



NEWSLETTER

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SUPPORT

July 2024

Dear Subscribers,

As classes are coming to an end and the exam period is approaching, we want to wish you much success for the upcoming weeks!

In our monthly newsletter, we are happy to share announcements, events, workshops, as well as additional information intended to support you throughout your studies.

For this issue's **tip of the month**, we share announcements and tips for the semester break. Check out page 2 of our newsletter!

On our website, please find the current as well as past issues of the newsletter in [English](#) and [German](#).

We wish you all the best for the rest of the semester!

Kind regards,
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TIPS FOR THE SUMMER SEMESTER BREAK

- ⇒ **Courses at the FU Language Center:** During the upcoming semester break, the FU Language Center is offering intensive language courses in Italian, Spanish, Turkish, and Ukrainian.
 - For general information about registering, please find an overview for [2024 Summer Semester Intensive Courses \(PDF\)](#) available online and visit the [FU Language Center's website](#).
 - To determine how to register for intensive courses, please see this helpful [online registration guide](#).
 - Registration for intensive language courses during the semester break begins July 1, 2024.
- ⇒ **FU Libraries: Special Hours:** During the exam period, some of the FU libraries have extended hours as well as special opening times. For more information, check out this [great overview of all the FU libraries](#), which provides links to all the libraries across the FU campus.
- ⇒ **FU Libraries: Group Study Rooms:** Many of the FU libraries offer group study rooms (in German, *Gruppenarbeitsräume*), which are great spaces to meet in small groups and are especially useful during the exam period. Check out, for example, the group study rooms available at the [Philologische Library](#), which can be used without a reservation. If you would like to book a study room in advance, consider checking out the group study rooms available at the [University Library](#), some of which even have smart boards and include additional multimedia equipment. Or, check to see if your favorite FU library offers study rooms to enhance your studying options. Available currently in German is an overview of all the [study rooms across the FU campus](#). If you have questions about accessing the study rooms, always feel free to ask any of the library staff at any of the libraries. They are always happy to assist.
- ⇒ **Office Hours:** Some professors offer reduced office hours during the semester breaks. If you need to meet with your professor during the break, e.g. in regards to submitting a term paper (in German, *eine Hausarbeit*), please check their office hours in advance. This information is often available on the respective department's website, for example, on the professor's individual profile page.
- ⇒ **Events offered by studierendenWERK BERLIN:** For cultural events, workshops, guided tours throughout Berlin, as well as opportunities to meet other students, consider checking out [studierendenwerk Berlin's event calendar](#).

EVENTS & WORKSHOPS

Center for Academic Advising and Psychological Counseling

The Center for Academic Advising and Psychological Counseling regularly offers workshops. A [complete list is available online](#).

- [Aufschieben? Aufgeschoben!](#) (Procrastinating? Not anymore!). Starts 07.08.2024. In German

Mental Health Awareness Weeks: July 1-12, 2024

Organized by [support.points](#) in collaboration with the Center for Academic Advising and Psychological Counseling, the [Mental Health Awareness Weeks](#) will feature a wide range of events and workshops related to supporting student mental health, including:

- [Konzentration und Aufmerksamkeit](#) (Concentration and Attentiveness). 09.07.2024. In German.
- [Das Klima und ich](#) (The Climate and Me). 09.07.2024. In German.
- [Zeitmanagement](#) (Time Management). 11.07.2024. In German.
- [Impostor-Syndrom](#) (Impostor Syndrome). 12.07.2024. In German

Career Service

The [Career Service](#) at FU Berlin regularly organizes events as well as offers workshops and courses intended to support your career development alongside your studies. In addition, they offer advising services for pursuing careers. Here is a selection of upcoming workshops organized by the Career Service:

- [Berufseinstieg mit Behinderung oder chronischer Erkrankung - eine besondere Herausforderung](#) (Starting a Career with a Disability or Chronic Illness: A Special Challenge). 09.07.2024. In German.
- [Vorstellungsgespräch Bootcamp](#) (Job Interview Bootcamp). 11.07.2024. In German.
- [Potenzialanalyse - Stärken stärken](#) (Analyzing your Potential – Strengthen your Strengths) 12.07.2024. In German.
- [Die beruflichen sozialen Netzwerke - Crashkurs LinkedIn & XING](#) (Social Networks for your Career: A Crash Course in LinkedIn & XING). 12.07.2024. In German.
- [Erkenne deine Stärken - Was macht dich besonders?](#) (Know Your Strengths: What Makes you Special?). 15.07.2024. In German.
- [Berufsorientierung und Bewerbung](#) (Career Guidance and Applying for Jobs). 17.07.2024. In German.

studierendenWERK BERLIN

The [studierendenWERK BERLIN](#) not only manages the Mensas across the FU Campus, but they also offer a range of services, including [counseling for financing your studies](#), [psychotherapeutic counseling](#), [counseling for barrier-free studies](#), [as well as tutoring for academic writing](#). In addition, they regularly offer workshops open for students, such as:

- [Texte gliedern leicht gemacht](#) (Structuring your Papers Made Easy) 12.07.2024. In German.
- [Steuererklärung](#) (Filing a Tax Return). 17.07.2024. In German.
- [Neurodivergentes Peer-Empowerment](#) (Neurodivergent Peer-Empowerment). 29.07.2024. In German.
- [Planning and Writing your Thesis with ADHD](#). 30.07.2024. In English.
- [Creative LAB: Selbständigkeit für Kreative](#) (Creative LAB: Self-employment for Creatives). 01.08.2024. In German.

Further events on across the FU Berlin

- [Panel Discussion | Gender Lunch Talk: Friederike Beier \(Otto Suhr Institute for Political Science\)](#). 11.07.2024. In German.
- [Lecture | Demokratie, Aktivismus, Kunst: Wandlungen eines Verhältnisses seit den 1960er Jahren](#) (Democracy, Activism, Art: Changes Since the 1960s). 16.07.2024. In German.