

Late Summer School 2019

Project work

When you undertake your project work, you will spend two weeks working in a cross-disciplinary team (10–15 members) and present your results to the other participants at the end of the Late Summer School. The aim is for you to have fun, while at the same time getting to know each other better and finding out useful and interesting information about student life on campus and in the place of study. You will also have the opportunity to gain experience of the type of (intercultural) group and project work that you will regularly encounter during your studies.

Depending on the requirements of the participants, communication during the project work can be either in German or a mixture of English and German. Project teams are assisted by our student staff, who are there primarily to offer organizational support and act as facilitators. The content of the project is the responsibility of the participants and their teams.

Deadline: The project work begins during the opening event on 16 September 2019 at 10:15, when the topics will be presented and groups allocated.

Below is an overview of the project topics for the Late Summer School:

- Student life here and elsewhere
- Art from waste – upcycling
- Film project – being a new student in Magdeburg
- Sport in Magdeburg
- Healthy living and studying in Magdeburg

Description of content:

1. Student life here and elsewhere

Who can I turn to when I want to know more about my course or finding my way around campus and the place of study? Where can I get support applying for a student job or a placement: in the region, in Germany or further afield? How do I register for exams and how does the grading system work? How does on-campus democracy work and what right to be heard do I have as a student?

This project focuses on discovering more about the things that matter when studying at university (see examples above) and to exchange ideas about how studying and student life work here and elsewhere.

The project work is aimed particularly at participants who enjoy mixing with people from other cultures and are interested in discovering more about them.

2. Art from waste – upcycling

Want to get creative? "Recycling art" has become an artistic movement in its own right. Be it sculptures from waste, bags from Tetra Paks, portraits from old plastic or artfully placed piles of rubbish that cast shadows in a special way – the choice is yours. Create one or more works of art using only waste or second-hand materials.

3. Film project – being a new student in Magdeburg

Do you like being behind the camera? Want to brush up on your skills in interviewing on camera or creating the perfect shot? Capture impressions of what new students think of the University and the city while learning about the editing and sound techniques that you need to create a short film.

4. Sport in Magdeburg

What options and societies are there? Why do countless students sit down twice a year in front of their computers at 8 o'clock sharp and either smile or curse? Discover something of the variety of university sport and its hidden highs and lows: how you can become active in a society, which fitness studios have good offers, what gets Magdeburg fans excited and what the greatest names in Magdeburg sport have achieved.

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5. Healthy living and studying in Magdeburg

Share ideas within your team about everything to do with staying healthy during your studies and throughout life. How do studying and healthy living fit in with a good study-work-life balance? Discuss what is offered in terms of support on health issues by the University and others (university sport, psychosocial support, ...). How can I eat healthily in Magdeburg? What options are there? What's on offer in Magdeburg's restaurants? What are the alternatives? And, of course, physical activity also has an important role to play. Find out what sporting opportunities await you at the University and in the city.

6. Diversity across Magdeburg

Same same but different! That is beautiful. In Magdeburg, too, diversity is capitalized and lived in many places. Where are these places? This is what we want to find out together. Where can I just be me? What does Magdeburg really offer in terms of diversity? During the two weeks of the Late Summer School, we put Magdeburg to the test and see if it prepared for the growing diversity. We find out where we are best cared for as people, both in campus life and in everyday life.