ISRT: Pre-Arrival Orientation

for KIT Department of Informatics

8 July 2025

Informatics Study Program Service (ISS)

Agenda

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7. Planning your Studies and Selecting Modules
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International Student Roundtable:
Pre-Arrival Online Orientation
(Winter Semester 2025-26)

Getting started-
Checklists

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Checklists - **organizational and orienteering**

□ **Find accommodations** (as soon as you are admitted)

□ **Read thoroughly information** on websites
  □ **"Your Road to KIT" including** Health insurance, bank account, etc…

□ **Transportation**
  □"Deutschland-Ticket" for regional transportation in Germany
  □ Public transport ticket
  □ Bike

□ **KIT** Campus Map

□ **International Student Office** (**IStO**) will provide vital information regarding for Degree Seeking and Temporary Students (Exchange):
  □Visa and Entry Visa and Residence Title
  □ Registered at Auslandsbehörde
  □ Registration of Your Residence
  □ Enrollment for Bachelor and Master students
  □ Fees
  □ Scholarships for degree seeking students

□ **Plan Arrival and Settle in time**
- Takes time to not only manage the bureaucratic aspects, but also to get your bearings and adjust to life in KA before lectures start for the semester

Checklists - **Particitpate in Events**

Before Semester Start

- ☐ **Degree Seeking Students**
  - ☐ Online Pre-Semester Course (IStO)
  - ☐ Orientations (Yes they are important 😉)
    - ☐ Start of Studies for Internationals Studienstart International (IStO)
    - ☐ "Fachschaft" FSMI O-Phase (academic department)
  - ☐ ISRT - Not able to arrive and start your studies? Then attend: Admitted but, not yet here

Before Semester Start

- ☐ **Tempory / Exchange Students**
  - ☐ Pre-Arrival German Language Course
  - ☐ Orientations (Yes they are important 😉)
    - ☐ IStO or ESN orientations
    - ☐ "Fachschaft" FSMI O-Phase (academic department)

Checklists - **Particitpate in Events and Activities**

Participate in Events and Activities in First Semester

- in **ISRT** (International Student Round Table)
  - "**Kicking -Off to the Semester**": Arrived and Checking-in: 4 November 2025
  - "**In the Thick of it** - What next in my first semester": 11 November 2025
  - **"Fit for exams and returning home**": 9 December 2025

- FSMI Events
- Mentoring Get-Togethers
- IStO and Buddy Program, and ESN , etc.

Checklists - **enrolment and academic**

- **Enrollment for degree seeking students:**

  The page describes what you need to do in sequence for online enrollment (matriculation)

  - Plan your studies and course selection at KIT
  - Register for tutorials/seminars/labs
  - Study Planning
  - Updating Your Data on the Campus Management (Student) Portal
  - KIT card (register and pick up)

Websites and Videos

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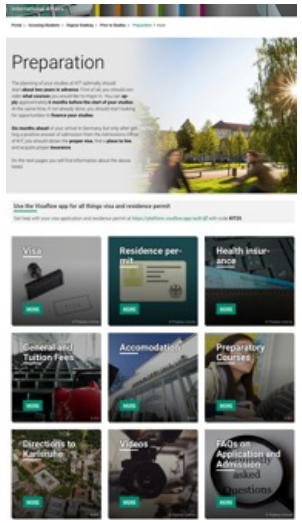
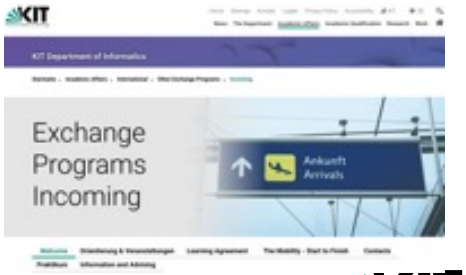
Checklist for prior to arrival and start at KIT

- Read thoroughly information on websites
  - Starting Your Studies at KIT
  - Studierendenwerk Karlsruhe
  - Studienstart am KIT (only in German)
  - Ankommen am KIT (only in German)
  - Uni Glossar (only in German) & The KIT Glossary



- **Degree seeking**
  - IStO
    - Preparation
    - Enrollment
    - Your Road to KIT
  - KIT Department of Informatics

- **Temporary Students** (Exchange)
  - IStO (ERASMUS, Eucor, Overseas Exchange, etc.)
  - KIT Department of Informatics - International Exchange



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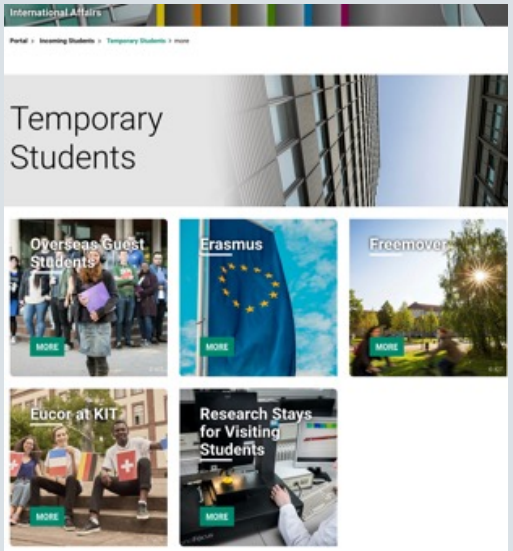
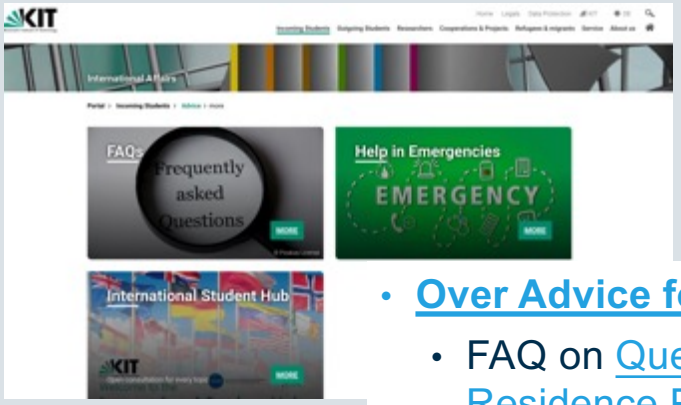


- **Exchange at KIT brochure**

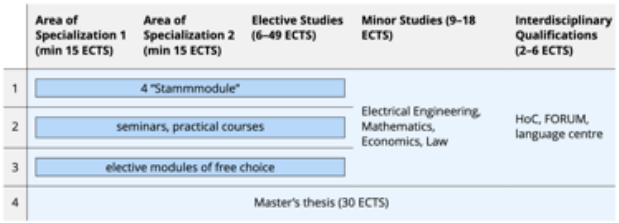


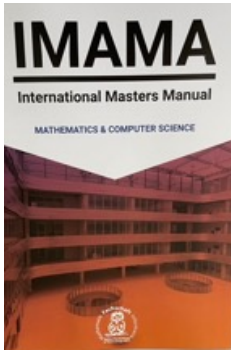
- **Over Advice for Internationals**
  - FAQ on Questions regarding Visa and Residence Permit , Housing ,etc.
  - International Student Hub

FSMI (Fachschaft Mathematik/ Informatik)

FSMI they have lots of helpful information on their website to help you get off to a good start! Including:

- FAQ
- Publications: Must reads such as Study Program Information Computer Science M.Sc. A good explanaition and overview to academic structure of major and IMAMA (International Master Mathematics) Handbook
- Quick Start Guide Video about:
  - Planning the semester:
    - Campus Management (CMS) Course Catalogue selecting and removing modules, calendar
    - ILIAS
    - Extra curricular activities and groups, language , soft skill, interdispensary, key qualifications or additional courses and credits, ect.
  - Everyday Life
    - Day and week structure, where to study, hangout and eat
    - What is Fachschaft





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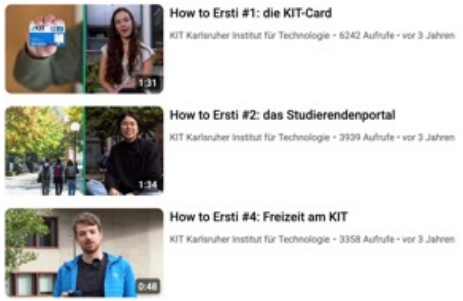

Videos from IStO: Our international students have produced videos for you on important topics of concern for new international students. The videos are in German language with English subtitles.

Video Information…

Youtube channel of the KIT Faculty of Informatics

Lecture recording,
Information Videos etc…

YouTube-Kanal der
KIT-Fakultät für Informatik

Unterstützung im Studium
Video Playlist

- Ex. Support during your studies video playlist
  - the first six weeks of your studies
  - CMS (Campus Management for students)

Overview of Academic Calendar

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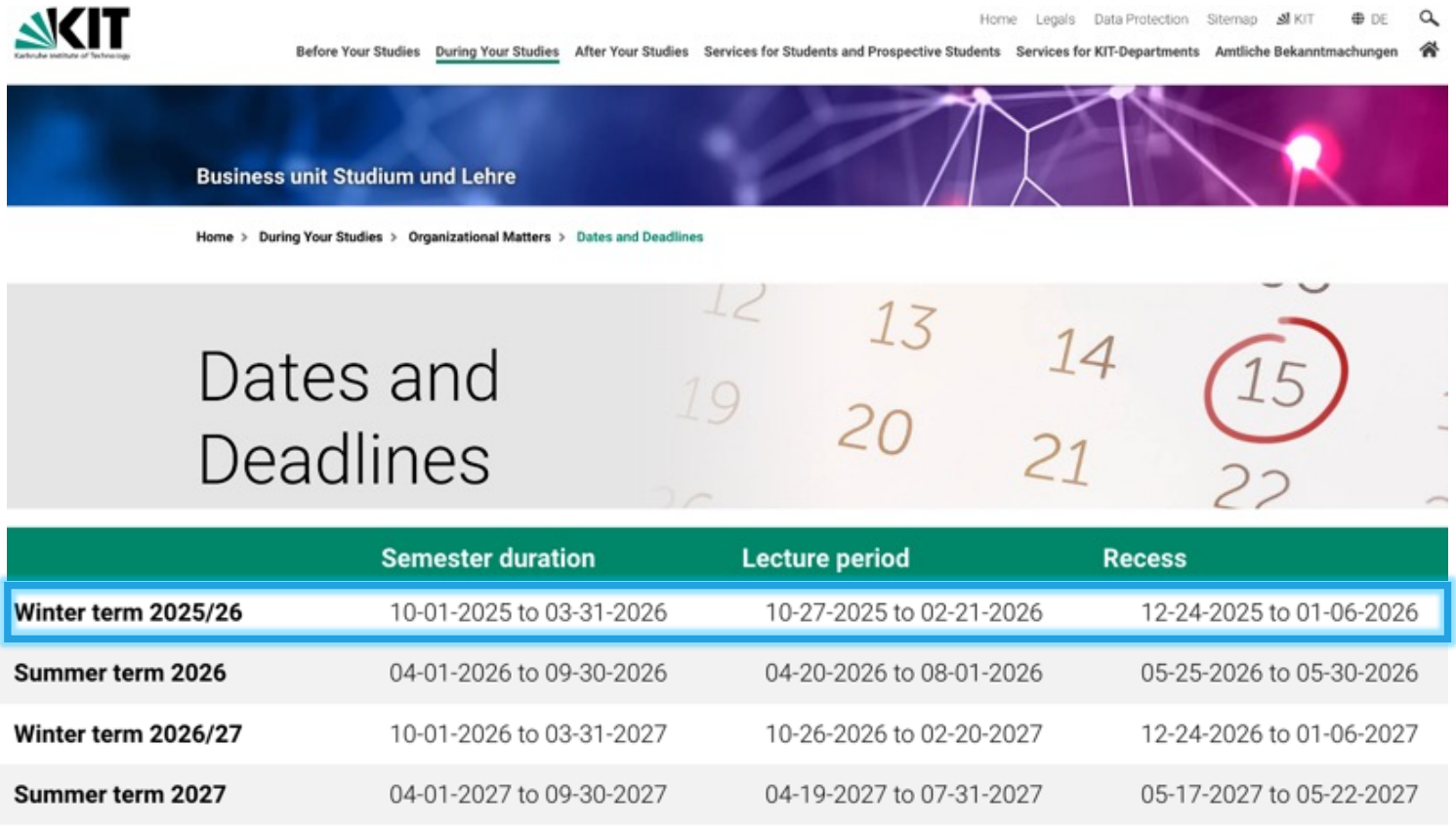
KIT- Academic Calendar



	Semester duration	Lecture period	Recess
Winter term 2025/26	10-01-2025 to 03-31-2026	10-27-2025 to 02-21-2026	12-24-2025 to 01-06-2026
Summer term 2026	04-01-2026 to 09-30-2026	04-20-2026 to 08-01-2026	05-25-2026 to 05-30-2026
Winter term 2026/27	10-01-2026 to 03-31-2027	10-26-2026 to 02-20-2027	12-24-2026 to 01-06-2027
Summer term 2027	04-01-2027 to 09-30-2027	04-19-2027 to 07-31-2027	05-17-2027 to 05-22-2027

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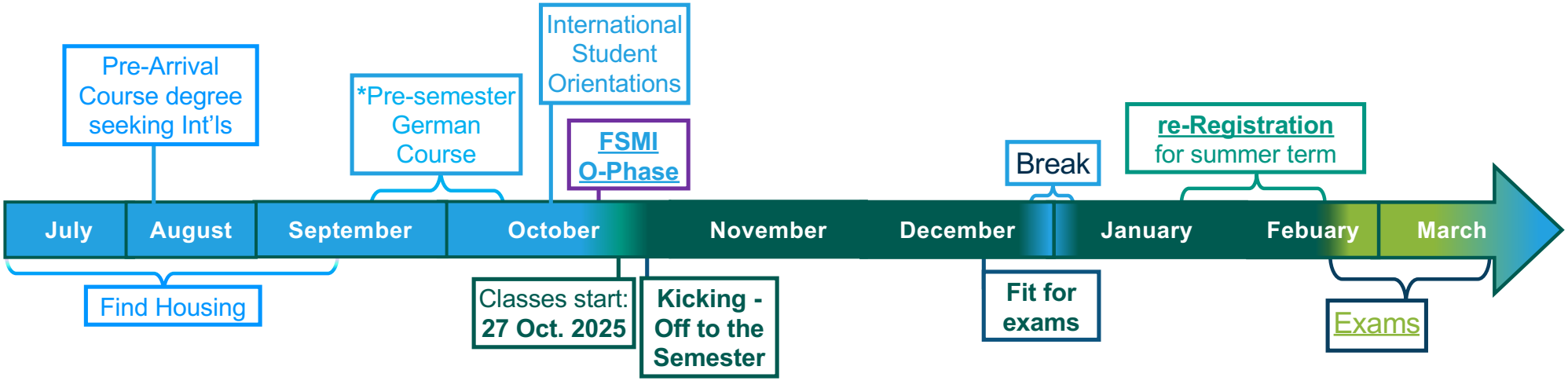

- **Pre-Semester German Course** (exchange)
- **International Student Orientations:** for **Degree Seeking** and **Exchange**
- **FSMI O-PHASE**: will take place from the 20.10.2025 to the 25.10.2025
- **Info²** Events including: ex. **Kicking -Off to the Semester, Fit for exams, Mentoring Get-Togethers,** etc…
- **Break**: Winter Break 24.December to 6. January
- **Exams** – Many exams take place during the lecture free period from February to the end of March

Orientation and Other Events

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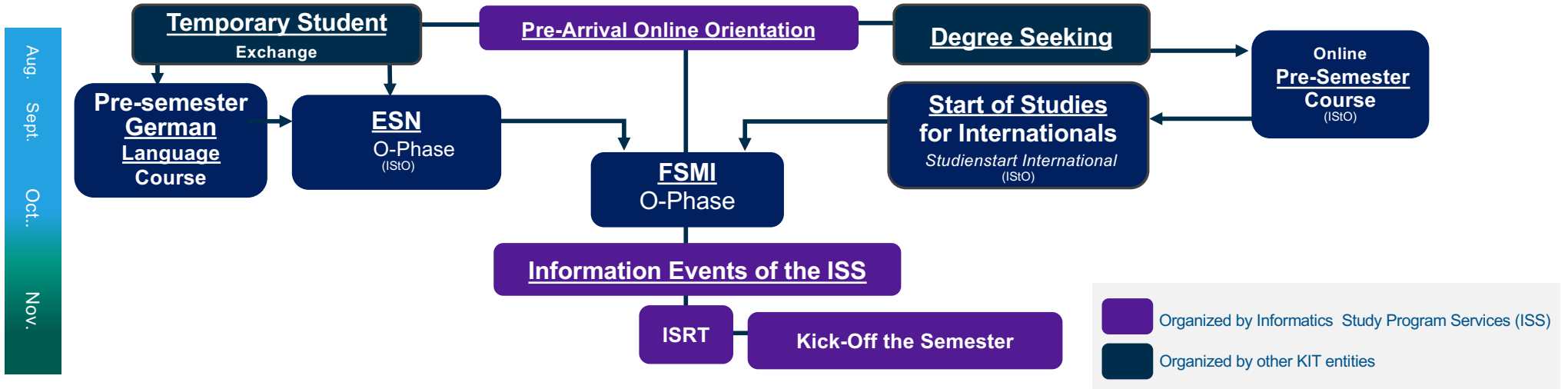
Overview to Orientations

- Participate in Orientation
  - Each of orientation focus a different content that is relevant to studying at KIT and living in Germany
  - Yes, there will be a few places where you receive the same information more than once, but for good reasons and often slightly different perspective
  - An important reason to attend is that you can start build a social network and find study partners



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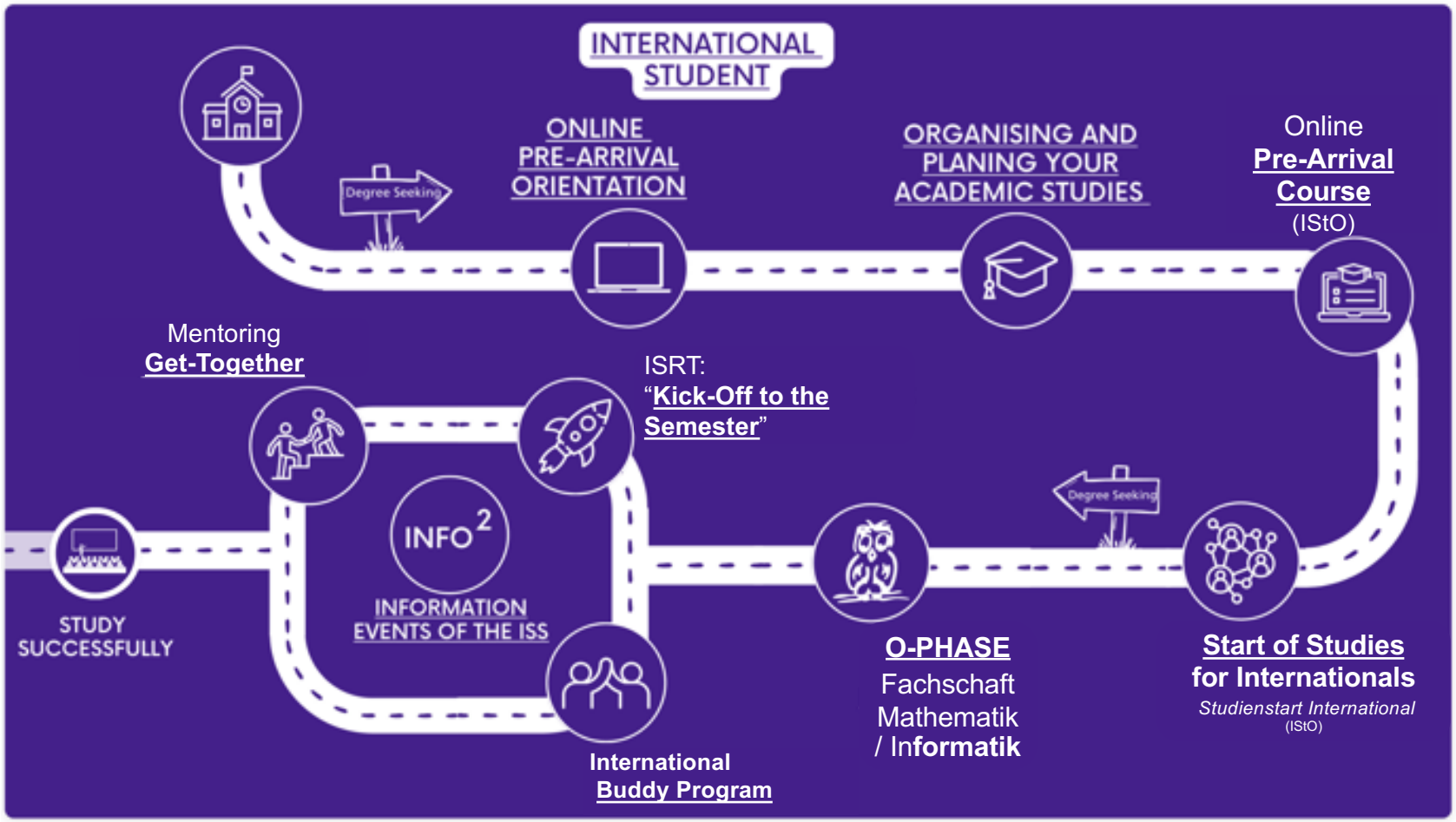
Degree Seeking



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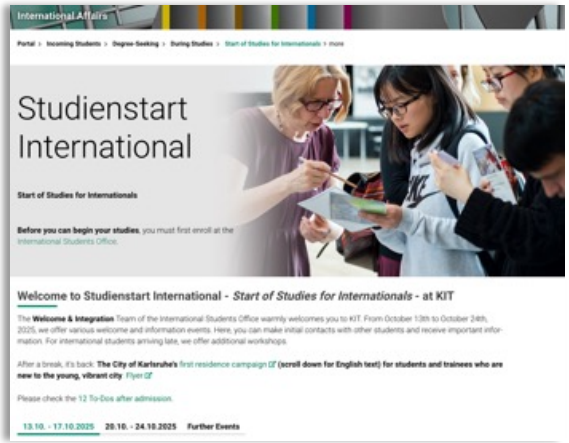
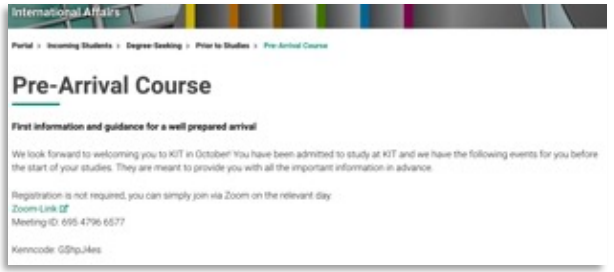
Before Semester Start – Orientations for Degree Seeking Students

- FSMI O-PHASE will take place from 20.10.2025 to 25.10.2025

- *Studienstart International* offers events between 13.10.2025 to 24.10.2025



- *IStO's Online Pre-Semester Course* will offer events between on 18.08, 19.08 and 20. 08. 2025



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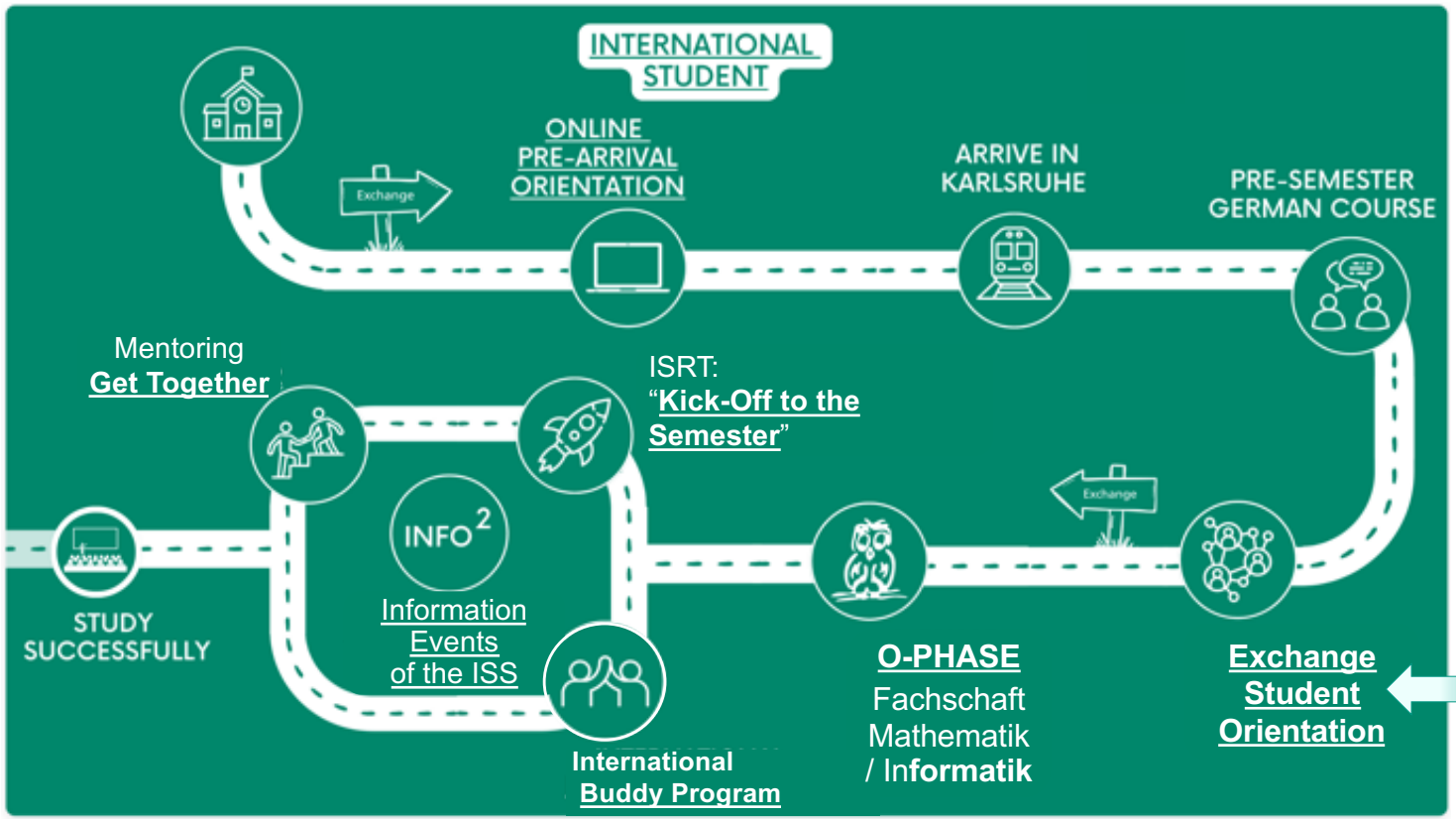
Exchange Students

- KIT International Student Office (IStO)
- KIT Department of Informatics



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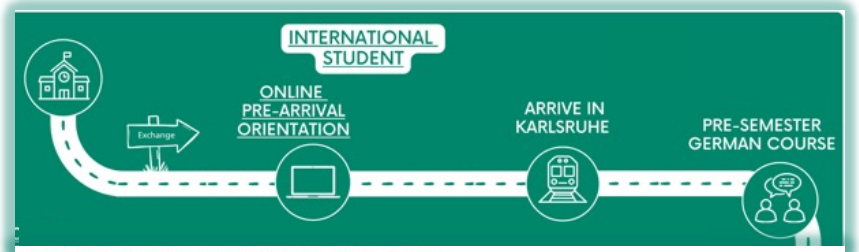
Exchange Students – Pre-Semester German Course



2. Paying the fee for the pre-semester language course

Pre-semester German language classes (different levels) will be offered **approximately five/six weeks** before lectures start from **2:00 p.m. to 5:15 p.m.** to all incoming exchange students, who have previously indicated in their online application that they want to participate.

For the pre-semester German language course, registration via the KIT Campus Plus Portal is required **until July 31st**: **https://plus.campus.kit.edu/signmeup/go/D4VCO54**

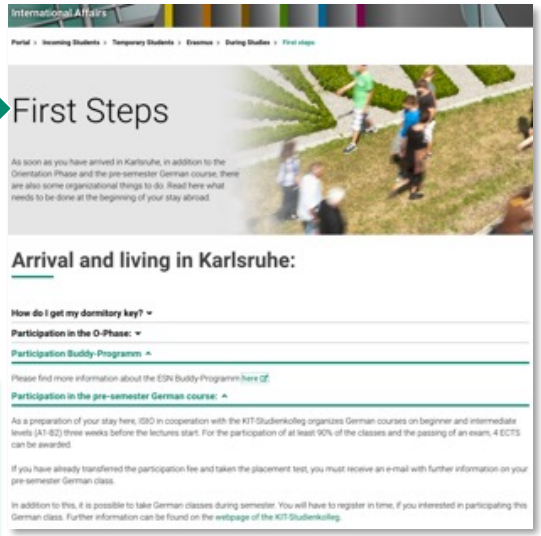
Participants are asked to take a placement test prior to registration. Upload of test result (pdf) is mandatory during the registration process. For placement test please see: **https://www.hueber.de/einfach-digital/einstufung-stests?sprache=daf&sprache_1=daf&lehrwerk=mom&lehrwerk_1=akd**

The course fee is **75 EUR**. Payment is possible only by bank transfer to the following bank account **within 3 days after registration**:

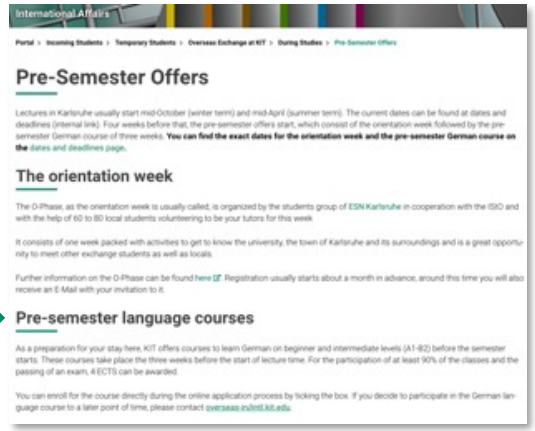
Account holder:	KIT Campus Süd Amtskasse (if necessary: Kaiserstr. 12, 76131 Karlsruhe)
	Bundesbank Karlsruhe (if necessary: Südendstr. 46, 76135 Karlsruhe)
IBAN	DE57 6600 0000 0066 0015 08
BIC/SWIFT	MARKDEF1660
ID for transfer: (Motif de l'opération / motivo de la transferencia)	**XD02003600622 "your name" (NOT the name of your parents or your relatives)**

Note: The "XD02003600622" and your name MUST appear in the remittance slip and ALL BANK CHARGES MUST BE PAID by the client!
Please send the remittance slip to info-daf@stk.kit.edu

ERASMUS



Overseas Exchange at KIT



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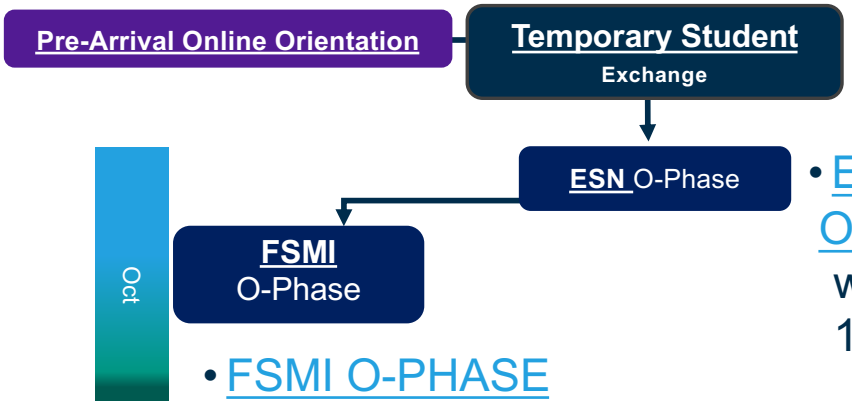
Before Semester Start –Orientations for Temporary Student (Exchange)

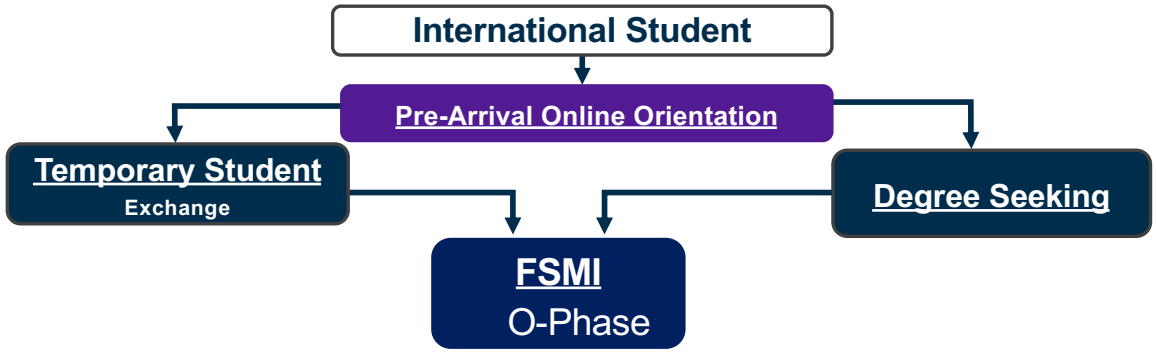


- Exchange Student Orientation
  will offer events between
  12.10.2025 to 19.10.2025

- FSMI O-PHASE
  will take place from
  20.10.2025 to
  25.10.2025

Fachschaft in Orientation

FSMI O-Phase



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□ Participate Fachschaft's in Orientation

- **This is the primary academic orientation and very important to participate in!**
- *FSMI is the representative student body for all students majoring in of Mathematics and Informatics
- Talk with students in higher semesters, who can answer questions on individual basis
- Attend informative events on the topics of organizing and managing your major at KIT
- Have fun with games, parties and excursions while exploring the KIT campus and Karlsruhe in small groups

Fachschaft in Orientation

FSMI O-Phase

Welcome

We, the Fachschaft Mathematik/Informatik (student council of mathematics and computer science) at Karlsruhe Institute of Technology would like to welcome you on our website for the orientation period (O-Phase) i winter semester 2025 / 2026. Here you can get the most important information and news you will need as a new student.

In addition you'll get in touch with your fellow students – perhaps some friendships arise too!

> **The O-Phase will take place from the 20.10.2025 to the 25.10.2025, both start and end included.**

While the whole O-Phase is voluntarily, we really *recommend* participating to ease up the first weeks of your first semester. It's not going to be boring, we promise!

Opening Event

The Opening Event will take place on Monday the 20th October at 09:00 AM in the Audimax.

Livestream

There will be no livestream of the Opening Event.

Registration

You do **not** have to register to participate at the O-Phase. We will inform you about changes regarding the registration. Check the website regularly to acquire the newest information, if you want to be sure.

You will receive an official invitation, containing a more detailed plan of the O-Phase.

If you haven't heard anything until the 01.10.2025, feel free to look at the invitation here. If any question arise, please get in touch via mail or if possible in person.

Fachbereichsinformation

The most important event during the week is the "Fachbereichsinformation" (FBI) at 02:00 PM on Tuesday, October 15. Even if you cannot make it to the rest of the orientation week, please try to make it to the FBI. There you will learn the most important details of the program of your studies.

We provide an FBI for the following fields of study:

Bachelor of Science Mathematics (in Technology/Economics)

Bachelor of Science Computational and Data Science

Master of Science Mathematics (in Technology)/Economathematics

Bachelor of Education Mathmatics (for Teaching)

Bachelor of Science Computer Science

Master of Science Computer Science

FSMI (Fachschaft Mathematik/ Informatik)

They are the informatics students representative body provides assistance and various services including O-Phase, advising answer queries and advice regarding the major, sells copies of old exams, and offers social activities chance to connect with other students in your major ect.

FSMI Int'l Website

Location: Building 50.34, Room -124 (cellar)

Website https://www.fsmi.org/en/offers/international-students/

E-Mail: international@fsmi.org

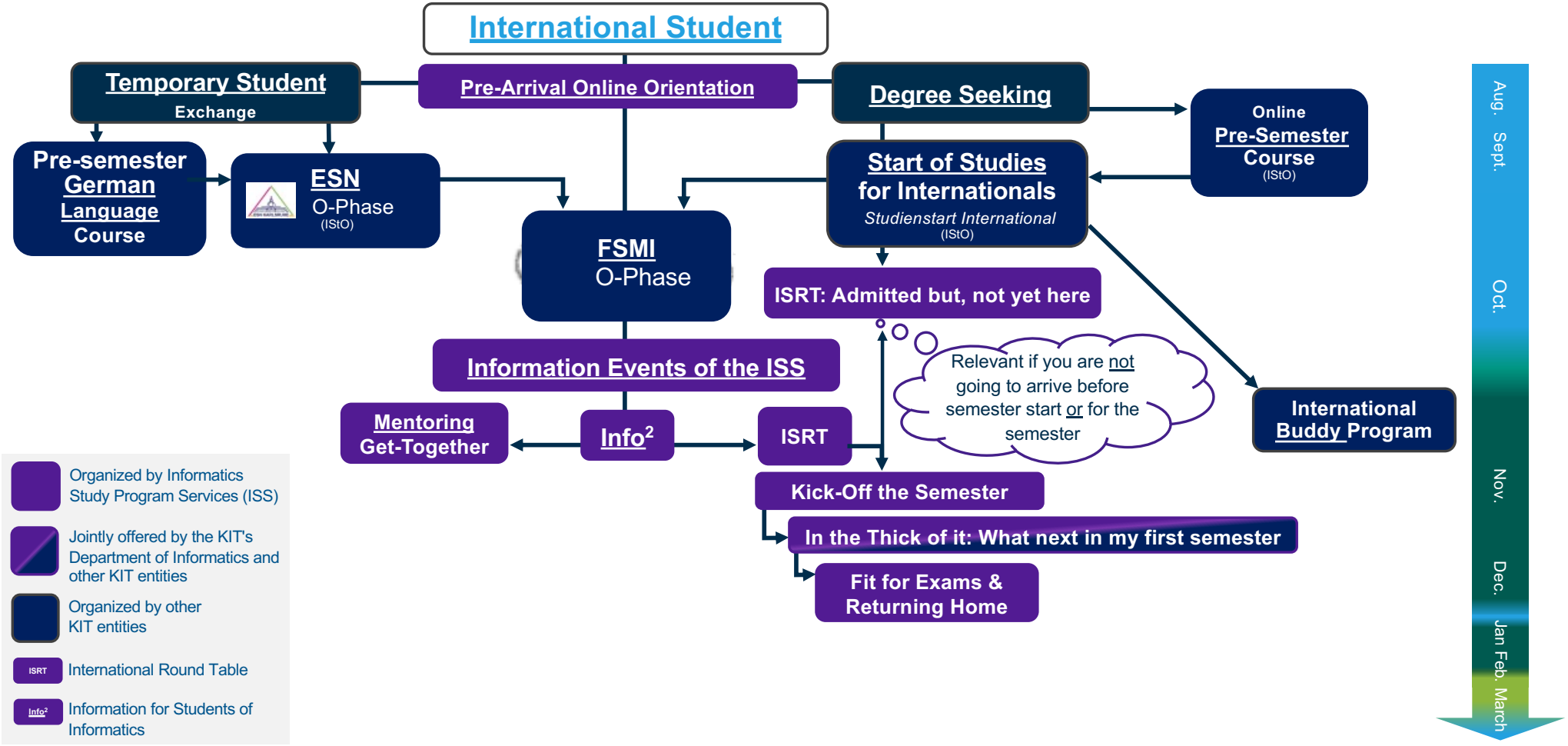
Check out FSMI useful information materials about studying here at KIT including: Study Program Information Computer Science M.Sc. , FAQS(https://www.fsmi.org/en/offers/international-students/internationals-faq/ and https://o-phase.com/en/ws2526/faq/) as well as overview to academic structure of major and IMAMA (International Master Mathematics) Handbook

Are you enrolled in a Another Department /Faculty?

If you are in a different department then you should check out their information and participate in their orientation. Further information to your **Fachschaft on the AStA at KIT** website regarding O-Phase!

- **Participate in your KIT Departments/Faculties Orientations.** If you have questions or need more information, please contact your departmental coordinator at KIT or visit the webpage of the Department of:
  - ARCH at https://www.arch.kit.edu/english/studium-und-lehre/4112.php
  - BGU at https://www.ifh.kit.edu/english/1843.php
  - CIW at https://www.ciw.kit.edu/english/2323.php
  - ETIT at https://www.etit.kit.edu/english/4153.php
  - MACH at https://www.mach.kit.edu/english/2580.php
  - WIWI at https://www.wiwi.kit.edu/english/IncomingFAQ.php

First Semester Flow – WS 2025-26



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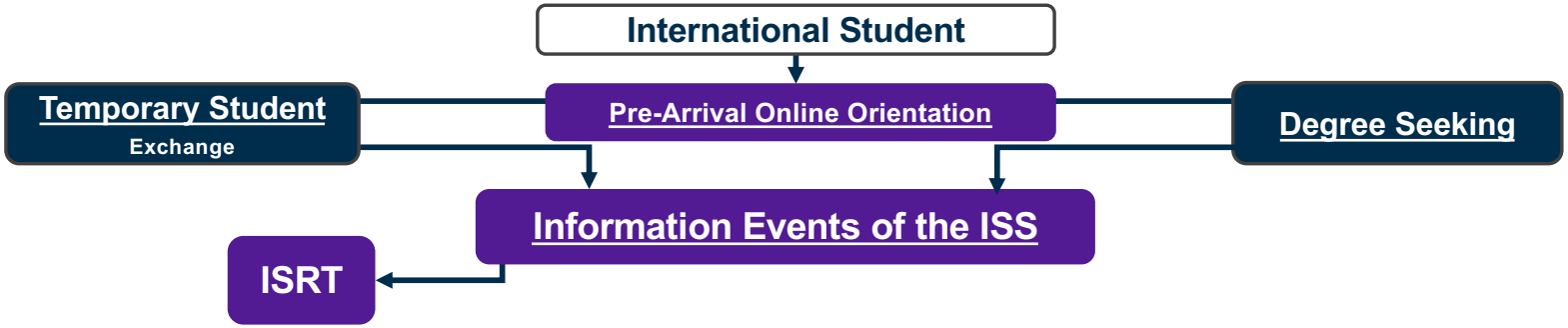

- **Participate in all ISRT** (International Student Roundtable) in your first semester
  - Vital information and tips navigating your first semester from enrollment to exams at KIT at the relevant points in the semester

Won't be able to arrive before the start of semester?

- **Participate in ISRT**: "Admitted but, not yet here" on 23 October2025
  - This is relevant if you are not going to arrive before semester start or for the semester

Arrived in Karlsruhe

- **Participate ISRT**: "Kick-Off to the Semester" on 4 November 2025

Accommodations

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Accommodations - Websites

□ **Find accommodations** (*as soon as you are admitted*)

1. Living and Learning in Karlsruhe
2. Studierendenwerk Karlsruhe: Possibilities of Finding accommodation and Support in finding accommodation:
3. Studienstart am KIT (only in German)

- **Degree seeking Websites**
  - IStO and Finding accommodation
- **Temporary Students (Exchange) Websites**
  - IStO : Overseas Exchange, Eucor and ERASMUS
- **Other Websites**
  - Pamphlet provided by the Baden-Württemberg Police about Scams offers when looking for an apartment
  - IStO's list of common abbreviations used in apartment advertisements

Accommodations – A Student's Perspective

- **Residence Halls** ("Wohnheime")
  - Mostly operated by a public student service called "Studierendenwerk". The International Office has a contingent of rooms in these dormitories that are reserved for students coming from overseas and Nordic countries.
  - Also self-organised e.g. HaDiKo

- **Shared Flats** ("Wohngemeinschaften", often shortened WG).
  - In many cases it is possible to Sublease a room for a limited time from students who temporarily left the town for an internship or to go abroad (Zwischenmiete*). One of the many platforms to find shared flats is wg-gesucht.de.
  - "Zwischenmiete" is a German term used for the sub-renting an apartment, usually for a period of 5-6 months.

- **Tipps and Things to think about**

Planning your Studies and Selecting Modules

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Planning your studies

Degree seeking students:

- Starting Point is to inform yourself of the academic structure of the degree you are seeking at KIT.
- Make sure you are familiar with what you need to enroll in and complete to for your program of study as you plan this and the following semesters.
- Read through the Module handbook (MH) om the Form and Document side German & English

Exchange students in Informatics:

- Ensure the modules that you enroll in and select meet the approval of your home university
- Read through our incoming exchange students website and the information there about course selection
- Read through the Module handbook (MH) om the Form and Document side German & English
  - No mater if you are a bachelor or a master student you can choose module in bachelor or a master at KIT. However make sure you meet the prerequisite knowledge for the modules you choose
  - Ensure the Modules you select are also in your LA

Overview to Modules

Lecture
(Vorlesung)

- Sometimes with Übung (you need to know if the module has compulsory or non-compulsory worksheets)
- Registration later in Semester (*only need to register for the exam, most of the time not for attending)
- Please note that some lectures also include exercises, which must be successfully completed in order to complete the overall module.

Seminar

- Work on a particular topic, write about it and prepare and present it to the group
- Watch others presentations
- Must register before courses begin (depending on the seminar: ILIAS/ Website/ Email/ Wiwi-Portal ...)

Lab
(Praktikum)

- Acquire more practical skills
- Must register before courses begin (depending on the lab: ILIAS/ Website/ Email/ Wiwi-Portal ...)

Thesis
Bachelor- / Master

- Find advisor and topic (Visit the various Institute homepages to assist you in this process and e-mail potential advisors)
- Advisor will help to register the thesis
- Write and defend thesis

Language courses at KIT

One free course per semester:

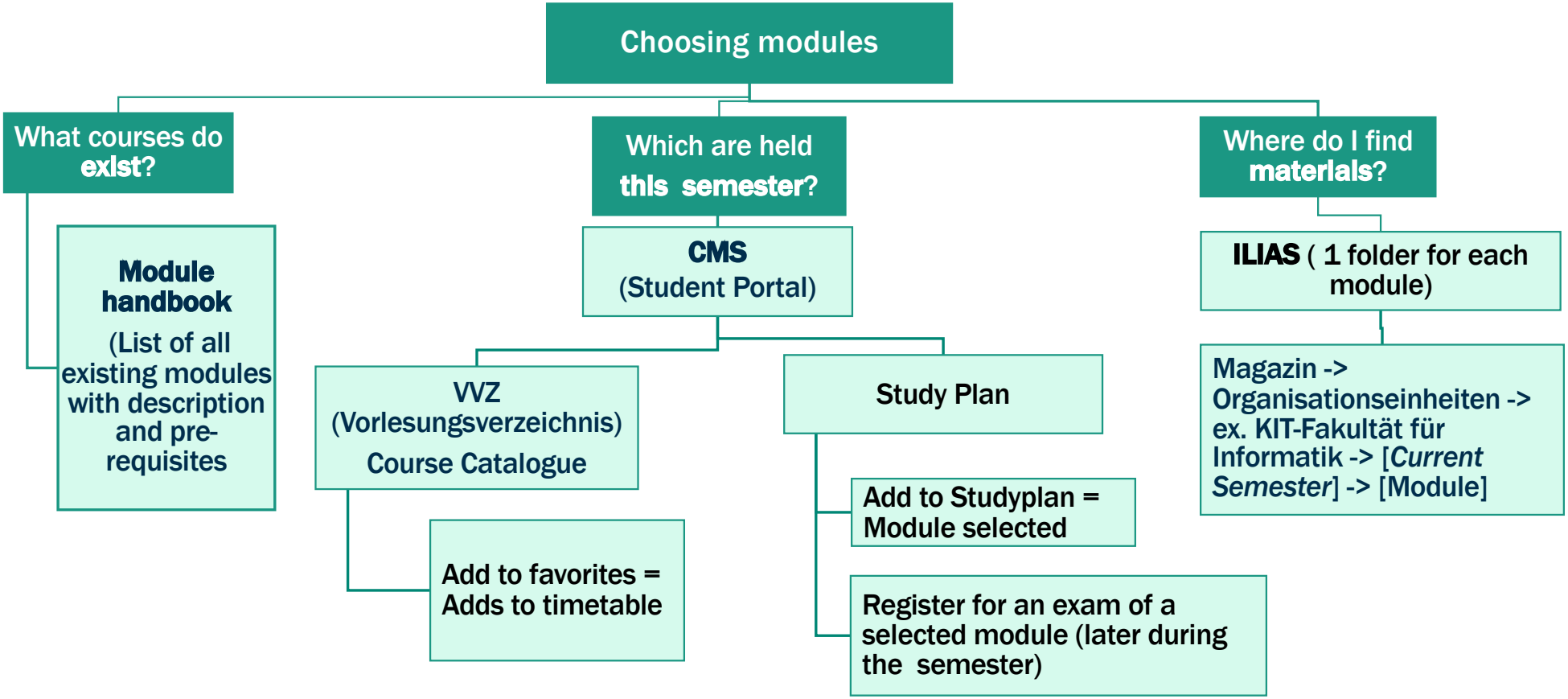
German classes at KIT ***Studienkolleg***

Foreign language classes in 14 different languages at KIT ***Sprachenzentrum***

Teletandem for cooperative language learning at KIT ***Sprachenzentrum***

Remember to register early for next semester!

Course Selection – Flow chart



Your Studies and Course Selection at KIT

Do you know what modules you are interested in enrolling in this semester?

Do you know about, have access to, and know how to use:

- **Module Hand book**
- **CMS's – Course catalogue**
- **WiWi Portal?**

Module Handbooks	Campus Management for Students	ILIAS Learning Platform	SignMeUp	Wiwi-portal

- Module Handbook is Department specific modules
- CMS you can look up information about module in informatic and other departments at KIT
- Ilias is a learning Platform
- Campus Plus Portal / SignMeUp WiWi-Portal Module Handbook is Department specific modules

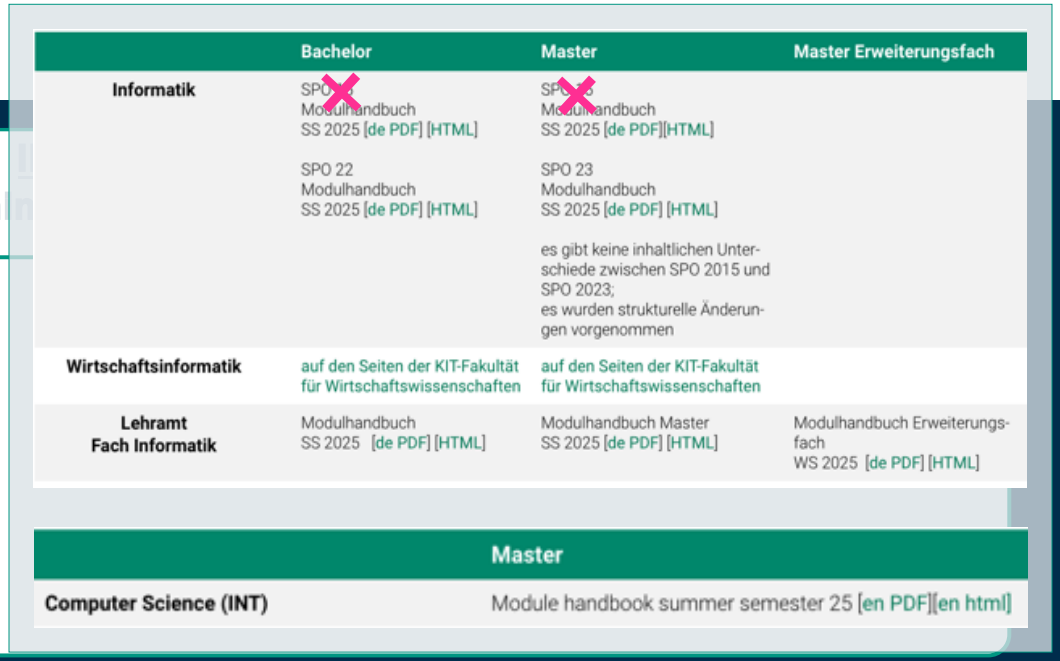
Your Studies and Course Selection at KIT

Module Handbook

- **Use Module Handbook in combination with Campus Management Course Catalogue when selecting Modules**
- **What is the SPO?**
- **Read through the Module handbook (MH)**
  - M.Sc. Computer Science students - this semester get an overview by thoroughly reading the introduction thru Master Thesis and reviewing FSMI Slides from O-Phase FBI info-session

Module Handbooks | Campus Management for Students | Learni

- Module Handbook is Department specific modules
- Links to CMS – VVZ (Course Catalogue)
- Specific ones for Faculty, Major, Degree level and SPO
- Is updated each semester and released about a month before the start of the semester
- Modules may be changed, deleted, replaced, expanded, or otherwise modified at any time



	Bachelor	Master	Master Erweiterungsfach
Informatik	SPO Modulhandbuch SS 2025 [de PDF] [HTML] SPO 22 Modulhandbuch SS 2025 [de PDF] [HTML]	SPO Modulhandbuch SS 2025 [de PDF][HTML] SPO 23 Modulhandbuch SS 2025 [de PDF] [HTML] es gibt keine inhaltlichen Unterschiede zwischen SPO 2015 und SPO 2023; es wurden strukturelle Änderungen vorgenommen	
Wirtschaftsinformatik	auf den Seiten der KIT-Fakultät für Wirtschaftswissenschaften	auf den Seiten der KIT-Fakultät für Wirtschaftswissenschaften	
Lehramt Fach Informatik	Modulhandbuch SS 2025 [de PDF] [HTML]	Modulhandbuch Master SS 2025 [de PDF] [HTML]	Modulhandbuch Erweiterungsfach WS 2025 [de PDF] [HTML]

	Master
Computer Science (INT)	Module handbook summer semester 25 [en PDF][en html]

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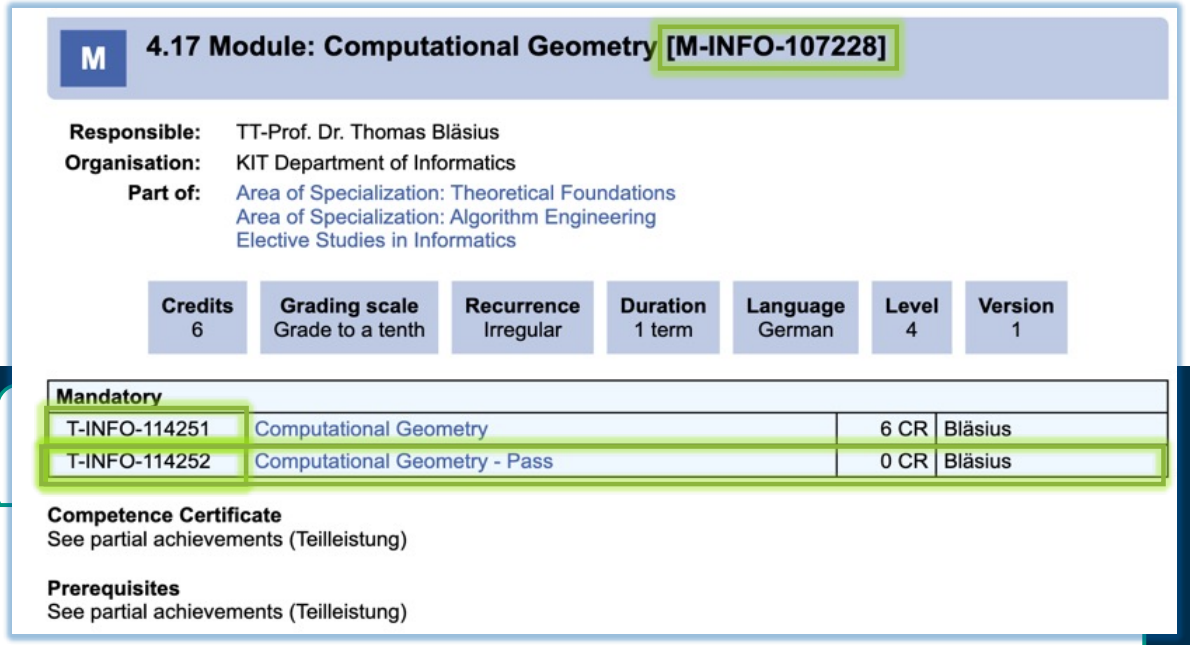
Module Handbook

- Are you familiar with :
  - Modulnummer / Module number (MN)
  - Teilleistungen / Number (TL)



M **4.17 Module: Computational Geometry [M-INFO-107228]**

Responsible: TT-Prof. Dr. Thomas Bläsius
Organisation: KIT Department of Informatics
Part of: Area of Specialization: Theoretical Foundations
Area of Specialization: Algorithm Engineering
Elective Studies in Informatics

Credits	Grading scale	Recurrence	Duration	Language	Level	Version
6	Grade to a tenth	Irregular	1 term	German	4	1

Mandatory			
T-INFO-114251	Computational Geometry	6 CR	Bläsius
T-INFO-114252	Computational Geometry - Pass	0 CR	Bläsius

Competence Certificate
See partial achievements (Teilleistung)

Prerequisites
See partial achievements (Teilleistung)

Module Handbooks | Campus Management for Students

- There is is an unique Study code (number) for modules, course, units, etc…
  - **Modulnummer** / Module number is assigned to each module
  - A Module may have one or more "**Teilleistungen**" (assessment component) which can be selected
    - The student's knowledge is assessed in the Module's various TL
    - Some of the TL are tied together and it is compulsory to select more than one TL in order to receive credit for the Module if you pass the exam, please read Module handbook carefully to see if it is the case
    - If you are an exchange student you need to also include in your Learning Agreement both the MN & TL

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Module Handbook

Module Handbooks

- "**Teilleistungen**" pass
- Completion certificate
- Prerequsites
- Recommendations

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T-INFO-114252	Computational Geometry - Pass

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Prerequisites
See partial achievements (Teilleistung)

T **5.20 Course: Computational Geometry - Pass [T-INFO-114252]**

Responsible: TT-Prof. Dr. Thomas Bläsius
Organisation: KIT Department of Informatics
Part of: M-INFO-107228 - Computational Geometry

Type	Credits	Grading scale	Recurrence	Version
Completed coursework	0	pass/fail	Irregular	1

Events					
ST 2025	2400119	Computational Geometry	4 SWS	Lecture / Practice (/	Bläsius, Yi, Wilhelm, von der Heydt

Legend: Online, Blended (On-Site/Online), On-Site, x Cancelled

Competence Certificate
The assessment is carried out in form of course work (German Studienleistung, § 4 Abs. 3 SPO). A total of two repetitions are possible.

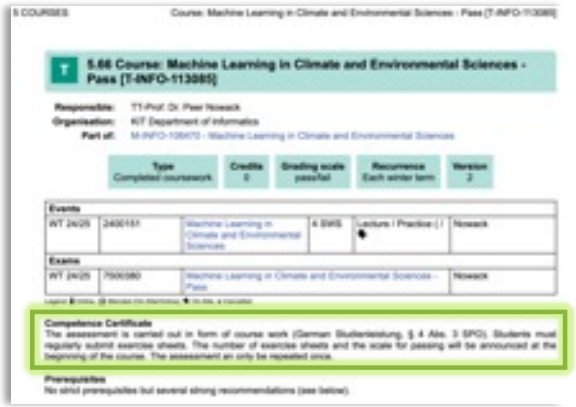
Prerequisites
None.

Recommendation
Basic knowledge of algorithms and data structures (e.g., from the courses Algorithms 1 + 2) is expected.

Module Handbook
Module number & Teilleistungen Number

- **M-INFO-106470**
  - **T-INFO-113083** & **T-INFO-113085**

In this case you will see you need to successfully complete both TN in order to complete the Module



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- A module may have exercise/work -sheets that must be completed/passed in order to pass the entire module (*note sometime before you can register for the exam*)

Read Through the Module description and Requirements

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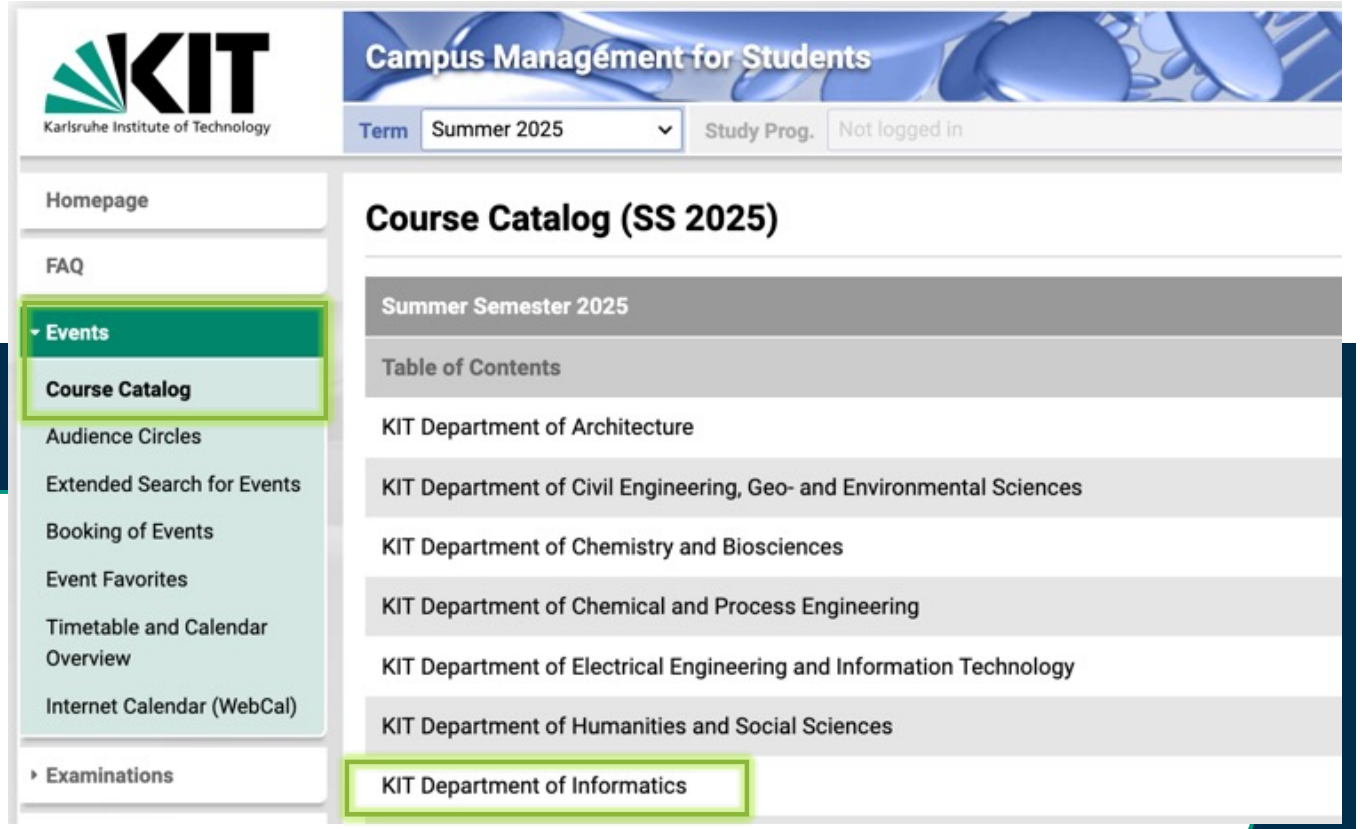
Module Handbooks | Campus Management for Students

- Search for module information in **Course Catalogue** (VVZ) and by **academic department**



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Module Handbooks

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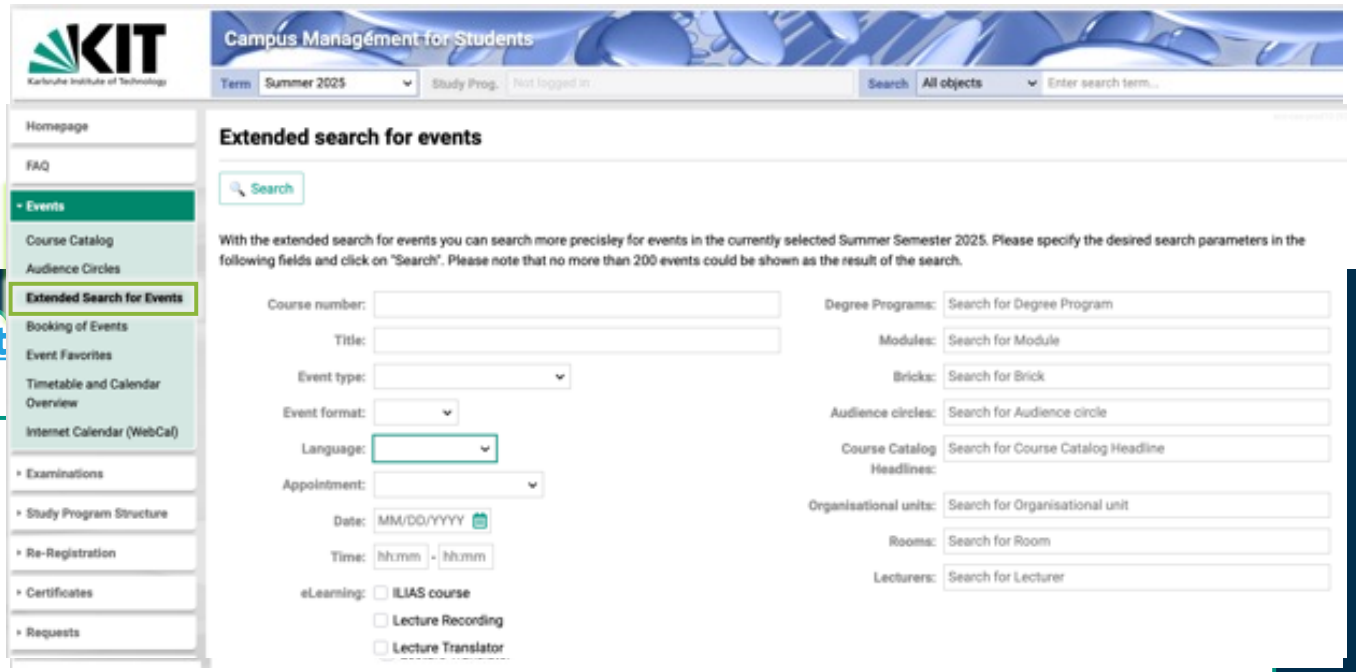
- Extended Search for Events
  - Select search term(s)
    - Language
    - Appointment time
    - Etc..



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Campus Management for Students

Please remember to
update your residence address
as soon as you log in!

Module Handbooks | **Campus Management for Students** | ILIAS Learning Platform | SignMeUp | Wiwi-portal

- **Access to KIT online services** : Use for Selection, Registration, withdrawal from modules and exams, following semester re-Registration
- **Download of documents**: e.g. enrollment certificate , Free KVV warrant, transcript of record
- Log in with your KIT account : KIT account (u****) | password
- Ensure you select the correct semester

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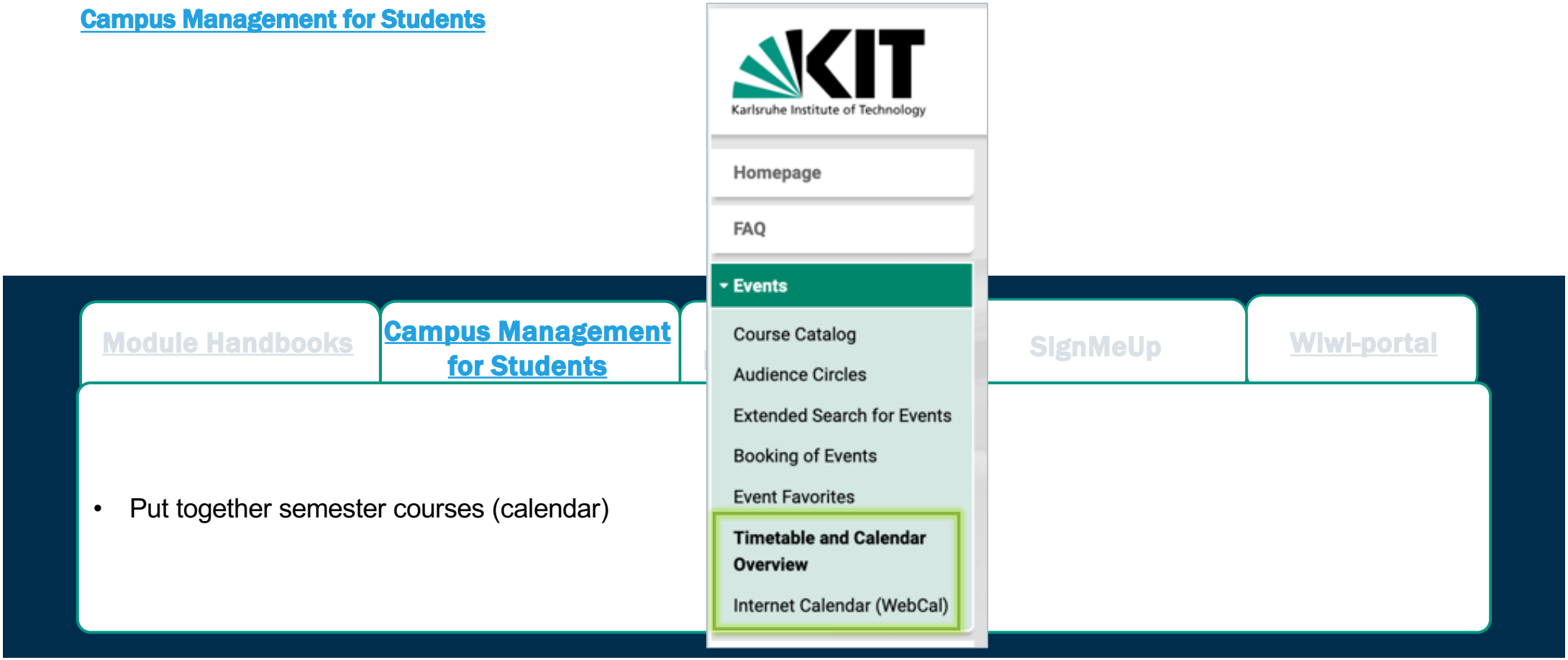
Campus Management for Students



- Put together semester courses (calendar)

Campus Management for Students

- Pro-Tip: You need time to get to know CAS, because it has so many layers (therefore take your time and try things out)

Module Handbooks | **Campus Management for Students** | ILIAS Learning Platform | SignMeUp | Wiwi-portal

- **When do I have to register for Modules and exams?**
  - **Will be addresses in the ISRT International Student Round Table: "Fit for exams and returning home" on 9 December 2025**

- **Videos**
  - Info-Bite: CMS -English (Campus Management for students)
  - FSMI- Video Quick Start Guide Video
  - How to Ersti – Studierendenportal

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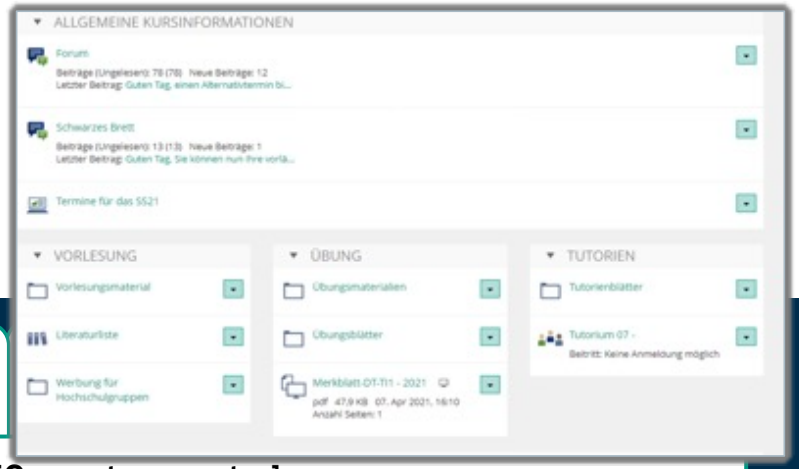
ILIAS

- **Best TIps**



Module Handbooks	Campus Management for Students	ILIAS Learning Platform

- **ILIAS: Magazin -> Organisationseinheiten -> KIT-Fakultät für Informatik -> [Current semester]**
- ILIAS system
  - Is one of the learning platform used by KIT
  - It is where most lecture materials are stored for modules
    - Usually one folder for every module
    - Find script/slides, hand in homework, forums to ask questions, etc.
- Make sure that you select the current semester module!
- Calendar download/ import (iCal)
- More information at FSMI and Kick-Off to the semester

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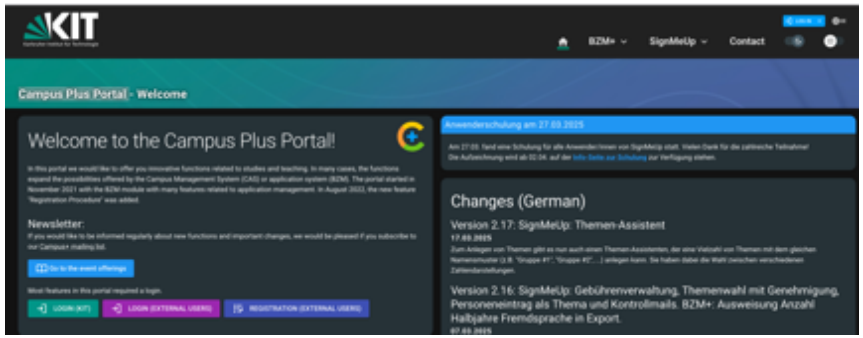
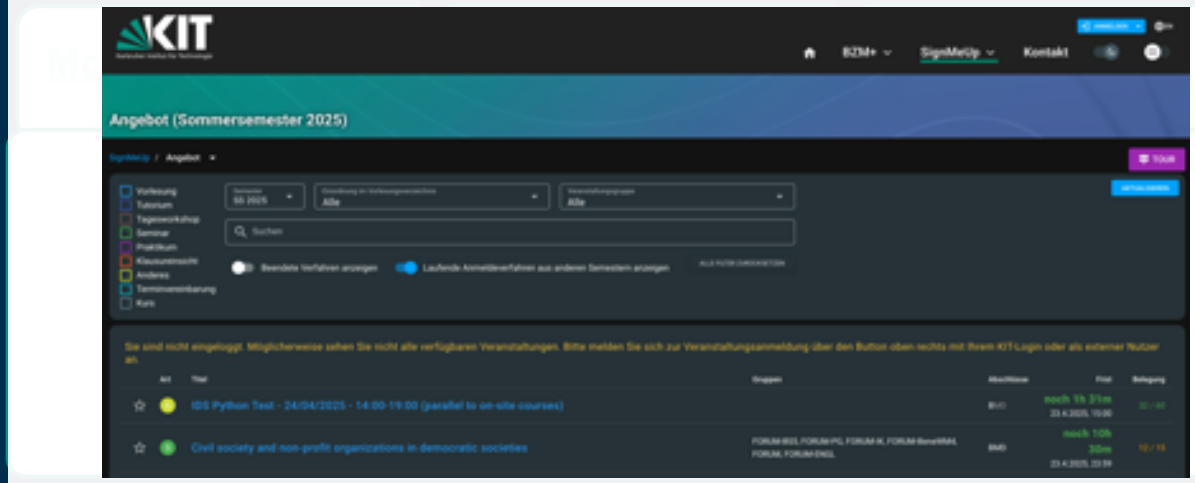
Campus Plus Portal / SIgnMeUp?





SIgnMeUp | Wiwi-portal

- Registration for Tutorials, Seminars and Practical Courses
- Sometimes sign-up for appointments
  - Ex. ISS
- More information at FSMI and Kick-Off to the semester

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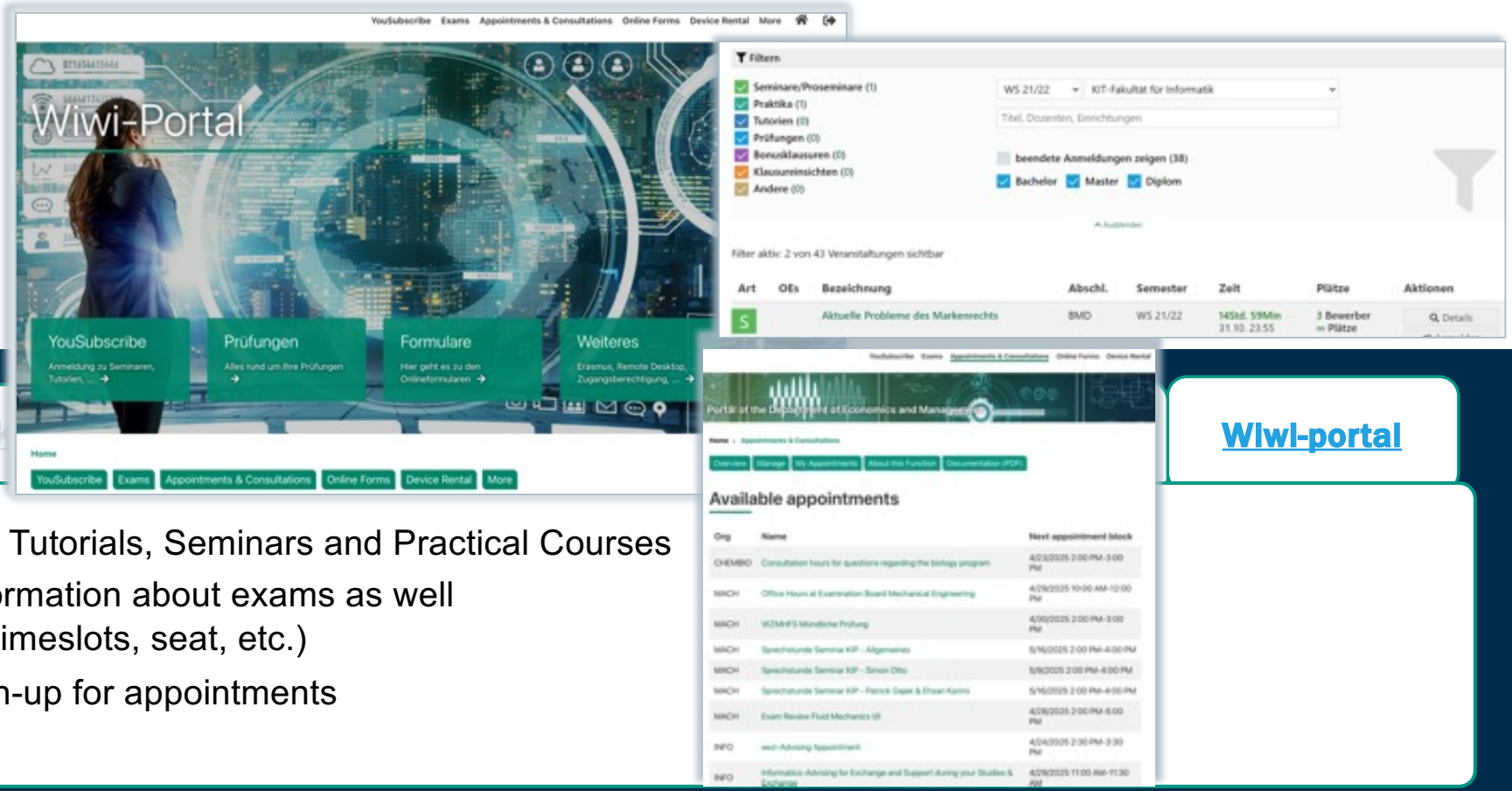
WIWI Portal



Module Handbook

Wiwi-portal

- Registration for Tutorials, Seminars and Practical Courses
- Sometimes information about exams as well
  (for example: timeslots, seat, etc.)
- Sometimes sign-up for appointments

KIT Department of Informatics

Studies Organization

Informatics Study Program Service (ISS)

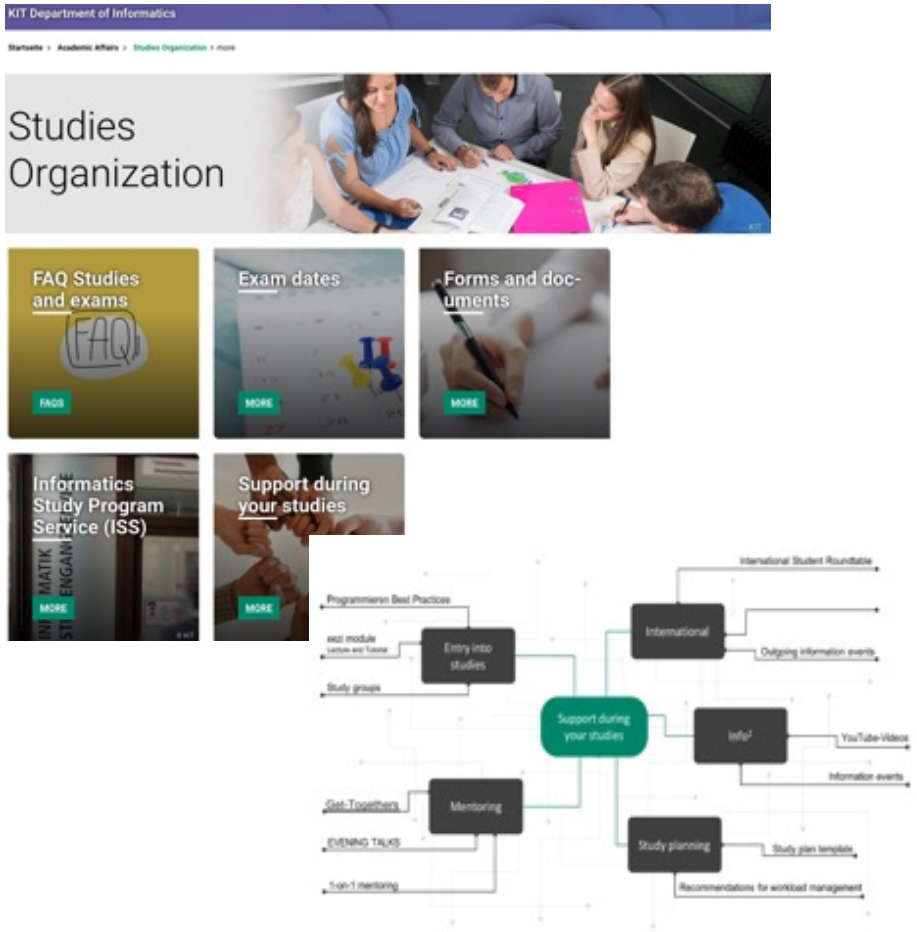
- Provides “official” information on your program of study
- Student Support, including Central study and examination counselling
- Administrative tasks in connection with the study programs offered including uppdating of Module Handbooks , lecture schedule, exam timetabling, processing of applications and certificates, etc

FAQs Studium und Prüfungen der KIT-Fakultät für Informatik

- Has a wealth of information related your processes and procedures in our department and should be consulted as an initial step to answering your questions

Forms and documents

- Including : Module handbooks, Examination regulations, Statutes, Forms, Regulations and guidelines



Living in Karlsruhe & Student Life at KIT

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Finding your way and Getting around

- **Bike**
  - owned
  - Nextbike

- **Walk**

Karlsruhe City Map

- **Public transit and Trains** (KVV network, …)
  - Public transport ticket
    - Download KVV -certificate in CMS – for free public transportation in Karlsruhe on Monday – Friday 6pm – 6am, weekend and holidays
  - Deutschland Ticket

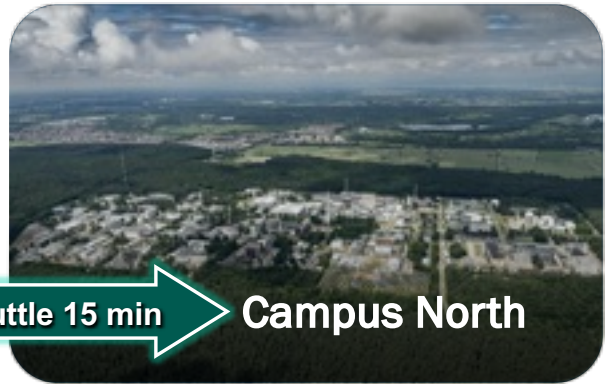
*"Deutschland-Ticket"
- for regional transportation in Germany is about **58,00€ per month & 696,96€ per year
- Exchange and students over 27 years

*"D-Ticket JugendBW"
- Baden-Württemberg offers a cheaper Deutschland-Ticket for young people (up to 27 years old)
- The "D-Ticket JugendBW" is valid wherever the normal Deutschland-Ticket is valid
- **Currently costs 473 € per year

Theses fees were current as of April 2025
*The website is in German
**Please note fees for the various tickets may change.

One KIT – Multiple Locations

Campus Map



- Lectures
- Library, Mensa, Cafeteria
- Center of student life

- Bauingenieur-, Geo-
  Current research
- No entry for students (usually)

KIT Fees

As of
8 July 2025

Please check Website to confirm current fees!

General fees/Tuition fees per semester	Amount	Who?
General fees		
Administrative charge *	80,00 €	All students (except Double degree and Exchange students)
Charge for the Studierendenwerk *	109,50 €	All students
Charge for the Students Union *	12,00 €	All students (except Exchange students)
Additional tuition fees		
Tuition fees for second-degree studies	650,00 €	Second-degree students
Tuition fees for international students ***	1500,00 €	Non-EU students

	Administrative charge*	Charge for the Studierendenwerk*	Charge for the Students Union*	Tuition fees	Total
International Students (Non-EU students)	80,00 €	109,50 €	12,00 €	1500,00 € ***	1701,50 €
Second-degree students **	80,00 €	109,50 €	12,00 €	650,00 €	851,70 €
Double degree students	-	109,50 €	12,00 €	-	121,50 €
Exchange Students	-	109,50 €	-	-	109,50 €
Freemover	80,00 €	109,50 €	-	-	189,50 €
Freemover (Non-EU students)	80,00 €	109,50 €	-	1500,00 € ***	1689,50 €
Research Studies	80,00 €	109,50 €	12,00 €	-	201,50 €

Living expenses

- ☐ Plan your finances

This a general description in euros and also depends on your spending habits and the market!

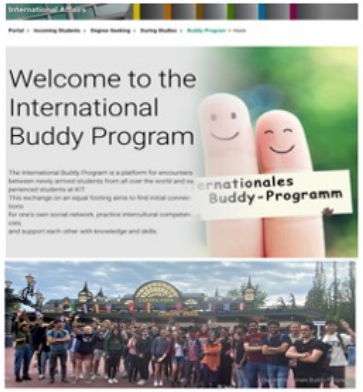
Per Month		Total	Total
Rent (Kalt vs. Warm)	Approximately - 400 - 700	500	
Transport (such as Deutschland-Ticket)	Between - 40 -60	50	
Internet & Telphone	Between - 20 -60	35	
House keeping	Between - 20 -60	35	**620**
Per week			**Total**
Mensa / Cafateria	Between - 20 - 40	25	
Food	Between - 20 -60	35	**60**
		Estimate Total	**680**

Heath Insurance (Krankenverseicherung)	**Total**	
Other regular Expenses you might have	**Total**	

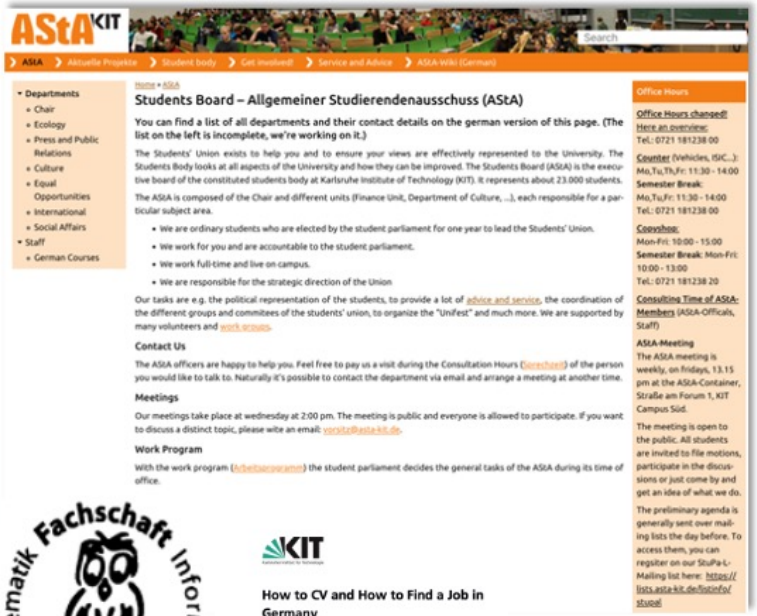
KIT Fees – see actual fees on Website and add it in to total below

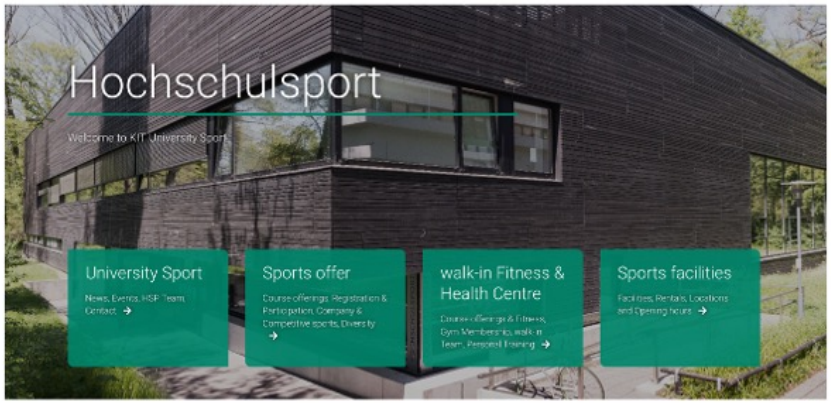
Charge for the Studierendenwerk*		Charge for the Students Union*		Administrative charge*		Tuition fees		*This could be between 110 and 1701,50
						KIT Fees- Total		
						Over all Total Estimate		

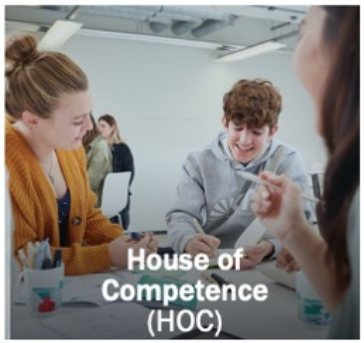
Student Life



Upcoming Events







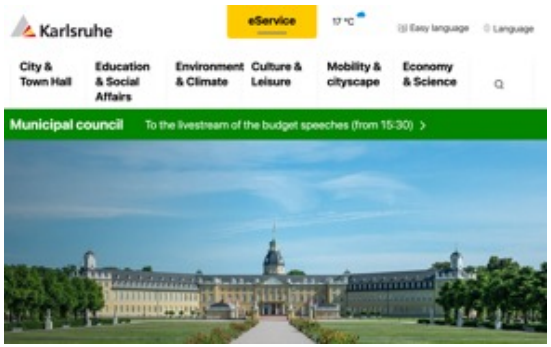
International Student Roundtable: Pre-Arrival Online Orientation (Winter Semester 2025-26)
https://www.informatik.kit.edu/english/10509.php

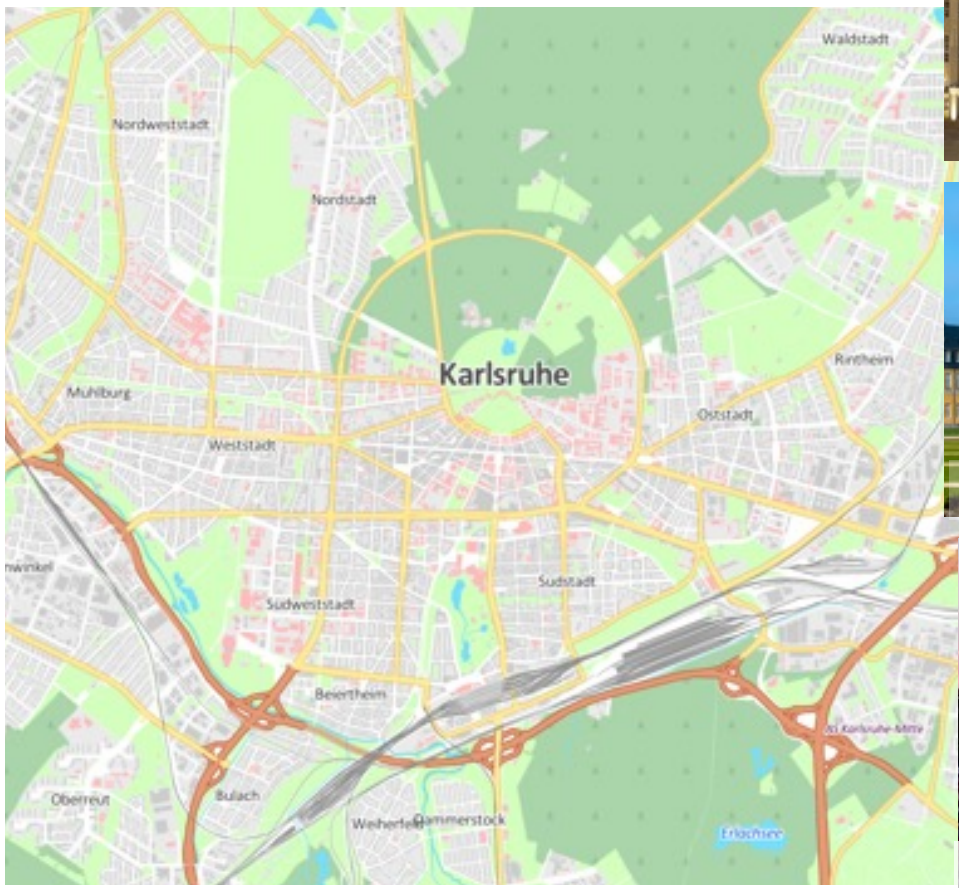
Student Life

Department	Services & Resources	Student type	QR Code
AStA KIT (Students' Union)	German courses, international student advising and a, equal opportunities, queer counselling, etc..	all	
Fachschaften (Student Councils)	Student to student advising, O-Phase, exam preparation resources, represent student interests at university and departmental level, etc.	all	
Sports	*Hochschulsport am KIT, Clubs,* The walk-in - Center for Fitness, etc..	all	
University groups & voluntary initiatives	Art and Culture , Research and Technology, Sustainability/ Ecology, Socio-political commitment	all	

Karlsruhe

Karlsruhe City Website





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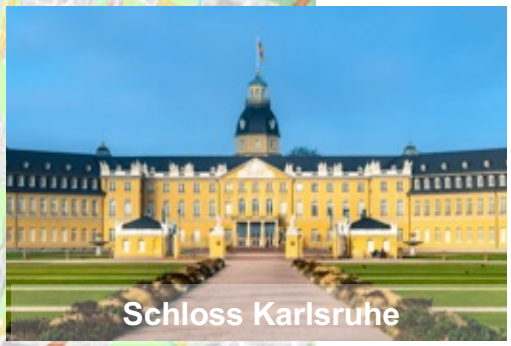
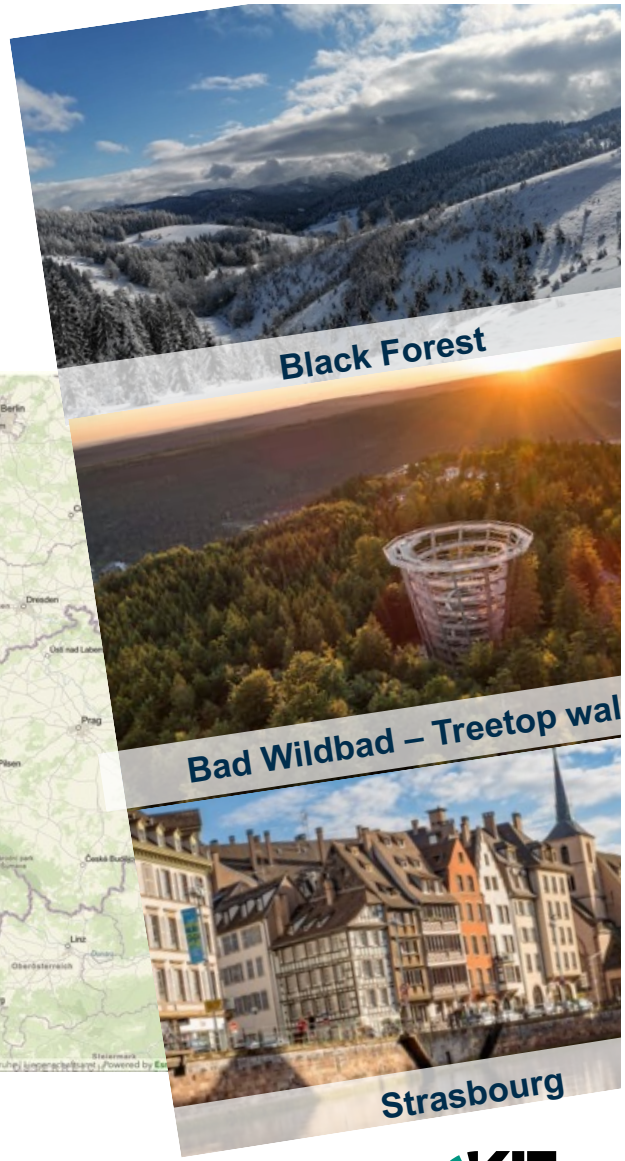

Schloss Karlsruhe

Das Fest

Out and About

Frankfurt – 1 hr. and 10 min.
Berlin – 5 hr. and 30 min.
Munich – 3 hr. and 15 min.
Basel – 1 hr. and 35 min.
Zurich – 2 hr. and 45 min.
Strasbourg – 1 hr.
Paris – 2 hrs. and 45 min.
Amsterdam – 6 hrs.
London – 6 hrs.



Emergency assistance for all persons living in Germany

Unfortunately, we cannot always be there for you

Important telephone numbers such as those of the fire department, police and ambulance

Vital information under QR Code

- 112 - **Emergency** number for life-threatening situations
  - Europe-wide number, free of charge, no area code needed
- 110 - **Police** (for fraud, robbery, violence, traffic accidents without injuries)
  - Nationwide in Germany, free of charge, no area code needed

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Points of contact an overview

Who and What: Overview to Points of Contact

Department	Services & Resources	Student type	QR Code
KIT Department of Informatics Informatics Study Program Services (ISS)	Student Support, including Central study and examination counselling, Administrative tasks, Updating of Module Handbooks, etc..	all	
KIT Department of Informatics Incoming & Outgoing International Exchange	Learning Agreements, advising for exchange students regarding studies,	exchange	
FSMI (Departmental Student Council)	Informatics O-Phase, student to student advising, exam preparation resources, free hot beverage, represent student interests at university and departmental level, etc.	all	
KIT-Informatics-Library	Study places, literature, etc.	all	

Who and What: Overview to Points of Contact

Department	Services & Resources	Student type	QR Code
IStO *International Students Office*	Supports KIT international student community from start to finish	all	
IStO Welcome & Integration - Degree Seeking	Pre-semester course, Start of Studies for Internationals, Buddy Program, Student Support, Refugee advising services, volunteering, etc.	degree seeking	
IStO **Exchange** (ERASMUS-Eucor, Freemover, etc.)	Mobility-Online, exchange student Orientation, Pre-semester German course, certificate of arrival and departure documents, finances, …	exchange	
International Student Center at Studierendenwerk	Social & Refugee counseling, events, mentoring, accommodation, etc..	all	
International Student Hub	Advising services for international students	all	
Studienstart International - Information offer on ILIAS	Resource materials, videos, …	all	

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Department	Services & Resources	Student type	QR Code
KIT Studierenden-service (SLE)	Central Office for Student Fees (Gebühren), Certificated, Organization including: KVV – Bescheinigung / Warrant, renewal of matriculation & De-registration / Withdraw, Transcript of Records (ToR), Campus Management Portal (Student portal)	all	
ZSB - Zentrale Studienberatung	eneral academic advisoring services regarding studies and major, d*oubts about your program of study/change of major / university, withdrawing, etc*	all	
House of Competences (HoC)	Workshops for studying, presenting, methods *Learning/Writing Advice, helpdesk*	all	
FORUM	Events, social research, campus radio, courses, etc.	all	
Career Service and Alumni	Job market, internship search, prospects, career entry and preperation recources, advising, event, etc..	all	

Learning Agreements

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Learning Agreements

Learning agreement (LA)is by some of the incoming exchange students including by ERASMUS, EUCORE, DAAD, Freemover students

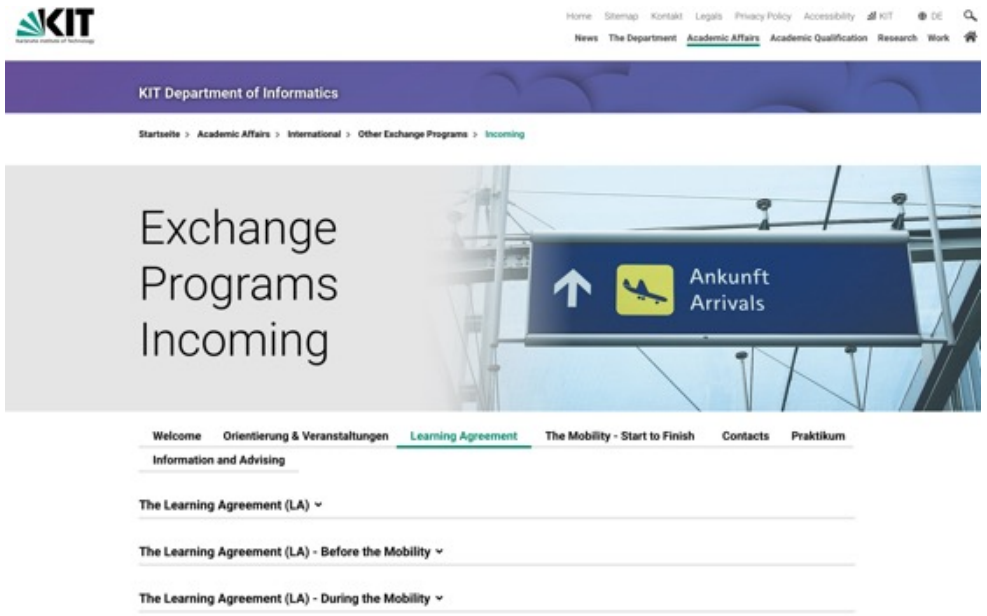
The LA is a contract between you, your home university and host university regarding your studies

- LA must always be signed by all 3 parties:
  - by **you** (student)
  - the subject coordinator (**FK**) of **your home university** and
  - the subject coordinator (**FK**) at the **partner university** (KIT departmental coordinator)

It is important to comply with your LA.

Please upload and update your LA in Mobility Online

Processing time is around 14 days



Learning Agreements

- When completing your LA include:
  - Name of the module in English and when applicable also in German too
  - Modulnummer / Module number and the Teilleistungen / Number
  - Please ensure that you enroll at least **70-80%** Informatic Modules/course(s)
- Please ensure that you enroll and complete at least the minimum of required ECTS required by your home university.
- Processing your LA may take up to 14 days

- Changes to the LA "**during the mobility**"
  - You may adjust your LA during your time at KIT
    - due to time conflicts or other study interests
    - Consult and seek approval from your home university when updating your LA
    - Update it in Mobility Online
  - For any changes please make them by **15 November 2025**

Learning Agreements

- When completing your LA include:
  - Name of the module in English and when applicable also in German too
  - Modulnummer / Module number and the Teilleistungen / Number

Study Programme at the Receiving Institution
Mobility type: Semester(s)

	Component Code (if any)	Component title at the Receiving Institution (as indicated in the course catalogue)	Semester	Number of ECTS credits (or equivalent) to be awarded by the Receiving Institution upon successful completion
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	M-INFO-100729, T-INFO-101266	Mensch-Maschine-Interaktion **Information Security**	2/2	6,00
	M-INFO-106015, T-INFO-112195	Informationssicherheit		5,00

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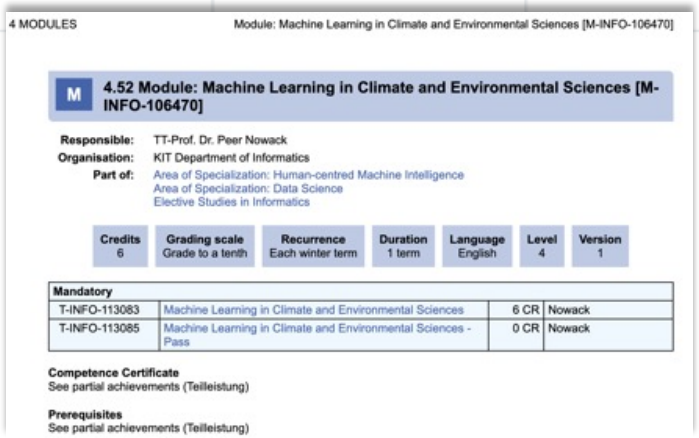

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Mandatory			
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T-INFO-113085	Machine Learning in Climate and Environmental Sciences - Pass	0 CR	Nowack

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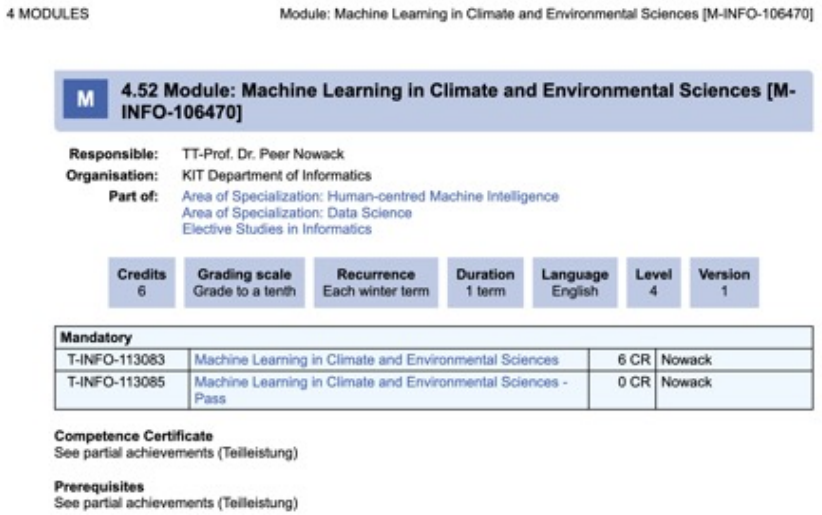

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•“Teilleistungen“ (TL): A Module may have one or more Teilleistungen (assessment component) which can be selected.

•The student’s knowledge is assessed in the Module’s various TL.

•Some of the TL are tied together and it is compulsory to select more than one TL in order to receive credit for the Module if you pass the exam, please read Module handbook carefully to see if it is the case.

Thank you for your participation!

- On the Info2 Website , you will find links to the Slides and Youtube Video

We look forward to meeting you in person at the International Student Round Table: "Kick-Off the Semester" on 4 November2025!

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