

BeBuddy-Newsletter 11/2020

1) Erik and Bruno - 10 years anniversary of a beautiful friendship starting in the BeBuddy program ³

The BeBuddy program, which is actually designed to give support to new international students (mentees) mainly during their first weeks of their studies by experienced buddies, may in some lucky cases even lead to long-lasting friendships. Such as the story of Bruno (mentee) and Erik (buddy) who were one of our first matches in 2010!

Here's their story on **Instagram** or **Facebook**.

2) UAEM- Universities Allied for Essential Medicines

The UAEM is a global network of university students who believe that the universities have an opportunity and a responsibility to improve global access to public health and necessary medicines. In a lot of developing countries, the access to such necessary medicines is not a given. Since those treatments are often developed by universities, the UAEM team tries to actively change this circumstance.

Interested? If you are also interested in promoting access to medicines here at RWTH Aachen University, follow UAEM on their social media accounts. Or contact them to participate in their regular team meetings via Zoom, where they arrange lectures and regularly hold internal workshops.

Email: uaem@gmail.com

Instagram. https://www.instagram.com/uaem.aachen/ Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/uaemaachen

3) THE ASTA invites you to join the digital "Tag der studentischen Initiativen" (Nov 17)

To all German speaking students: On 17.11. from 10 to 2pm, you have the opportunity to get to know many different student initiatives at the RWTH Aachen. On the Discord Server that the ASTA has prepared for you, you can listen to exciting lectures of the associations, as well



as get in touch with them directly. On the Instagram, Facebook and Twitter channels of the AStA you can also try to win great prizes by participating in their raffle. More information and the link to join can be found here.

4) DAAD prize awards socially engaged international students – such as Wafic El Sabbagh from Lebanon

Around 10,000 students with an international background are currently studying at RWTH Aachen University. Some of them enrich the university in an outstanding level of social commitment and excellent academic performance. The DAAD Prize, endowed with €1000, honors them.

This year, Wafic El Sabbagh from Lebanon received the DAAD Prize from the Rector. Wafic studies Civil Engineering, B. Sc. Exemplary for his commitment are his active role as a Buddy in the BeBuddy program and his activities in the international student association Aktion Sodis - there especially during the Covid-19 pandemic with the leadership of a working group for research and development of low tech ventilators. The DAAD Prize is announced annually in spring: www.rwth-aachen.de/daad-preis

5) Group Advising Sessions "Going Abroad"

Interested in going abroad during your studies?

Every semester the International Office offers group advising sessions that are either oriented towards a specific group of countries, provide a general overview of study abroad, or are specifically geared towards internships and research stays. Due to the Corona restrictions, the sessions will be held online via Zoom. Here are the dates.

6) Live-Streaming: fuck up stories Aachen – student edition (Nov 19)

Study doubts? Most of you know about that. For many people, they are simply part of their studies and you are definitely not alone. If you want to know what happened to other doubting students, then sign up for the Fuck Up Stories Aachen - Student Edition! Here, four



former doubters tell their very different personal stories about the topic of study doubts, give tips and are available for your questions. The event will be broadcasted via YouTube livestream. A registration is now possible under the following <u>link</u>.

Check it out and learn more about failosophy;)

Have a nice rest of the week!

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PS: You can also follow us on <u>Facebook</u> In case you want to unsubscribe, please write a short email to bebuddy@rwth-aachen.de