



WELCOME TO BTU!

Study Start and Social Activities
for international students at BTU

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GET STARTED

STUDYSTART – WELCOME AND REGISTRATION POINT

- Get your Welcome Package
- Advice on everyday study-related topics (e.g. health insurance, housing, city registration)
- Important information about the study start and the BTU learning portals
- Cookie Sessions every Tuesday and Thursday at 1:00 pm (24.03-28.04) on the topics healthcare, student job, and student activities

Just drop by

Main Building, 4th floor
Mon-Thu 10am-3pm
Fri 10am-12 pm

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COOKIE SESSIONS – TIME TO SPILL SOME TEA

April 2026						
MONTAG MONDAY	DIENSTAG TUESDAY	MITTWOCH WEDNESDAY	DONNERSTAG THURSDAY	FREITAG FRIDAY	SAMSTAG SATURDAY	SONNTAG SUNDAY
30	31	1 Geöffnet/ open 10:00-15:00	2 Cookie Session Wohnung mieten / <i>How to rent a flat</i> WaRP, 13:00 Geöffnet/ open 10:00-15:00	3 Karfreitag / Good Friday	4	5 Ostersonntag
6 Ostermontag / Easter Monday	7 Cookie Session German Academia in a Nutshell WaRP, 13:00 Geöffnet/ open 10:00-15:00	8 Geöffnet/ open 10:00-15:00	9 Cookie Session Bürokratie-Dschungel / <i>German bureaucracy jungle</i> WaRP, 13:00 Geöffnet/ open 10:00-15:00	10 Geöffnet/ open 10:00-12:00	11	12
13 Geöffnet/ open 10:00-15:00	14 Cookie Session Freiwilliges Engagement und BTU Buddy-Programm / <i>Volunteering and BTU Buddy Programme</i> WaRP, 13:00 Geöffnet/ open 10:00-15:00	15 Geöffnet/ open 10:00-15:00	16 Cookie Session Student Activities at BTU WaRP, 13:00 Geöffnet/ open 10:00-15:00	17 Geöffnet/ open 10:00-12:00	18	19
20 Geöffnet/ open 10:00-15:00	21 Cookie Session Wohnung mieten / <i>How to rent a flat</i> WaRP, 13:00 Geöffnet/ open 10:00-15:00	22 Geöffnet/ open 10:00-15:00	23 Cookie Session Aufenthalts- und Arbeitserlaubnis/ <i>Residence and Work Permit</i> WaRP, 13:00 Geöffnet/ open 10:00-15:00	24 Geöffnet/ open 10:00-12:00	25	26
27 Geöffnet/ open 10:00-15:00	28 Cookie Session Studienfinanzierung: Studentenjob <i>/Financing your studies: Student job</i> WaRP, 13:00 Geöffnet/ open 10:00-15:00	29 Geöffnet/ open 10:00-15:00	30 Geöffnet/ open 10:00-15:00	1 Maifeiertag / May Day	2	3
Welcome and Registration Point (WaRP) geöffnet / open - 10:00 – 15:00		Infoveranstaltungen beim WaRP / <i>Informative Events at WaRP</i>		Wochenende/ Weekend	Feiertage / Holidays	

STUDYSTART – ONLINE ONBOARDING COURSE



Online support for international students at the BTU!

Our online offers prepare you well for your stay at the BTU! To enrol in the course, click on the course and then on "Enrol me in this course" at the top of the bar.

 [Online Onboarding Course for International Students](#) 

 [Your first German Course at BTU](#) 

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- Interactive checklists for a successful start
- Access to many helpful information
- Connect with a lot of other students
- Learn your first words in German
- Download the presentations of the Data & Cookie Sessions

- General and specialized language courses
- Different languages each semester
- Various levels of the CEFR
- In-person and online options
- Free learning opportunities for students!
- Disclaimer: places are limited

Study-accompanying language courses



Enrolment in the study-related language courses (excluding "German as a foreign language") for the summer semester 2026 starts on **30.03.2026**.

Enrolment for the "German as a Foreign Language" courses for the summer semester 2026 will only be possible via **moodle Projects** from 30.03. - 05.04.2026. Registration by email is **not possible**.

German as a
Foreign Language

English

French

Italian

Polish

Portuguese

Spanish

GOING ABROAD DURING YOUR STUDIES AT BTU

We offer several programmes that you can take advantage of during your time at BTU!

- Erasmus+ Studies → study for a semester or two at another university in Europe
- Erasmus+ Internships → do an internship at a company in Europe for 2 to 12 months
- STUDEXA → study for a semester or two at another university worldwide (e.g., Chile or Japan)

For more information visit our office on the 4th floor in the main building or scan this QR-Code



A photograph of three people sitting on a grassy bank next to a pond. They are looking at a map or document. The background is a lush green hillside with trees. A green banner is overlaid on the left side of the image.

GET CONNECTED

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT GROUPS AND INITIATIVES

International student groups

Bangladesch	▶
BoSt	▶
Cameroon	▶
Iran	▶
EASA	▶
Heritage Studies	▶
India	▶
Latin America	▶
Nepal	▶
Nigeria	▶
Pakistan	▶
Turkiye	▶
BTU Malayalees	▶

International student initiatives

BTU Upcycling Forward	▶
BTU Writers Club	▶
BTU Retro Gaming Club	▶

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- Lookout for your community/group and get in touch!

Visit: <https://www.b-tu.de/international/internationale-studierende/im-studium/student-activities>



STUDENT ACTIVITIES – CULTURE NIGHTS AND EVENTS





Upcoming Events in May 2026:

- **Turkish Night: 22nd May 2026**
Venue: QuasiMONO
Time: 20:00

BTU Instagram: btucs



OFFICIAL STUDENT INITIATIVES AND BODIES

- Connect students with potential employers
- Volunteer opportunities
- Networking with locals
- Join in shaping the university!



- <https://www.b-tu.de/en/universitaet/struktur/governing-boards-and-representative-bodies/student-body>

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Studierendenparlament (StuPa)





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The IRO is offering 4 excursions this summer semester:

- **Potsdam** – 09.05.2026
- **Saxon Switzerland** – 30.05.2026
- **Magdeburg** – 13.06.2026
- **Bike tour in Senftenberg** – 11.07.2026
- Number of participants are limited
- More information about the date and the registration will be available in the Newsletter

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS OFFICE
NEWSLETTER FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

EXCURSIONS

Excursion Poll: Pick Your Favorite Destinations for This Semester

As we begin planning the university excursions for the upcoming summer semester, we want your input.

You'll have the chance to select your **two** favorite cities from the list of five exciting options. Your choices will help us decide where we'll be heading for our next excursions. Make your voice heard and share your preferences today – we can't wait to explore these amazing destinations together!

Vote on your choice using the accompanying link – the survey closes on **5th March 2025**. Stay tuned for more details about the excursions, including registration dates and times, which will be available in the March 2025 Newsletter.



Scan the above QR-Code or click here for the survey

Berlin Potsdam Görlitz Dresden Leipzig



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OUR RECOMMENDATIONS



Open COLab Day

The Creative Open Lab or COLab is the perfect place to explore new technologies and bring your creative ideas to life.

Every Wednesday from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., you can drop by and try out machines like the 3D printer, laser cutter, and embroidery machine – all for free! Whether you're looking to experiment with new tools, get advice from our experts, or work on DIY projects, COLab is here to support your creativity. You can also dive into model making, photography, and more, all at no cost. If you have a specific project in mind, like an architecture model, you can get advice during the Open COLab Day.

Click here for more information

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STAY UP TO DATE WITH US EVERY MONTH

- Newsletter for international students sent by IRO on regular basis
- Instagram Channel: <https://www.instagram.com/btucs/>
- Event Page of BTU: <https://www.b-tu.de/en/events/page>



GET SOME FREE
TIME FUN!



Boredom doesn't stand a chance in Cottbus!

- several music festivals, festivities and other events in and around Cottbus
- Student club **Quasimono**
- **Rosa** is a cultural centre for the community and by the community. It is a place in perpetual change. Film screening, gallery, and much more.
- **Bühne 8** is a meeting place for art and culture on campus



CULTURAL TIPS

Staatstheater Cottbus

- Rich and diverse cultural programme
- Programme mix of theatre, musical theatre, opera, ballet/dance and classical concerts
- BTU student ticket starting from 6 €



BTU UniKino – transforms your lecture hall to cinema!

- New movie program every semester
- 15.04.2026 – Ratatouille in Audimax 2
- More info: <https://www.unifilm.de/studentenkinos/cottbus>

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Cottbus Open

- The most popular intercultural festival
- Music, dances, food – from all around the world
- The motto "Tolerance knows no borders"





Hochschulsport (University Sports)

- Various sports activities for everyone from A for Aikido to Z for Zirkeltraining (circle training)

Spreewald – national park between Cottbus and Berlin

- 475 km² UNESCO natural heritage, 1575 km long network of watercourses of the Spree
- guided boat trips or by yourself with a canoe – discover nature and unique villages

BTU BUDDIES – MAKE YOUR START EASIER!



- Meet other students: local and international!
- Get help with everyday questions
- Join social activities
- Make friends from around the world 🌍





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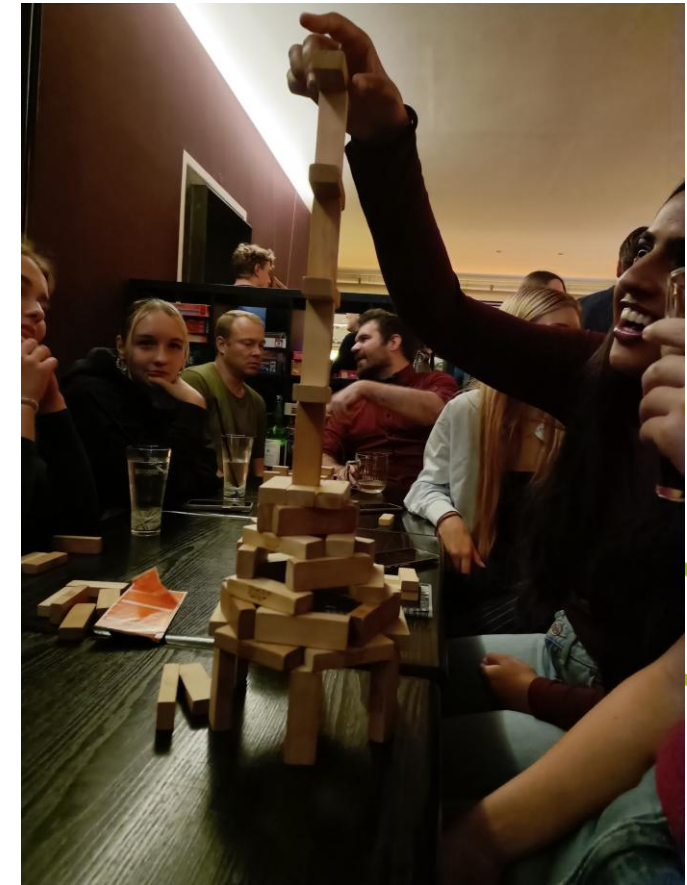


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JOIN OUR ACTIVITIES

“No pressure – just join whenever you like!”

-  Board game nights at Quasimono (don't miss these!)
-  Campus walks & meetups
-  International events
-  Chill hangouts





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International Relations Office

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Tuesday and Thursday: 10-12 h and 13-15 h

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