

Here is some space to take notes:

ErstiWochen-Video

Scan the QR code and see what you can experience during the ErstiWoche 2022. Fresher Linus and his roommate Leon will show you all the events you shouldn't miss this year.



Dear Fresher.

We are pleased that you have decided to study at the TU Ilmenau and would like to welcome you to the university on behalf of the ErstiWochen-Orga. To make your start in Ilmenau easier and to help you settle in quickly, we have put together this ErstiGuide.

You will receive tips on basic study matters and information on BAföG. In order to make your life in Ilmenau exciting besides your studies, we provide you introductions to some clubs and leisure activities. In addition, we explain who is behind the student council (StuRa) and what your faculty student council (FSR) does. A more detailed version of the ErstiGuide can be found at www.erstiwoche.de/en/erstiguide. We hope that this will make it easier for you to start your studies. If you find any information missing in this guide or if you have any other suggestions, wishes or criticism, please feel free to send them to erstiguide@erstiwoche.de. This will help us to make this guide even better next year.

Many greetings Daniel, Alessa & Pati Head of the ErstiWochen-Orga 2022

ErstiWochen-Orga

We are a department of the StuRa whose main task is to organize the ErstiWoche. We consist of about 25 volunteers, many of whom are also active in other student or university organizations, such as the university committees.

Team Management

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This is the head of the ErstiWoche.

They are the "heart" of the EWO. They coordinate all departments, communicate with representatives of the university, with the StuRa and are the contact persons for other external persons and organizations.

Covid-19 and information on its impact on everyday university life

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, there may be deviations in the program of the introductory days. For up-to-date information, please visit our website (www.erstiwoche. de/en/).

To get the latest updates on the Covid-19 pandemic and its impact on everyday university life, please use the following recommended information services:

- Telegram Channel (StuRa TUI (www.t.me/sturatui)): This is where the StuRa informs you about important information that concerns all students.
- Telegram Channel (ErstiWoche TU Ilmenau (www.t.me/erstiwoche)): There you will receive important information about the introductory week.
- Webmail of the TU Ilmenau (www.webmail.tu-ilmenau.de): Please check your university email box regularly to get the latest news (rectorate, StuRa, etc.)
- Website der TU Ilmenau (www.tu-ilmenau.de/en/): There you will find current information
- Social media channels (Instagram, Twitter, Facebook) of the TU Ilmenau, the StuRa, the student councils of the faculties and of We4You
- Website of the StuRa (www.stura.tu-ilmenau.de/en/)
- Please also pay attention to notices posted on university buildings for rules of conduct and hygiene.

Furthermore, you can always contact your tutors and student council (StuRa) if you have questions about studying and the whole process. Do not hesitate to ask questions or write emails if you need to do so.



The student health management team has summarized the most important information about the **health system in Germany (Gesundheitssystem in Deutschland)** on a page for reference.

Quick Guide

What should you be familiar with before and during your studies in Ilmenau?

- Read through this ErstiGuide and check online for more info at www. erstiwoche.de/en/erstiguide
- Register your **secondary residence**/**new main residence** in Ilmenau! If you register Ilmenau as your main residence, you can also apply for the student grant from the city (up to 100 € per year). If you don't re-register, you will have to pay an administrative fine in the worst case.
- Always have your thoska with you. It is your student ID and contains your matriculation number, which serves to identify you during your studies. That's why you need it along with your badge during the introductory week. You also need to have the thoska with you at all exams. It can also be used as a valid ticket for regional trains.
- You can find your lecture dates at www.opentimetable.tu-ilmenau.de. And at www.timetable.tu-ilmenau.de you can put together your very own timetable. Instructions can found at www.stura.eu/ew-ottbh.
- Don't forget to register online for sports courses, the Studium Generale and for language courses!
- You can check your **university emails** at www.webmail.tu-ilmenau.de.
- If you have to repair your bicycle you can go to the **Bicycle Studio** which is located between the houses B an D. Further information and opening hours can be found at www.stura.tu-ilmenau.de/en/projects/bicycle-studio.
- Register at the University Library (Leibnizbau). By doing so, you can easily lend books you need for your studies. After your registration, you can coordinate the lending of your books at www.tu-ilmenau.de/en/ub.
- As a student of the TU Ilmenau you have the opportunity to use different software licences for free, e.g. Microsoft Office, MatLab or Endnote. You can find more information on the website of the University Computing Center www.tu-ilmenau.de/en/unirz.
- You have the possibility to have a warm meal at lunchtime in the Dining Hall and Cafeteria Ehrenberg as well as the Cafeteria Röntgenbau. In addition, the clubs offer a daily breakfast organized by us during the ErstiWoche. If you bring your Ersti-Badge, the breakfast is free for you.
- To access the Internet, you can connect to the University WLAN on campus or use the PC pools in the University Computing Center.
- You have the possibility to do **laundry**, in the basement of the houses A, K and E on campus, as well as in "Heidi's Waschsalon"(Rottenbachstraße 34, 98693 Ilmenau). In the dorms, washing and drying costs 1 € each. You pay with your **thoska**.

BAföG "In a nutshell"

Asset Recognition

- The BAföG rate is usually calculated on the basis of (1.) own assets, (2.) own income and the (3.) income of parents and spouses.
- The approval period (BWZ) is usually 12 months.

Own assets

• The allowance for a single person without a child is 8200 € (from autumn 2020). Proven debts and burdens can be taken into account negatively.

Own income

- · Child benefit is not taken into account.
- Single students without a child are allowed to earn 5,421.84 € gross (451.82 €/month) during the entire grant period.

Income of parents and spouses

• Only the income of your natural parents or your adoptive parents will be taken into account. The income of stepparents is not taken into account at all.

Funding duration

- The maximum duration of funding for degree programs is generally based on the standard period of study.
- Extension of the eligibility period is possible in case of legally recognized reason (illness, pregnancy, child raising, disability, committee activity).

BAföG for students without a German passport

 For foreign students, different rules apply in some cases. We therefore advise you to contact the BAföG office directly.

BAföG and change of field of study

- If a change of field of study takes place, one usually starts again with the first semester of study.
- The change is unproblematic up to the third semester, after that you have to give comprehensible reasons.

Repayment

- Generally, half of the subsidy is an interest-free loan.
- The loan debt is limited to a maximum of 10.000 €.
- Repayment begins five years after the end of the maximum funding period.

Address

Amt für Ausbildungsförderung (BAföG) Max-Planck-Ring 1 98693 Ilmenau 49 3677 69-2752

University associations

Student life in Ilmenau is one of the richest in Germany. You can find a small overview here:

Technical

- FeM e.V. www.fem.tu-ilmenau.de/en/
- sci e.V. www.sci-ev.de
- SWING an der TU Ilmenau e.V. www.swing-ev.de
- Team Starcraft e.V. www.teamstarcraft.de
- UNIKAT www.tu-ilmenau.de/unikat

Media

- Studentenfernsehen iSTUFF www.istuff.de
- Hochschulfilmclub e.V. (HFC) www.hochschulfilmclub.de
- hsf Studentenradio e.V. www.radio-hsf.de/en
- Ilmpressions Filmproduktion www.ilmpressions.de

Music

- Big Band "Second Unit Jazz" www.jazz.tu-ilmenau.de/
- Jazzclub Ilmenau e.V. www.jazzclub-ilmenau.de
- Kammerchor der TU Ilmenau e.V. www.tu-ilmenau.de/chor
- Akademisches Orchester der TU Ilmenau e.V.
 www.tu-ilmenau.de/orchester

Culture

- ISWI e.V. www.en.iswi.org/
- KuKo e.V. www.kuko-ev.de/?lang=en
- ILMPULS e.V. www.ilmpuls.de
- Bergfest e.V. www.bergfest-ev.de
- ILSC e.V. www.il-sc.de/en
- <bc> Club www.bc-club.de
- bc-Café www.bc-studentencafe.de/en/
- BD Club www.bd-club.de
- BH Club
 www.bh-club.de
- bi Club www.bi-club.de

Other

- Ingenieure ohne Grenzen e.V. www.ingenieure-ohne-grenzen. org/ilmenau
- VDE https://www.vde.com/en
- Amnesty International Ilmenau www.amnesty-ilmenau.de/
- KSG www.ksg-ilmenau.de
- Hochschul-SMD Ilmenau www.hochschul-smd.org/ilmenau/

Living in Ilmenau

Ilmenau also has a lot to offer besides your studies! In addition to all kinds of leisure and evening activities, Ilmenau also has a great culinary variety, so here is just a small selection:

Spare time

- Bowling centre www.ilmbowl.de
- Kinderland Ilmenau www.kinderland-ilmenau.de
- Airsofthall www.airsofthalle.de
- Indoor ice rink www.ilmenau.de/eishalle
- Indoor swimming pool www.ilmenau.de/schwimmhalle
- Outdoor pool www.ilmenau.de/freibad
- Racing sledge run www.ilmenau.de/rennschlittenbahn

Gastronomy

- bc-Café www.bc-studentencafe.de/en/
- · Eiscafé & Pizzeria San Marco
- Sharma's www.sharmarestaurant.de
- Bravo-Pizzeria www.bravo-pizzeria-ilmenau.de/
- MaBe www.mabesburger.de
- Haus am See www.hausamsee-ilmenau.de/

- China Haus www.china-haus-ilmenau.metro. bar
- Carlo's Pizzeria www.pizza-italia-ilmenau.de
- Irodion www.irodion-ilmenau.de
- Bobhütte www.bobhütte.de/

Nightlife in Ilmenau

- <bc> Club www.bc-club.de
- BD Club www.bd-club.de
- BH Club www.bh-club.de
- bi Club www.bi-club.de
- Cinema: Linden Lichtspiele www.kino-ilmenau.de
- Shisha-Club Pyramide
- Café Bohne Musikkneipe www.cafe-bohne-ilmenau.de
- Aqui www.pub-aqui.de

You can find **more clubs** and **leisure activities** on the university homepage under the following link: https://www.tu-ilmenau.de/en/study/before-the-study/student-life.

GetInvolved is a free app for Android and iOS that gives you an overview of the range of student initiatives in which you can volunteer at TU Ilmenau.



The Student Council of the TU Ilmenau (StuRa)

The Student Council (StuRa) is the elected representation of interests of the entire student body of the TU Ilmenau and represents the students vis-à-vis the university. the city, the state and the federal government. It consists of 21 equal members with voting rights. These are elected annually by the student body in the summer semester (usually at the beginning of June), with 16 of the members being directly elected. In addition, each of the five student councils sends a representative to the StuRa. Do you want to change something yourself, get involved or bring a breath of fresh air with new ideas to the StuRa? Then just drop by the public meetings, you can find the date and place online https://stura.tu-ilmenau.de/en/.

The StuRa has set up departments for a number of topics. In addition, working groups have been formed within the StuRa, mostly across departments, which deal with the realisation of concrete projects. If you are interested, you can always contact a member of the respective department. You can find all further information on the website

Listing of the departments:

- · City Issues
- Culture
- Data privacy
- ErstiWoche
- Finances
- Higher Education Policy
- International Affairs
- IT
- · Political Education
- Promotion of Volunteer Work
- · PR Public Relations
- Social Affairs
- Sports, Environment & Health

Listing of the working groups

- Corona
- Working Group on Diversity
- · "Evaluierung von Alternativen"
- "Gesundheitsfördernde Universität"
- Interclub
- "Internationalisierung"
- "Mensaausschuss"
- "Ordnungen"
- · Doctoral candidates' representatives
- "Umbau"



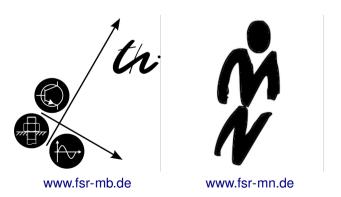
Studierendenrat der TU Ilmenau

Department councils

Each of the 5 faculties at our university has a department council. These are subordinate to the StuRa and represent the interests of the students to the faculty. A department council usually consists of 8 members elected by the students, as well as several active representatives. The main tasks of the department council are to support, represent and advise students with problems with professors, exams and general problems during their studies. Furthermore, the department council works in committees and commissions to make the degree programs and modules more student-friendly and to optimise them with the experience gained in practice. Of course, department council work is not just dry bureaucracy, because the student council members also organise various social events, parties, events for first-year students to get to know each other, interesting excursions and much more.

So if you have any problems or want to get involved, look out for the people with the black jumpers with red lettering and just talk to them, write them an email or come to their weekly meetings. You can find all the information on the website of your department council.





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