

## 2. Info-Meeting for our WS 2026/2027 Applicants on VISA and HOUSING



### Agenda for today

- Meet your student guides
- Admission Letters and Payment
- Visa and Bank Loan
- Housing
- Q&A

# Meet your Student Guides

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**Your student guides are your contact point for any challenges and uncertainties and will pick you up from the airport.**

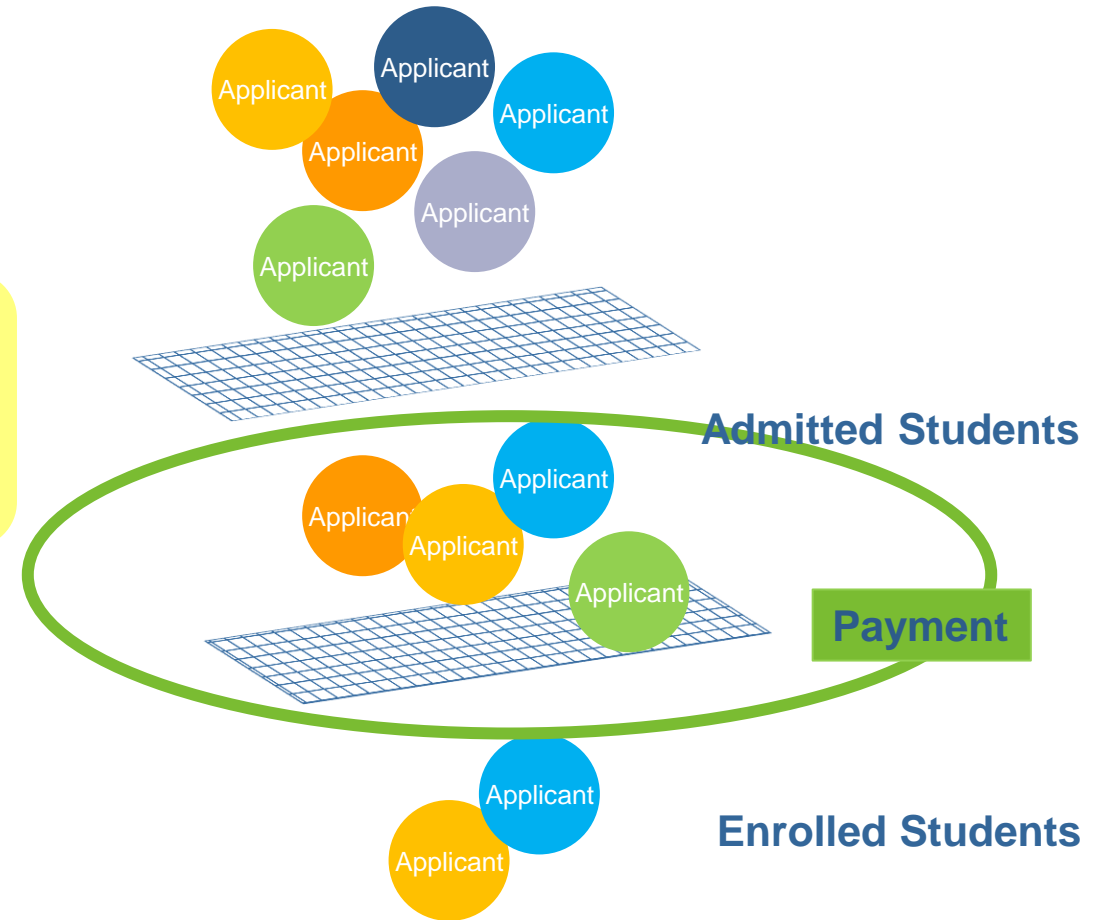
**Student Guides Email : [msetutors.fbe@h-da.de](mailto:msetutors.fbe@h-da.de)**



# You are admitted – What now?



- Congratulations, you have been selected out of **1280** applicants to receive a seat.
- Now you decide whether you take the seat or not
- For **accepting** the seat, please pay the fees:
  - 190€ Admin Fee **before 30.04.**
  - 850€ Enrolment Fee **before 31.07.**
  - Approx. 1300€ Optional Housing Fee upon reservation
- We expect around 60-80 International and 30 German students to join the program



# Your cohort WS 2026

**Admitted for WS 2026/2027: 251 international Students**

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## Gender balance

Men: 178

Women: 73

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## Geographic diversity

Africa 25

Asia 214

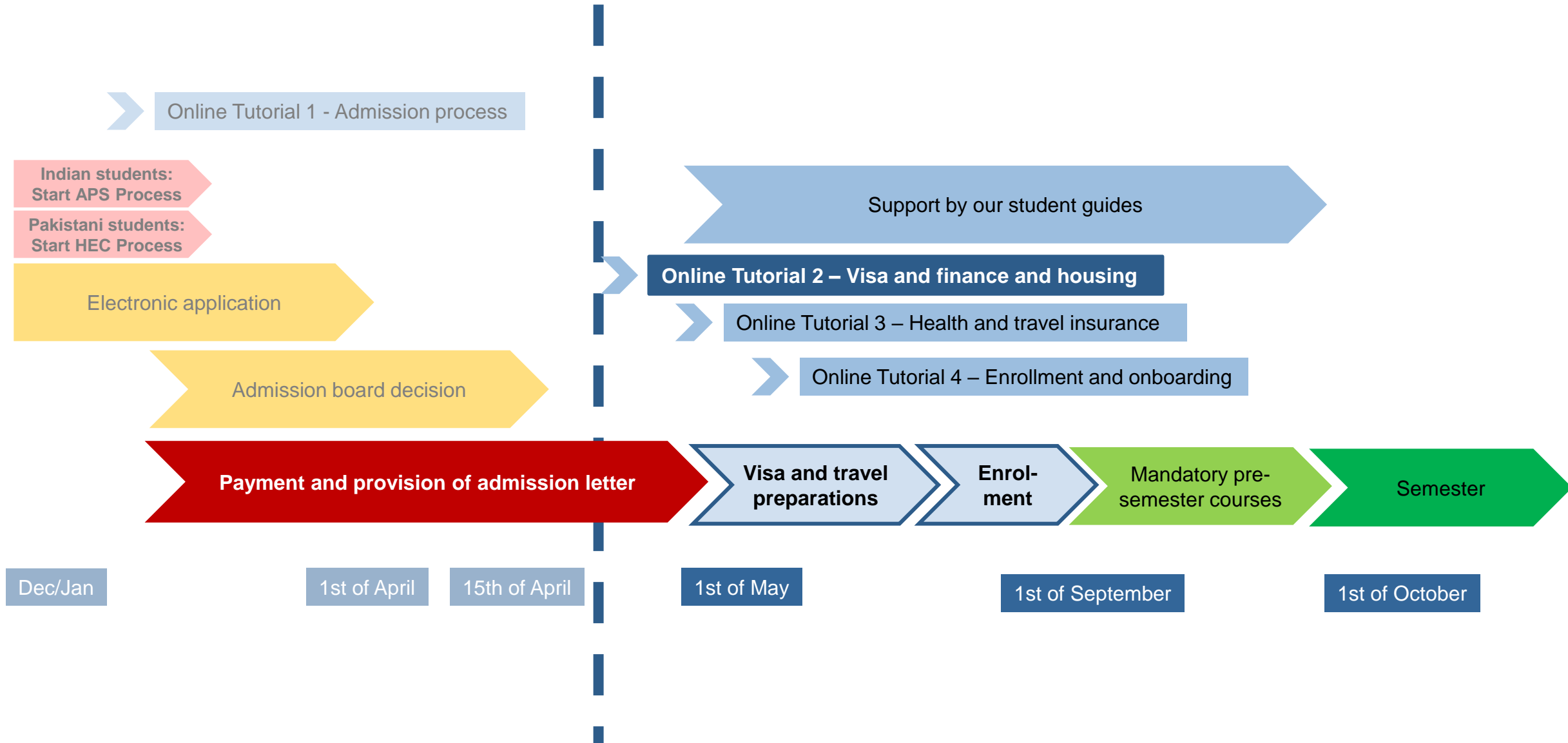
Europe 7

America 5

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- Algeria
- Azerbaijan
- Bangladesh
- Brazil
- Cameroon
- China
- Colombia
- Ecuador
- Egypt
- France
- Georgia
- Ghana
- Hong Kong
- India
- Indonesia
- Iran
- Jordan
- Kenya
- Korea, South
- Kuwait
- Malawi
- Mexico
- Mongolia
- Morocco
- Nepal
- Nigeria
- Pakistan
- Peru
- Russia
- Saudi Arabia
- Somalia
- Spain
- Sri Lanka
- Syria
- Tunisia
- Turkey
- Vietnam
- Zimbabwe

# Application Process, Timeline and Support



# Payments in KOPLA



- **Section 6** - Access to all required payments
- Download your invoice with the **Details** button
- Ensure payment in our account before the **due date**
- Make sure, the bank provides your **Invoice ID** on the transfer!
- Payment may take up to **3 weeks** to appear on KOPLA
- **Upload your transfer slip** on KOPLA

**Repayment is required if your payment is not mapped to your KOPLA-ID**

## 6. Payment

The following payments are required before the enrolment

- Administrative fee: once we receive this fee, we will create the admission letter
- Housing service: this service fee is optional, but highly recommended as finding an apartment from abroad is nearly impossible. It will contain the first rent deposit and a service charge. Please note, that we will not be able to support you on housing if you decide not to pay this fee
- Enrolment fee: this fee is required for the enrolment, it will cover the pre-semester courses as well as the first semester fee

**Please note that none of the fees is refundable under any condition!** Therefore make sure that you really intend to take the service before paying.

For details on the fees please check: <https://mse.h-da.de/en/admission/tuition-fees>

Name	Amount	Mandatory	Details	Due Date	Status
Administrative Fee (WS)	€190.00	X	<a href="#">Details</a>	Apr 30, 2024	Invoice needs payment
Enrolment Fee (WS)	€840.00	X	<a href="#">Details</a>	Aug 1, 2024	Invoice needs payment
Housing Studierendenwerk Residence Hall Karlshof, Alfred-Messel-Weg, D-64287 Darmstadt <a href="https://studierendenwerkdarmstadt.de/en/accomodation-service/wohnanlagen/alfred-messel-weg-karlshof/">https://studierendenwerkdarmstadt.de/en/accomodation-service/wohnanlagen/alfred-messel-weg-karlshof/</a>	€350.00 - €450.00		<a href="#">Details</a>		Create invoice (optional) Rooms Available: 8
Housing Studierendenwerk Residence Hall fair, Nieder-Ramstädter. Str., 64285 Darmstadt <a href="https://studierendenwerkdarmstadt.de/en/accomodation-service/wohnanlagen/wohnheim-fair/">https://studierendenwerkdarmstadt.de/en/accomodation-service/wohnanlagen/wohnheim-fair/</a>	€430.00 - €470.00		<a href="#">Details</a>		Create invoice (optional) Rooms Available: 14
Housing Studierendenwerk Residence Hall rest, Riedeselstr., D-64283 Darmstadt <a href="https://studierendenwerkdarmstadt.de/en/accomodation-service/wohnanlagen/riedeselstr/">https://studierendenwerkdarmstadt.de/en/accomodation-service/wohnanlagen/riedeselstr/</a>	€380.00 - €430.00		<a href="#">Details</a>		Create invoice (optional) Rooms Available: 4
Housing Studierendenwerk Residence Hall LAB, Berliner Allee, D-64287 Darmstadt <a href="https://studierendenwerkdarmstadt.de/en/accomodation-service/wohnanlagen/berliner-allee/">https://studierendenwerkdarmstadt.de/en/accomodation-service/wohnanlagen/berliner-allee/</a>	€380.00 - €460.00		<a href="#">Details</a>		Create invoice (optional) Rooms Available: 13

**click here for your invoice**

# Payment Details



## Important for the payment:

- Download your **invoice** with the **Details** Button in the **Payment Section**
- **All information** for payment is **provided** in the box.
- Upload your **payment slip** in KOPLA

**We need 3 weeks for payment mapping.** If any payment issues arise, our team will promptly reach out to resolve them.

## Ref: INVOICE Administrative Fee (WS)

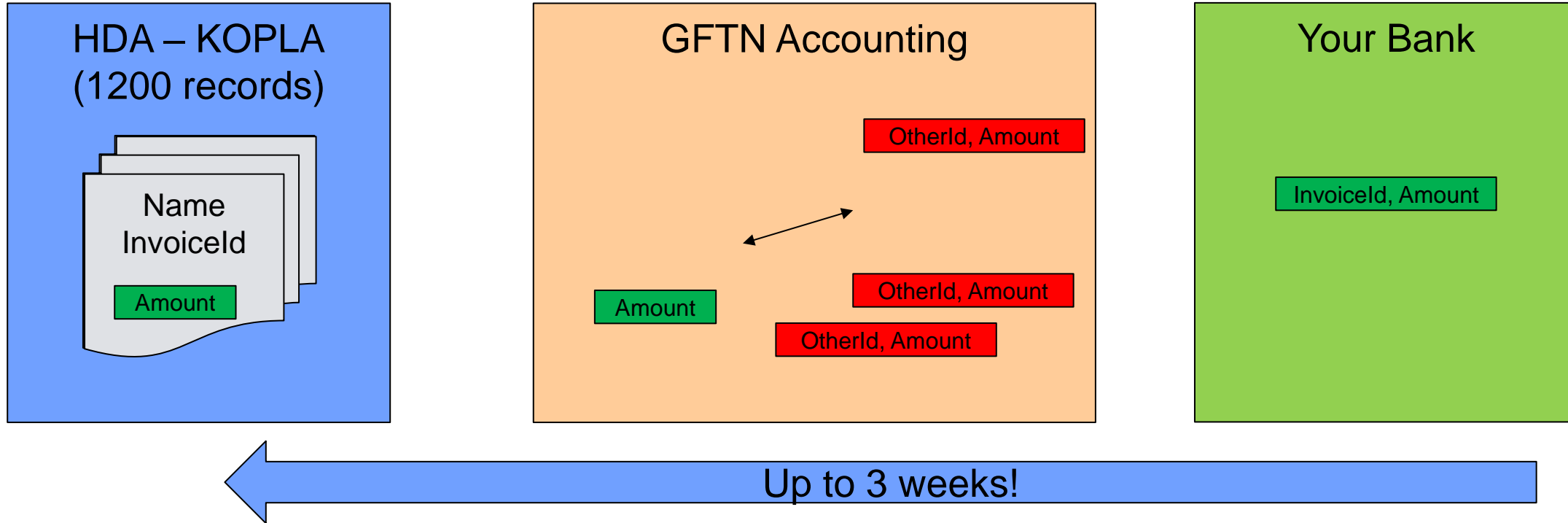
Date: Nov 27, 2024

the invoice can be paid from any account

<b>Invoice Id</b>	<b>(IMPORTANT: PLEASE PROVIDE THIS NUMBER ON THE TRANSACTION.)</b> 100K2292851821188
<b>Amount</b>	€190.00
<b>Latest payment date</b>	Apr 30, 2025
<b>Beneficiary</b>	GFTN e.V.
<b>Bank</b>	Commerzbank Frankfurt/Main Kaiserplatz D-60261 Frankfurt Germany
<b>International Bank Code IBAN</b>	DE97 5084 0005 0558 6854 00
<b>BIC/SWIFT code</b>	COBADEFFXXX



# Payments in KOPLA - How does it work



- Quite some payments we received did not contain the Invoice Id
- And to make the mapping even more difficult were transferred from a different person

## Payments and Deadlines



- The payment slip does not reflect the payment – it serves as a backup in case we cannot map your payment directly
- If we receive the payment slip within the deadline, we will process your payment
- but late payments will prolong your process!

It is your responsibility to stick to the deadlines and to make sure we receive your documents and fees in time!

RESPONSIBILITY



# Admission Letter for Visa and Bank Loan

- **Admission letters** in German and in English will be provided automatically as soon as the **fee is mapped** in KOPLA
- Another Admission letter will be provided a few weeks later from our University portal [my.h-da.de](http://my.h-da.de)

**„under reservation / subject to reservation“ means „provided that you enrol yourself“**

## Additionally to the admission letters we provide automatically:

- Cost of living letter
- Visa support letter
- If needed a late arrival letter

please check the semester fee on the letter: It should be 383 Euros. If your letter shows 349 Euros you may apply for a new version via KOPLA message

**Doublecheck your personal data NOW**

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www.h-da.de

Hochschule Darmstadt Student Service Center (SSC)  
Schoefferstrasse 3 D-64295 Darmstadt

<Applicant's name>  
<Applicant's street address>  
<Applicant's zip code and city>  
<Applicant's Country>

**The President**  
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Az. SSC/ Admission procedure Winter Semester Darmstadt, 20yy-04-24

Letter of acceptance to study at Hochschule Darmstadt Winter Semester 20yyyy  
**Your application no: Kxxxxxxx**

Dear <applicant's name>,  
I am pleased to inform you that your admission is accepted.

Degree: Master of Science  
Study program: Electrical Engineering  
Language: English  
Place of Study: Campus Darmstadt  
Beginning of the program: 20yy-09-01  
Enrolment: Via E-Mail until [redacted]

Admission notice under reservation for the 1. Subject semester in the study programme Electrical Engineering and Information Technology - International (Master 4-semesterig).

Please send the following documents for the inscription-international-master@h-da.de accordingly.

The following documents are required for enrolment:

- This letter of acceptance
- The completed application form for
- Your original Bachelor Degree
- Your original proof of language skills
- Proof of statutory or private student (please request \*Meldegrund 10 for insurance company of your choice)
- Your passport
- A copy of your school-leaving certificate
- Proof of study times in your home country
- If you already studied in Germany, a certificate of completion

Enrolment cannot take place without the payment of the semester fee.

Yours Sincerely,  
Student Service Center

**This letter is automatically generated and is valid for Winter Semester 20yy.**

Application semester	[redacted] term 2025
Study programme	Electrical Engineering and Information Technology - International (Master 4-semesterig) PO-Version 2019f
Semester	1
Place of study	Campus Darmstadt (classroom teaching)
Language	English
Start of semester	[redacted] 2025
Start of lectures	[redacted] 2025
Enrolment	Request and upload until [redacted] 2025 at <a href="http://my.h-da.de">my.h-da.de</a> at the latest

We need these documents from you for enrolment:

- A copy of your school-leaving certificate: (the degree that has qualified you for the bachelor's programme)
- For Master: Bachelor certificate
- Complete CV
- Proof of language skills (German or English)
- Digital health insurance notification (M10)
- All study certificates from universities attended in Germany, stating the semesters of study and leave of absence, if you have already studied in Germany
- Certificate of clearance if you wish to change universities in the same degree programme
- ID document

**German language skills** can be proven by one of the following documents:

Verification number: xg

# What's next: Securing your Finance

- All **students** are required to meet their own living costs while studying in Germany **Law**
- Funds for 12 months x **992 Euros** = total sum: 11904 Euros
- You may use a **blocked account** to finance your studies in Germany (see below)
- We cannot provide scholarships.

**Our support:**  
Cost of living letter  
provided from KOPLA

**Cost of living** is higher than the blocked account!

**Reality**

You will need a minimum of **1040€**

- Health insurance 150€
- room minimum 450€
- semester contribution 63€ (Payment 383€ each semester) → nationwide public transport ticket is included
- food 377€

**Blocked bank account:**

- We recommend **Fintiba** (Germany) operates successfully in 190 countries (works with German Sutor Bank and has deposit protection funds)
- **Open your blocked account online within minutes (easy and secure)**
- **Get your blocking confirmation for your German visa** instantly after a single credit card payment of the complete blocked amount sum via: <https://fintiba.com/solutions/german-blocked-account/fintiba-transfer>
- Another provider is Choracle (not German - works with European banks)

**Iran nationals**  
apply for a  
blocked bank  
account once  
they are in  
Germany

## Finance your studies – Work?

**The study is (more than) a fulltime study**

If you must work, expect a prolongation of your study time!

**Working in the first semester is no option**

Finding a good job in the second semester or later is based on proven performance, i.e. your marks from the first semester

**Finding a job in industry is hard due to the current economical situation**

We have a very limited number of jobs inside the university for excellent students.

**Same accounts for the internship in the third (or later) semester and the master thesis in industry**



**Not recommended**

# What's next: Visa - make an appointment!

Best practice:

DIY

You do not need an agent!

1. Check your local visa regulations on German National visa (also referred as long-term visa or D visa)
2. Apply now for a German National visa for students
3. Make an interview appointment → this takes usually several weeks to several months

Use **VisaFlow**: <https://www.visaflow.app/>  
for free to plan and organise your visa preparation and entry.  
Register for free, enter the access code: **HSDARMSTADT25**

## Visa problems exist according to our knowledge:

- Bangladesh
- Pakistan
- Mumbai
- Kameroun
- Ghana and Nigeria
- the embassy of Iran is currently closed

University address /contact person for the visa application

The screenshot shows a web form titled 'Reference' with a 'Launch assistant' button. The form is for an 'Educational establishment/company/organisation' and contains the following fields:

- \* Type of reference: Educational establishment/company/organisation
- \* Name of the educational establishment, company or organisation: Hochschule Darmstadt
- Organisation's place of business, town/city: Darmstadt
- Organisation's place of business, country: Germany
- Organisation's objectives/area of activity: Educational Institution
- Name of the register of the organisation: -
- Location of register: -
- Register number: -
- \* Family name of contact person: Fromm
- \* First name(s) of contact person: Peter, Prof. Dr.
- Sex: -
- Date of birth (dd.mm.yyyy): -
- Nationality: -
- \* Street: Schöfferstr.
- \* House number: 3
- \* Postal code: 64295
- \* Town/city: Darmstadt
- \* Country: Germany
- \* Telephone/mobile number: ++49 6151 533 68237
- Email: Hochschule Darmstadt

## Visa 2<sup>nd</sup> step: Prepare all your documents for the visa interview

DIY

1. Prepare your documents for the Interview (in A4 format) in German or in English (else: provide translation)  
→ you do not need an enrolment letter → you need the admission letter!
2. Check spelling of your names in each document exactly as it shows in your passport!
3. Sort the documents in the right order
4. Travel insurance for the month of September (show this document at the interview) (check regulations!)
5. Biometric Photo (check regulations!)
6. Pay the fee (75 Euros – check regulations!)

**Travel & Health:** Packages: travel insurance for free (for visa application) and public health insurance (for university enrollment) e.g. Dr. Walter & Techniker Krankenkasse (TK)

→ Note: Our **public health insurances are best!** – no need for private health insurance!

→ We will have our health insurance consultant in our next information meeting on health insurance and enrolment!

# Accommodation

- **Situation:**
- High demand especially for the semester start (September/October).
- Only few affordable rooms
- Many students need months to find accommodation
- Search already for rooms in April/May – late search → less chances to find a room
- Waitinglists at student residence halls are long

- **Costs:**
- Rooms in a shared flat approx. 400–700 € / Monat
- Student hall (Studierendenwerk) approx. ca. 300–500 €
- Private apartment: >700 €

In Germany to get a room you often have WG-Casting

- If you search by yourself: Please be on your guard against scammers
- **Pro-Tipp:**
- be flexible – 1st accommodation is not for ever!

# Our offer: housing with the Studierendenwerk

Studierendenwerk will be your contact point only as soon as the contract is issued

- Limited room contingent in different residence halls
- Room rent of our contingent rooms is on average 450 - 500 Euros
- Contract will be issued in July by the Studierendenwerk
- Contract term: 1 year (1. September – 31. August)
- Moving-in: only during business hours and not on weekends
- We have an arrival and move-in process which will be communicated to you in due time



Quelle: <https://de.statista.com/statistik/daten/studie/38504/umfrage/verbraucherpreisindex-in-deutschland/>

The waiting list at Studierendenwerk is approx. 2 years!

# Housing: Our student halls from the Studierendenwerk:



Berliner Allee - LAB



Alfred-Messel-Weg - Karlshof



Nieder-Ramstädter Str. - Fair



Riedeselstr. - rest



# Our Housing process



check  
KOPLA daily  
for new  
rooms

Check KOPLA daily for room availability in the payment section

## Status in KOPLA:

<b>Request</b>	apply for the room
<b>Offer</b>	we offer a room which you can pay within 14 days. Important: upload the payment slip
<b>Reserved</b>	as soon as you uploaded the payment slip (complete sum!) the room is reserved for you
<b>Confirmed</b>	the payment is booked in the system (takes approx. 3 weeks)

**You do not have an accommodation yet?**

**Please try our University Service:**

<https://h-da.de/en/apartment-search>

# Tips for Finding Accommodation on your own

- Consider higher costs and additional paperwork
- Start looking early and be flexible – consider the outskirts of Darmstadt
- Important considerations (lease terms, costs, deposits)
- Your rental contract (Mietvertrag) is binding including rent (Kaltmiete) and rent with additional costs (Warmmiete), duration, and conditions for termination.
- **Do not make advance payments**

Tips are on  
our website

- <https://mse.h-da.de/our-service/accommodation>
- FAQs regarding Accommodation can be found here:  
<https://studierendenwerkdarmstadt.de/en/counseling-and-social-affairs/information-living-studying-darmstadt/accommodation/>

## Temporary solution?

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is an option but it  
causes a lot of  
stress

# FAQs for Studierendenwerk Housing

## Can I pay later

No. Allocation of the rooms is after we received your payment. Remember – allow 3 weeks for the transaction.

## Can I get a refund

No, a refund is not possible.

## If I come late – why do I have to pay for September anyway

No rent-free periods in calculation.

## Can I move-in with my friends / family

We only have rooms in different apartments spread throughout different floors and residence halls. We do not have family apartments

## I want to know more about my contract, the student hall, who do I ask?

Until you receive your contract the IMSEIT Course Coordinator and student guides will be your contact point

## I am female / male / vegetarian / very religious... Can I have a room with people with likewise?

No because we emphasise diversity

## I want to see pictures and plans of my flat

<https://mse.h-da.de/our-service/accommodation> → check „Residence halls“

# Information channels / Questions

## Contact your tutors:

What's App Group

Email-address

to be announced

[msetutors.fbe@h-da.de](mailto:msetutors.fbe@h-da.de)

## Contact university:

Send an email only to

Accommodation page

Preparations

[master.fbe@h-da.de](mailto:master.fbe@h-da.de)

<https://mse.h-da.de/our-service/accommodation>

<https://mse.h-da.de/admission/prepare-your-stay>

## Next Online Meeting:

**Monday 11.05.2026 at 16:00 CET**

on travel insurance and health insurance and German Placement

