Bielefeld University Welcome Centre Newsletter
May 2018

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Welcome Centre Events and News

April 28, 2018 08:30 – 17:00  
Come & join us for a hike in the beautiful Teutoburg Forest! Our journey will lead us from the Externsteine to the Hermannsdenkmal monument and will end in the city of Detmold. The trip is approx. 13km long & will mainly cover slightly hilly forest terrain. Meeting point: In front of the Bielefeld main train stations (Hbf). If you want to join please register with: welcome@uni-bielefeld.de

May 11, 2018 9:30 – 11:30  
Campus Start in U7-205  
Monthly welcome event for new international researchers. Get to know the university and the Welcome Centre team, learn about getting started in Bielefeld, how to get around the university and the services we offer.  
Registration required: welcome@uni-bielefeld.de

May 11, 2018 11:30 – 12:30  
Campus Tour, departing from U7-205  
Following Campus Start, we offer a guided tour through the main and X building explaining all points of everyday interest for your convenience.

May 11, 2018 12:30 – 13:30  
International Lunch, Westend cafeteria, main building  
Monthly opportunity to get to know other internationals over an informal lunch. We meet at the first table beyond the entrance to the Westend cafeteria. Friends and family are welcome.

May 15, 2018 19:30 – 21:00  
International Stammtisch, (Regulars’ Table), Casa Café & Bar  
Monthly informal get-together to meet other international academics in a casual atmosphere. Simply show up at the Casa at Karl-Eilers-Straße 12 (33602 Bielefeld) on the third Tuesday of every month.
## Scholarships, Grants, Positions

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<th>The National Agency for Academic Exchange (NAWA) offers scholarships for study and research stays at Polish universities. Along with scholarship opportunities for scientists of all disciplines, this year's call also includes semester scholarships for Slavists - students, graduates, doctoral candidates and scientists - for study or research stays at the Polish Studies departments. Details on the call can be found at: <a href="https://bit.ly/2Hj8K1Q">https://bit.ly/2Hj8K1Q</a> Application for Scholarships for summer courses in the Polish language: <a href="http://www.programs.nawa.gov.pl/login">www.programs.nawa.gov.pl/login</a></th>
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<th>Grants.at is Austria’s biggest online database for scholarships and research grants for all academic areas. The scope of providers of funding is vast and includes: international organizations, the European Union, national governments in Austria and abroad, provincial governments and municipalities, along with private foundations, associations and companies. More information here: <a href="https://grants.at/en/">https://grants.at/en/</a></th>
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<th>Impactpool is one of the world’s fastest growing career website with focus on international development organizations. They help highly-qualified and motivated individuals to grow professionally and make an impact with their careers. They gather vacancies from hundreds of international organizations around the world, covering all UN organizations, among others. Further information: <a href="https://impactpool.org/search">https://impactpool.org/search</a></th>
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| Deadline: May 31st, 2018 | ZIf announces two Junior Fellowships for its Research Group ‘Felix Culpa?’ Can guilt be considered a culturally productive force. This Research Group addresses the question in how far guilt and practices of guilt denial, redemption and redemption acquittal can be understood as a productive force in interpersonal and collective processes. More information can be found here: [https://www.uni-bielefeld.de/%28en%29/ZiF/Foerderung/Junior_Fellowships_2018_19.pdf](https://www.uni-bielefeld.de/%28en%29/ZiF/Foerderung/Junior_Fellowships_2018_19.pdf) |
**Deadlines: April 30, 2018**

The Leibniz-Gemeinschaft has openings in PostDoc-Positions in the fields of social science and natural sciences.

Post-Doctoral Position in Development and Knowledge Sociology:

Postdoctoral fellowship for microfluidic engineering and syntheses:
http://bit.ly/2GCr2I4

**Various deadlines**

North-Rhine Westfalia has a database to help find positions in the public sector. Here you will find vacancies from provincial administration, universities and institutions of the state of North Rhine-Westphalia. Additionally, you will also find internally advertised vacancies and rotation positions.

Further information: [https://www.stellenmarkt.nrw.de/#tLM36n7e](https://www.stellenmarkt.nrw.de/#tLM36n7e)

**Deadline: May 23, 2018**

Calling on young researchers in the field of environmental and sustainability studies. Apply to the “**Green Talents Competition 2018**” until May 23, to win an invitation to a two-week science tour of Germany, as well as the opportunity to spend a three-month research stay at a research facility of your choice.


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**Career Development**

**Registration deadline: June 7, 2018**

The **Academic Writing two-day workshop** supports PhD students and young researchers in the humanities and social sciences in areas that are challenging or difficult for young researchers who need to produce professional texts in English.

More information: [http://www.uni-bielefeld.de/pep/fortbildung/nachwuchs/Leberecht_Academic_Writing_A.html](http://www.uni-bielefeld.de/pep/fortbildung/nachwuchs/Leberecht_Academic_Writing_A.html)

**Tuesdays at 06:45**

The **debate club** of the university starts the new semester by continuing its debates every Thursday at 18:45 in X-E0-204.

In the same room, a theory lesson about fake arguments is also presented at 18.00. In cases where English speaking persons attend, the lessons will be held in English.

Facebook page: "The Debating Crew Bielefeld - die Debattiergesellschaft."
Bielefeld University has a **programme for personnel development** (Fortbildungen für Forschende & Lehrende), which is open to academic staff. Some courses are also taught in English. The offers can be found here: [http://www.uni-bielefeld.de/pep/fortbildung/](http://www.uni-bielefeld.de/pep/fortbildung/)

Academics are busy people, have way too many emails to get through, and our academic writing often values transactional, concise and facts-based text. In this blog about academic writing, the importance of **teaching students to send good emails** is explained. Link of the blog: [https://researchvoodoo.wordpress.com/2017/08/15/teaching-students-to-send-good-emails/](https://researchvoodoo.wordpress.com/2017/08/15/teaching-students-to-send-good-emails/)

A worldwide **online survey on International Research Mobility** sponsored by the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) and Research In Germany seeks to learn more about researcher’s motivation for conducting a scientific/academic research stay abroad. The survey is in English, German and Spanish.

**Accommodation**

**Accommodation offers:** Here you will find some of our available flats and rooms in Bielefeld. You can find the whole list on our Facebook group and at the wall in front of our offices.

#283 Room furnished, Im Bracksiek, Bielefeld, 300€, 12m², Room in a shared flat, suitable for singles, bedroom, no living room, KB shared, internet included, no pets allowed, no smoking allowed, women only

#292 House furnished, Kerkenbrink, 33619 Bielefeld, 1200€, 140m², 3 bedrooms, living room, KB, balcony and patio/garden, car space available, suitable for families with up to 3 children, no pets allowed, no smoking allowed

#230 House furnished, Azaalenstr., 33649 Bielefeld, 1000€, 150m², 3 bedrooms, living room, KB, shared garden, suitable for families with up to 2 children, no pets allowed, no smoking allowed

#271 Flat unfurnished, Stückenstraße, 33604 Bielefeld, 885€, 90m², Unfurnished flat with more than 1 room, KB, 2 bedrooms, living room, suitable for singles, couples, families with 1 child, patio, garden, winter garden available, no pets allowed, smoking allowed

**Further Info**

**Contact anytime**

**ViSib** (Association to support international students in Bielefeld) offers **bicycle rental service** for all international students, scientist and scholars. The contact data and further details can be found here: [https://www.uni-bielefeld.de/(en)/visib/fahrradverleih.html](https://www.uni-bielefeld.de/(en)/visib/fahrradverleih.html)
The university of Padova (Italy) will be hosting the **MSCA MaRaThoN**, which is a training programme designed to support top candidates for Marie Skłodowska-Curie Individual Fellowship in writing a successful proposal for the 2018-call. It will be held from 26th to 28th June 2018. For detailed information visit: [http://www.unipd.it/en/msca-marathon18](http://www.unipd.it/en/msca-marathon18)