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**Information on English taught
lectures are to be found on the
Website of Aalen University
(please click [here](#))**



Dear Students,

Welcome to Aalen University!

We are located in the Southern German state of Baden-Württemberg and were founded in 1963 as a State Engineering School. In 1971 we became a University of Applied Sciences. Today, 6000 Students from more than 60 nations enjoy their studies at the University's schools of Chemistry, Electronics & Computer Science, Management & Business Sciences, Mechanical Engineering & Materials Science and Optics & Mechatronics.

Our University is fully committed to the implementation of the European Bologna Process and has already switched its course offerings from the traditional German four-year degrees to Bachelor's and Master's. Renowned for its intense research activities Aalen University also facilitates effectively the transfer of technology to regional industries and accompanies their skilled employees and managers by its own Career and Start-Ups Centre.

Being a member of Aalen University means being a member of the world: International relations are one of its trademarks. Flourishing partnerships to 90 universities exist around the globe. The exchange of scientists and students from all over the world enriches the Aalen campus and region day by day.

All courses of studies are regularly evaluated and updated according to innovative educational and scientific insights, specific needs of the regional industries and according to international academic standards. As a result Aalen University comprises excellent study courses with highly motivated staff, modernized equipment and progressive major fields of studies such as Technical Editing, International Technical Sales Management and Molecular Biotechnology. Study



offerings such as Optoelectronics, Audiology and Optometry are almost unique in Germany and possess a truly national reputation, thus complementing Aalen University's strong reputation in engineering fields. Newer study fields such as Computer Sciences and Business contribute strongly today to Aalen University's educational portfolio and are being continuously developed.

The development and motivation of young people is very dear to our hearts. We want that our students develop self-confident personalities, with which - along with their knowledge and social competencies - they can become successful and happy in their professional lives. Commitment, initiative, and diligence are the basic building blocks of our daily common efforts towards the implementation of our philosophy.

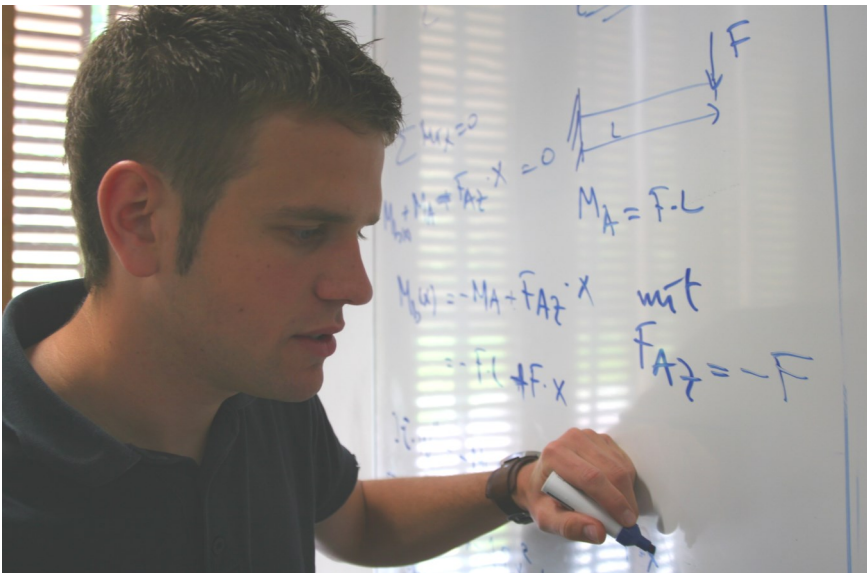
A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'G. Schneider'.

Rector Prof. Dr. Gerhard Schneider

Information about Aalen University



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Academic Calendar

The semester dates of Aalen University are as follows:

Preparatory German Classes and Orientation (compulsory):

Winter Semester:	September 1st
Summer Semester	March 1st

Lecturing Periods:

Winter Semester	October — January
Summer Semester	Mid-March — June

Examination Periods:

Winter Semester	first 3 weeks of February
Summer Semester	first 3 weeks of July

Studying in Aalen, Southern Germany

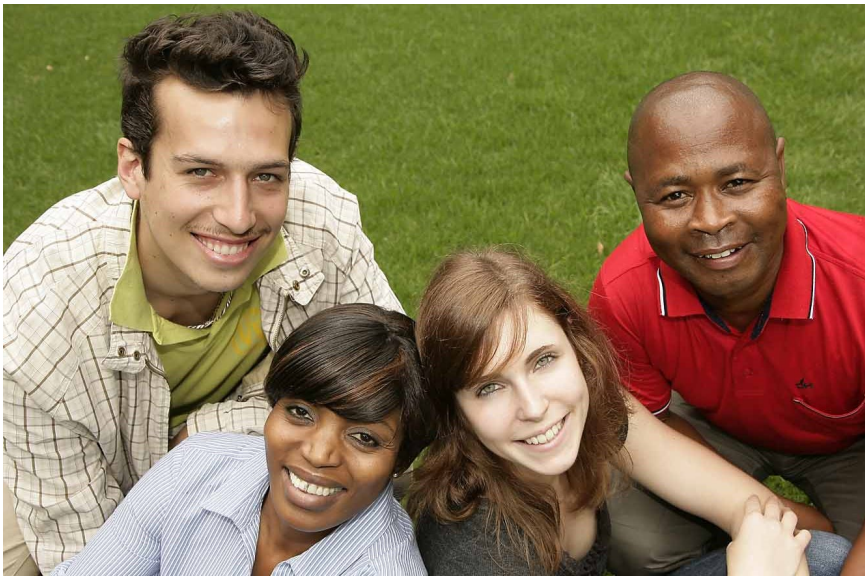


You will live and learn at one of the biggest universities of applied sciences in Baden-Württemberg, with varying types of music are featured in the bars and pubs. A particular highlight is the yearly Jazz Festival bringing the “*crème de la crème*” of world-famous Jazz musicians to Aalen.

With its twin cities in the UK, France, Hungary and Turkey and its yearly international festivals, Aalen has proven to possess a most friendly environment for foreign students. Already in 2005 the city of Aalen won the Award for Germany’s Friendliest Immigration Office, granted jointly by the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation and the Donors’ Association for the Promotion of Sciences and Humanities in Germany. The Award for the Friendliest Immigration Office is granted to authorities who have shown to be particularly open, flexible and helpful in their treatment of foreign academics and students.

Aalen provides a number of recreational facilities, from sports centres to tennis courts, riding halls, an ice skating rink and even ski lifts. Modern and classic music concerts are regularly held in the city of Aalen. Amateurs of theatre will also be more than satisfied with the Aalen Theatre. Live music festivals





MOST KIND Programme

MOST KIND: Mentoring OST-Württemberg — Partners of MOST KIND Programme are not only the
Kooperative Integration Nicht-Deutscher four major state universities of East Württemberg,
Studierender but also Studentenwerk Ulm, Jugendwerk Aalen,

MOST KIND Programme is a project of the state uni-
 versities East Württemberg (Aalen University, Uni-
 versity of Cooperative Education Heidenheim, PH

Schwäbisch Gmünd and Schwäbisch Gmünd Univer-
 sity) in supporting the integration of international
 students into universities, society and working envi-
 ronment. The programme is funded by DAAD under
 the PROFIN project.

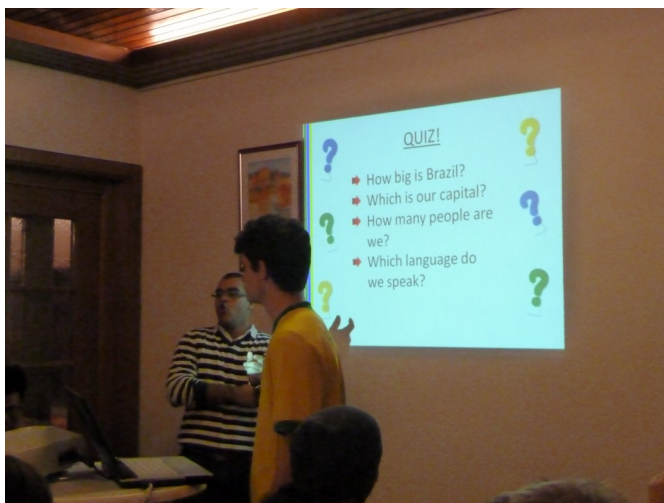
The project measures include student conference,
 German language courses, engaging student resi-
 dence hall tutors, intercultural training for universi-
 ty's employees and tutors, excursions, sport events,
 and internet integration platform.



Buddy Programme of Aalen University



The buddy system facilitates both the social integration and the adaptation phase to the new academic environment of the international students in Aalen University. Specifically this programme provides a method where an exchange or international full-time student has a “buddy” who is paired up with them for the semester or year. For exchange students from Aalen University’s , it is important to be able to integrate quickly due to the limited amount of time. Even though each exchange students are being taken care of by their supervising faculty member, it is always a concern; how to provide enough care for the exchange students both academically and emotionally. Because often the fear of the exchange students and limited resources could prevent the intensive contact.





Language and Culture Courses

Beside the subjects within each school and the language courses during orientation, Aalen University is also offering language and culture courses as follows during the semesters:

11101 German and European Culture,	5 ECTS, offered both in winter and summer semester
11112 German as a Foreign Language A 1.2,	3 ECTS, offered both in winter and summer semester
11114 German as a Foreign Language A 2.2,	3 ECTS, offered both in winter and summer semester
11122 German as a Foreign Language B1.2,	3 ECTS, offered both in winter and summer semester
11123 German as a Foreign Language B2,	3 ECTS, offered both in winter and summer semester
11132 German as a Foreign Language B2/C1,	3 ECTS, offered both in winter and summer semester

For further offer of the language centre please visit: <http://www.sprachenzentrum.htw-aalen.de/>

Accommodation



Depending on your personal tastes, you have the choice of living either in one of the student residence halls or in off-campus private accommodation. Each has its advantages and disadvantages based on price, size, location, ease of arrangement, opportunities to meet other students, etc., so you should consider carefully which option is best for you.

The residence halls include:



Carl-Schneider Studentenwohnheim

Single room, shared kitchen / bathrooms / showers, common area,



Wohnheim AA-Unterrombach, Steinertgasse 10

Single apartment OR Single room in commune-style living (WG) , shared kitchen / bathrooms / showers, common area.



Wohnheim „Burren“ Anton-Huber-Strasse 5,7,9,11

Single room in commune-style living (WG), 2-4-or 6 students per floor, shared kitchen / bathrooms / showers, common area.



Studentendorf Wellandstraße

Single apartment or single room in commune-style living (WG) with four students per WG with private bathroom and shower but shared kitchen



Wohnheim AA-Dewangen

Single room in commune-style living (WG) shared kitchen / bathroom / showers , common area

In order to book a room in the residency halls, we need the filled-in “Application for Student Housing” before your arrival in Aalen. Please make your choice after reading the following descriptions. Upon receiving the “Application for Student Housing”, we will reserve your room.

Four residence halls are available for student housing, but only two of them are easily accessible to exchange students. Also available throughout Aalen are private accommodations. These options are described later on in this page.

And if you arrive on the weekend or after the IRO closes for the day, there are also hotels and youth hostels available for short-term stays.

!!! IMPORTANT !!! IMPORTANT !!!

The renting contracts for the residence halls are always for a whole semester (March 1 to August 31 or September 1 to February 28), which means that you have to rent and pay for a room for six (6) months, no matter how long you actually stay. In addition to this, to reserve a room, a deposit must be transferred. Allocation of the rooms will then be made upon a first-come, first-served basis. Two months before the end of the renting period (which is always 6 months), you will receive a form with which you can extend your lease on your room in the residence hall by another semester (Verlängerungsantrag).

Private Accommodation

There is plenty of private housing and private student residence halls available in Aalen. The monthly rent ranges between € 150,- for a room without a shower and € 390,- for a more luxurious room. At the Registrar’s Office (“Studentensekretariat”), you can consult a file with offers upon your arrival and then choose the accommodation that fits your taste the best.

If you want the IRO to help to reserve a room for you before your arrival, you should write us well before your arrival, describing what type of room you expect with minimum and maximum rent ranges, distance to the university (maybe depending on owning a car), if you expect or prefer inexpensive and simple or if you require a higher standard of living, if you prefer to share with other students, etc. As many details as possible will make our part of the process easier. The fewer amount of details provided could lead to a disappointment when you first arrive.

We would also like to draw your attention to the fact that it is not easy to find private accommodation for only two or three months. Private housing is preferable for students who are planning to stay for longer periods of time.

There are also a variety of students offering accommodations on our [website](#), as well as advertising here at the university. They are usually looking for one additional flatmate. We welcome you to peruse these offerings at your leisure and again, we are ready to help you, should you encounter language or other problems.

There are also other aspects to consider, such as whether the rent includes utilities, or whether the apartment comes furnished, in addition to other details involved in renting an apartment. You should keep these aspects in mind if you are considering private housing. The student residence halls include these features already.

How to get to Aalen from the airport



We are really looking forward to welcoming you to Aalen University! To make it a little easier to find us, we have provided you with some directions from the airport in Frankfurt, Stuttgart, and Munich.

From Frankfurt to Aalen:

The Frankfurt airport (Fernbahnhof) has its own train station. It is located in Terminal 1, B Concourse, Level 0. It is possible to take a direct train to Stuttgart and then transfer to a train towards Aalen. There are trains that leave the airport towards Stuttgart hourly. You can buy a ticket at any red ticket machines, which are positioned in the station. The ticket machines can be used in different languages, just press the flag for the language that you want. You can also print out a trip itinerary so that you know which platform you need to go to. You can also purchase your train ticket ahead of time at www.bahn.de.

From Stuttgart to Aalen:

The Stuttgart airport has a metro station. Follow the green “S” to find the Metro. You must buy the Metro ticket before you enter the train platform. It will be about a 30 minute ride on the Metro. Take the Metro to Stuttgart’s main train station (Hauptbahnhof). Once you arrive to the main train station, follow the signs “zu den Zügen” (to the trains). You must buy a ticket to Aalen. You can buy a ticket at any red ticket machines, which are positioned throughout the station. The ticket machines can be used in different languages, just press the flag for the language that you want. You can also print out a trip itinerary so that you know which platform you need to go to. You can purchase a train ticket ahead of time at www.bahn.de.

From Munich to Aalen:

The Munich airport has a metro station. Follow the green “S” to find the Metro. S1 and S8 will take you to the main train station (Hauptbahnhof). There you can transfer to regional trains. You must buy a ticket to Aalen. You can buy a ticket at any red ticket machines, which are positioned in the metro station. The ticket machines can be used in different languages, just press the flag for the language that you want. You can also print out a trip itinerary so that you know which platform you need to go to. You can purchase a train ticket ahead of time at www.bahn.de.

Once you arrive in Aalen:

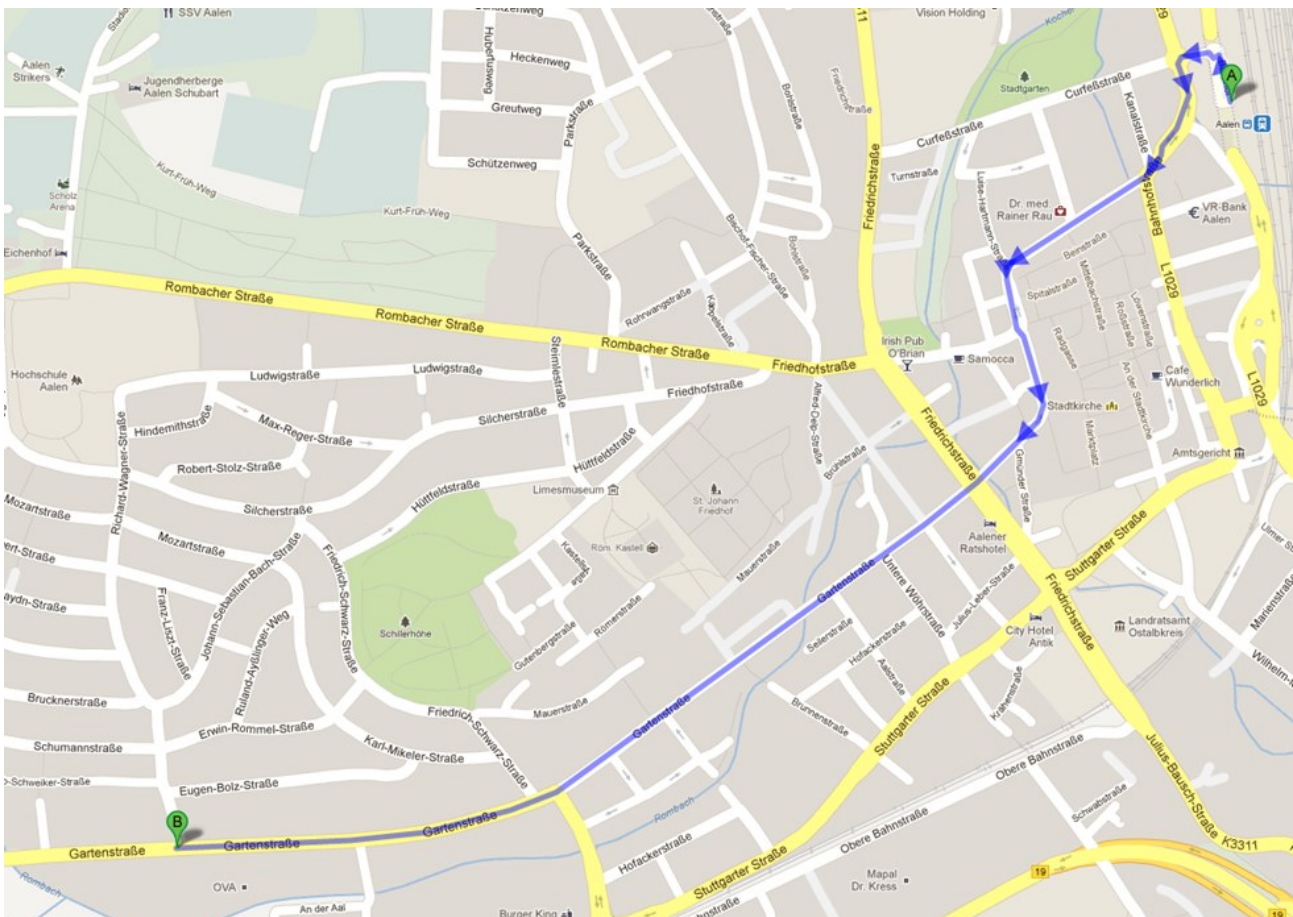
There are a few options for you once you arrive at the train station in Aalen to get to the International Relations Office.

Taxi: Most of the time there are taxis waiting outside of the train station. But if not, the taxi centre number is: (+49)736162500

Once you have a taxi, tell the driver "Gartenstraße 135" (the visiting address of the International Relations Office; Postal Address is Beethovenstrasse 1) and he/she will drive you to our office.

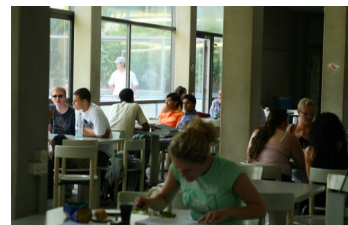
Bus: There is a bus station just across the street from the train station. To get to our office, you can take bus number: 27, 28, 37. You must walk to "Busstieg 2" (Bus stop 2) in order to get these buses. You must tell the bus driver "OVA/Gartenstraße". It will be the 3rd stop from the train station. The cost is 1,80 €. Once you get off the bus, you must cross the street and turn right. Our office will be the first building on the left.

Walk: It will take about 20 minutes to walk from the train station to our office. Please refer to the map below for the walking directions:









International Relations Contact Data at Departmental Level





International Relations at Departmental Level

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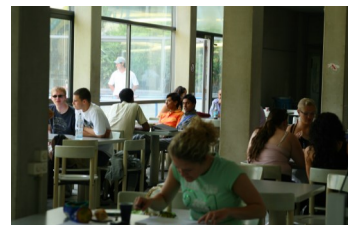
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International Business Studies		Prof. Dr. jur. Jürgen Strauß, maître en droit Gartenstrasse 115 Room: GS 2.01 tel: + 49 7361 576 – 2345 fax: + 49 7361 576 – 2330 Juergen.Strauss@hs-aalen.de	<i>France, UK, and International Programmes</i>
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