



Welcome

Welcome to the Faculty of Engineering – FAU

First Semester Student Reception



Professor Dr.-Ing. Michael Lechner
Dean of Studies III

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1743 Founded

5 Faculties

40,000 Students

650 Professors

3,600 Research staff

275 Degree programs

271 Million euros third-party funding



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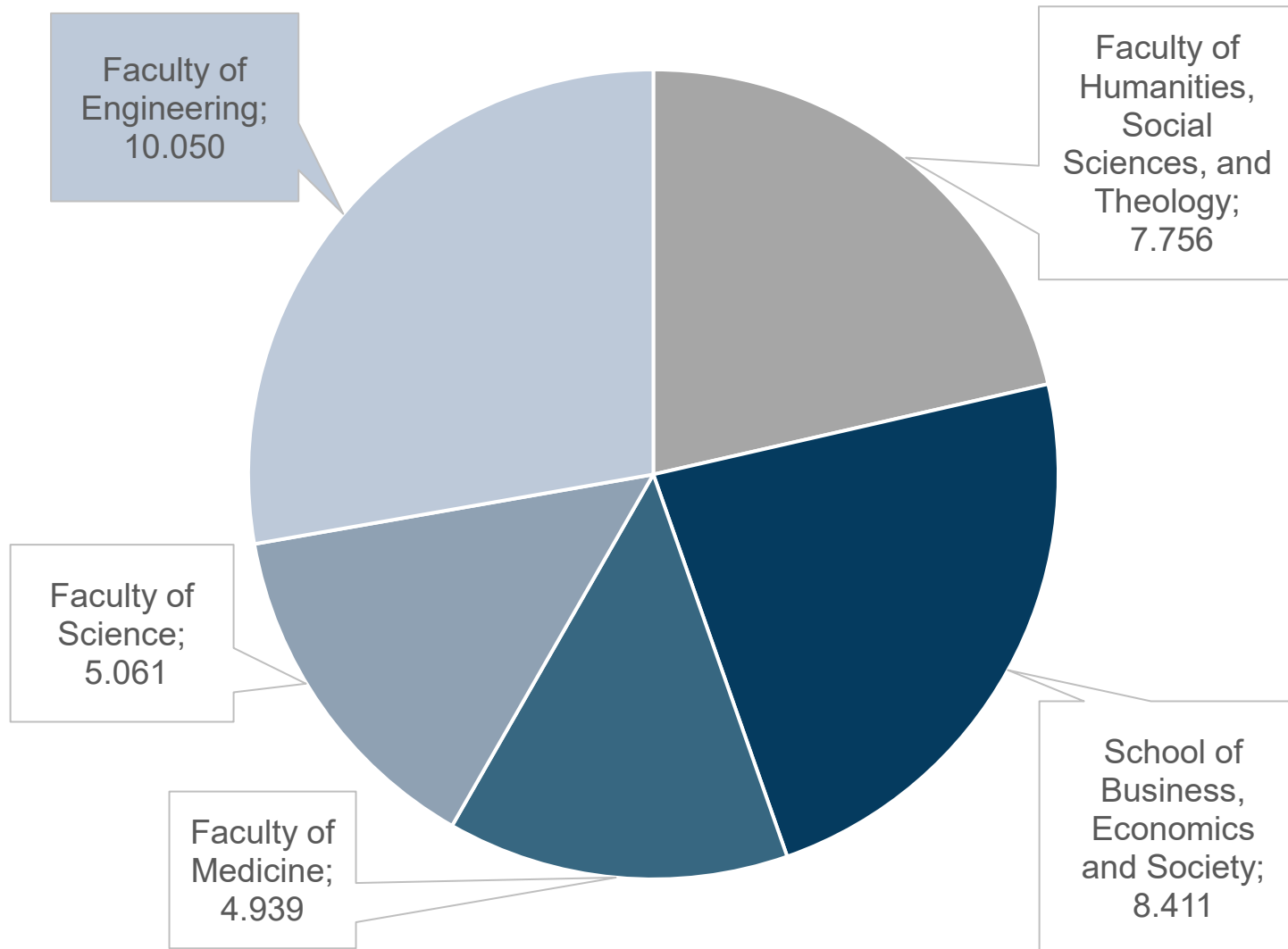
Christian Zens
Chancellor



Prof. Dr. med. Kerstin U. Amann
Women's representative of FAU



UL in internet



FAU: 39.447 Studierende

Faculty of Engineering:
10.050 Students

~ 28% of all FAU students

Status: 18 September 2025

Faculty of Engineering

1966 Founded

6 Departments

10,000 Students

1,800 Graduates per year

40 Degree programs

120 Professors

109 Million euros third-party funding







Digital
Transformation
and
Electronics

Energy
Environment
Climate

Materials
and
Processes

Medical
Engineering

Optical
Technologies

Research institutes connected

Fraunhofer Institute for Integrated
Systems and Device Technology

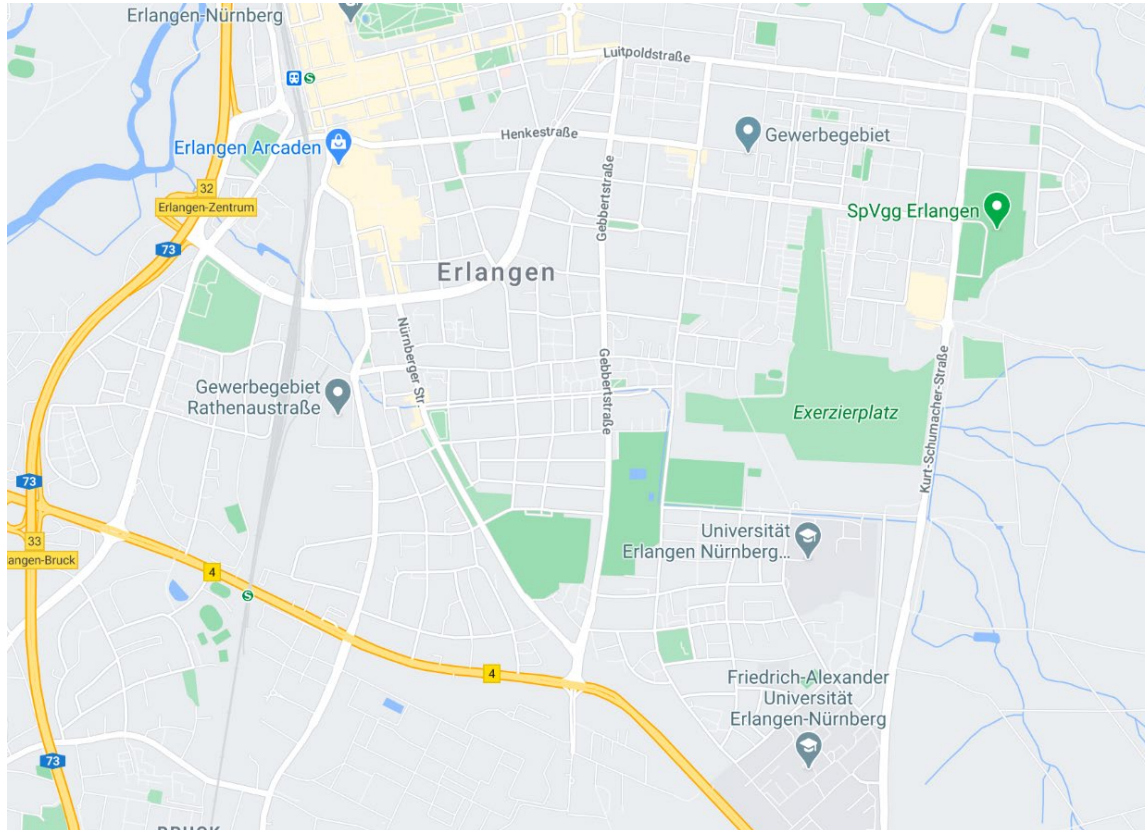
Fraunhofer Institute for Integrated Circuits

International Audio Laboratories Erlangen

Helmholtz Institute Erlangen-Nürnberg

Max Planck Institute for the Science of
Light





South of Erlangen



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Healthineers



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Excellence in Mechatronics



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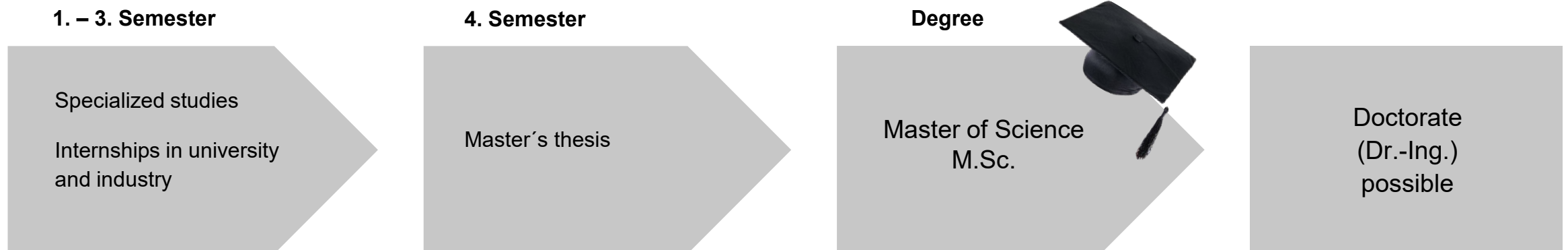


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- study in depth and specialize
 - in the same specialization as your BSc (consecutive)
 - interdisciplinary in another engineering topic (non-consecutive)
- specialize your studies through selecting modules
- Master's thesis
- Preparation for doctorate

The MSc degree:

- offers successful entry into the engineering profession
- offers further qualification for a doctorate



- Biotechnology (M.Sc.)
- Chemical and Biological Engineering (M.Sc.)
- Chemical Engineering – Sustainable Chemical Techn. (M.Sc.)
- Computational Engineering (M.Sc.)
- Computer Science (M.Sc.)
- Electrical Engineering (M.Sc.)
- Energy Technology (M.Sc.)
- Industrial Engineering (M.Sc.)
- Information and Communication Technology (M.Sc.)
- Mechanical Engineering (M.Sc.)
- Mechatronics (M.Sc.)
- Medical Engineering (M.Sc.)
- Technical Vocational Education & Training (M.Ed.)



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Elite Master's Programs and English taught Master's Programs:

- Advanced Materials and Processes (M.Sc.)
- Advanced Optical Technologies (M.Sc., Elite Master's Program)
- Advanced Signal Processing and Communications Engineering (M.Sc.)
- Artificial Intelligence (M.Sc.)
- Autonomy Technologies (M.Sc.)
- Clean Energy Processes (M.Sc.)
- Communications and Multimedia Engineering (M.Sc.)
- Computational Engineering (M.Sc., Elite Master's Program)
- Electromobility ACES (M.Sc.)
- Information and Communication Technology (M.Sc.)
- Materials Science and Engineering (M.Sc.)
- Medical Engineering (M.Sc.)
- Nanotechnology (M.Sc.)



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Study abroad

Several possibilities and different contact persons

Partner program		Contact
Direct partners of FAU („FAUExchange“) => Partner universities worldwide	➡	RIA = Central Office for International Affairs
Direct partners of TF => Partner universities in Australia, Brasil, China, Chile, Colombia, Israel, Japan, South Korea, Uruguay	➡	StIB = Office of Study Information and Advice / SSC TF
Direct partners of Departments/ Chairs => Partner universities worldwide	➡	SSCs of the departments, chairs
ERASMUS + Program => Partner universities in Europe	➡	ERASMUS-coordinators of the departments
Additional for study program WING und IP => Partner universities of the Faculty of Business (WiSo)	➡	International Office WiSo
FREEMOVER (no special partner university) => worldwide	➡	Self organized

Partner contracts are concluded at different FAU levels.

Therefore, there are **different contact persons** for the respective partner universities at the different levels.



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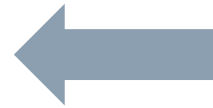


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The Study-Service-Center **Service Counter** is located in the MHB-building opposite of lecture hall H8

General service and advice:

- Finding rooms
- Support with the creation of timetables
- Issuing certificates for Soft-Skill-Seminars
- Lost property
- Information about qualified advice centers for further advice needs



Maria Zacharidou



Merve Özdemir

Questions? SSC
Email is here



tf-stib@fau.de

Office of Student Information and Advice (StIB)

Faculty of Engineering Study-Service-Center – Office for further Advice



The Study Service Center (SSC TF) Office is located in the central lecture hall building (basement) in room U 1.250

Further advice:

- General Information and advice for students related to their studies
- Support for inquiries about administrative bodies of the university
- Seminars for soft skills
- International partnership programs of the Faculty of Engineering
- Internships abroad
- Website: <https://www.tf.fau.eu/studying/advice-and-services/office-for-student-information-and-advice-stib/>



Gisela Jakschik



Christine Mohr

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Questions about your study program?

Departmental Student Service Centers



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Subject advisors are
available for each degree
program to answer specific
questions



Assistance with:

- Fear of speech, writing and exam
- Difficulties with learning, motivation problems
- Stress management
- Anger and impulse control problems
- Loneliness, depression, feelings of guilt, fears, thoughts of suicide
- Everyday studies with a chronic illness or disability
- Relationship, partner and family problems
- Identity and orientation problems
- Displacement from the parents and from the place of origin
- Questions about addiction and addictions (e.g. nicotine, alcohol, internet)
- Integration and cultural difficulties



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Campo: www.campo.fau.de

Student, exam and lecture platform

- Course Catalog
- Exam registration
- Grades
- Certificates
- Room Planning

StudON: www.studon.uni-erlangen.de

Learning platform of FAU

- Materials for courses
- Communication with the lecturer
- Access:
 - Registration at the platform via the central registration service:
www.sso.uni-erlangen.de
 - Access to the different courses via password or application at the course administrator

All portals:

<https://www.fau.eu/education/study-organisation/manage-your-studies-online/>



FAUdir: <https://faudir.fau.de>

Database

Here you will find a **public view** with a general overview of FAU. To find detailed information, you must switch to the **internal view**. To do this, you must log in to SSO with your IDM ID.

- Persons and departments
- Telephone and email directory

FAUmail: <https://faumail.fau.de>

Students email account

- Connection by the Identity Management Self Service Portal (IdM):
www.idm.uni-erlangen.de
- Contact address for information from the examination office, the students records office and the university in general

Please activate your account as soon as possible.
You can redirect it to your private email address.

All portals:

<https://www.fau.eu/education/study-organisation/manage-your-studies-online/>



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What is a university group (HSG) ?

- A voluntary association of students
- Integrated into a nationwide network



What do I get from being part of a university group?

- Independent work
- Teamwork, soft skills
- Non-university contacts (network)
- Companies like to see engagement
- Fun!!

Events and activities

- Field trips
- Lectures from companies
- Company contact fairs

FAU FabLab



Who are we?

- Students and volunteers of their respective course of studies

What we do:

- Information and support regarding studies, student-life, Erlangen and more
- Collection of learning-materials (e.g. exams, books and more)
- Social events: BBQs, Pubnights, ...
- Help for communication between students and professors/administration

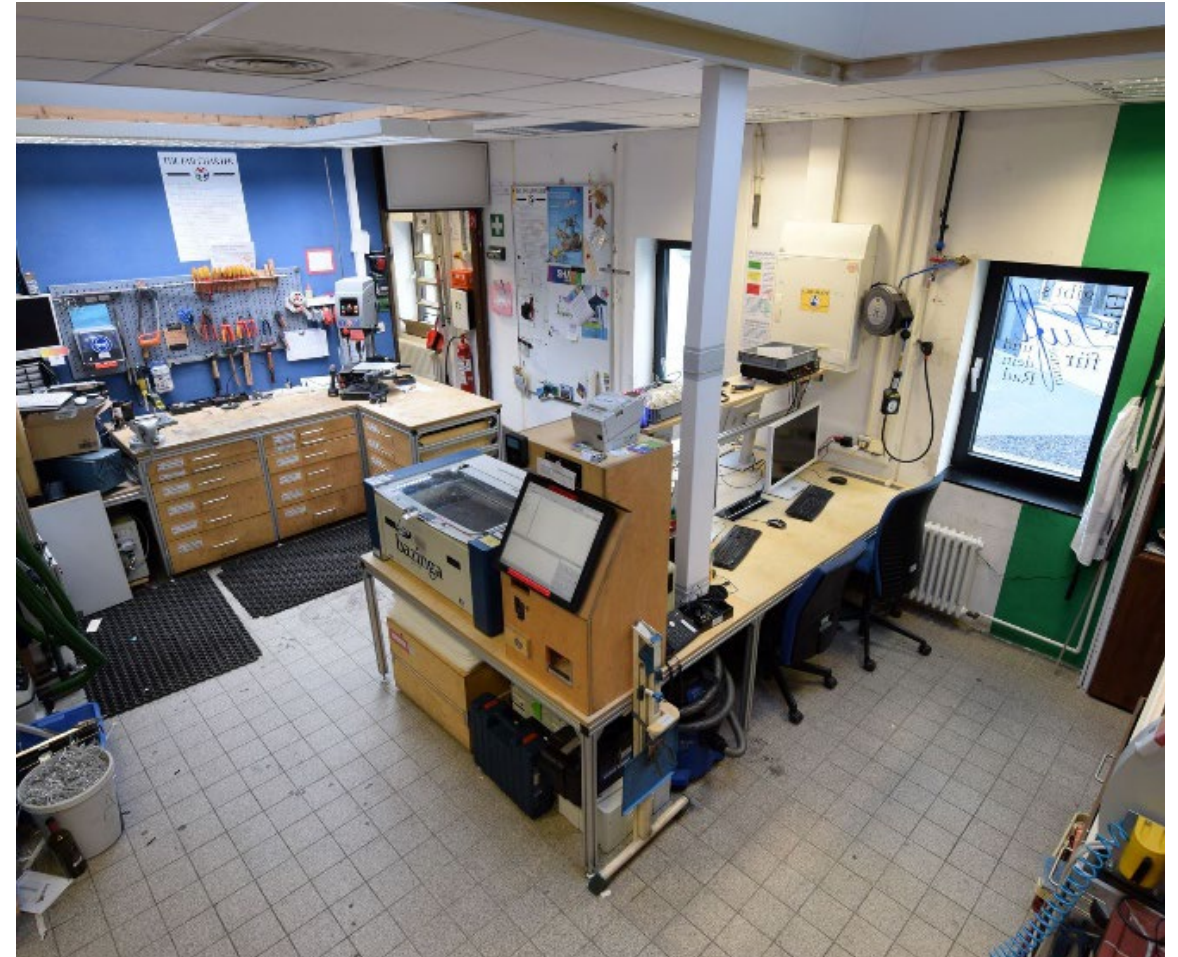
List of all available FSI groups:

<https://stuve.fau.de/en/stuve/fak-dep/fsien/>



Photo: Maerten

- The open workshop FabLab (fabrication laboratory) aims at computer-controlled manufacturing.
- Everyone can put their ideas into practice.
- For this purpose, high-tech machines and the necessary knowledge are available in order to achieve the impossible.
- Location: Room U1.239, Erwin-Rommel-Straße 60, 91058 Erlangen
- Website: <https://fablab.fau.de/en/>
Contact: kontakt@fablab.fau.de



- Language centre
<https://sz.fau.eu/courses/>
- University sports
<https://www.hochschulsport.fau.de/>
- University music
<https://www.musik.fau.de/>
- Career Service
<https://www.fau.eu/education/advice-and-services/career-service/>
- Legal advice of Studentenwerk
<https://www.werkswelt.de/index.php?id=rechtsberatung&setlang=en>
- Family service
<https://www.familienservice.fau.eu/>
- University church communities
<https://www.khg-erlangen.de> und <https://www.esg-erlangen.de>



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- **Semester period:**
01 October 2025 – 31 March 2026
 - **Lecture period:**
13 October 2025 – 6 February 2026
 - **Holidays (lecture-free):**
1 November 2025 (Allerheiligen, All Saints' Day)
19 December 2025 – 6 January 2026 (Christmas holidays)
- Public holidays outside the lecture period:**
3 October 2025 (Tag der Deutschen Einheit
Day of German Unity)

<https://www.fau.eu/education/study-organisation/semester-dates/>

Re-registration for the Summer Semester 2026 by transfer of semester fees within the first weeks of January 2026



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You are responsible for your studies

- Find out about the legal framework: Read the **general examination regulations** for the Bachelor and Master courses (**ABMPO**) of the FAU and the subject examination regulations (**FPO**) for your subject.
- **Get started right away:** An average of 1,800 hours are earmarked for the acquisition of 60 ECTS per year, which corresponds to full-time work.
- Join together in **study groups** and get excited about your studies.
- Do not postpone a GOP examination (for Bachelor's only), otherwise you will run out of time.

When things become tight... **do not hesitate:**

- Get advice from fellow or senior students, staff members of the chairs, professors.
- Limit yourself to the essentials.
- **Use the advice and help offers at an early state of your problem :**
 - Academic Advisors
 - Math consultation
 - Study-Service-Center

Important:
General rules
for examinations



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- Most important: Be sufficiently prepared for the exam.
 - Be quiet: no talking / whispering during the exam.
 - No partner work / group work during the exam.
 - When the time for the exam is over, you are not allowed to continue writing.
 - Cheating or attempts to cheat during the exam will lead to serious consequences! (You will fail the exam with grade 5.0 etc.)
 - Please do not engage in extensive discussions with the examiners.
 - Please do not criticize the examiners harshly, e.g. during the exam meeting, e.g. during the examination review. Threats do not help at all to get the necessary exam points.



The „Bildungsticket“ (= 38 euros ticket) covers transportation all over Germany.

- If you would like to use public transport, you can purchase the “Bildungsticket” for **38 euros per month** yourself via the [VAG subscription portal](#).
- The ticket is across Germany in local public transport (ÖPNV) as well as for regional public transport (S-Bahn, Regionalbahn, but **no** ICE).
- The ticket also includes 600 free minutes of bicycle hire each month with the “VAG Rad” scheme.

Information: <https://www.fau.eu/education/student-life/semester-ticket/>

Purchase of the ticket: https://meinabo.vag.de/abo/new.aspx?produkt=16230706_1

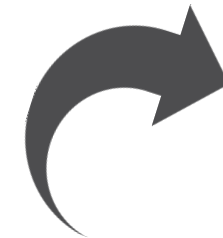


First steps in Erlangen and at FAU

Overview



1. Opening a bank account
2. Health insurance
3. Signing the rental agreement
4. Registration at the City
5. Enrolment at FAU
6. Residence permit
7. Liability insurance



Introductory videos



First steps

Last but not least: A few words about the crazy Germans

Garbage separation – handshakes –
– equality – festivals and more

Learn more about the crazy Germans:

<https://www.expatica.com/de/living/integration/social-etiquette-in-germany-106557/#overview>



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Welcome Faculty Program

12:00 pm – 12:35 pm Welcome and information by the Faculty of Engineering, Prof. Lechner, H9

12:35 pm – 12:45 pm Information ATE, Prof. Wensing, H9

12:45 pm – 1:00 pm Information Library, Ms. Bexkens, H9

1:15 pm - 2:15 pm Parallel time slots:

- **Dep. Chemical and Biological Engineering** (e.g. **CBI, CEP, CEN, LSE**): room **KS I**, Cauerstr. 4
- **Dep. Computer Science** (**Erasmus-students**): room **0.85**, Martensstr. 7
- **Medical Engineering** (**AI, CE, MT**): room **H14**, Martensstr. 5-7
- **Dep. Mechanical Engineering** (e.g. **ACES, IP, MB, WING**): room **H11**, Cauerstr. 11
- **Dep. Materials Science** (**Mat. Sc., NANO**): room **H17**, Immerwahrstr. 1
- **Advanced Materials and Processes** (**MAP**) room **0.68**, Martensstr. 5-7

2:30 pm - 3:30 pm Campus Rallye

3:30 pm – 5 pm

Get together, meeting on the “red place” (Roter Platz) or in case of rain Foyer of CBI-building, Cauerstr. 4 (“Brezeln” and beverages)



Alumni-Network ATE der Technischen Fakultät

Service and Events for TF-students

- Job portal
- Field trips
- Career events
- Mentoring program
- Scholarship
- Program for highly talented students
- Business meets students

<https://alumnite.de/>

The Online job portal of ATE for the faculty of engineering

Internships, part time jobs,
student jobs in industry,
final theses



<https://alumnite.de/jobs>

Welcome to FAU Libraries

FAU Library Basics

- 1 FAUcard – your Library Card
- 2 Locations of FAU Library
- 3 Library Services
- 4 VPN - Virtual Private Networks
- 5 Website



1 FAUcard – your Library Card



Before checking out books with your FAUcard you have to...

- ... log on to the IdM-Portal: www.idm.fau.de
- ... in the upper menu bar, click **Requests/Tasks**
- ... **confirm** Library Card activation
- ... **accept** the terms and conditions of use (ABOB)
- ... wait until the next work day



UB ID below barcode

Initial password for first login to your library account/ catalogue:
Date of birth in 8 digits: **DDMMYYYY**

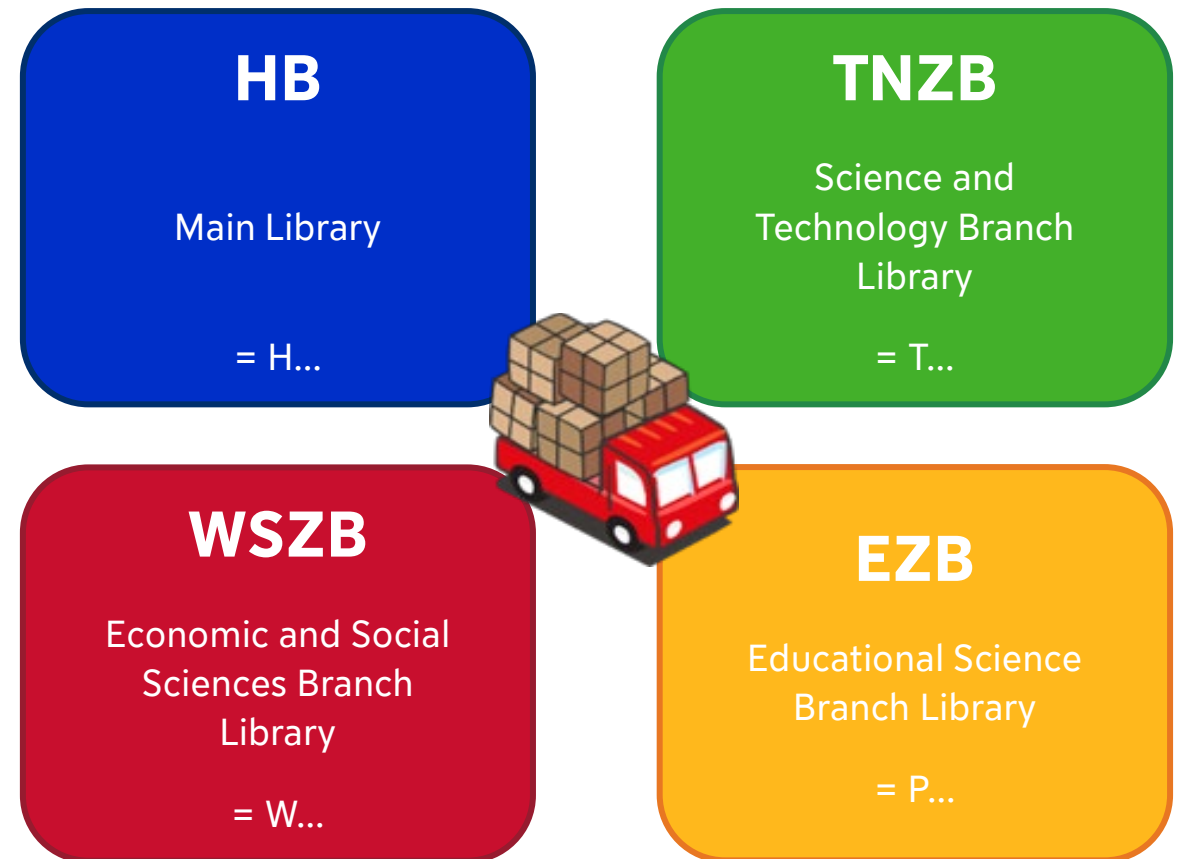
2 Locations of FAU Library

Four central library locations

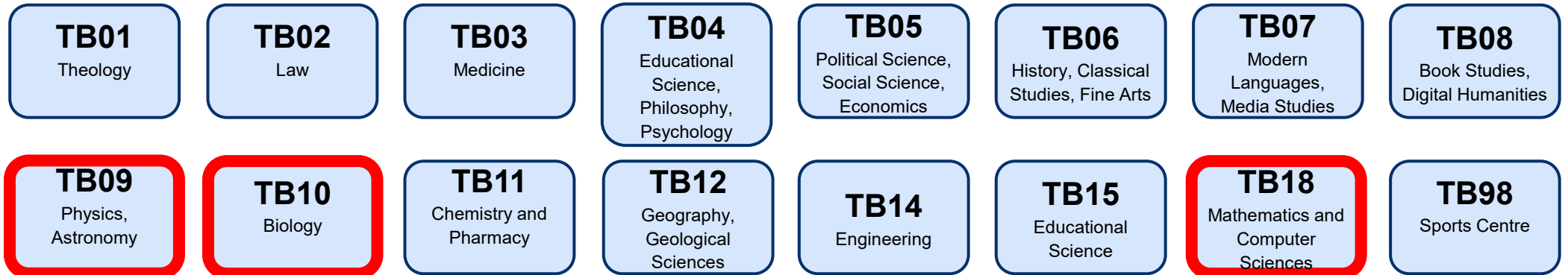
- Main Library
- 3 Branch Libraries

Books for loan or order (inter-branch delivery service)

- Total number of loans: 100 books
- Standard loan: 4 weeks
- Renewals: 6 times
- check due dates and renew loans online 24/7 – be fair and avoid fines



Departmental Libraries – more than 130 library locations



- Circulating libraries vs. reference collection
- No delivery service
- Addresses & opening hours: <https://ub.fau.de/en/about-us/locations-opening-hours/>

3 Library Services

3 Library Services



Textbooks, scientific literature, journals, standards ...



Study spaces / Carrels



Internet terminals



Lockers

Multi-function printers and scanners



Self-checkout machine



Validation station, top-up machine and payment terminal – on campus

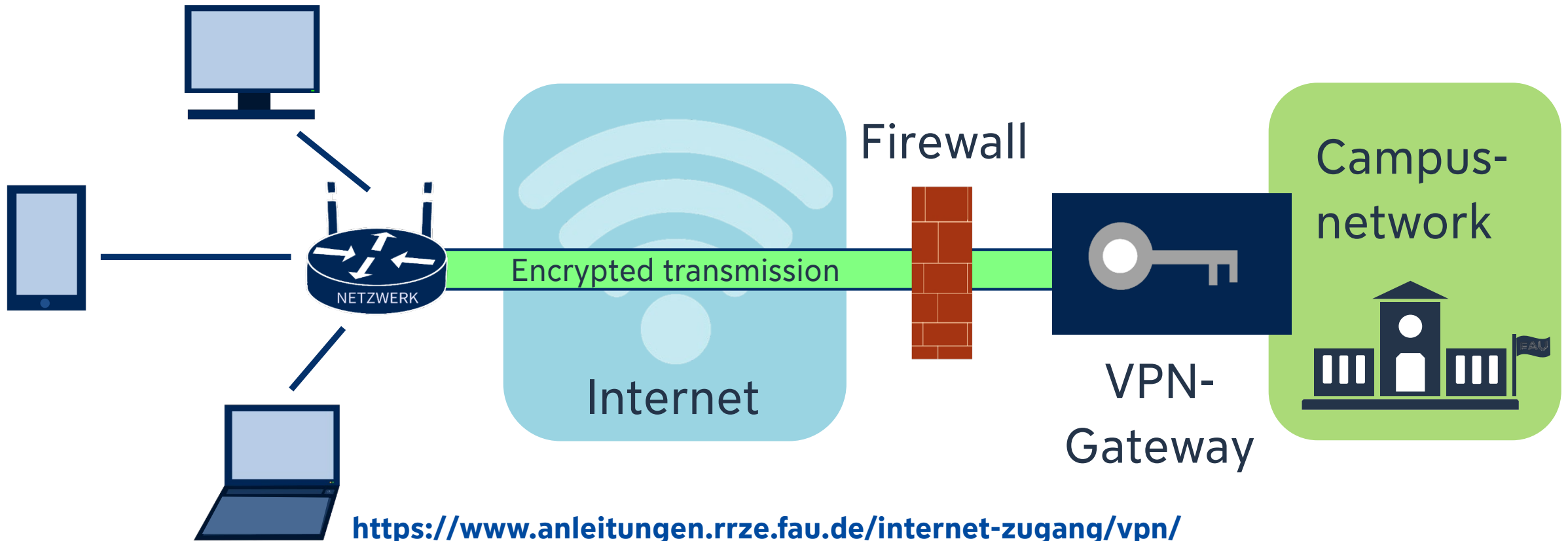


4 VPN - Virtual Private Networks

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Access to licensed online content via VPN for FAU students and staff

Virtual Private Networks = Encrypted and secure connection to university network
for FAU students and staff



5 Website

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<https://ub.fau.de/> <https://ub.fau.de/en/>



Learning in the University Library

Ask us!

Locations / Opening Hours

Learning Spaces

Open Access

Research Data

FAU University Press [↗](#)

FAUdok

Catalogue

Library Account

Databases

Ejournals

OPEN FAU

FAQ

Pick-up Location ▾

Please enter a search term

Search

Search the entire holdings of the University Library. Search in [catalogue](#) ([OPACplus](#)).

Thank you for your attention!

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Program

Welcome Faculty - Grouping

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(e.g. **CBI, CEP, CEN, LSE**):
bottom left ▶ KS I

Medical Engineering, AI 3
bottom right ▶ H14

Dep. Materials Science 2
(**Mat. Sc., NANO**):
Top left ▶ H17

MAP stay seated for 5 min
MAP afterwards bottom right ▶ 0.68

Computer Sc. (ERASMUS)
stay seated for 5 min
MAP afterwards top left ▶ 0.85

Dep. Mechanical Engineering
(**ACES, IP, MB, WING**):
Top right ▶ H11 1



**Good luck –
and a good start to your studies!**