workouts right on campus, use **the Calisthenics-Park** or the **table tennis tables in front of Building 40** (Gebäude 40).

You can register for a wide variety of classes at the **university's own sports center, SPOZ**.

If you love adventure, visit the **Kletterpark** (climbing park) in **Elbauenpark**, or join **flaR Racing** for cycling.

8. IMPORTANT DATES & DEADLINES

Winter Semester 2026/27 (October 01, 2026 - March 31, 2027)

Event / Activity	Important Dates
Welcome Day	October 05, 2026
Introductory Days	October 05 – October 09, 2026
Lecture Period (Classes)	October 12, 2026 – January 29, 2027
Exam Registration	November 15th - 30th
Christmas Break (No Classes)	December 21, 2026 – January 01, 2027
University Completely Closed	December 28 – December 30, 2026
Epiphany (No Classes)	January 06, 2027
Re-registration Deadline (for Summer 2027)	January 12 – February 08, 2027
No Written Examinations	March 01 – March 13, 2027
IT Maintenance (E-learning/Media)	March 03 – March 15, 2027

Summer Semester 2027 (April 01, 2027 – September 30, 2027)

Event / Activity	Important Dates
Introductory Days	April 01 – April 02, 2027
Lecture Period (Classes)	April 05 – July 09, 2027
Ascension Day (No Classes)	May 06, 2027
Exam Registration	May 15th - 31st
Whit Monday (No Classes)	May 17, 2027
Re-registration Deadline (for Winter 2027/28)	June 08 – July 05, 2027
No Written Examinations	August 09 – September 11, 2027
IT Maintenance (E-learning/Media)	August 18 – August 30, 2027

9. INTRODUCTION WEEK PLAN

We will be sharing the complete Introduction Week plan over on our [FaRa FMB Instagram page](#)!

Get ready for a fantastic lineup of fun events where you can easily break the ice, make great memories, and meet plenty of new friends. We can't wait to celebrate the start of the semester together. Make sure to check out our Instagram to see the full schedule so you don't miss out on any of the action. See you there!

10. LIST OF FIGURES

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