LIVING AND STUDYING

IN

KARLSRUHE

A Survival Kit for Erasmus Students

at the University Fridericana of Karlsruhe (TH)
Karlsruhe is one of the younger cities in Germany, founded in 1715 by the Duke Karl Wilhelm of Durlach in the then Dukedom of Baden. The name “Karlsruhe” means “Charles’ rest”. The palace was built as the centre of the city with 32 streets spreading like sunrays from the palace tower. This layout, which is still clearly visible, gave Karlsruhe its nick-name “Fächerstadt” (the fan-shaped city). Adjacent to the palace – and to the University – spread the ample palace parks which the citizens like very much for recreation.

Karlsruhe is situated in the southwest corner of Germany in the state of Baden-Württemberg. It has a population of more than 270,000 and borders the outskirts of the Black Forest on one side and the Rhine, the largest river in Germany, on the other. Neighboring France (the Alsace region) is very close by and easily accessible as well. The slogan “High Tech and High Life” alludes to a competence in future technologies like computer science, multimedia, measuring and control techniques, energy and environmental techniques.

Economically, the service sector dominates Karlsruhe. Medium-size businesses are most common; however, large companies like Bosch, Siemens, DaimlerChrysler and Michelin also have production plants here and in the vicinity. The “Rheinhafen” (Karlsruhe’s harbour), built at the beginning of the 20th century, is the second largest inland harbour in Germany.

Karlsruhe is also the seat of the two supreme courts in Germany: the Supreme Constitutional Court (Bundesverfassungsgericht) and the Court of Appeals (Bundesgerichtshof).

At the same time, the natural setting with extensive forests, river banks and parks make life and recreation in Karlsruhe very pleasant.

Karlsruhe is a friendly and clean city for guests and inhabitants. Its appearance is significantly influenced by classicist buildings, representative historic townhouses and fountains created by well-known artists. The picturesque streets and timbered framework buildings in the older suburbs of Karlsruhe still give parts of the city a medieval atmosphere. The “Fussgängerzone” (a pedestrian shopping area) in the city centre is lively, with all kinds of shops, banks, bookstores, bistros, street cafés and restaurants.

Rich cultural offering are to be found at the “Badisches Staatstheater” (the state opera and theatre), the concert hall, the jazz club, several museums, exhibition centres and galleries, the baroque palace, libraries, cinemas and the Centre for Art and Media Technology (ZKM) of worldwide reputation which approaches all facets of art with modern technology and organizes the “Multimediale” art festival.

Each year thousands of people are enthusiastic about “Das Fest”, a big music concert, which takes place in a park in the heart of the city.
The University of Karlsruhe (TH) is a public institution accredited by the state of Baden-Württemberg with particular research strengths in engineering, natural sciences and economic sciences, as well as strong programs in the humanities and social sciences.

Established as a polytechnical school in 1825, the University of Karlsruhe is the oldest technical university in Germany and the largest of the seven institutions of higher education in Karlsruhe. The name “Fridericiana” was added in 1902 in commemoration of its patron, the Grand Duke Friedrich von Baden. Since 1899, it has been authorized to award doctoral degrees.

Among the many outstanding researchers, professors and former students who have been connected with this university is Heinrich Hertz, who discovered the electromagnetic waves in Karlsruhe in 1888; his invention provided the basis for radio transmission technology and modern information systems. In the middle of the 19th century, Ferdinand Redtenbacher and Wilhelm Nusselt established the field of mechanical engineering in Germany. Carl Benz, one of the pioneers in the automobile industry, studied in Karlsruhe from 1860 to 1864 and was awarded an honorary doctorate in 1914. Otto Lehmann developed the crystallizing microscope and performed pioneering work in researching liquid crystals. The Fridericiana can also be proud of Nobel Prize winners: Fritz Haber succeeded in the high-pressure synthesis of ammonia and Ferdinand Braun developed the “Braunsche Röhre” in 1897 (the cathode ray tube).

In 2002, approximately 15,000 students (including 2,500 foreign students from more than 80 countries) were enrolled. The 40 courses, leading to a Diplom, Magister Artium, “Staatsexamen”, Bachelor, Master or doctoral degree, are offered in 11 Departments:

- Department of Mathematics
- Department of Physics
- Department of Chemistry and Biological Sciences
- Department of Humanities and Social Sciences
- Department of Architecture
- Department of Civil Engineering, Geographical and Environmental Sciences
- Department of Mechanical Engineering
- Department of Chemical and Process Engineering
- Department of Electrical Engineering and Information Technology
- Department of Computer Sciences
- Department of Economics and Industrial Engineering
More than 300 professors lecture and do research in more than 120 institutes or departmental institutions of the university. In addition to the list of departments above, there are a numerous fields of special research and graduate research centres which complete the image of the university.

The University of Karlsruhe emphasizes internationalization in research and teaching. Being aware of the importance of worldwide communication in the age of globalization the university encourages the students to take advantage of the opportunity to study in a foreign country and cooperates worldwide with a number of outstanding universities and research institutes. In this respect, the contacts to other universities in the EU play a special part: within the EU-program SOCRATES/ERASMUS agreements have been signed with 144 partner universities in 16 countries. In 2002, 250 ERASMUS students were guests at Karlsruhe University. Partnerships with universities in Eastern and Central Europe countries also play an important part in international activities. A further cooperation is organized within the TEMPUS-program. Through an agreement signed by the State of Baden-Württemberg exchanges are offered with universities in Massachusetts, Oregon, Connecticut, North Carolina, Arizona and Ontario for several years. To complete this, there are also contacts to universities in Latin America, Asia, Australia and Africa.

“Excellence by tradition” is our motto in research and teaching, both of which enjoy an excellent reputation worldwide, that has been reflected in a range of rankings and evaluations. The renowned Institute for Scientific Information (ISI) in Philadelphia places Karlsruhe among the “cream of the crop in Chemistry”. Architecture, computer science and industrial engineering are rated number 1 in national rankings.

The quality of the research conducted at the university is due to the outstanding and highly motivated faculty. Many professors have earned a reputation by leadership in science and industry (at DaimlerChrysler, Siemens, ABB, etc.) working on an international level as top ranking managers and board directors. We keep in close contact and cooperate on many projects with industries and businesses of every size, thereby transferring scientific technical expertise and research results into practical applications. This opens possibilities for students to participate in many challenging research projects, and students who graduate from the university have excellent job prospects. Many recent graduates are now in well-paying and highly responsible positions in renowned international companies.

The leading position of this university is mainly due to the large Department of Computer Science, the first of its kind to be established in Germany, in 1972. Other highlights are the industrial engineering program, which served as a model for this field of study across Germany in the 1970s, and the Department of Chemical Engineering, which is characterized by cooperation between the natural sciences and engineering. Research emphasis at the University of Karlsruhe is currently places on information and communication technology, energy research and power generation, automation and assembly technology, environmental research, waters and water technology, microstructure technology, nanotechnology, materials science, natural science, geoscience and geophysics, transportation science and banking and actuarial science.
• **The campus**

Situated in the heart of the city of Karlsruhe, the campus stretches across approximately 150 acres and is set close to extensive forests and a well-kept park. Historic landmark buildings beside modern experimental halls, laboratories and high-rise buildings are all set in a green environment that offers a welcome place to rest between classes. The library, lecture halls, laboratories, administrative and counselling offices are in close proximity to each other and can easily be reached by foot, bicycle or public transportation.

• **Organization of studies**

Studies are divided into two phases: *Grundstudium* (basic studies) and *Hauptstudium* (advanced and specialized studies). After 4 semesters of *Grundstudium* the *Vordiplom* is earned. The *Vordiplom* consists of a number of examinations which have to be passed in order to qualify for *Hauptstudium*. These examinations are taken continually in every semester of *Grundstudium*. The *Hauptstudium* consists of 5 to 6 semesters and as in the *Gundstudium* examinations are taken continually throughout this phase. At the end of the studies a thesis has to be written. Six months are allotted for this. Most departments require practical training in addition to regular studies. Socrates students usually enter into *Hauptstudium* and are generally admitted to all courses at this level.

The *Vorlesungsverzeichnis* (course catalogue) informs you about courses take place where and when. It is advisable however to compare the information given in the *Vorlesungsverzeichnis* to those announced on the notice board of the institutes. Alterations are always possible! For most courses, summaries of lectures are available at the office of the *Fachschaft* (departmental students organization) or the *Studentenwerk* (student services) at the *Studentenhaus*. The *Fachschaften* often publish annotated course catalogues.

• **The University year**

The academic year is divided into two semesters: winter (October 1st to March 31st) and summer (April 1st to September 30th).

Most courses start in the winter semester, with classes running from the middle of October through the middle February; during the summer semester, classes begin in the middle of April and end in the middle of July. The time between classes is used for internships, examinations and independent studies.
State Holidays:  
New Year(‘s Day)  January 1<sup>st</sup>
The Three Wise Men  January 6<sup>th</sup>
May Day  May 1<sup>st</sup>
Ascension of Christ  a Thursday in May
Corpus Christi  a Thursday in June
German Reunification  October 3<sup>rd</sup>
All Saints’ Day  November 1<sup>st</sup>
Christmas Day  December 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>

There are breaks at Christmas (Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> – Jan. 6<sup>th</sup>), Easter and Pentecost. The exact dates can be found on the notice board of the university administration or in the course catalogue.

- **Examinations and written papers**

Most examinations are taken during the Semesterferien (between-term vacations). Some are also taken toward the end of the Vorlesungszeit (lecture period). There are no semester- or end of the year- examinations. Rather a certain number of examinations must be passed within a certain period of time. The exact dates of the examinations can be found on the notice board of the respective departments and usually the students themselves decide when to take which exam.

Papers are often written during Semesterferien. This fact characterizes Semesterferien as “non-lecture periods” rather than vacations.

- **Recognition and transfer of credits**

Recognition and transfer of credits is most certainly an issue which is important to you if you will plan your stay in Karlsruhe. Your status as an Erasmus student is based on a cooperation agreement in which both parties have agreed upon mutual recognition and transfer of credits. In order to make the transfer of credits more transparent several department are establishing ECTS (European Credit Transfer System) which was initiated by the European Union. ECTS has already been introduced at numerous European universities:

An information package/ECTS-handbook is available in the internet. Have a look at the homepages of the several departments.
First steps after arrival

- **Getting to Karlsruhe**

Karlsruhe is located in South-Western Germany. The city is easily accessible from the airports of Frankfurt/Main, Stuttgart, Karlsruhe/Baden-Baden and Strasbourg. Trains to Karlsruhe depart by the hour. From Karlsruhe Hauptbahnhof (central station) you can get to the International Office by taking either tram no. 2 (direction of ‘Daxlanden’) or no. 4 (direction of ‘Waldstadt’). These trams leave the station every 10 minutes. You must get off the tram at ‘Karlstor’, the International Office is located directly across from the stop.

To get to the university campus, take no. 3 (direction of ‘Siemensallee’) or no. 4 (‘Waldstadt’) or no. S4 (‘Bretten’). Depending on which building you want to visit you choose from several stops. On the campus map in the annex the stops are marked “H”. Please make sure to buy tickets for the tram (EUR 1.90 per ride, available from ticket machines at stops or from the driver. Caught without a ticket, the charge will be EUR 30,-).

By car, you get to Karlsruhe from
- Frankfurt, Heidelberg: motorway A5, exit: ‘Karlsruhe Mitte’
- Stuttgart: motorway A8, intersection Karlsruhe, motorway A5, exit: ‘Karlsruhe Mitte’
- Basel (CH): motorway A5, exit: ‘Karlsruhe Mitte’

Within the city follow the signs ‘Universität’. Please use only public car parks. Police is very busy in Karlsruhe.

- **Housing**

Student accommodation is not always easy to find. Therefore, it is advisable to start looking for a place to live as early as possible. You can obtain help from:

**International Office**

As far as our means allow, we will gladly help you to find adequate accommodation. Unfortunately, the number of rooms available to us is very small, so we cannot guarantee accommodation to each student.

For information please contact:

Mrs. Melitta Habersaat
International Office
Tel.: +49 721 608 4919
Fax: +49 721 608 4918
Email: Melitta.Habersaat@aaa.uni-karlsruhe.de
Student Housing Office
The ‘Studentenwerk’ (student services) and the ‘Studentenwohnheim e.V.’ currently offer approximately 3,000 rooms in student residences.
In addition to this, there are several private and religious organizations which also run student residences. You will find a list of these in the internet:

www.studentenwerk-karlsruhe.de/wohnen

Private accommodation
If you prefer living in a flat of your own, you may find respective ads in the local daily newspaper, the ‘Badische Neueste Nachrichten (BNN)’ or in the weeklies ‘Karlsruher Kurier’, ‘AZ’ and ‘Sperrmüll’.
Another way of finding private accommodation is to contact a real estate agent. This, however, is often very expensive, because agencies charge commissions is up to the equivalent of three months rent.
Rents can be as high as EUR 15,- per square meter.

A very popular way of living is to share a flat with several other students (‘Wohngemeinschaft’ = flat-sharing community). Offers can be found on the notice boards all over the university and in the ‘Studentenwerk’. Prices for rooms range from EUR 125,- through EUR 250,- per month, depending on size, furnishing and conditions.
The prices include all utilities.

Please note that good and reasonably prized accommodation is available on the outskirts of the city. Thanks to the very good public transportation system and the ‘Studiticket’ (see page 19), living outside from inner city is absolutely no problem.

In case you haven’t found accommodation before your arrival in Karlsruhe, you can stay temporarily at the ‘Jugendherberge’ (Youth Hostel) which is located next to the ‘Fachhochschule’ (University of Applied Sciences).
From here you can reach the university by foot in 15 minutes. If you are planning to stay at the Youth Hostel you will need to acquire a Youth Hostel pass which is valid for one year and costs EUR 10,50 (look at www.jugendherberge.de).
The price per night including breakfast is EUR 17.30 for persons under the age of 27.
It is advisable to make a reservation prior to arriving in Karlsruhe, especially at the beginning of the semester. You can book online.
Contact:

Jugendherberge Karlsruhe
Moltkestr. 24, D-76187 Karlsruhe
Tel.: +49 721 28248
Fax: +49 721 27647
www.jugendherberge-karlsruhe.de
First steps after arrival

- **Exemption from Compulsory Health Insurance**

Upon arrival in Germany you must provide for adequate health insurance coverage. The Federal Republic of Germany has a well-developed health service. The health insurance scheme pays for treatment by doctors or dentists as well as for hospital fees and many other treatments and prevention measures. Patients have to pay a base fee for medication and other medical items such as bandages.

As a student, you are eligible to buy health insurance at the lowest monthly rate of € 54,52 (including € 7,92 nursing care insurance).

Students from countries which have signed social agreements with Germany can stay insured in their home countries. In order to do this, a certificate confirming adequate insurance cover and an application form (E111 for the EU) must be presented to a local health insurance company which will then exempt you from compulsory insurance and enable you to consult German doctors free of charge. Students over the age of 30 are not eligible for this Student Health Insurance Scheme and must acquire private health insurance. Upon enrolling at the university, students with private health insurance cover must present a certificate of exemption from one of the health insurance companies listed below.

Addresses of health insurance companies in Karlsruhe:

- **Allgemeine Ortskrankenkasse (AOK):**
  Kriegstr. 41, 76133 Karlsruhe
  Kaiserstr. 5, 76133 Karlsruhe (student service office)
  Tel: +49 (0)721 3711 0           www.bw.aok.de

- **Barmer Ersatzkasse:**
  Fritz-Erler-Str. 1-3, 76133 Karlsruhe
  Tel: +49 (0)721 3712 0           www.barmer.de

- **Deutsche Angestellten Krankenkasse (DAK):**
  Gartenstr. 78, 76135 Karlsruhe
  Tel: +49 (0)721 9803 0           www.dak.de

- **Techniker Krankenkasse (TK):**
  Brauerstr. 6, 76135 Karlsruhe
  Tel: +49 (0)721 1706 0           www.tk-online.de           www.studentenservice24.de
First steps after arrival

- **Registration at the Bürger Büro (residents’ office)**
  During the first two weeks after your arrival, you must register at the relevant residents’ registration office. In order to do this you need your ID-card/passport and rental contract. The Bürger Büro must also be informed of any change of address within a week. Shortly before the end of your stay in Germany you must give notice of your departure.

  **Address:**
  City of Karlsruhe
  Bürgerservice und Sicherheit
  Bürgerbüro
  Kaiserallee 8
  76124 Karlsruhe

  **Tel:** +49 (0)721 133 33 33 (call-centre)

  **Hours:**
  MON, WED 8.00 – 15.00
  TUE, THU, FRI 8.00 – 12.00
  THU 14.00 – 17.45

- **Ausländerbehörde (Alien Registration Authority)**
  As student (except citizens of the EU) you must apply for a residence permit at the Ausländerbehörde if you plan on staying for more than 3 months.

  **Address:**
  Ausländer- und Staatsangehörigkeitswesen
  Kaiserallee 8
  76124 Karlsruhe

  **Tel:** +49 (0)721 133 33 33 (call-centre)

  **Hours:**
  MON, TUE, WED, FRI 8.00 – 12.00
  THU 14.00 – 17.45

  **Non-EU citizens:**
  2 passport photos
  Certificate of enrolment or letter of admission
  Certificate of health insurance
  Rental contract
  Certificate of financing your stay in Germany
  Certificate of enrolment of attending a language course
  Passport
• **Enrolment at the university**

You will find the exact date for enrolment in the information leaflet which you have received with your letter of admission.

For enrolment you will need the following documents:

- letter of admission
- registration certificate from your university
- 3 passport photos
- ID card or passport with residence permit
- certificate of health insurance or waiver
• Akademisches Auslandsamt
  (International Office)

The International Office is responsible for development and cultivation of international relations. Among other things, the many exchange programs for German and foreign students are coordinated there. If you need some help in matters of your studies or bureaucratic, the staff will be glad to help and assist you.

Address: Karlstr. 42-44, 76133 Karlsruhe

Tel: +49 (0)721 608 4911 / Fax: +49 (0)721 608 4918
Email: aaa@uni-karlsruhe.de
www.uni-karlsruhe.de/~akad

Hours: MON – FRI: 9.00 – 12.00
and by appointment

• Bibliotheken
  (Libraries)

• University Library

Address: Adenauerring (next to the ‘Mensa’)

Tel: +49 (0)721 608 3109 (information office)
Tel: +49 (0)721 608 3111 (lending office)

Hours: MON – FRI 9.00 – 19.00
SAT 9.00 – 12.30

There is an introduction about the library each first Tuesday of a month at 17.00.

• Baden State Library

Address: Erbprinzenstr. 15
76133 Karlsruhe

Tel: +49 (0)721 175 2222 (Information office)

Hours: MON – FRI 9.00 – 18.00
THU 9.00 – 20.00
SAT 9.30 – 12.30
University Facilities

- **City Library**
  
  Address: Ständehausstr. 2  
  76133 Karlsruhe  
  
  Tel: +49 (0)721 133-4249, -4250  
  
  Hours:  
  - MON closed  
  - WED, FRI 10.00 – 18.00  
  - TUE, THU 10.00 – 19.00  
  - SAT 10.00 – 14.00

- **Cafeterien**  
  (Cafeterias)
  
  - at the old building of the students’ house  
  
  Address: Adenauerring 7, Geb. 01.12  
  (next to the ‘Mensa’)  
  
  Hours:  
  - MON – THU 7.30 – 17.00  
  - FRI 7.30 – 16.00

  - at the building 30.36  
  (inorganic chemistry)
  
  Address: Engesserstr.  
  
  Hours:  
  - lecture period:  
    - MON – THU 8.30 – 16.00  
    - FRI 8.30 – 15.00  
  
  - non-lecture period:  
    - MON – FRI 8.30 – 15.00

- **Mensa**  
  (University Canteen)
  
  - Lunch:  
    - MON – FRI 11.00 – 14.00  
  
  - Dinner:  
    - MON – THU 17.30 – 19.30

  Menu:  
  www.studentenwerk-karlsruhe.de/verpflegung
• Musikgruppen

(Music groups)

• Collegium Musicum
Conductor: Mr. Jörg Büttner
Tel: +49 (0)721 608 6039
www.uni-karlsruhe.de/~cm

• Big Band des Collegium Musicum
Conductor: Mr. Dr. Günter Hellstern
Tel: +49 (0)721 374361

• Sinfonie- und Kammerorchester
Conductor: Mr. Dr. Dieter Köhnlein
Tel: +49 (0)721 608 3445

• Universitätschor
Conductor: Mr. Nikolaus Indlekofer
Tel: +49 (0)721 44852
www.uni-karlsruhe.de/~unichor

• Männer-Ensemble der Universität „Kabinett“
Conductor: Mr. Joachim Langnickel
Tel: +49 (0)721 608 3981
• **Rechenzentrum**
  (Computing centre)

At the Rechenzentrum (RZ) you can open a user account to have the opportunity of using a number of different computers free of charge. In addition to this, you will receive an E-mail address and a gratis quote of prints.

Address:  Rechenzentrum
          Zirkel 2

For further information: www.rz.uni-karlsruhe.de

• **Sport**
  (sports)

The university sport offers a program in the fields of health and preventive training, mass sports, leisure and competition sports to all members of the university. Students and all members of the university have the possibility to relax and get a balance of studying and working and to use sports for complementing and support life, learning and working with sport activities.

For further information:

Tel: +49 (0)721 608 3233 (information office)

hochschulsport@sport.uni-karlsruhe.de

Course catalogues you will find at the Institute of Sports Science
Building 40.40
### University Facilities

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| **Sprachenzentrum**            | The Sprachenzentrum (SPZ) offers language courses in 11 languages of different standards: English, French, Spanish, Italian, Russian, Chinese, Japanese, Swedish, Arabic, Portuguese and German as a foreign language (DaF). In addition, there are courses in technical and economic terminology (GB, F, E, RUS) as well as further special courses.  
Address: Sprachenzentrum der Universität Karlsruhe Karl-Friedrich-Str. 17  
Tel: +49 (0)721 608-7413, -8449  
Fax: +49 (0)721 608 8680  
Email: info@spz.uni-karlsruhe.de  
Internet: www.spz.uni-karlsruhe.de |
| **Studienbüro**                | University registrar’s office is responsible for consulting in matters of admission, enrolment, re-registration, academic leave of absence, exmatriculation, application for examinations and consulting in examination law.  
Address: Administration building 10.12  
Hours: TUE, THU, FRI 9.00 – 12.00  
MON, WED 13.00 – 15.30 |
| **Studium Generale**           | The Studium Generale offers an abundance in interesting courses and seminars, especially in humanities to all members of the university. The course catalogue tells you what is being offered.  
www.zak.uni-karlsruhe.de |
The Studentenwerk Karlsruhe is a non-profit-making institution and is subordinate to the Ministry of Science, Research and Art of the State of Baden-Württemberg. Its function is to support students in a social, economic and cultural way.

Services and facilities:
- Catering in canteens and cafeterias
- Work on application for education assistance
- Provision of interest-free loan
- Dealing with various student insurances
- Help at the psychological information centre
- Legal aid
- Social services
- Sponsorship of cultural life
- Student residences
- Children care
- Promotion of international relations
- Care of foreign students in cooperation with the International Office
- General information service at the ‘Info-Center’ inside the Mensa-building

To make this work possible in a proper way, there is fee which all students have to pay. (EUR 56,- per semester)

Address: Studentenwerk Karlsruhe
Adenauerring 7, 76131 Karlsruhe
Tel: +49 (0)721 6909 0
Fax: +49 (0)721 6909 292
www.studentenwerk-karlsruhe.de

The ‘ZIB’ offers valuable help related to studying, preparing for examinations, getting over examination fee, etc.

Address: Zähringerstr. 65

Hours: MON 9.00 – 17.00
       TUE, THU, FRI 9.00 – 12.00, 14.00 – 17.00

www.zib.uni-karlsruhe.de
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<td>(Akad. Filmkreis)</td>
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<td>Good movies at several evenings a week, often movies of a subject area program available at the Mensa and cafeterias</td>
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<td><strong>• AKK</strong></td>
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<td>Meeting point at the old stadium: workshops, photographic laboratory, bar, dancing courses, traditional music and dance, guitar lessons</td>
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<td><strong>• AK Erasmus</strong></td>
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<td>The AK Erasmus supports the international exchanges on student level. It organizes activities like e.g. the O-Phase and consults students from Karlsruhe in matters of the Erasmus exchange program.</td>
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<td>Address: Geb. 20.13 (WiWi-Bau III)</td>
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<td><strong>• Bank</strong></td>
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<td>It is advisable to open a checking account in Germany. Students are free of charge. An opening is possible at any bank you like, you only need your ID-card/passport.</td>
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<td>Students with handicaps can contact the representative for handicapped persons at the university:</td>
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<td>Address: c./o. Fernstudienzentrum Mr. Joachim Klaus</td>
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<td>Tel: +49 (0)721 608 8205 Email: <a href="mailto:Joachim.klaus@fsz.uni-karlsruhe.de">Joachim.klaus@fsz.uni-karlsruhe.de</a></td>
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<td><strong>• DUKATH</strong></td>
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<td>DUKATH stand for wireless University of Karlsruhe and means that it is possible to use the university network and the Internet all over the campus by a laptop and a radio card. <a href="http://www.uni-karlsruhe.de/~DUKATH">www.uni-karlsruhe.de/~DUKATH</a></td>
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<td><strong>• Fachschaften</strong></td>
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<td>The Fachschaften are the representative body of students on departmental level. At the Fachschaft office you get help for each problem. Besides there you can buy summaries of lectures, examinations for training and comment course catalogues.</td>
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• **Frauenbeauftragte**

The women representative takes care of all rights and interests of female students and employees.

Address: Mrs. Dr. Carmen Boxler

Tel. +49 (0) 721 608 4700
Email: frauenbeauftragte@uni-karlsruhe.de
Internet: www.verwaltung.uni-karlsruhe.de/~fb

• **FriCard**

The FriCard serves as a student card, Mensa cash card, semester ticket for the tram and access control in computer pools and buildings.
You will receive the card after enrolment.

• **Fundsachen**

Lost and found
Lost anything on the campus you can contact the university post office at the administration main building or the university cash office (only valuables)
Lost anything in the city, please contact the general lost property office:
Kaiserallee 8, 76133 Karlsruhe
Lost any in the tram, please contact the lost property office of the transport services (KVV):
Tullastr. 71, 76131 Karlsruhe

• **Immatrikulation**

The date is notified on your admission letter.

• **Jobs**

- Job agency at the job centre:
  Address: Brauerstr. 10, 76135 Karlsruhe

  Tel: +49 (0) 721 823 -2610, -2611

  Hours: MON – FRI 7.30 – 12.30
  MON 14.00 – 15.30
  THU 14.00 – 18.00

- HILF-FIX e.V.
This organisation finds short-time temporary help jobs for students.
Address: Reinhold-Frank-Str. 68, 76133 Karlsruhe

  Tel: +49 (0)721 920 3429

  Hours: MON 10.00 – 12.30, 14.45 – 20.00
  TUE – FRI 10.00 – 12.30, 14.45 – 17.45
• **Jugend- und Drogenberatung**

Drugs information centre
Address: Kaiserstr. 64, 76133 Karlsruhe
Tel: +49 (0)721 133 5391
Email: drogenhilfe@karlsruhe.de
Hours: MON – THU 9.00 – 18.00
FRI 14.00 – 17.00

• **Mensa**

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• **Mietvertrag**

A lease should be draft written, because if things come to the worst, it is easier to judge the legal position. Rights and duties of each sides, rent and the period of notice should be included. If you have any problems or questions please make use of the help of UStA or student services’ legal aid.

• **Notruf, Notfall**

_In case of emergency / urgent need of medical aid_

Emergency call:
- POLICE: 110
- FIRE BRIGADE, RESCUE SERVICE: 112

• **PBS**

If you need psychological aid contact:
Psychotherapeutische Beratungsstelle (PBS)
Address: Kaiserstr. 111, 76133 Karlsruhe
Tel: +49 (0)721 933 4060
www.pbs-ka-pf.de

• **Prüfungskommission**

Each department has its own examination board which is responsible for intermediate and advanced examinations.

• **Prüfungsordnung**

The examination regulations regulate run of studies and procedure of examinations. It is available at the registrar’s office.
### Rechtsberatung

For legal aid:
Rechtsberatung of the student services

Address:     Studentenhaus, room no. 219
Adenauerring 7, 76131 Karlsruhe

Tel: +49 (0)721 6909 109
Email: justitiat@studentenwerk.uka.de

Hours:       TUE, THU   9.00 – 12.00

### Rückmeldung

Who likes to continue studies in the same subject at
the university, has to make a contribution to
the student services each semester within a time limit
fixed by the university.

### Schlosspark

In summer and sunshine meeting point of Karlsruhe
students for playing volleyball, Frisbee, etc.

### Skripten

Lecture summaries you can buy at the information
centre in the students’ house, Fachschaften or
sometimes at the institute offices.

Students of the Department of Economics :
VKW, Waldhornstr. 27, TUE + THU 13.00 – 13.45

### Sport

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### Studienbüro

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### Studienplan

The plan of studies contains a list of all obligatory
and optional required subjects of your course of
study. Besides it contains in which period subjects
are offered.

Available at : www.zib.uni-karlsruhe.de

### Studiticket

Your student card authorizes you to use trams until
19.00 o’clock.

To use the trams 24 hours a day you have to buy the
Studiticket either at the InfoCentre (Mensa) or KVV-
sales office (Europaplatz, Marktplatz).

The Studiticket is very cheap for students (EUR 74,-)
and it is valid for six months:

www.kvv.de
• Telefonseelsorge
  Telephone pastoral care
  Tel:  +49 (0)800 1110 -111, -222
  Available at day and night

• Theater
  (UniTheater)
  www.uni-karlsruhe.de/~UniTheater

• UstA
  Address:  Mensa, Adanuerring 7
            76131 Karlsruhe
  Tel : +49 (0)721 608 8460
  Email : info@usta.de
  Internet : www.usta.de

• Wiese
  On nice sunny days the most important place on the campus.

• Z 10
  Student cultural centre Zähringerstr. 10 e.V.
  Tel:        +49 (0)721 37 54 47
  Email:    z10@uni-karlsruhe.de
  Internet: www.z10.info

BICYCLES DEALERS in Karlsruhe:

• Fahrradhaus Kramer
  Hardtstr. 9

• Mike’s Bike Station
  Sophienstr. 180

• Rad & Tat
  Waldstr. 58

• Schäfer
  Gritznerstr. 1

• Strebel & Co.
  Zirkel 23

• Südstern
  Erbprinzenstr. 4-12
Badische Kunstverein
Waldstr. 3
Tel: 0721/28226
www.badischer-kunstverein.de

Badisches Landesmuseum/Schloss
Schloss Karlsruhe
Tel: 0721/92 66 599
www.landesmuseum.de

Kulturzentrum Orgelfabrik
Amthausstr. 17-19
Tel: 0721/476 2716
www.karlsruhe.de/kultur

Museum für neue Kunst/ZKM
Lorenzstr. 9
Tel: 0721/8100 1300
www.mnk.zkm.de

Museum für Literatur am Oberrhein
Prinz-Max-Palais, Karlstr. 10
Tel: 0721/133 4087
www.literaturmuseum.de

Staatl. Museum für Naturkunde
Erbprinzenstr. 13
Tel: 0721/175 2111
www.naturkundeka-bw.de

Staatliche Kunsthalle
Hans-Thoma-Str. 2-6
Tel: 0721/926 3355
www.kunsthalle-karlsruhe.de

Stadtarchiv Karlsruhe
Markgrafenstr. 29
Tel: 0721/133 4223
www.karlsruhe.de

Stadtstraße Karlsruhe
Prinz-Max-Palais, Karlstr. 10
Tel: 0721/133 4230
www.karlsruhe.de

Studentisches Kulturzentrum
Adenauerring 7
Tel: 0721/69 1239
www.uni-karlsruhe.de/skuss

Städtische Galerie beim ZKM
Lorenzstr. 27
Tel: 0721/133 4401
www.karlsruhe.de/kultur

Tollhaus Kulturzentrum e.V.
Schlachthausstr. 1
Tel: 0721/964050
www.tollhaus-karlsruhe.de

Zentrum für Kunst und Medientechnologie ZKM
Lorenzstr. 19
Tel: 0721/8100 1200
www.zkm.de
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KNEIPEN (Pubs), CAFÈS and DISCOS

**Auerhahn:** posh location, D’n’B, House, Electric, HipHop; Schützenstr. 58

**Harmonic:** pub across the Uni, quick to reach after bad examinations; Kaiserstr. 57

**Krone:** modern Italian style, Cocktail; FRI Latino Night, terrace; Karl-Friedrich Str. 8

**Bacchus:** student pub, delicious Flammkuchen, beer garden; Durlacher Allee 20

**Heilige Sophie:** nice vaulted cellar, romantic candle light ambience; Sophienstr. 35

**Lehner’s:** rustic inn, Happy Hour from 22.30; Karlstr. 21a

**Blaues Wunder:** nice furnished café across the Uni; Kaiserstr. 9

**Hoepfner Biergarten:** big beer garden, nice ambience; Haid-und-Neu-Str. 18

**Miro:** artist and intellectual audience; Hirschstr. 3

**Brasil:** nice pub, full up at the weekend, SUN delicious breakfast; Amalienstr. 32

**Multikulti:** cocktails, large breakfast menu, barbecue; Schlossplatz 19

**Café am Markt:** new location at the Marktplatz; Kaiserstr. 76

**Palaver:** great beer garden; winter garden ambience; Steinstr. 23 (Gewerbehof)

**Café Bleu:** daily four “Hammer-Essen” (€ 2,50), beer garden; Kaiserallee 11

**Irish Pub “Old Dublin”:** adequate place to enjoy a Guinness; Kapellenstr. 40

**Pfannenstiel:** rustic pub with recommendable beer garden; Am Künstlerhaus 53

**Café Rih:** breakfast until 14.00; Waldstr. 3

**Irish Pub (am Markt):** sometimes live music; Zähringerstr. 96

**Stövchen:** rich breakfasts, many sorts of Flammkuchen; Waldstr. 54

**Café Wien:** WED. WiWi-Meeting, Mix of Pub, Café, Disco; Fasanenstr. 6

**Irish Pub Sean Tracey’s:** live music, owner inspired singer; Durlacher Allee 64

**Terminal:** ‘Hammer’-breakfast, hot meals until 23.00; Durlacher Allee 4

**Cinquanta:** bar, garden, delicious meals, not very cheap; Waldstr. 50

**Kaisergarten:** nice ambience, good meals, nice beer garden; Kaiserallee 23

**Vogelbräu:** beer garden and perhaps the best beer of Karlsruhe; Kapellenstr. 50

**Dom:** elevated ambience, real “Kölsch” beer, expensive, Hirschhof 5

**Kippe:** cheap ‘Studi-Essen’ until 03.00, ‘Hammer’-breakfast, Gottesauerstr. 23

**Vogelbräu:** beer garden and perhaps the best beer of Karlsruhe; Kapellenstr. 50

**Gitanes:** nice student café, next to the campus; Zähringerstr. 15

**Krokodil:** quite expensive but at the location at nights; Waldstr. 63

**Zero:** stylish café; milk shakes, syrups; Kaiserstr. 133

**Irish Pub (am Markt):** sometimes live music; Zähringerstr. 96

**Z10:** a place for drinking a ‘Stiefel’ very cheap; Zähringerstr. 10
Leisure and Nightlife

Club Le Carambolage:
Disco, Rock, Pop, Electronic, 50’s, 60’s, 70’s, 80’s, BritPop, TripHop;
Kaiserstr. 21

Club Limon:
Café Limon + Disco, Techno, HipHop, D’n’B;
Kaiserstr. 167

CO₂:
Disco park, Rock, Pop, Oldies, Dance-Fox Classics, Cocktail bar;
Am Storrenacker 3

Kaffee Museum:
Kaffee Museum:
Waldstr. 30

Krokokeller:
MON: Pop, NDW;
Mixed, 1st SUN a month:
Metal, Crossover,;
Bürgerstr. 14

Little Diva Music Club:
Small but fine cellar club, D’n’B, TripHop, House;
Amalienstr. 44

Mood Lounge:
Chill out, live music, mood house;
Bürgerstr. 12

Nachtcave:
HipHop, Rap, Soul, R’n’B, Latino, Black;
Amalienstr. 55

SPA:
Club, café, After Work Club;
SAT, SUN: Glamour Night, elevated audience, very strict clothes order;
Hirschstr. 16

Substage:
Varying program, mainly live music, often well-known bands;
Kriegstr. 15

Terracota:
Café, Lounge, Club, Salsa, Merenque, House;
Gottesauer Str. 24

Unterhaus:
TUE: Pop, Karaoke
WED: students day (free entry); THU, FRI: Mixed
SAT: Night-Fever;
Kaiserpassage 6