

Our Philosophy

Designed exclusively for International Study Program students, our mission is to help all newcomers feel welcome and assimilate to a new environment at the Otto-von-Guericke University.



Become a buddy today!
We look forward to meeting you!

Experiences

Marta, Brazil

Becoming a part of the SIMP-SON group was an excellent and essential experience when I first arrived in Magdeburg. It was really important to have a buddy helping me with the bureaucratic issues, enrollment, registration and any other problems.

Askar, Uzbekistan

The SIMP-SON project was a fascinating experience. I got the opportunity to strengthen my intercultural skills and develop organizational abilities. I made new friends and it was wonderful to discover how my personal experiences living in Magdeburg helped other freshmen.

Tobi, Finland

The SIMP-SON buddy program was very encouraging when I arrived in Magdeburg. During my first week my mentor assisted me with bureaucratic issues like setting up my bank account, visiting the city office, and enrolling at the university. Whenever I faced a problem, my buddy was there to help me and answer my questions.



Make a difference!
Help new students become a part
of our community!

We are:

- German & international OVGU students from the Faculty of Economics and Management
- Students with first-hand experience studying & living in Magdeburg
- Active, open-minded, and reliable people
- “Weltbürger”

Support for Newcomers:

- Assistance from the very first day
- Advice about registration procedures
- Sharing study-related experiences
- Accommodation coordination

Benefits for Buddies:

- Intercultural training
- International experience in Magdeburg
- Strengthening of foreign language skills
- Opportunity to make new friends
- Participation certificate and a “Thank You” event



Activities:

Welcome Program
Campus & City Tours
Get-togethers
Christmas Traditions
Study Groups
Networking
Excursions & Events

Assistance:

Arrival
Registration
Bank Account
Insurance
Accommodation
OvGU Enrollment
Study Advice