



BOOKLET FOR
INCOMING STUDENTS

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1. General Information

1.1 Germany in general

The Federal Republic of Germany is situated in the centre of Europe. 84.3 million people live in Germany, of which around 10.8 million are foreigners. Nearly half of the German population lives in one of the 85 towns that have a population of more than 100,000. A lively, multinational scene thrives in the population centres.

Germany has nine neighbours: Denmark to the north, the Netherlands and Belgium to the north-west, France and Luxembourg to the west, Austria and Switzerland to the south and the Czech Republic and Poland to the east. Although regional dialects differ greatly, the nation is united by its common language of High German (Hochdeutsch).

The German landscape is as varied as its dialects. In the north, chains of islands can be found with extensive sand dunes and marshlands. Dense mixed forests and medieval castles line the river valleys and mountains in central Germany, once praised by the German Romantic poets. Even the industrial landscape of the Ruhr area is dotted with open green spaces. The Alps with their crystal clear mountain lakes rise majestically in the south.

The Federal Republic of Germany has been a parliamentary democracy since Germany's Basic Law (Grundgesetz) was passed in 1949. Under the Basic Law, everyone is guaranteed fundamental rights, such as freedom of opinion, free speech and all persons are equal before the law. Berlin is the German capital and also the seat of government, where the ministries are located.

The backbone of the German economy is its car manufacturing, electronics and pharmaceutical industries. Noteworthy is the applied concept of Germany's social market economy. It provides the citizens with public health insurance, pensions and a security net in case of injuries and accidents.

1.2 Understanding German(y)

You may wonder for instance, whether your German knowledge will be sufficient to get by but you will find out that most Germans are very helpful. Most have at least some knowledge of English since it is taught at school from the first grade on. Some also speak a little French and Spanish.

In case you talk to Germans who have absolutely no knowledge of any foreign language, they will at least speak very slowly and in simple sentences to give you a chance to understand.

1.3 Public holidays

Germany is said to be the country with the most public holidays. On these days, **shops are usually closed** and there are no lectures.

There are sometimes so-called “bridge days” if the public holiday is close to a weekend. Some public holidays are regional and only in certain federal states.

Public holidays 2023/2024 at a glance

03.10. Day of German Unity	12.02.2024 Carnival Monday (not everywhere)
01.11. All Saints` Day	13.02.2024 Shrove Tuesday (not everywhere)
25.12. Christmas Day	29.03.2024 Good Friday
26.12. Boxing Day	31.03.2024 Easter Sunday
01.01. New Year`s Day	01.04.2024 Easter Monday
06.01. Epiphany	09.05.2024 Ascension Day
01.05. Labour Day	19.05.2024 Whit Sunday
(fixed public holidays)	20.05.2024 Whit Monday
	30.05.2024 Corpus Christi

1.4 Opening hours

Shops in Germany generally have different opening hours depending on their size.

Smaller shops are mostly open from 8 a.m. – 6 p.m. from Monday to Saturday.

Bigger shops and food discounters (such as *Lidl* and *Aldi*) are open from 7 a.m. / 8 a.m. – 9 p.m. from Monday to Saturday. As the law concerning opening hours has recently been relaxed, most of the larger supermarkets and discounters such as *Kaufland* and *Rewe* are now open until 10 p.m. Shops are **not** open on Sundays, but in case of emergency you always have the option of buying some basic products at gas stations.

Bars and restaurants usually close at midnight during the week and at 2 a.m. at the weekend.

If you urgently need something from a **pharmacy** after regular opening hours, on Sundays or on bank holidays, there is always an emergency service. The on-duty pharmacy can be found at:

<https://www.aponet.de/service/notdienstapotheke-finden/suchergebnis/0/74072.html>. A list of emergency doctors can be found at <https://www.slk-kliniken.de/notfall/notfall>.

Please bear in mind that there may be an additional fee for purchases made during the emergency service hours.

1.5 Health care system

If your home country has a social security agreement with Germany, which includes a health insurance clause, your current insurance will be adequate. You have to present proof of this health insurance to the local AOK or TK (health insurance companies). **EU** students are asked to bring their EHIC (European Health Insurance Card). The selected health insurance company will then exempt you from paying health insurance and enable you to visit German doctors during your stay.

Students from **non-EU** countries are required to provide their own health insurance (the insurance policy must carry “**unlimited coverage**”) or have the right to statutory insurance at the lowest monthly rate, which is currently approximately €110.

If you become ill, please try to follow these steps:

1. Phone a doctor (Allgemeinarzt - general practitioner/GP), say what is wrong and make an appointment.
2. Keep the appointment and give your health insurance card to the doctor`s receptionist.
3. The GP will examine you and may, in some cases, refer you to a specialist.
4. If the doctor gives you a prescription, you will have to take this to a pharmacy to buy the medication. You will have to pay €5 - €10 for medication if your prescription is pink and full price for it if your prescription is green.
5. In most cases, you will get a bill from the doctor. Please ask him for further instructions as sometimes you may be asked to pay it immediately and other times you may be asked to contact your health insurance back home. The doctor`s practice will inform you if you have to pay the bill yourself or if they will do it for you.

Please note that medicine can only be bought in pharmacies in Germany. Even medication to treat a headache is not available in supermarkets, where you will only find vitamins and herbal remedies. Some medicine is only available with a prescription.

1.6 Transport systems

You can travel throughout Germany by train, bus, car or plane. In Heilbronn there are many buses which take you all over the city and a city train (Stadtbahn) which runs frequently and transports you quickly to the towns around Heilbronn. For students there is a special offer (Semesterticket) where any method of public transport in Heilbronn can be used for the whole semester at a cost of €190. It is called the “Semesterticket.” Students, who have their residence directly in Heilbronn, receive the “Semesterticket” free of charge for one semester.

Since 2023 there is a new system for the “Semesterticket.” Students that are under the age of 27 receive a so-called “JugendTicketBW.” With this ticket you are allowed to take any public transport in the state of Baden-Württemberg. Students above the age of 27 will receive the regular “Semesterticket” to travel around Heilbronn.

If you want or need to travel **longer distances**, it would be wise to check the different options available. Deutsche Bahn trains might not always provide the cheapest way to travel. You can also check FLIXTRAIN for other offers: <https://www.flixttrain.de>

There are also low-cost/budget airlines like Ryanair or Eurowings to travel around. Further information can be found in *5.2 Internet guide*.

Since the beginning of 2013, there is also a wide range of bus travel offered by various companies. These journeys need to be booked in advance and often provide a more cost-effective option to visit different German and European cities.

<https://global.flixbus.com/>

Another option for lower-price transport is the use of a carpooling service, e.g. a trip from Heilbronn to Munich may cost €15 - €20.

<https://www.blablacar.de/>

Travelling to Heilbronn

The nearest airport is Stuttgart International Airport, located around a one-hour drive from Heilbronn. The most common way to travel to Heilbronn from the airport is by train. The **DB APP** (Deutsche Bahn) is useful to book a ticket. A one-way trip costs around €12 and the journey takes between 1h 20mins and 1h 40mins, normally with one change at Stuttgart Hauptbahnhof (main station).

Most **international flights** arrive at Frankfurt International Airport, which is a larger airport. In order to catch a train to Heilbronn you must go to the Fernbahnhof, which is located at the airport. From there you can take a train to Heilbronn, normally with one change that is in Mannheim. The journey takes around 2 hours and costs between €35 and €45 one-way.

Train timetables and fares can be easily checked on the Deutsche Bahn website:

<https://www.bahn.com/en/view/index.shtml> and, of course, there is also the option of taking a bus or using a carpooling service.

2. Heilbronn

2.1 The city of Heilbronn

Heilbronn is located at the north of the federal state Baden-Württemberg and has approximately 126.000 residents. It is the sixth largest city in the state of Baden-Württemberg.



Heilbronn is the main economic centre of the Heilbronn-Franken region, which includes almost the entire northeast of Baden-Württemberg. Well-known companies such as the Schwarz group (LIDL/ Kaufland), Bechtle AG and Audi are located nearby. The Heilbronn area is also known for its wine industry.



2.2 Geography

Heilbronn is located in the northern corner of the Neckar basin at the bottom of the Wartberg (308 m). It is spread out on both banks of the river Neckar on a fertile terrace. The highest point within the city limits is the Schweinsberg at a height of 372 m.

Heilbronn and its surroundings are located in the northern part of the larger Stuttgart metropolitan area.

As already mentioned, the city acts as the economic centre of the Heilbronn-Franken region and is one of 14 cities referred to as major economic centres in the Baden-Württemberg master plan of 2002.



3. Hochschule Heilbronn (HHN)

3.1 Heilbronn University

Heilbronn University ranks amongst the major institutions for Higher Education in the state of Baden-Württemberg. Founded in 1961 as a **School of Engineering**, it was awarded its current university status in 1971 and now caters for approximately 8,000 degree-seeking students.

It is a vibrant and successful institution working closely with its many partners in business, industry and the local community to create a sustainable, creative and ethical learning environment for its students. Its courses provide the graduates with a sound theoretical foundation, but also integrate work-life oriented elements. These include work placements or project work, commissioned by business organisations.

Over the last two decades, Heilbronn University has become a regional leader in technology-driven research and has established its own Institute of Applied Research. All offered courses can be found here: <https://www.hs-heilbronn.de/en>



The university of Heilbronn is split into four campuses: Campus Heilbronn – Sontheim, Bildungscampus am Europaplatz, Campus Künzelsau and Schwäbisch Hall.

Heilbronn University also has campuses in Künzelsau and Schwäbisch Hall:

Künzelsau is a small but bustling town about 55 km northeast of Heilbronn, situated on the river Kocher. This campus is named after its main benefactor, Reinhold Würth. It specialises in Electrical Engineering, Industrial Engineering, Culture, Leisure and Sports Management as well as Media, Product and Customer Management.

Schwäbisch Hall is the second largest city in the Heilbronn-Franken region and is also situated on the river Kocher, about 55 km east of Heilbronn. Due to its medieval flair and high working and living standards, it can be seen as a city where tradition and innovation merge perfectly.

This campus was opened in the winter semester 2009/10 and specializes in Business Management and Sales. It offers three different focuses: Financial Services, Trade and Industry. Further degree courses are scheduled.

3.2 Buildings

Campus Heilbronn – Sontheim

The majority of lecture rooms are in building A, where you will also find the main entrance and the information desk. The cafeteria and canteen (in German: Mensa) and the registrar’s offices are located in building B and lecture rooms, that are mainly for the technical subjects, can be found in building C. The library is situated on the ground floor of building E and you’ll find the computer pools in building F, where you can also photocopy and print documents. Building Y is close to the students’ halls of residence (StuWo). https://www.studentenwerk.uni-heidelberg.de/de/wohnheime_neu

Address

Max-Planck-Str. 39
74081 Heilbronn

Y building

Robert-Bosch-Str. 32

Opening hours

- during lecture & exam periods & lecture-free period between winter-summer semester**
 Monday – Friday 7:00 – 22:00
 Saturday 7:30 – 13:00
 (Y Building)
 Monday – Friday 7:00 – 20:00
- during the lecture-free period between summer-winter semester**
 Monday - Friday 7:00 – 19:00



Bildungscampus – Am Europaplatz

This new campus, located north of Heilbronn city centre and only a 12-minute walk from the town hall, was opened in 2012 and was sponsored by the Schwarz Stiftung. All degree courses from the faculty of International Business (IB), such as Tourism Management (TM, B.A.), Hotel- and Restaurant Management (HM, B.A.), International Business - Intercultural Studies (IBIS, B.A.), as well as Wine Management (WB, B.A.) take place here.

Master's degrees of the faculty IB can also be studied at this campus, such as International Business & Intercultural Management (M.A.), International Tourism Management (M.A.) and Sustainable Tourism Development. (M.A.)

The faculty of Business Administration and Transport Management (WV) moved to the Bildungscampus in autumn 2019. It hosts the degree courses Betriebswirtschaft und Unternehmensführung (BU, B.A.), Verkehrsbetriebswirtschaft und Logistik (VB, B.A.), Verkehrsbetriebswirtschaft und Personenverkehr (VB-PV, B.A.) and Wirtschaftsinformatik (WIN, B.A.).

The master courses Transport und Logistik Management (MTL, M.A.) and Unternehmensführung / Business Management (MU, M.A.) are offered by the Heilbronn University Graduate School (HUGS).

Visitors' address

Bildungscampus Nord

Library LIV R/ Building No.15

Building N / Building No. 12 (faculty IB)

Building S / Building No. 17 (faculty WV)

Building S / Building No. 17,
2nd floor (International Office),
room 2.22 for incoming students
74076 Heilbronn

Opening hours

During the lecture and exam periods:

Monday - Friday 6:45 – 22:00

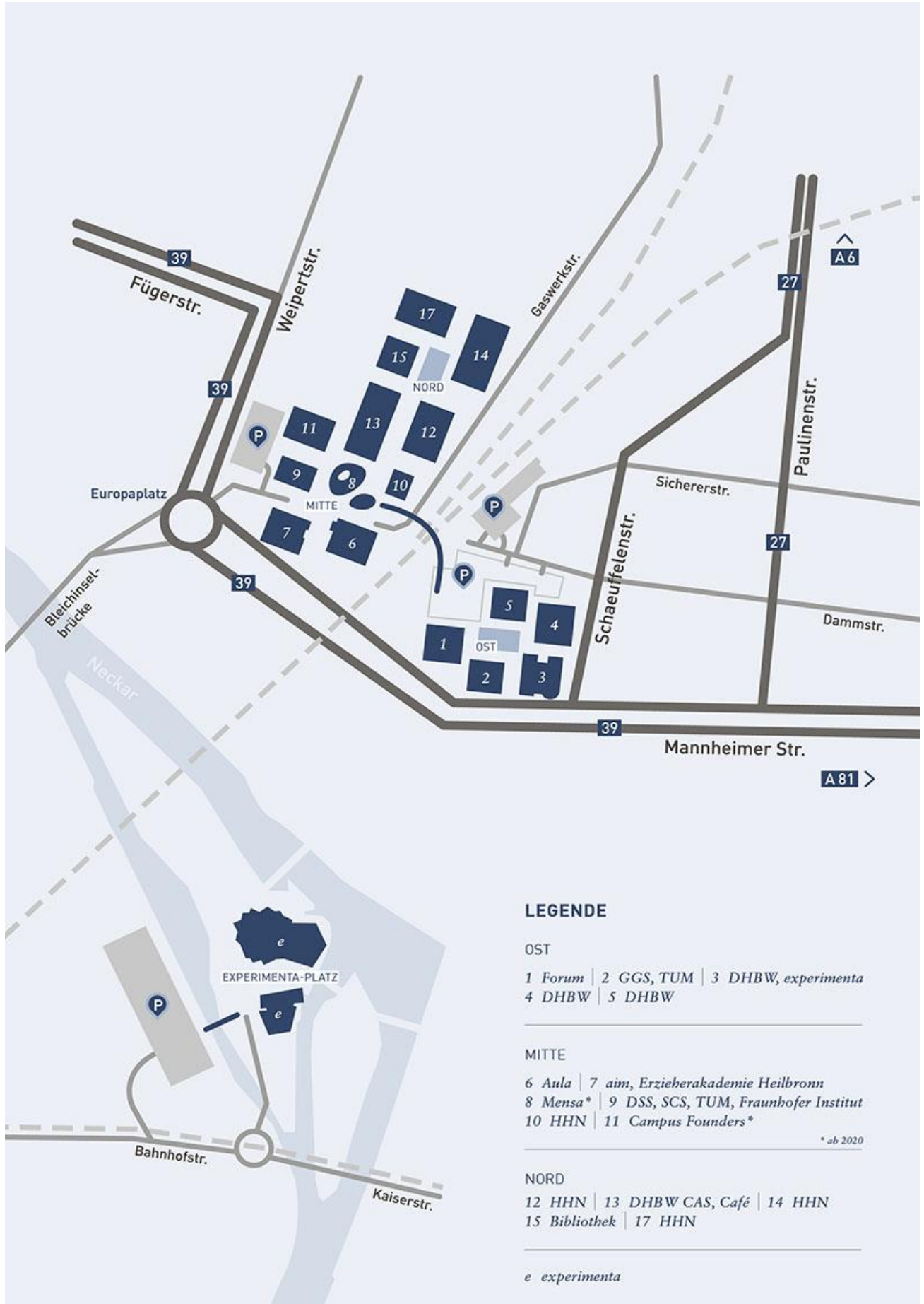
Saturday 7:30 – 13:00

During the lecture-free period between semesters:

Monday - Friday 6:45 – 19:00

Postal address

Max-Planck-Str. 39



LEGENDE

OST

- 1 Forum | 2 GGS, TUM | 3 DHBW, experimenta
4 DHBW | 5 DHBW

MITTE

- 6 Aula | 7 aim, Erzieherakademie Heilbronn
8 Mensa* | 9 DSS, SCS, TUM, Fraunhofer Institut
10 HHN | 11 Campus Founders*

* ab 2020

NORD

- 12 HHN | 13 DHBW CAS, Café | 14 HHN
15 Bibliothek | 17 HHN

e experimenta

3.3 Student clubs

3.3.1 Studentisches Servicebüro (Students` Service Office)

This office is located at Campus Sontheim in Building B, room B026 (where the cafeteria is) and can help you with various affairs, e.g. finding a room or a job in Heilbronn. The Studentisches Servicebüro also offers a variety of free time activities, such as sports or music.

3.3.2 Student clubs

Joining a student club has a variety of benefits, from discounts at certain bars to planned events and excursions. To find out more about the different clubs on offer at Heilbronn University, take a look at the following pages:

**Connecting
International
Business**



Connects the two IB study programs IBIS and IBO, helps to find internships and offers events, excursions, past exam papers and much more.

Homepage: <https://www.connecting-ib.org>

Contact: connecting-ib@gmx.de

HGT



Supports Verkehrsbetriebswirtschaft und Logistik (VB) students, helps with internships, information about internships and events around VB.

Homepage: [https://www.hs-](https://www.hs-heilbronn.de/de/connectvb)

[heilbronn.de/de/connectvb](https://www.hs-heilbronn.de/de/connectvb)

Contact: info@connectvb.de

IBU



Information about Betriebswirtschaft und Unternehmensführung (BU), excursions to companies, language courses, sport activities. Homepage:

<https://de-de.facebook.com/ibu.hhn>

Contact: info@ibu-hhn.de

ProVino



Information for Internationales Weinmanagement (IWM) students. Homepage:

<https://www.facebook.com/ProvinoeV/>

Contact: provino@gmx.de

**THM Tourism &
Hospitality
Management e.V.**



Information for Tourism and Hospitality students. Get-togethers, internship information, lecture scripts, assessment trainings, career orientation and excursions.

Homepage: <https://de-de.facebook.com/thmev>

Contact: thm@hs-heilbronn.de

**Evangelische &
Katholische
Hochschul
Gemeinde
Heilbronn**



Meeting other students, cultural and religious exchange, developing of personal skills, weekly discussions, Taizé prayer and advice.

Contact persons: Gunhild Riemenschneider, Cornelia Reus

Further information: <https://www.hs-heilbronn.de/hochschulgemeinde>

Contact: seelsorge-hn@hs-heilbronn.de

**Turkish Campus
e.V.**



Contact point for Turkish students, meetings, music and other interests etc.

Further information:

<https://www.facebook.com/turkishcampushhn/>

Contact: turkishcampus.hhn@gmail.com

Further information on student groups as well as the whole list can be found here:
<https://www.hs-heilbronn.de/studentische-gruppen>

There are a variety of culture and leisure activities that Heilbronn University offers besides student clubs; such as a big band, a choir, or a racing team. For further information regarding these groups, please visit the following site: <https://www.heilbronn.de/kultur-freizeit.html>

3.4 Facilities

3.4.1 Library

The library at **Campus Sontheim** is situated on the ground floor of building E. During the first three weeks of the semester, there are introductions every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 1.30pm. If you borrow a book from the library, you will usually have to return it after three weeks. An email informs you when to bring it back. You need your student identity card to borrow items. The library is open Monday to Thursday from 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. and on Friday from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

The new library LIV on the **Bildungscampus** opened in autumn 2019. The opening hours are Monday to Friday from 8 a.m. - 10 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. - 8 p.m. For further information and the online catalogue: www.hs-heilbronn.de/bibliothek

3.4.2 Mensa Card / Student ID / CampusCard

The Mensa Card works like a credit card at the HHN and can be used to buy food and drinks in the canteen and cafeteria and is mainly used on Campus Sontheim. You can purchase it in the cafeteria for a deposit of €5. When you return the card, you get this money back plus the amount of money, which is left on the card.

There are two machines in the cafeteria to top up your card. To do this, you have to insert euro notes or your EC card. The machine doesn't accept coins.

Students based on Campus Sontheim, Campus Künzelsau and Campus Schwäbisch Hall will be able to print their own Student ID card (plastic card) with a special printer as soon as they are properly enrolled. In Sontheim the printer is located next to the "Studentisches Servicebüro" (room B026).

Students who are primarily studying at the Bildungscampus will get a so-called CampusCard as their Student ID. The CampusCard has also a payment function on it and can be used to pay for food and drinks in the cafeteria or canteen and for parking at the Bildungscampus. The International Office will hand out the CampusCards to students after their successful registration on the PaymentPortal (see also <https://bildungscampus.hn/en/campus-life/campuscard>).

The Student ID as well as the CampusCard entitles you to special discounts in cinemas, museums etc. - just ask for a student discount. It can also be used as a transport ticket for the city of Heilbronn after 7 p.m. and at weekends in case you don't have the Semester Ticket.

3.4.3 Cafeteria and Mensa (Canteen)

The cafeteria offers a variety of sandwiches, snacks, sweets and hot beverages. It is open from Monday to Friday from 7.30 a.m. - 4 p.m. and is a nice place to spend time between lectures. Lunch is offered in the Mensa from 11 a.m. - 2.30 p.m. For further information, please visit https://www.studentenwerk.uni-heidelberg.de/de/speiseplan_neu

3.4.4 "Schwarze Bretter" (bulletin boards)

There are lots of information boards at HHN that display important information such as job offers, changes in lecture times etc. Dates and times of exams can also be found on them. At Campus Sontheim, the schedules for every subject and semester are displayed in the corridor to building D.

3.4.5 Computer pools

There are numerous computers in the HHN. At Campus Sontheim, most of them are in the computer centre (RZ= Rechenzentrum) on the ground floor of building F.

Windows, Linux, Solaris Pools: F024, F025, F026

At the Bildungscampus, computers for student use can be found in room N1.11.

During your first few weeks at the HHN you'll get your user ID and password that allow you unlimited use of the computers. You'll find further information regarding printing out on the following website: <https://www.hs-heilbronn.de/drucken-kopieren>

Opening hours: Monday to Friday from 8 a.m. – 10 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

3.4.6 Psychological counselling

If you need any psychological advice or have personal problems, please do not hesitate to ask for help. You will be given free professional help from a psychologist:

Campus Sontheim:

Max-Planck-Str. 39, building L, UG
74081 Heilbronn

Bildungscampus:

Bildungscampus Ost, Gebäude F, Raum 2.14
Am Bildungscampus 4, 74076 Heilbronn

Contact:

Volker Kreß, Diplom-Psychologe

Tel.: + 49 (0)1735853171

E-Mail: pbs.hn@stw.uni-heidelberg.de

Further information regarding the psychological consultation please visit the following website:
<https://www.hs-heilbronn.de/en/psychosocial-counselling-centre>

3.4.7 Studying with disability

A disability should be mentioned by incoming students when applying at the University. You can find contacts for any questions regarding studying with disabilities at Heilbronn University of Applied Sciences on our homepage: <https://www.hs-heilbronn.de/en/studying-with-disability>

3.4.8 Exams

Exam registration is done online. To do this you need a special user ID and password, which you will be given in the first few weeks of the semester. If you don't feel well prepared in a subject you are registered for, there is the possibility of cancelling exam registration. Please note that there are set time periods for registration, as well as for cancelling it. Please look at the appendix for the semester schedule (see also 5.4). For further information and the possibility to log in:

<https://stud.zv.hs-heilbronn.de/qisstudent/rds?state=user&type=0>

3.4.9 Language courses

The course "German as a foreign language" is offered in both the winter and summer semester. It takes place twice a week for 90 minutes and gives you 6 – 8 ECTS credits. To obtain these credits and pass the exam, it is essential that you attend regularly. This course is free of charge.

3.4.10 Fees

As an exchange student from a partner university, you only have to pay the contribution for the "Studierendenwerk Heidelberg", which supports services like the cafeteria or the transport ticket. This fee is currently 94 € per semester.

4. Around your studies

4.1 Arrival

When planning your arrival please bear in mind that it is not wise to arrive at the weekend, because banks and offices are closed and even transport can be more difficult. Shops mostly do not open at all on Sundays. You should also avoid having only banknotes of large denomination on you, because they may not be accepted and can be difficult to change.

4.2 The first night

If you do not have any accommodation for the first night, you can go to a hotel or the youth hostel. Details of these can be obtained at the Tourist Information Centre:

<https://www.heilbronn.de/tourismus.html> phone: +49 (0) 7131 / 56 22 70

The Youth Hostel offers relatively cheap overnight accommodation: approx. €26 incl. breakfast. You need an international youth hostel pass with a photo (€22.50) – this can also be issued in Heilbronn. Further information can be found at:

<https://heilbronn.jugendherberge.de> phone: +49 (0) 7131/ 17 29 61

4.3 Accommodation

Usually most exchange students are accommodated in the halls of residence (StuWo), provided by the Studierendenwerk Heidelberg, where the monthly rent costs €342 – €360. If you wish to stay somewhere else, there are lots of offers in the *Studentisches Servicebüro*. Usually the rent for a room close to the university is about €300 – €500 per month. As a rule, apart from the first month's rent, you have to pay between one and three months' rent as a security deposit before you move in.

Heilbronn University also provides different offers from private student accommodation. Further information can be found on the website: <https://www.hs-heilbronn.de/wohnen>

Rooms in shared apartments can be found on the following websites:

<https://www.wg-gesucht.de/en/> is the most popular website for students looking to share apartments. It also provides the service in English.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/hhnacco/> is a Facebook group for students looking for accommodation in Heilbronn.

4.4 Bank account

As a non-EU citizen, if you are studying in Germany it is **absolutely necessary** to have a German current bank account (Girokonto) and also a blocked bank account (Sperrkonto), which will prove your financial situation. Most banks offer a **free current bank account for students**. You will also get a bank card which you can use to pay with and to withdraw money from cash machines. In order to use it to pay with, you will need either your PIN number or a signature. Sometimes smaller shops do not accept payment by card or you may have to spend over a certain amount (approx. €10) to be able to use it. Therefore, it is recommended that you always have some cash with you.

4.5 Public transport

You can quite easily get into the city centre of Heilbronn by using public transport. For further information, see also:

<https://www.bwega.de/ihr-nahverkehr/reiseinformationen/fahrplanauskunft> and

<https://www.deutschebahn.com/en>

From the StuWo you take buses no. 61, 62, 63, 64 or 5 in the direction of “Hauptbahnhof” (train station) or “Allee.” A walk into the city centre takes around 20 minutes. Cycling is another good option to get around. With your student identity card you can take buses after 7p.m. and at the weekends for free. You can also buy a Semester Ticket, which allows you to use all the buses/regional (not IC, ICE) trains in the Heilbronn (HNV) area. Students who register in Heilbronn for the first time will receive a welcome package which includes the Semester Ticket (value of €190).

4.6 Daily shopping

Everything you need can be found within the proximity of the StuWo. (residence halls). If you go down Kreuzäckerstraße, there is a drugstore shop (DM) on the left and a Lidl supermarket on the right. Another supermarket (EDEKA) is at the crossroads of Kreuzäckerstraße/Mauerstraße, and a pharmacy and grocery store (Netto) can be found at Jörg-Ratgeb-Platz. Price examples for daily shopping items are in the appendix. There is also a small autonomous supermarket (“Shopbox”) on the Bildungscampus.

If you want to buy fresh fruit and vegetables, you can go to the farmer’s market, which takes place on Tuesday’s, Thursday’s and Saturday’s. You can find more information here: <https://www.heilbronn.de/tourismus/veranstaltungen/veranstaltungskalender/veranstaltung/heilbronn-wochenmarkt-24884.html>.

4.7 Going out

In Heilbronn there are lots of possibilities where you can spend your free time and your evenings. Here are some examples:

Cafés:

- Café Schümli
- Wohnzimmer Heilbronn
- Café Theo (inclusivity café)
- Kaffee- und Teehaus Hagen (near the Bildungscampus)
- Erstmal Kaffee
- Kaffeebucht
- Smuk

Bars:

- Caipirinha
- Craftelicious
- Jäkbar
- Irish Pub
- Flavour
- Enchilada
- Sausalitos
- Plan B
- Superbude
- Café /Bar Liberté

Clubs:

- Green Door
- Mobilat
- Creme 21
- Gartenlaube
- Club Kaiser
- Musik Park

Restaurants/Beer gardens:

- Abacco`s Steakhouse
- L'Osteria
- Burgerheart
- Food Court
- Biergarten Trappensee
- Hans im Glück
- Falafelo
- Lehnerns

Just ask the German students where to find these places and they will be happy to show you the way! Most of these locations have their own homepage, where you can find information about what they offer and their prices.

The student clubs often organize events in these locations; the most important student events for each semester can be viewed here: <https://www.hs-heilbronn.de/studentische-events>.

4.8 Sports

Besides the sports activities <https://www.hs-heilbronn.de/sportangebot> offered by the student clubs there is a huge number of sport clubs in Heilbronn. You can find nearly every kind of sport there.

Please look on the internet for further information. The Neckar valley is a good place to go cycling and running. There is also a public outdoor gym in close proximity to the Bildungscampus. Moreover, there are multiple gyms in Heilbronn. The most popular ones are jumpers fitness (<https://www.jumpers-fitness.com/>) and McFit (<https://www.mcfit.com/de/>).

The Trollinger Marathon takes place every year in May. If you want to participate, the Tourist Information Centre will give you more information.

5. Appendix

5.1 Helpful addresses and telephone numbers

<p>Hochschule Heilbronn Campus Heilbronn - Sontheim</p>	<p>Max-Planck- Str. 39 D - 74081 Heilbronn phone: +49(0)7131- 504 - 0 https://www.hs-heilbronn.de/en/contact</p>
<p>Hochschule Heilbronn Bildungscampus</p>	<p>Bildungscampus Nord Building N/ No. 12, Building S/ No. 17, Building T/ No. 14 D - 74076 Heilbronn https://www.hs-heilbronn.de/en/contact</p>
<p>International Office Bildungscampus</p>	<p>Contact for incoming students from the Faculty “International Business” (IB): Ms. Jane Schäfer - phone: +49(0)7131-504 – 6836</p> <p>from the Faculty “Wirtschaft und Verkehr” (WV): Ms. Hannelore Lang - phone: +49(0)7131-504 – 263</p> <p>from the Faculty “Mechanik und Elektronik” (T1) & “Technische Prozesse” (TP), “Informatics (IT)”, “Technik und Wirtschaft” (TW) & “Management und Vertrieb” (MV): Ms. Kathrin Koç - phone: +49(0)7131-504-264</p> <p>E-Mail: io-incomings@hs-heilbronn.de Building S/ No. 17, 2nd floor, room 2.20</p>
<p>International Office Bildungscampus</p>	<p>Head of International Office Ms. Gudrun Heller Phone: +49(0)7131-504 - 262 Fax: +49(0)7131-252 - 470 Email: gudrun.heller@hs-heilbronn.de Building S/ No. 17, 2nd floor, room 2.30</p>
<p>Hochschule Heilbronn Campus Künzelsau (Reinhold-Würth-Hochschule)</p>	<p>Daimlerstr. 35 D- 74653 Künzelsau phone: +49(0)7940 - 1306 - 0 fax: +49(0)7940 - 1306 - 20 https://www.hs-heilbronn.de/en/contact</p>
<p>Hochschule Heilbronn Campus Schwäbisch Hall</p>	<p>Ziegeleiweg 4 D-74523 Schwäbisch Hall phone: +49 (0)791 -946 313-0 fax: +49 (0)791- 946 313-69 https://www.hs-heilbronn.de/en/contact</p>

Police	110
Fire brigade / ambulance	112
Pastoral care by phone	0800 - 1110111 (free call)

5.2 Internet guide

Cinema:	https://www.cinemaxx.de/ http://www.cineplex.de/neckarsulm/
Computer pool:	https://www.hs-heilbronn.de/rz
EKHG (University Chaplaincy):	https://www.ekhg-heilbronn.de/
Heilbronn:	https://www.heilbronn.de/no_cache/startseite.html
Heilbronn City Library:	https://stadtbibliothek.heilbronn.de/
Language courses (additional) and voluntary further education:	https://www.aim-akademie.org/
Learning platform and online courses:	https://ilias.hs-heilbronn.de/login.php
Mensa menus:	https://www.studentenwerk.uni-heidelberg.de/de/speiseplan_neu
Public transport in HN area:	https://www.h3nv.de/
Rail services:	www.bahn.de
Student Services (e.g. exam registration):	https://stud.zv.hs-heilbronn.de/qisstudent/rds?state=user&type=0
Tourist Information:	https://www.heilbronn.de/tourismus/tourist-information-heilbronn.html
University in general and professors' pages:	https://www.hs-heilbronn.de https://www.hs-heilbronn.de/heilbronn-university (English)
University library:	https://www.hs-heilbronn.de/bibliothek
Youth Hostel:	https://www.jugendherberge.de/jugendherbergen/heilbronn-769/portraet

5.3 Price examples of daily shopping

At the supermarket:

apples (1kg)	2.00 €	fish fingers	3.00 €
bananas (1kg)	1.60 €	margarine	1.50 €
beer (0,5l)	0.95 €	milk (1l)	1.10 €
biscuits	1.50 €	onions (1kg)	1.50 €
cereals	3.50 €	orange juice (1l)	1.30 €
cheese (250g)	2.50 €	potatoes (2kg)	2,30 €
chicken (500g)	5.50 €	pepper	0.50 €
chocolate (100g)	1.50 €	rice (1kg)	3.00 €
coke (1,5l)	1.60 €	tea bags	1.50 €
fresh bread	2.50 €	tomatoes (1kg)	2.50 €

Mixed items:

cigarettes	8.00 €	shampoo	1.85 €
cell phone card (simple)	10.00 €	stamp (national)	0.85 €
deodorant	1.50 €	stamp (international)	1.10 €
international newspaper	3.00 €		

Going out:

beer	4.00 €	disco entrance	8.00 €
cinema ticket	6.00 € - 15.00 €	theatre (currently free for students)	10.00 €
cocktail	8.00 €	wine	3.50 €
coke (2dl)	3.00 €		

Eating out:

Big Mac	4.50 €	döner kebab	6.50 €
cheeseburger	2.00 €	pizza	8.50 €
dinner at a restaurant (without drinks)	20.00 €	sandwich	3.50 €

Transport:

single bus ticket (city)	2.60 €	train ride HN-Stuttgart	24.60 € (round-trip) 20.00 € (MetropolTagesTicket)
semester ticket	190.00 €	train ride HN- Heidelberg	32.00 € (round-trip) 24.00 € (BW-Group- Ticket)

Daily group tickets on the train are always cheaper if you're more than one person! **Ask for "bwtarif" prices, they are always the cheapest price and you are more flexible which train you take.**

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5.4 Academic Calendar Winter Term 2023/2024 (extract)

Friday	01.09.2023	Start of winter term 2023/2024
Monday to Saturday	04.09.2023 23.09.2023	German Intensive Course with Introduction Programme
Friday to Saturday	15.09.2023 23.09.2023	Introduction Programme for non-European students
Monday to Saturday	18.09.2023 23.09.2023	Introduction Programme for European students
Monday	25.09.2023	Start of lecture period winter term 2023/2024
Tuesday	03.10.2023	Public holiday – Day of German unity
Wednesday	18.10.2023	Students assembly, 11:30 am to 3:00 pm
Friday to Monday	23.10.2023 03.11.2023	Registration for winter term 2023/24 examinations: https://stud.zv.hs-heilbronn.de/
Tuesday	31.10.2023	University sporting event – for students and staff of all four campuses (starting at 1:00 pm)
Wednesday	01.11.2023	Public Holiday – Allerheiligen
from Monday	04.12.2023	Cancellation of registered examinations possible – no later than 4 days before the individual examination date https://stud.zv.hs-heilbronn.de/
Thursday	21.12.2023	Exam dates are final
Saturday to Friday	23.12.2023 05.01.2024	Christmas Break
Monday to Wednesday	15.01.2024 05.02.2024	Semester fee payment – summer term 2024
Friday	19.01.2024	End of lecture period winter term 2023/2024
Thursday to Thursday	25.01.2024 15.02.2024	Examination period winter term 2023/2024
Thursday	29.02.2024	End of winter term 2023/2024

See also: <https://www.hs-heilbronn.de/academic-calendar>