

# **STUDY IN OSNABRÜCK –**YOUR LIFETIME, YOUR EXPERIENCE

**OSNABRÜCK UNIVERSITY OF APPLIED SCIENCES** 



# WHY STUDY AT OSNABRÜCK UNIVERSITY OF APPLIED SCIENCES?

We offer high quality education, and achieve excellent results in national rankings.

Learn about all of our offers and find out what others students say about studying at Osnabrück University of Applied Sciences.

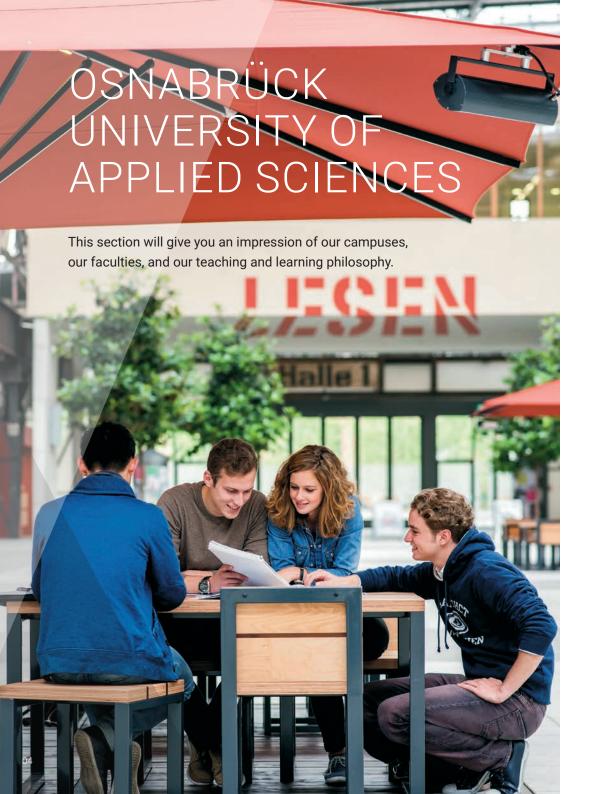
We have years of experience with incoming students from all over the world.

Discover our teaching and learning philosophy and benefit from our international experience.

Osnabrück is located in the heart of Europe. It is a very safe city. The cost of living is low compared with other German cities.

Studying and living in Osnabrück is great value for money. See for yourself!

When will you come join us?



# WHO WE ARE

Osnabrück University of Applied Sciences has two campuses in the city of Osnabrück and one campus in the city of Lingen (about 65 km North West of Osnabrück).

Altogether, there are more than 13,500 students from all over the world as well as 400 teaching staff.

Naturally, excellence in teaching and learning is our most important goal. In addition, we are proud of our international activities which range from excursions in foreign countries to study programs that are entirely taught in English. Did you know that we are the largest University of Applied Sciences in our federal State of Lower Saxony and the one that is most active in applied research?



Welcoming new students in the first semester

## **OUR FACULTIES**

The two campuses in Osnabrück are both located in beautiful areas with lots of recreational value. With an excellent learning atmosphere, they are ideally suited to the needs of the Faculties of

- Agricultural Sciences and Landscape Architecture
- Business Management and Social Sciences
- Engineering and Computer Science
- · and the Institute of Music

The Lingen Campus with its Faculty of Management, Culture and Technology is located in the city center and housed in a unique setting. What used to be a train repair shop, has been transformed into a modern learning environment with state-of-the-art facilities and equipment.

## OUR TEACHING & LEARNING PHILOSOPHY

Since 1971 our focus has been on teaching and learning. The central goals are to help students develop an individual qualification profile and a strong personality. Our teaching and learning is very practice-oriented. Study programs contain practical or project phases, involve group work, presentations and case studies.

Osnabrück University of Applied Sciences cooperates closely with companies and organizations in the region. Many students, especially those who write their bachelor and master thesis in cooperation with these organizations and companies, have an easy transition from the university to the workplace. Social responsibility is of great importance to us. We offer students opportunities to engage in projects both in Osnabrück and abroad that give benefit to society.



# INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Find out what international students can do at Osnabrück University



# GOING TO OSNABRÜCK UNIVERSITY OF APPLIED SCIENCES SHORT-TERM

#### Summer and Winter Activities

Osnabrück University of Applied Sciences offers summer and winter courses to both international and domestic students. Most of these courses take place during the semester breaks. They can be taken for credit and transferred to your home university. All summer and winter courses consist of classwork in combination with field trips, as well as social activities (e.g. German cooking, movie nights, sports).

www.hs-osnabrueck.de/summer-and-winter-programs

## International Summer University (ISU)

ISU participants can choose from a variety of topics ranging from international business management to physiotherapy and health care management.

Their individual choice will be combined with classes on Germany in Europe, an introduction to German language as well as study trips, company visits and a recreational program. The classes are taught by an international team of professors and lecturers, and thus represent a truly international experience for all students enrolled in the program.

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#### INTERNATIONALSTUDENTS



#### International Summer and Winter Language Courses

The intensive German language courses take place in August/September and in February prior to each of the two semesters that form the academic year. The three to four week programs offer German language instruction at different levels from the absolute beginners to near native competence.

Language classes are combined with a cultural program so that the students will explore not only the university but also the city and its region as well as other interesting places in Germany - a study trip to Berlin is also always part of the program.

www.hs-osnabrueck.de/international-summer-language-school

www.hs-osnabrueck.de/international-winter-language-school

#### International Summer Lab (ISL)

The International Summer Lab is run in cooperation with the renowned German Institute of Food Technologies and attracts students who are interested in improving their knowledge and expertise in food processing and food technologies. During ISL they learn from valuable expert insights into the latest developments in food engineering and food innovation and get hands on experience in special food processing techniques using state of the art equipment.

www.hs-osnabrueck.de/international-summer-lab

#### Summer University Lingen (SUL): Management in a Global Environment

This two-week program at our campus in the city of Lingen draws on the close linkages between the university and the local industry. Many companies are family-run and have deep roots in the region while operating internationally and globally at the same time. SUL invites international and German students to analyze the factors for success by comparing theory based company concepts in e.g. marketing, logistics, and HR management with real life practices in these companies.

www.hs-osnabrueck.de/summer-university-lingen

# International Study Program: Sustainability and Innovation in Engineering and Planning – Key Technologies and their impact on Environment and Society

The six-week International Study Program enables students to enhance their knowledge in engineering, life sciences and planning processes. Exercises, hand-on lab work, company visits and field trips complement the course work. The content always reflects up-to-date topics (e.g. renewable energies, e-mobility, postindustrial development, visualization techniques). The courses are combined with classes on Germany in Europe (culture, history and 'survival German' language classes) as well as study trips, social events and get-togethers with other students.

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#### International Summer University Landscaping Industries

Quality in landscape construction – that is the main topic of the three-week program. It consists of a one-week field trip to historical European cities (e.g. Munich, Salzburg, Vienna) followed by two weeks of lectures and project work in Osnabrück. Students will work on a draft provided by a recognized landscape architecture office and develop a technical solution including construction documentation up to the preparation of the bidding procedure.

www.hs-osnabrück.de/international-summer-university-landscaping-industries

## LEARNING GERMAN

At Osnabrück University of Applied Sciences, most study programs are taught in German. Therefore, one admission requirement for international degree-seeking students is a German language certificate at C1 (CEF) level. In order to prepare prospective students who lack just this admission requirement, we offer a 5-months' study preparation program that consists of German language instruction, intercultural competence and academic writing.

#### www.hs-osnabrueck.de/studyprep-hochschule

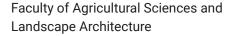
As a certified telc-Center, we offer telc examinations to external candidates. Of course, there are also preparatory classes that will help you understand the testing format and how you can prepare for the exam.

For all international students (visiting students and degree-seeking students) we offer a wide range of German language courses throughout the semester, and our intensive German language courses in the summer and winter (page 10).



# GOING TO OSNABRÜCK UNIVERSITY OF APPLIED SCIENCES LONG-TERM

Our students study in a very broad range of subject areas



e.g. agriculture, bioprocess engineering, construction management, food science, home economics, landscape architecture

# Faculty of Business Management and Social Sciences

e.g. business law, business psychology, economics, management, midwifery, nursing, physical/occupational therapy, public management, social work



# Faculty of Engineering and Computer Science

e.g. agricultural engineering, electrical engineering, design, materials science, mechanical engineering, renewable energies, robotics

# Faculty of Management, Culture and Technology (Lingen Campus)

e.g. business, business informatics, communications management, industrial engineering, theatre pedagogy

#### Institute of Music

Music pedagogy (e.g. classical music, pop, jazz, musical)

You can find a list of all our study programs online:

www.hs-osnabrueck.de/degree-programs-a-z





The majority of classes are taught in German. Currently, most degree programs prepare students for business and industry where German is the language of the workplace. At our university, you will find a comprehensive "German as a second language"-program (page 12).

### Studying in English for a semester

If you would like to come to Osnabrück University of Applied Sciences as an international visiting student and if you speak little or no German, these are the subject fields in which you can study in English for a semester:

- · Business Management
- Economics
- Agriculture/Horticulture, Food Sciences/Nutrition
- Landscape Architecture
- Quality Management in Engineering
- Design
- Computer Sciences
- Music Pedagogy

International visiting students from partner universities as well as from non-partner universities have the same benefits as our degree-seeking students and can make use of all our support and services. We also welcome students for project work or for study-related internships in one of our various laboratories.

www.hs-osnabrueck.de/ international-courses-and-summer-programs

### Studying in English for a degree

We also offer study programs which are entirely or partly taught in English, e.g.

- International Management (B.A.)
- International Business and Management (M.A.)

For more details on application and admission procedures have a look at our website:

www.hs-osnabrueck.de/degree-seekingstudents

# SUPPORT AND SERVICES »Osnabrück University of Applied Sciences to me means safety, never-ending possibilities and a learning space where I feel welcome and not different from my fellow students. At the Center for International Students, I have found help with difficulties, and further opportunities to meet interesting people. In Osnabrück, I have met people from different countries and with different backgrounds and cultures. Some of them have become my best friends« Vanessa Lucía Barreda Ordonez from Peru Mechanical Engineering (B.Sc.) »A LEARNING SPACE WHERE I FEEL WELCOME«

#### Center for International Students (CIS)

For everyone who is interested in studying at Osnabrück University of Applied Sciences to obtain a degree, the CIS is the first point of contact. We advise international applicants and support international students throughout their studies. In addition, we organize German language courses and offer testing for telc-certificates.

www.hs-osnabrueck.de/en/center-for-international-students

### Center for International Mobility (CIM)

The Center for International Mobility provides accommodation for international visiting students through its Housing Service. It organizes the International Summer and Winter German Language School and coordinates several other international short term programs of Osnabrück University of Applied Sciences. The CIM also offers JOIN OS, the semester program with cultural and social events for international students and manages scholarship programs for outgoing and incoming students.

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### International Faculty Offices (IFO)

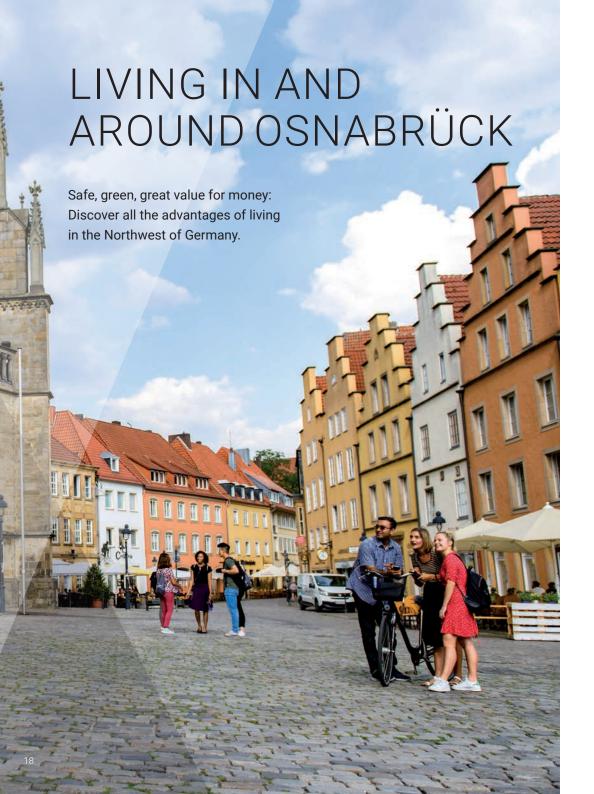
Every faculty has an international faculty office. The IFOs are in touch with the faculty's partner universities and organize the incoming and outgoing student mobility. They receive the nominations of incoming visiting students, help them schedule their academic semester and handle learning agreements and transcripts of records. In addition, they organize the buddy program for international students.

www.hs-osnabrueck.de/en/incoming

### LearningCenter (LC)

The LearningCenter aims at giving students the necessary tools to study successfully, and to have a positive study experience. Time-management, learning methods, and good academic practice are at the top of the list. In addition, there are customized offers for international students.

www.hs-osnabrueck.de/en/learningcenter



# LIVING IN THE NORTHWEST OF GERMANY: A PERFECT BALANCE

#### Osnabrück

In 1648, the "Westphalian Peace" was signed in Osnabrück, ending the War of 30 Years. This treaty was the first step towards a system of international law, and contributes, until today, to a peaceful and prosperous Europe. Since then, Osnabrück has been named the "City of Peace".

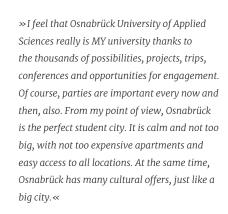
In 2009, Osnabrück was voted the German city with the happiest people. What makes living in Osnabrück so special? Is it the fact that it is the only big city in Germany that is located within the boundaries of a National Park? Is it the rich cultural life? The many green spots? The relatively low cost of living? The beautiful old town? The cozy atmosphere? At a glance: Osnabrück has 170,000 inhabitants and draws on a catchment area of approximately 550,000 people. The unemployment rate in this region is very low at 4.4 per cent.

Living in Osnabrück is very safe. Common sense and good judgment should never be turned off, but it is possible to walk the streets during the day and at night without fear.

#### Lingen

Looking back on more than 1,000 years of history, Lingen has many stories to tell. Nowadays, 56,000 inhabitants live in Lingen's safe and family-friendly neighborhoods and work in nearby businesses, many of which deserve to be labeled "hidden champions". Lingen has a rich cultural life, and both our students and staff are very active not only in participating in, but also in shaping many activities. Studying in Lingen means becoming a part of the community, both on and off campus.





Matteo Bruni from Italy, International Business and Management (B.A.)

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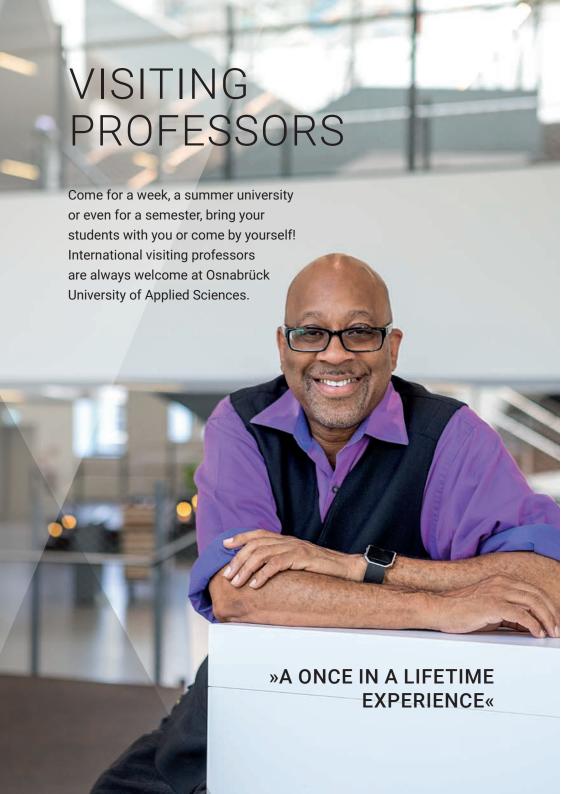
# MONEY MATTERS: CAN LAFFORD OSNABRÜCK AND LINGEN?

Studying in Germany combines two exceptional benefits: A high quality education and a low price. Throughout Germany higher education is almost entirely financed by the tax payer so there are no tuition fees for the individual student.

The cost of living in Osnabrück is low in comparison with most other German cities. In addition, university students get a lot of special deals resulting in lower prices, including the semester ticket for public transportation around the clock and reduced meal prices at the student restaurant.

We estimate that you will need 750 Euro per month to finance your studies at Osnabrück or Lingen. For more exact data and an overview of the costs that you will incur, please visit our website at

www.hs-osnabrueck.de/cost-of-living



» The International Summer University program in Osnabrück is a once in a lifetime experience for both students and faculty. The learning experience takes place in beautiful historic Osnabruck, Germany. The lecturers are accomplished, passionate academics who have a passion for the lifelong learning. The most important take away in my opinion is the international cultural exchange that takes place between the students. This prepares them to be successful in their chosen field of study and to be an effective global citizen. «

LaDon Jones from National University, San Diego, USA

# OPPORTUNITIES FOR VISITING PROFESSORS

Osnabrück University of Applied Sciences believes that exposing students to the teaching methods of international visiting professors improves the quality of the student experience. Therefore, we integrate international colleagues from our partner universities into our teaching and learning processes.

### Block/Project Weeks

Almost all curricula contain student projects and other practice-oriented elements (e.g. case studies). In most faculties, these have been condensed into block or project weeks. During these project or block weeks, regular classes are paused, and all students and professors work on projects together. This is an excellent opportunity for visiting professors to offer a one-week intensive program at Osnabrück University of Applied Sciences, and get to know students and colleagues.



### International Summer Programs

In our international summer programs, visiting professors from partner universities are welcome to teach. They can also bring their own students into the classes. Since the courses are part of the curriculum at Osnabrück, domestic students are also eligible to participate.

www.hs-osnabrueck.de/international-visiting-professors

# WHAT DO INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS SAY ABOUT OSNABRÜCK UAS?

In a recent survey, international students (both degree-seeking and exchange) expressed a very high satisfaction with their experience at Osnabrück UAS. Here are some of the results (International Student Barometer 2016):

- 90 per cent would recommend the university to other international students
- 96.6 per cent say they get learning support when they need it
- 95 per cent stated they were satisfied or very satisfied with the overall support services (international, IT, library, tutors, buddies, housing, etc.) at the university
- 88.6 per cent indicate that they were able to make friends from Germany –
   this is the best result in Europe and the second best result worldwide in this category

#### Where do our international students come from?\*



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<sup>\*</sup> Numbers refer to international visiting and degree-seeking students at OS UAS in winter semester 2017/18.



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