



Buddy Program 2019 Volunteers

A SIMP-SON Presentation

What is on the agenda today?

- Get to know each other
- Obtain more information
- Questions from your side
- Ideas and suggestions
- Discussion about next step (newcomers distribution)



SIMP-SON stands for

Students International Mentoring Program - Social Organizational Network



Our SIMP-SON Team

Coordinators

Ece Turan: IBE 6th semester,

Antonia Michalek: IBE 4th semester

Volunteers

We are all together a team!





How does it work?

SIMP-SON Coordinator tasks:

- Welcome letter
- Get in touch with newcomers
- Buddies distribution
- First contact buddy-newcomer



First Steps in Magdeburg

- 1. Pick up
- 2. First nights stay (if room is not arranged upon arrival)
- 3. Accommodation search
- 4. Registration at Bürgerbüro (not later than 2 weeks after arrival)
- 5. Bank account
- 6. Health insurance
- 7. Enrollment at the University
- 8. Extension of visa at *Ausländerbehörde* (Residence permit issues)



Pick-up service

- Personal contact before arrival between buddy and newcomer
- Updated info about his/her arrival (make sure)
- Arrange your first meeting in detail (date, time, place, possible delay options, phone contact)



First nights stay

- Check hotels and hostels from our guide
- It is necessary to arrange it several days in advance
- Guest House on campus (Building 18)
- In emergency cases: turn to Moritz



Accommodation

- Some newcomers have arranged this already
- Current situation in the housing market
- Check our guide for flat providers
- Facebook groups
- Read the contract carefully before signing
- <u>Documents</u>: admission letter, passport, German bank account data (can be handed in later)

Residents Registration Office

- Mobile Bürgerbüro on Campus
- Bürgerbüro Mitte
- Waiting time (make an appointment before hand)
- **Documents**: passport, biometric photo, tenancy contract
- Must be done within 2 weeks after arrival



Bank Account

- Blocked account for non-EU (around 800€/month)
- <u>Documents</u>: admission letter, city registration paper (Meldebescheinigung), a valid passport
- Jugendkonto
- Bring Immabescheinigung after enrollment



Health Insurance

- A prerequisite for enrollment
- A private insurance may not be accepted
- EU citizens can use their European Health Insurance Card, but need to register at AOK
- <u>Documents</u>: admission letter, German bank account data, passport, city registration paper (Meldebescheinigung). After enrollment the newcomer needs to hand in an Immatrikulationsbescheinigung to the company.

Enrollment

- Follow instructions on the admission letter
- Between Sept 23rd Oct 10th
- Activate OVGU online account
- Show your IBE newcomer how to register for language classes as soon as possible, one week before lectures start!!!!!



Visa extension

- Ausländerbehörde (Bürgerbüro Mitte)
- Make an appointment online
- <u>Documents</u>: passport with a valid visa, a biometric photo, certificate of enrollment and student identity card, health insurance certificate, proof of adequate financial means/ Sperrkonto, the confirmation of registration from the Residents' Registration Office tenancy contract, application form

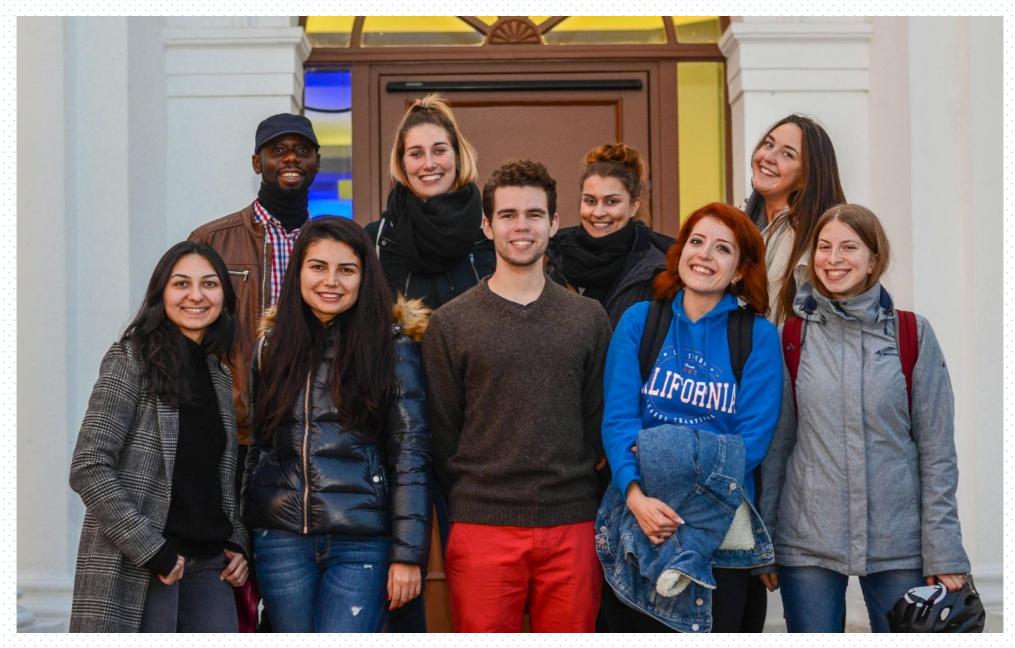


Our Events from 2018-19





Parliament Visit





Christmas





MDR (Regional TV station) Tour





Boat Tour





Certificate

- Indicates your social engagement
- Supports your application for internships, scholarships, etc.



THANK YOU!

