



BE BUDDIES!

Factsheet for international buddies

Start: In the beginning of each semester
 Duration: 1-2 semesters
 Target group: International students in their first or second semester at the Goethe University Frankfurt



Goals of the Buddy Programme:

The Buddy Programme is designed to support international students as they find their way around campus and get to know Frankfurt.

As an international buddy, you will be matched with an experienced Frankfurt student from your faculty who will support you during your first semester(s) at the Goethe University. You can check with your supporting buddy if you have questions about your studies, administrative aspects, culture, and everything you need for a smooth start in Frankfurt and at the University. Furthermore, you can improve your German language skills by actively communicating with a fluent speaker.

Apart from cultural and language exchange, you will have the opportunity to engage in a multitude of activities together with other German and international students, such as Buddy Programme events and events organized by the *Internationaler Studientreff* (IST).

How does it work?

You are planning to study at the Goethe University as an international student and you would appreciate someone who will support you in your first semester(s) in Frankfurt? Then register for the programme as an international buddy at www.uni-frankfurt.de/buddy Here you can find the requirements for registration:

- You are a new international student and you would appreciate support from someone who is already studying at the Goethe University
- You are open-minded and interested in spending time with your supporting buddy (supporting buddies are looking forward to cultural and language exchange just as much as international buddies are)
- You would like to meet experienced fellow students

Note: Depending on the number of registrations in our programme, it might take a little while to find a supporting buddy for you. Also, late registration after the beginning of the semester might result in difficulties to find a supporting buddy, so please make sure you sign up on time – ideally about a month before classes start.

Semester Programme

Supporting Buddy	International Buddy
1. Sign up 2. Get matched by the Buddy-Team 3. Spend your buddy semester together (leisure time activities, administrative procedures, etc.) 4. Attend events organized by the <i>Internationaler Studientreff</i> (IST) with your buddy 5. Join events for the whole buddy community	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participate in the Buddy Workshop (Intercultural Training) • Fill in the checklist for the certificate • Receive your certificate 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Formulate concrete questions for your supporting buddy • Benefit from intercultural & language exchange
Fill in the feedback form	

For more Information:

Contact & registration
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Homepage:
<https://www.uni-frankfurt.de/buddy/>

Facebook-page

Like us on Facebook and stay informed about all news and events!

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

Office hours

Every Thursday from 10 – 11 am at Campus Westend in the Container "Landesbetrieb Bau und Immobilien" in room 221*

*The stated times may vary during the semester break.