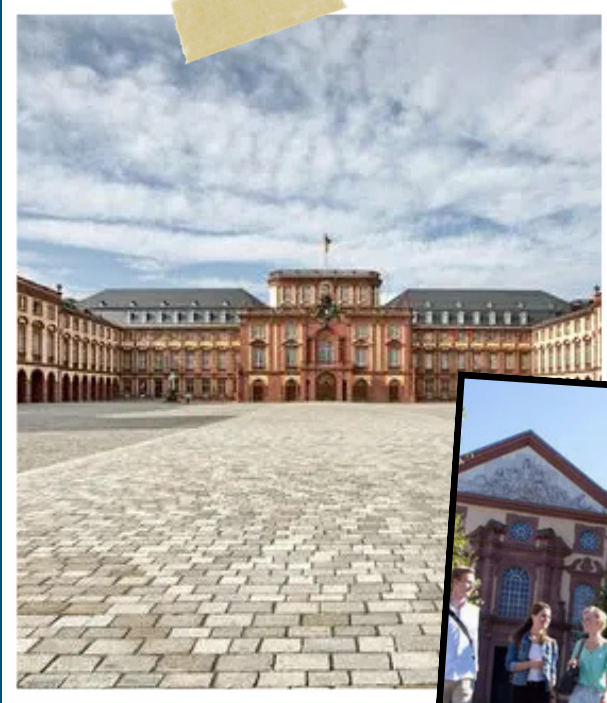




INTERNATIONAL OFFICE

PROGRAM FALL SEMESTER 2026 EVENTS

1. Orientation Sessions for Exchange Students

Welcome Week
September 2026

Apart from giving you practical and administrative information. We also provide plenty of opportunities for you to make new friends with your international classmates. This really is the best way to ensure that you settle in as quickly as possible, so attendance at the orientation sessions is mandatory.



Studierendenwerk
Mannheim

Orientation Session of Studierendenwerk

Wednesday, 2 September 2026, 2 -3.30 p.m.

Meeting point: A3, 001

This event aims to give you important information about student housing in Mannheim. The attendance is mandatory for exchange students who booked a room in one of the residences.

Welcome Reception for all International Students and Scholars

Friday, 4 September 2026, 4 p.m.

Meeting point: A3, 001

Here you will have the opportunity to get to know staff members of the International Office, get to know fellow students and scholars in a relaxed atmosphere. International student organizations will also present their program of events for the upcoming semester. After that come and join us for **free snacks and drinks!**

1. Orientation Sessions for Exchange Students

Business School

Welcome Session & Reception:

Graduate: Tuesday, 1 September 11:00-12:30 a.m.

Undergraduate: Tuesday, 1 September 1- 2:30 p.m.

Both Sessions will take place at B6, 23-25, A001

Welcome Reception: 1 September 2026, 2.45 p.m., Katakomben

Campus Tour:

Mon, 31 August 11:00-11:45 a.m.

Mon, 31 August 15:00-15:45 p.m.

Wed, 2 September 10:30-11:15 a.m.

Thu, 3 September 15:45-16:30 p.m.

Fri, 4 September 14:45-15:30 p.m.

Registration for the campus tours is mandatory. The Registration link was sent via email by the Business School Team (subject "BESS Welcome Week Schedule").

Meeting point: The main Entrance of the "Schloss Mannheim" (Ehrenhof)

Timetable Support Sessions:

Wed, 2. September 11:30-12:30 a.m. (PC lab 358 in L7, 3-5)

Wed, 2. September 16:00-17:30 p.m. (PC lab 358 in L7, 3-5)

Thu, 3. September 14:00-16:30 p.m. (PC lab 358 in L7, 3-5)

The Registration link was sent via email by the Business School Team (subject "BESS Welcome Week Schedule").

Contact: incoming.business@uni-mannheim.de

1. Orientation Sessions for Exchange Students

School of Social Sciences

Orientation Session: 1 September 2026, 11 a.m. B244 (A5, 6 Building B)

Campus Tour: 1 September 2026, after the orientation event

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School of Humanities

Orientation Session: 3 September 2026, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m., Room
EO150

Campus Tour: 3 September 2026, 2 p.m.

Meeting point: Ehrenhof, Statue on the left
(You will receive the registration link via email)

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1. Orientation Sessions for Exchange Students

School of Business Informatics and Mathematics

Campus Tour: 3 September 2026, 11.a.m.

Meeting point: Cafe Soleil (A 5, 6)

Orientation Session: 3 September, 12 p.m. (after the campus tour)

Meeting point: A 101 (B 6, 23-25 Building A)

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School of Economics

Department of Economics

Orientation Session: 4 September 2026, noon - 1 p.m.

Meeting point: L7, 3-5, S031

Campus Tour: 4 September 2026 (after the orientation event, weather-permitting)

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1. Orientation Sessions for Exchange Students

School of Law

Campus Tour: 1 September 2026, 3 p.m.

Meeting Point: in front of the Schlosskirche (Church)

Orientation Session: 1 September 2026, 4 p.m., after the campus tour

Meeting point: EO 145

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Palace Tour

25 September 2026, 2:15 p.m.

Further information incl. registration will be provided via email

16 October 2026, 2:15 p.m.

Further information incl. registration will be provided via email

All palace tours are free of charge.

2. Orientation Sessions for International Degree-Seeking Students

Apart from giving you practical and administrative information. We also provide plenty of opportunities for you to make new friends with your international classmates. This really is the best way to ensure that you settle in as quickly as possible, so attendance of the orientation session is mandatory.

Events by the International Office

Orientation Session for all new International Degree-Seeking Students

When: Wednesday, 2 September 2026, 1.30 p.m. (German time)

Where: O151 Hans Luik Lecture Hall, First Floor, East Wing, Palace

The team for international degree-seeking students will be happy to support you with your enrollment and answer any questions you may have.

You can find us at the **International Office in L 1,1 (entrance B, first floor, room 108/109):**

Tuesday, 1 September	9 a.m. - noon and 1 - 3 p.m.
Wednesday, 2 September	9 a.m. - noon and 1 - 3 p.m.
Thursday, 3 September	9 a.m. - noon and 1 - 3 p.m.
Friday, 4 September	9 a.m. - noon

Get Together for all new Degree-Seeking Students

We kindly invite you to our Get Together. Here you will have the opportunity to get to know staff members of the International Office, get in touch with fellow students and scholars in a relaxed atmosphere.

When: Friday, 4 September 2026, 4 p.m.

Where: Audimax, Ground Floor, A3

2. Orientation Sessions for International Degree-Seeking Students

General Students' Committee (AStA):

One of the tasks of the AStA is also the welcoming of the first semester students. You can get to know the university and your fellow students at various events.

You can find more information on the website of the AStA:

www.asta.uni-mannheim.de on Instagram **@asta_unima**,

@basta_unima or on Facebook **AStA.UniMannheim**



Departmental Student Councils In addition to the AStA, there are departmental representatives who support students with concrete problems in their department (courses, examinations, etc.). The departmental representatives also plan many events for freshers to get to know each other, such as a barbecue on the Neckar River.

Just follow the instagram of your student council to stay up to date:

Business Administration	@fsbwl
Economics	@fsvwl.unimannheim
Law	@fsjura_mannheim
Linguistics and Literature	@split_unima
Media and Communication Science	@fbv.mkw
History and Classical Studies	@fga.unima
Sociology and Political Science	@sopo.fbv
Psychology	@fbv.psycho
Mathematics and Computer Science	@fim_unima
Business Education	@fs.wipaed

2. Orientation Sessions for International Degree-Seeking Students

Orientation Sessions by the Schools:

There are orientation sessions offered by the faculties for degree-seeking students. We highly recommend that you attend these.

The most recent information about these sessions can be found on the website of the individual faculties. You will also find a summary in Portal².



The General Students' Committee (AStA) offer events as well. For example about the “Queer im Schloss” initiative. Queer im Schloss is part of the AStA and thus the voice for LGBTQIA+ students and their concerns. Their goals are to provide a safe space at the University of Mannheim, to make sure that you as students are represented in processes at the university and to increase the respect for and visibility of LGBTQIA+ people on campus.

Further information can be found on the website (<https://asta.uni-mannheim.de/?lang=en>) and on instagram @queerimsschloss.

3. Guided Library Tour for New Students

Get to know the University Library and the most important library services while joining our English guided tour (~30 minutes)!



Library Tours (English):

Library Tour in the Central Lending Library

- **Duration:** 30 minutes
- **Registration via e-mail:** info.ub@uni-mannheim.de
- **Meeting point:** Central Lending Library Schloss Westflügel

Thursday 27 August 10:15 a.m.

Wednesday 02 September 10:15 a.m.

Thursday 17 September 01:45 p.m.

Library Tour in a Subject Library

- **Choose the library for your subject:** A3, A5, Schloss Ehrenhof or Schloss Schneckenhof.

- **Duration:** 30 minutes
- **Registration via e-mail:** info.ub@uni-mannheim.de
- **Meeting point:** information desks in the subject libraries

Wednesday 09 September 10:15 a.m.

You can also find german speaking Library tours online via following link:
<https://www.bib.uni-mannheim.de/en/services/courses-and-tutorials/guided-tours/>

4. Study Peers Program for International Degree-Seeking Students

You are an international degree-seeking student and new in Mannheim? You have quite a few questions all about studying and living in Mannheim? You would like to get in touch with Uni Mannheim students?

The International Office of the University of Mannheim offers a Study Peers Program that supports you in order to facilitate your entry into the university and help you to get started in Mannheim. During the first weeks, e.g. your local study peer can help with study related questions and problems but you can also meet them to have a coffee or to go to the cinema. The Study Peers Program is a great opportunity to get to know new people and attend some interesting events.

You would like to sign up for the Study Peers Program?

You can register [here](#).

You will find more information [here](#).

5. Events for International Degree-Seeking Students

Made in Mannheim – FIT for Studies and Career:

Can you imagine working in Germany after your graduation? Are you planning an internship and need support with your application documents? Do you want to study successfully and learn more about organizing your studies?

WHAT DO WE OFFER?

- **Information Session from Student to Graduate**
- **Study Success Sessions**
- **Information Session with Employment Agency**
- **Company Visits**
- **Individual CV Check**
- **International Alumni Nights**
- **Application Trainings**

For more information, have a look at our [website](#).

Registration is required for all events. We will inform you via e-mail once registration starts.

6. Excursions by the International Office

Excursion 1:

Trip to Frankfurt, DFF – Deutsches Filminstitut & Filmmuseum
Fri, 2 Oct 2026

Guided Tour: Development of film language

Meeting time: 8.15 a.m.

Meeting point: Central Station

Registration: via Portal²

Costs: €10

Registration:

Further information will be provided via email

Excursion 2:

Trip to Heilbronn, Experimenta
Fri, 9 Oct 2026

Tour „Grand Talent Expedition“

Meeting time: tbd

Meeting point: tbd

Registration: via Portal²

Costs: €10

Registration:

Further information will be provided via email

7. Learning German

Language learning also takes place outside of the classroom and you will have plenty of opportunities to practice your German:

TANDEM Conversation Partner :

The online TANDEM platform is for everyone looking for a language conversation partner. Here you can post your personal TANDEM offer and also search for a conversation partner. Through TANDEM, people of different native languages or of similar language knowledge can help each other learn and improve their foreign language skills.

Register at: <https://tandem.uni-mannheim.de>



ESN VISUM Café Lingua

Meet German native speakers who are interested in the language you are speaking and learn German from them. ESN VISUM gives you the opportunity to practice your conversation skills.

For more information see the website:
<https://www.visum-mannheim.de>

8. Student organizations

AEGEE stands for “Association des Etats Généraux des Etudiants de l’Europe” and is the biggest student organization in Europe. They are striving for a unified Europe without prejudices and an open and broad-minded society.



Besides democracy, human rights, and education, AEGEE wants to strengthen cross-border co-operations and intercultural tolerance. Therefore, they would like to welcome international students to their events to bring the international spirit to Mannheim. Visit their homepage (<https://www.aegee-mannheim.de/en/>) or write an email (info@aegee-mannheim.de) for more information.



AIESEC, the world’s largest student organization, is the international platform for young people to discover and develop their potential so as to have a positive impact on society. AIESEC is looking for students who will stay in Mannheim for at least one year. Through their work, AIESEC members not only gain various practical skills and leadership abilities, they also get the possibility to experience their studies in an international environment. While working for AIESEC, its members gain various practical skills and leadership abilities. They experience an international environment during their university studies. Visit their homepage (<https://www.aiesec.de/lcs/mannheim>) or write an email (mannheim@aiesec.de) for more information.

8. Student organizations

ESN VISUM is a student organization especially for international students at the University of Mannheim. Its aim is to encourage the interaction between Mannheim and exchange students. To achieve this goal, VISUM offers the Buddy Program, interesting VISUM events, parties, and city trips. Visit the homepage (<https://mannheim.esn-germany.de/>) or send an email (info@visum-mannheim.de) for more information & the semester programm.

You can also follow them on
instagram!



9. Activities & Excursions

ESN VISUM Mannheim would like to invite all international students and guests of the University of Mannheim to join the following activities:



FEBRUARY

Monday, 2 Aug 2026- Get Together

Start the semester in a relaxed and welcoming atmosphere at our Get Together! Meet fellow international and local students, enjoy good conversations, and make your first connections in Mannheim. The perfect icebreaker to kick things off!

Wednesday, 02 September 2026 – Lake Trip

We spend a day together at the lake and enjoy the good weather

Thursday, 03 September 2026 – German Drinking Games

Tonight, we try out the best German drinking games

Friday, 04 September 2026 – Gym Tryout

We'll do a circuit workout in the new T1 Gym.

Friday, 04 September 2026 – ESN Dance Night – Salsa & Bachata Workshop

At our Salsa & Bachata Workshop, we'll learn the first steps together, followed by some time for free practice.

Saturday, 05 September 2026 – ESN goes IKEA

We're heading to IKEA together – perfect for anyone who still needs a few things for their new room.

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Sunday, 06 September 2026 – City Tour Mannheim

During a tour together, we'll show you around Mannheim, tell you a bit about the city and visit some of its most important and interesting places.

Tuesday, 08 September 2026 – Welcome Party – Raise Your Flag

The big start to our international party series: the Welcome Party at the beginning of the semester. Lots of specials and students from all over the world are waiting for you.

Wednesday, 09 September 2026 – Mannheim Quiz & Prizes

How well do you already know Mannheim? Test your knowledge in our quiz, learn something new about the city and win some prizes!

Wednesday, 09 September 2026 – ESN Kickoff

Get to know ESN Mannheim and get a first taste of what's waiting for you this semester – trips, parties, events and much more! You'll also find out how you can get involved with ESN yourself.

Saturday, 12 September 2026 – Wurstmarkt x ESN Kaiserslautern

Together with ESN Kaiserslautern, we're heading to the Bad Dürkheim Wurstmarkt, the world's largest wine festival.

Sunday, 13 September 2026 – City Trip Heidelberg

We spend a day in Heidelberg and explore the old town and the city's best-known places together.

Monday, 14 September 2026 – Karaokedoki

A relaxed karaoke night for everyone who likes to sing – and, of course, for everyone who prefers to just listen.

Tuesday, 15 September 2026 – Waffle Making

We make waffles together and spend a relaxed afternoon together.

Monday, 21 September 2026 – Game Night

We get together for a relaxed game night with different board games

Friday, 25 September 2026 – Adler Mannheim Game

Together, we attend an Adler Mannheim home game against the Krefeld Pinguine and experience live ice hockey at the SAP Arena.

Sunday, 27 September 2026 – Day Trip Cannstatter Wasen

We'll head to Stuttgart together in the afternoon and spend the evening at the Cannstatter Wasen.

Wednesday, 30 September 2026 – Irish Pub

We meet for a few drinks at the Irish Pub and round off the month together.

October

Wednesday, 07 October 2026 – International Dinner

Everyone brings food and drinks from their home country. An international highlight with culinary specialties from all over the world!

Sunday, 11 October 2026 – Treetop Climbing

Together, we head to the high ropes course, where different courses and obstacles high above the ground are waiting for us.

Monday, 12 October 2026 – Café Lingua

Improve your language skills with native speakers or chat with interesting people at our language café who want to learn your language.

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Wednesday, 14 October 2026 – Pub Crawl

Four groups, four colours. We take you to the best bars in Mannheim and afterwards everyone continues the party together at a club. Don't miss the most legendary event of the semester: the ESN Pub Crawl.

Wednesday, 14 October 2026 – Neon Party

At our Neon Party, we'll keep the night going together – feel free to dress in neon to match the theme.

Sunday, 18 October 2026 – Planetarium

Together, we visit a show at the Mannheim Planetarium and take a look at the night sky.

Friday, 23 October 2026 – Waldhof Mannheim

Together, we attend an SV Waldhof Mannheim home match and experience the atmosphere at the Carl-Benz-Stadion.

Saturday, 24 October 2026 – Karlsruhe City Trip x ESN Karlsruhe

ESN Karlsruhe will show us around their city.

Monday, 26 October 2026 – Pumpkin Carving

Just before Halloween, we carve pumpkins together and see who can come up with the best design.

Thursday, 29 October 2026 – Wine Tasting

At a wine tasting together, we try different wines and learn a little about the region's wine culture along the way

9. Activities & Excursions

November

Monday, 02 November 2026 – Bingo Night

A classic bingo night – with small prizes for the winners, of course.

Monday, 09 November 2026 – Christmas Giving & Gingerbread

We get into the Christmas spirit together, bake gingerbread and combine the evening with a small social activity.

Monday, 16 November 2026 – Movie Night

We get cosy for a movie night together.

Tuesday, 17 November 2026 – How to Cook German

We cook a typical German dish together and enjoy the meal afterwards.

Wednesday, 18 November 2026 – Karaokedoki

A relaxed karaoke night for everyone who likes to sing – and, of course, for everyone who prefers to just listen.

Monday, 23 November 2026 – Café Lingua

Improve your language skills with native speakers or chat with interesting people at our language café who want to learn your language.

Tuesday, 24 November 2026 – Farewell Party

ESN says goodbye to the internationals. Before exam season starts, we'll hit the dance floor together one more time!

Events intended solely for internal ESN members are not listed. In addition, approximately three spontaneous events—which are not yet planned—are expected to be added each month.

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