

BeBuddy-Newsletter March 2024

1) Welcome Weeks for new international students summer semester 2024

RWTH Aachen University is looking forward to welcoming its new international students during the Welcome Week organized by the International Office from April 2 to April 5, 2024. We are very excited to introduce the international newcomers to the university services and partners, the many different student associations and of course to each other and help them become part of the RWTH community!

Thank you for your support and dedication! We are very happy to see such an enormous engagement in the BeBuddy program as well as in further volunteering activities such as the Welcome Week volunteers.

You can find further information about the Welcome Week program at <u>Welcome Week Events -</u> <u>RWTH AACHEN UNIVERSITY</u>

2) Advising for Students With Disabilities and Chronic Illnesses

Studies at RWTH Aachen should be unrestricted for every person. The university is particularly responsive to the special needs of students with disabilities or chronic illnesses.

Open Consultation Hours: Open consultation hours are held from March 14, 2024, weekly on Thursdays from 2 to 3:30pm via Zoom. When you join the Zoom meeting, you will first enter a virtual waiting room. Once it is your turn, you will be admitted to the Zoom room by the organizers. Please be patient as you may have to wait a little while.During open office hours, brief concerns can be dealt with and initial information can be provided. If you have an issue that requires more time, please schedule an appointment via <u>e-mail.</u>

More information on the personalized advising from the Inclusive Education Offer can be found <u>here</u>.



3) Information about the Deutschlandsemesterticket

From April 1, 2024, the validity of the semester ticket will be extended from the previous NRWwide validity to the whole of Germany. The semester ticket will then allow you to travel throughout Germany by public transport at no additional cost. The area of validity will also be extended in the Netherlands: from April 1, 2024, RWTH students will be able to use all regional buses and trains in the South Limburg area with the semester ticket. If you have any questions, please contact The Asta's Semesterticket team by <u>mail.</u>

Here, you can find more information.

4) "Uni at City Hall": The New World of Work!

How will artificial intelligence transform the nature of work? Will we have robots as colleagues in the future or will they gradually replace our jobs? The world of work is about to be transformed, but what will it look like?

In a panel discussion under the heading "New World of Work: Human Colleagues, Robot Colleagues?", a group of experts will discuss these questions with the audience and explore the challenges and opportunities we will face in the new world of work.

The panelists will be RWTH professors:

Verena Nitsch, Institute of Industrial Engineering and Ergonomics; Saskia Nagel, Department of Applied Ethics; and Holger Hoos, Chair of Artificial Intelligence Methodology

The discussion will be chaired by WDR journalist Jens Tervooren. It is scheduled to take place Tuesday, March 12, 2024, from 7pm at Aachen City Hall.

Admission is free of charge. It is not necessary to register for the event.



5) The Equal Opportunities Office and the Rector's Staff Unit Inclusion, Gender and Diversity Management are showing "Feminism WTF" together with the film studio

What is feminism? What is care work and what does sexual freedom really mean? And what does this have to do with climate justice, criticism of capitalism, colonialism and racism? To mark International Women's Day, the Equal Opportunities Office and the Rector's Staff Unit Inclusion, Gender and Diversity Management (IGaD) are showing the documentary "Feminism WTF" in cooperation with the Filmstudio on Wednesday, March 6, at 8pm in the auditorium of the main building. The film by Katharina Mückstein sheds light on the diversity of feminism and combines talks by experts with electronic music by Tony Renaissance. "Feminism WTF" provides a comprehensive insight into the current definitions, topics, and goals of feminism.

After the film, the educational consultant, author and spoken word artist Emilene Wopana Mudimu from Aachen (<u>KingzCorner</u> e.V.) will be available for a discussion on the film. See here for more information about the <u>program and to buy tickets</u> for the film studio.

Have a nice month with some sunshine and good luck with your exams!

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