



BeBuddy-Newsletter 07/2022

1) Welcome Week Winter Term 2022/2023: Volunteers wanted!

The Welcome Week for new international students will be taking place this year from 19 September 2022 to 30 September 2022 and we need your assistance!

If you would like to help us with various tasks during our on-site events, experience the international atmosphere of RWTH and meet new fellow students, register as Welcome Week Volunteer at welcomeweek@rwth-aachen.de by 1st August 2022.

Volunteering for at least five hours during the Welcome Week on-site events can get recognized as a component of the Certificate International.

You can find further information at www.rwth-aachen.de/welcomeweek and [Certificate International](#). We are looking forward to your registration

2) My home is your castle – Sublet your room to an international student

You are studying at RWTH and are planning to spend some time abroad soon? Sublet your place to an international student! My Home is your Castle was initiated by the International Office to make the outgoings' return easier for them after their stay abroad while also fostering contact between local and international students at the same time.

How does it work? Register your available apartment or room with our International Office Housing Advice Service Team (housing@rwth-aachen.de). We will pass your offer onto international students seeking for lodging. Ideally, you will find a suitable subtenant who will be studying at RWTH for exactly the period of time you will be gone. If you successfully sublet your place to an international student, you may even have it recognized as a component of Certificate International!

Interested? Submit your offer via the form available at www.rwth-aachen.de/housing (tips for renting out your property). For more information about the recognition in the Certificate International program, click here: <https://www.rwth-aachen.de/go/id/gbksm/?mobile=1>

3) VORSCHUB - representative for students with disabilities and chronic illness



VORSCHUB is the representative for students with disabilities and chronic illness. Their duty is to advocate for equal opportunities for all students, to raise awareness that not all limitations are visible, and to ensure that the needs of students with disabilities and chronic illnesses are considered in construction plans (e.g., accessible lecture halls). Their goal is to improve the learning and studying conditions for students with special and individual needs and to make sure you feel taken care of RWTH Aachen University.

VORSCHUB offers many different services such as advice for the different formal applications that serve to support students with special needs, e.g., compensation for disadvantages (during exams). They currently offer digital consultations every Thursday. You can find the corresponding times on their website.

Their student assistants are also here to accompany you in your everyday life at university. You can also use the VORSCHUB resting room.

Another VORSCHUB service are the support groups/round tables. The International Support Group/round table "Depression and Anxiety" takes currently place every other week on Friday from 7 pm-9 pm online on Zoom. It's a safe space to talk about what is on your mind, get support, and connect with others. There are three more support groups in German you could join. You can check their website to see when they will take place exactly.

Please do not hesitate to contact them via email at vorschub@asta.rwth-aachen.de (for consulting inquiries: vorschub-beratung@asta.rwth-aachen.de or by phone under: +49 151 6255 9735). For further information, you can also visit their website <https://www.asta.rwth-aachen.de/beratung/vorschub>, <https://www.rwth-aachen.de/go/id/kckp>, or their social media channels:

Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/vorschub_rwth/?hl=de

Facebook: <https://de-de.facebook.com/VORSCHUB.RWTH/>

4) Become a buddy for visiting students from India

We will soon welcome a group of Indian students (beginning of September) who will stay at RWTH for the fall semester and would be happy to have a RWTH buddy by their side.

You would be a buddy for a group of 3-4 students, your tasks would include



- picking up the keys at the student dorm
- picking up the mentees at the station and accompanying them to the dorm
- In the beginning: support with groceries, city „tour“, how to open a bank account in Germany, etc.
- leisure activities with the mentees

You will have more responsibilities but also more activities and fun. Moreover, the program is part of the certificate international as the component „Supervision of Participants in the Summer Schools“.

If you are interested in participating, please write a short mail to bebuddy@rwth-aachen.de by writing **KOSPIE-Buddy** in the e-mail subject, the **deadline is July 25th.**

We are looking forward to having you as KOSPIE-Buddies.

That is all for July. Good luck for your exams and enjoy the rest of the semester.

Chiara Weber, Buse Karagöz and Luis Jamora from the BeBuddy Team

PS: You can also follow us on [Facebook](#)

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