

BeBuddy-Newsletter June 2023

1) The BeBuddy team is looking for a student assistant (12hours/week)

Wir suchen Verstärkung im BeBuddy Team

Du studierst in Aachen und suchst nach einer Stelle als studentische Hilfskraft in einem netten, internationalen Umfeld? Dann bist du bei uns genau richtig: Das International Office der RWTH Aachen sucht für den Bereich "BeBuddy" und "Housing Advice Service" ab sofort eine Studentische Hilfskraft mit 12 Stunden pro Woche. Das BeBuddy Programm ist ein Betreuungsprogramm des International Office der RWTH Aachen, das eingerichtet wurde, um neu eingeschriebenen internationalen Studierenden den Einstieg in ihr Studium an der Hochschule und in den Aachener Alltag zu erleichtern. Der Housing Advice Service bietet Unterstützung für internationale Studierende bei der Wohnungssuche. Zu den Aufgaben der studentischen Hilfskräfte gehören zum Beispiel die Beratung von interessierten Studierenden, die Pflege der Datenbank, aber auch die Unterstützung bei Veranstaltungen des International Office.

Voraussetzungen für die Stelle sind Deutschkenntnisse (mind. C1 Niveau), sehr gute Englischkenntnisse (mindestens B2), keine längeren Abwesenheiten in den nächsten 12 Monaten und natürlich Spaß am Arbeiten in einem interkulturellen Umfeld.

Wir haben dein Interesse geweckt? Dann schicke gerne bis zum **18.06**. deine Bewerbungsunterlagen in deutscher Sprache (CV, Motivationsschreiben sowie weitere nützliche Bescheinigungen) an <u>chiara.weber@zhv.rwth-aachen.de</u> Wir freuen uns darauf!

Alle weiteren Informationen zur Stelle finden sich hier im folgenden Link:

https://www.rwth-aachen.de/go/id/kbag/file/V000005448/

2) Call for nominations for the DAAD prize 2023

You are an international student following your studies with good grades? And at the same time, you are actively committed to social and intercultural engagement, such as voluntary work in RWTH student associations?

That deserves a trophy! One of our dedicated international RWTH students will receive this trophy together with a big applause and 1000 EUR prize money, sponsored by DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service), at our upcoming Welcome Week 2023.



Please take into account that you cannot apply for the prize themselves; you have to be nominated by an official RWTH institution. A selection committee will choose the award winner from all the nominations submitted. Remarkable social and intercultural commitment as well as good academic achievements increase your chances of winning the prize.

Only those international students can be nominated who are enrolled in a regular degree program at RWTH Aachen and spend most of their time in Germany, are in an advanced stage of their studies, that is, at least in the second year of study of their Bachelor's degree, or at least in the second semester of their Master's degree. Also nominated can be recent graduates who completed their studies less than three months ago or doctoral candidates.

If you think you fulfill this criteria, you just need to follow a few steps in order to get nominated:

1. Collect your documents: an up to date curriculum vitae, a current transcript of records with your recent grade point average and complete evidence of the duration, extent, and nature of your social commitment.

2. Get in touch with a university institution that is eligible to nominate you, such as university faculties, university organizations, RWTH student associations and the student union AStA / AV.

This nominating institution will have to hand in your documents together with a short nomination letter to Dominika Dudzik (dominika.dudzik@zhv-rwth-aachen.de) via email. **The deadline is June 23**, **2023**. Ms. Dudzik is also happy to answer all question regarding the DAAD prize in between.

Please take into account that exchange students and students who have acquired a German university entrance qualification (Bildungsinländer) or students who have already received the DAAD Award cannot be considered. For more information, please visit the <u>website</u>.

3) Call for volunteers – Online buddies for GUtech students in Summer 2023

Apart from the regular BeBuddy program, you can also get to participate as a summer mentor for international GUtech students from Oman. The International Office is supporting the WZL (Werkzeugmaschinenlabor) in setting up the framework for an online internship program for students of GUtech, Oman.

What is the online internship program about?

Under the supervision of a scientific supervisor from RWTH, GUtech students will work on selected projects in July and August 2023. Beyond this academic supervision, we would like to enable an intercultural experience for the participants from GUtech.



And this is where you might come in: We are looking for volunteers who are willing to regularly meet the GUtech-students online and interact with them about life at a German university, your experience as a student in Aachen and potential plans for the future. We think that this can be an enriching experience for both sides and it might even spark your interest or the interest of your counterpart to visit Oman or Germany as part of an exchange program and to meet in person.

Prerequisites: Having participated in the BeBuddy training as a buddy and being listed in the BeBuddy database.

In case you are interested and would like to discuss further details about this opportunity, please contact directly <u>marat.shardimgaliev@zhv.rwth-aachen.de</u>. All questions related to the program should be directed towards him.

Being a mentor in this program won't be considered as a BeBuddy activity. Therefore, you won't be handed out a BeBuddy certificate, but you will receive a separate certificate. Plus: Your engagement would count as a component for the Certificate International (group 2): "Support for Summer School Participants in Aachen". Questions regarding the Certificate International are answered by <u>Chiara Weber</u>.

4) Coping with Exam Anxiety – Workshop for international students

You would like to...

- ... get to the bottom of your fear?
- ... stay relaxed during exam preparation?
- ... go into the exam with confidence?
- ... even remain confident in the event of a blackout?

The goal of the training session is to develop an understanding of exam anxiety and to develop concrete and individual action strategies that help you to better deal with anxiety during the preparation period and in the exam.

Participation Requirements:

- Matriculation at RWTH Aachen University
- Active participation in the complete course unit
- Willingness to communicate and exchange experiences with others



Date: 6 course units, Tuesdays, 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm, 13.06., 20.06., 27.06., 4.07., 11.07. & 18.07.2023 Place: SR I, Templergraben 83, ground floor Slots: up to 12

For more information on registration, please follow this link.

5) RWTH International Academy is looking for summer school mentors

The RWTH International Academy organizes Summer Schools for students from all around the world in cooperation with the International Office and Institutes of RWTH Aachen University each year. Therefore, they are looking for mentors who would like to join their July / August / September Summer Schools.

Dates

- 02.07 22.07.2023 Robotics, Communication Networks and Innovation
- 09.07 29.07.2023 Automation and Simulation
- 16.07 29.07.2023 Energy Performance of Buildings and Districts
- 23.07 05.08.2023 Artificial Intelligence in Industrial Applications
- 30.07 19.08.2023 Robotics for Future Industrial Applications
- 30.07 19.08.2023 Production Technology meets Industry 4.0
- 20.08 09.09.2023 German Engineering, Language & Culture the Summer School participants of the last program are students from a Japanese partner university, therefore becoming a mentor would be particularly appealing to those, who are interested in Japan.

Responsibilities:

The RWTH International Academy would like to provide the international students of each Summer School with mentors from RWTH, who support them during their stay at RWTH Aachen University.

All mentors are welcome to take part in the social program of the Summer Schools. Activities usually include: a barbecue, a caraoke night, a hiking tour, and many more fun events.

At the end of the Summer School, RWTH International Academy will award all mentors an official participation certificate for their efforts and support.

Furthermore, your commitment as a mentor can be recognized as a component for the certificate "Zer-tifikat-Internationales" (Certificate International): www.rwth-aachen.de/zi.

Registration:

To register for the Mentoring Program this summer, you can use our <u>online registration form</u> Please note the registration deadline: **June 6th 2023.**

Preparation:



To prepare for the mentoring activity, we will have a mentoring workshop in advance, in which the team will present the weekly schedule, the organization details, the responsibilities of the mentors. You will also attend an intercultural training. The Mentoring Workshop will be held for all July Summer Schools on June 21st from 9 am - 12 pm, and the workshop for all August and September Summer Schools will be held on June 23rd from 1 pm - 4 pm. **Please note that attendance at the workshop is mandatory.**

Questions?

The Short Term Programs Team is happy to answer your questions: ShortCourses@academy.rwth-aachen.de

This is all for June! Enjoy the sunny days in Aachen

...maybe with some sports activities with "Sport im Park"? Check it out ©

https://www.sportimpark-aachen.de/

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