

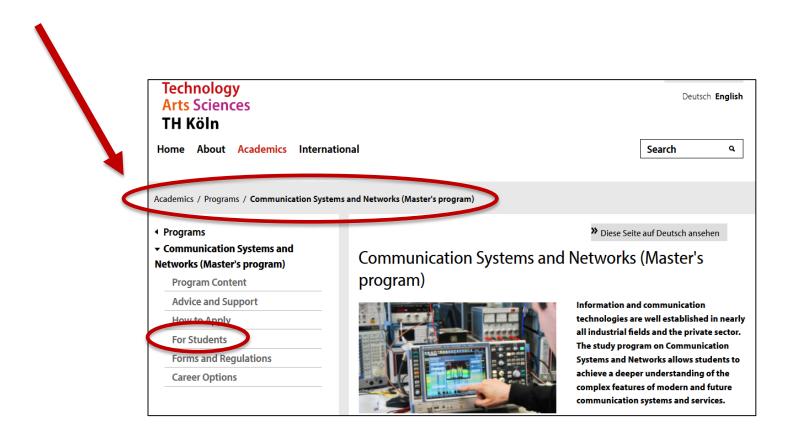
First Semester Introduction

Summer Semester 2023

Department of International Affairs

Today's Presentation

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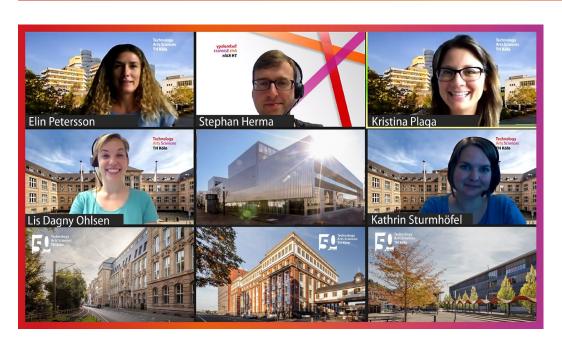
Department of International Affairs

What do we do?

- Advice and support for international students (<u>Team International Degree-Seeking Students</u>)
- Coordination and advice on all aspects of study abroad programs (<u>Team International Mobility</u>)
- Maintenance of <u>international partnerships</u>
- Internationalization Strategy 2030
- and more...



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Our team

International Degree-Seeking Students

welcomes you to TH Köln

Team International Degree-Seeking Students

As part of the **Department of International Affairs** we advise you on...

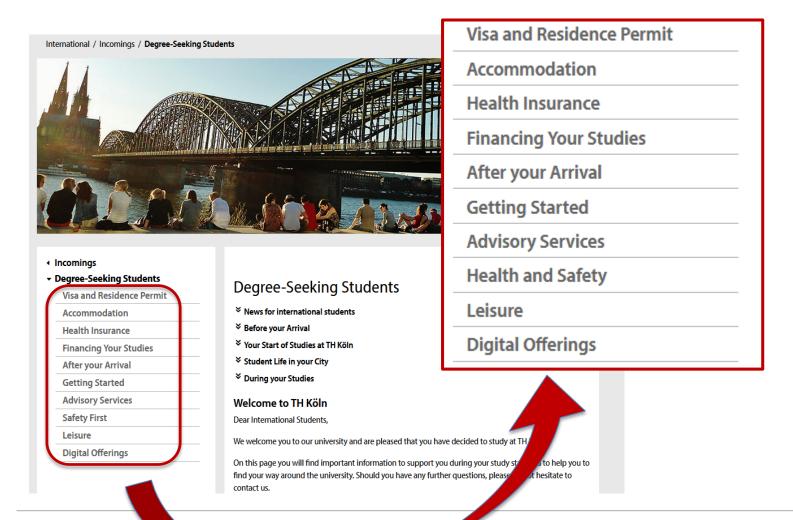
- Questions about health insurance
- Questions about housing
- Questions about right of residence
- Questions about financing your studies
- Orientation at TH Köln
- Challenges during your studies



If we do not have the answer to your question, we will also support you in finding the right contact persons.

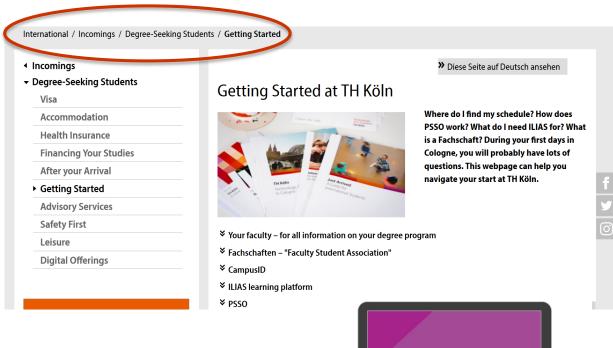
Where to start?

Have a look at: www.th-koeln.de/international-first-year-students



...and our Video Tutorials









SEMESTER TICKET



After your arrival

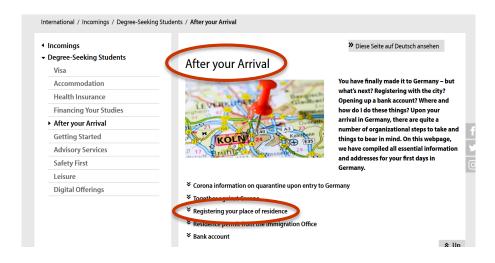
Important steps

After your Arrival

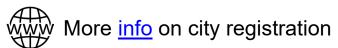
Registering your place of residence

When to go?

Two weeks after you have moved into "permanent" place of residence







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After your Arrival Residence permit



- All non-EU citizens must request a residence permit for study purposes from the immigration office
- Entry visa are usually valid for three months only
- Process takes time, kick-off shortly after arrival
- Current fee is approx. 110 €

After your Arrival

Residence permit

How to get it?

- 1. submit required documents via email
- 2. Immigration Office will check documents; in some cases, they may require additional documents
- 3. receive an appointment
- 4. visit the office and collect your residence permit

Keep in mind:

proof of financial resources (€ 913 per month / €11.172 for one year) must be provided every time you extend your residence permit



After your Arrival

Residence permit

Recommendation for Cologne

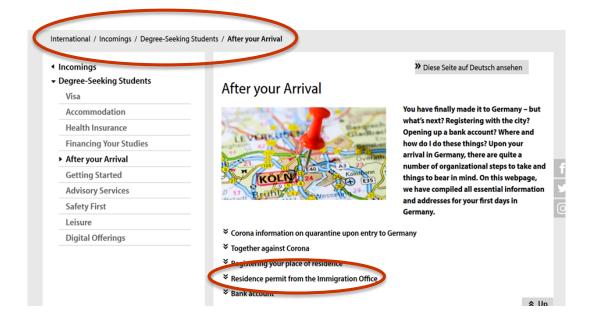
Use the special student service

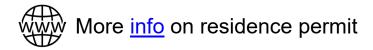
- Online form: application for residence permit (<u>Erstantrag</u>)
- Email: <u>auslaenderamt-arbeitsmigration@stadt-koeln.de</u>
- Address:
 Dillenburger Str. 56-66, 50475 Köln



After your arrival

Residence permit





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Accommodation

What to consider?

Accommodation



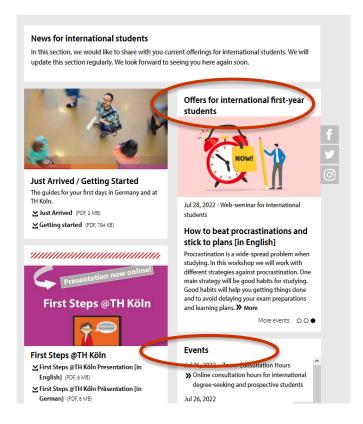
- ✓ KSTW maintains several dormitories in Cologne, Leverkusen and Gummersbach
- ✓ Apply now
 - www.kstw.de/wohnen/bewerbung
 - Select all types of housing in the online application
 - Waiting time 6 months and longer!
- ✓ Accept the offer, even if it does not have the desired location; all dormitories are connected to the public transport system.
- ✓ No room guarantee
- ✓ Check the private offers in the database of KSTW daily
- ✓ Specifically search for intermediate rent (*Zwischenmiete*)



More info on housing and tips on finding a place to live



Events Calendar Keep your eyes open!





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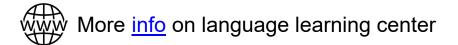


Additional Support

Language Learning Center Sprachlernzentrum



- Language courses: English, French, Spanish, German
- Thematic German courses:
 Technical German, How to hold a presentation, How to apply
- Writing Consultation in German as a Foreign Language for International Students



Great!

- ✓ Free of charge
- ✓ Included in your semester fee

General Students' Committee

AStA = Allgemeiner Studierendenausschuss



- represents student interests in and outside the university
- offers advice on the following topics:
 - Examination and study questions
 - Legal questions (first advice from lawyer available)
 - o LGBT *
 - Psychosocial counselling (first advice from psychologists available)
 - Study with disability or illness
 - Studying with a child
 - Financing and social counselling



WhatsApp group "Internationals"



Great!

- Advisory services free of charge
- ✓ Included in your semester fee

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Kölner Studierendenwerk

KSTW / "Werk"

- student dormitories
- university canteens
- daycare centers
- student financing
- advisory services
 - o Time and self-management skills
 - Psychological counselling (also available online and anonymous)
 - Emergency loans





Great!

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University sportsStay active

- More than 100 different sports
- More than 250 courses in a week
- Most of them free of charge



Football, Zumba, Rowing, Salsa, Basketball, Hockey, Karate, Handball, Hip Hop-Dance, Baseball etc.





More info on university sports

Consultation Hours

Department of International Affairs



Consultation hours:

Deutz Campus: Thursdays 10 a.m. - 12 noon Südstadt Campus: Thursdays 10 a.m. - 12 noon Gummersbach Campus: Mondays 10 a.m. - 12 noon



Online consultation hours:

th-koeln.de/ia-online-consultation







Office hours by telephone:

Tuesdays: 10 a.m. - 12 noon and 2 - 4 p.m.

Thursdays: 2 - 4 p.m. T: +49 221-8275-3772

Let's stay in touch!



Stay tuned on Instagram: **@thkoeln_international**







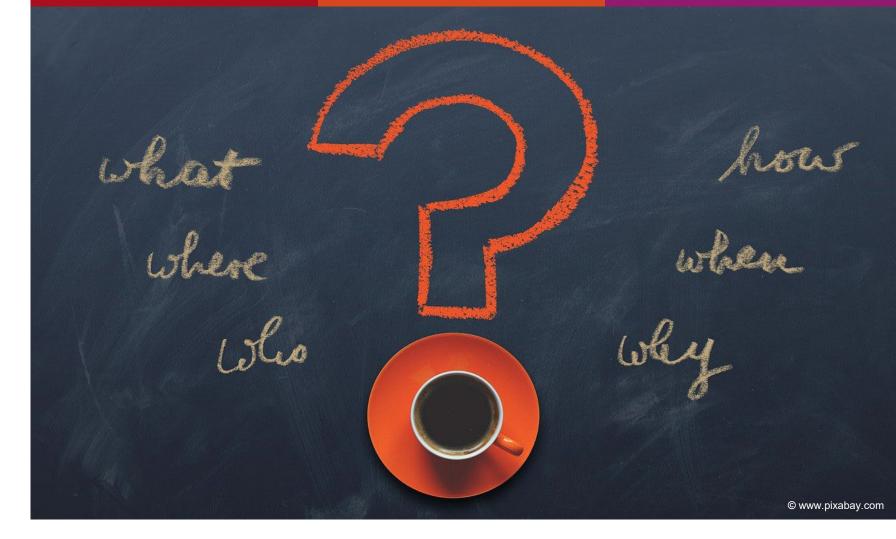




Feel free to contact us and watch out for emails from us: international-affairs@th-koeln.de



Thank you very much for your attention We wish you a successful start at TH Köln!



Time for questions