



Student Participation at Aalen University

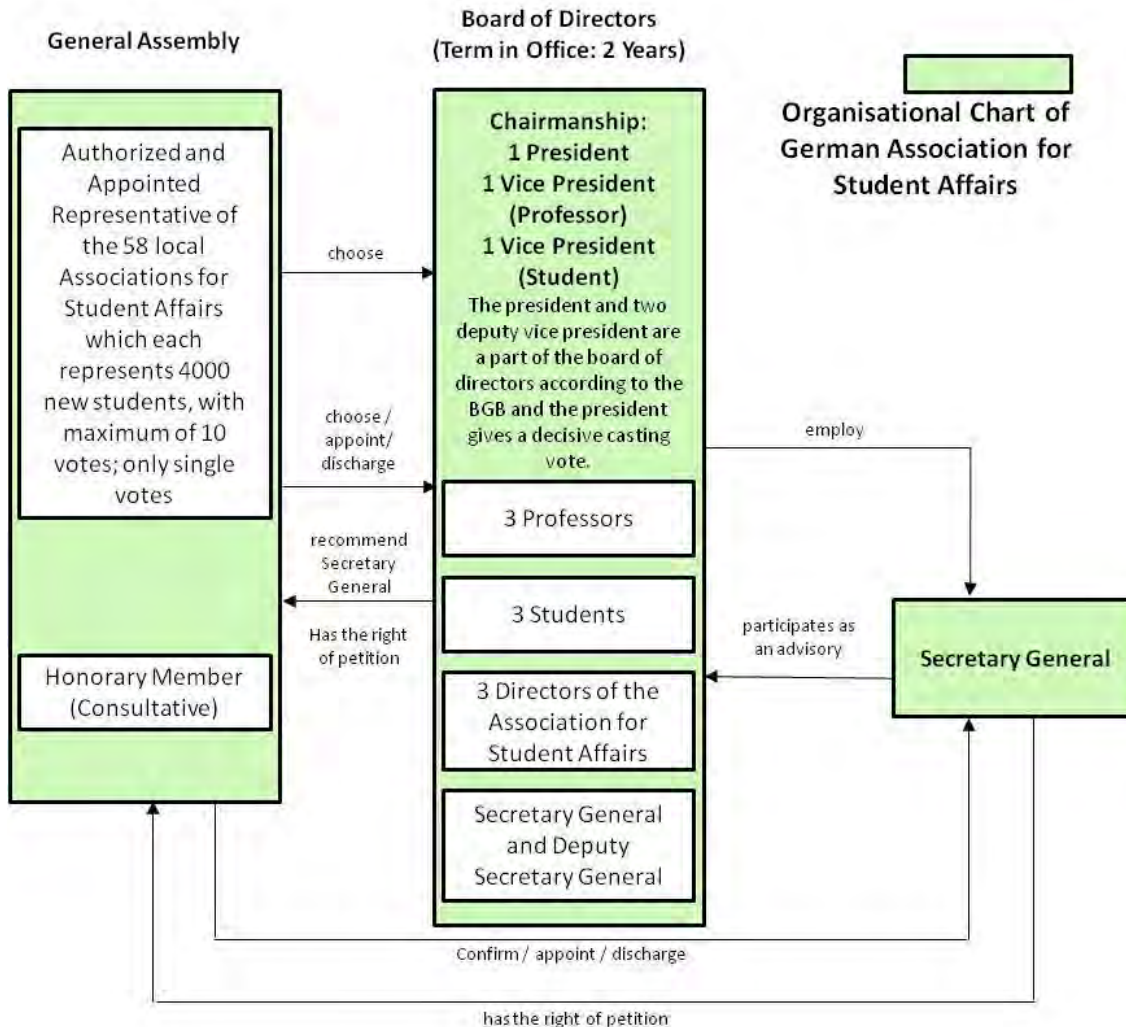
Deutsches Studentenwerk



- German National Association for Student Affairs
- Voluntary association of student services
- Public services: economic, social, medical and cultural support
- 58 local (regional) associations for student affairs
- Cooperation with universities and city administrations
- Non-political, non-religious, and non-ideological independent association



Structure of DSW



3 Bodies:
 The General Assembly,
 Board of Directors,
 Secretary General

Studentenwerk Ulm



- Ulm Association for Student Affairs
- Regional Association for Student Affairs – non-profit
- Access to state benefits in various areas
 - student finance/grants, accommodations, university gastronomy service, social care, counselling
- Act as a legal entity for students for agreements with third parties
 - Example: Semester Ticket
- Goal → to provide best economic and social conditions for students of Aalen, Biberach, Schwäbisch Gmünd, Neu-Ulm, and Ulm University.
- Service Area for Aalen University:
 - University Gastronomy, Consultation on finance matters (incl. federal state grants), Counselling

Structure



Ulm Association of Student Affairs

Assembly of Representatives

Chairman

Deputy Chairman

President / Rectors

Chancellor / Exec. Administrative Directors

University Professors and their deputies

Students Representatives and their deputies

Administrative Board

Chairman

Deputy Chairman

Members from the universities including their deputies

Executive Director

Deputy Executive Director

Facts on Student Committees in Germany

- Form of student representation depends on the states
- General Student Council presents at every university in most states
- General Student Council (AStA) – acting executive board and representing agency of the student body
- Official student union (“Verfasste Studierendenschaft”)
 - Except in Bavaria and Baden-Württemberg – abolished in the 1970’s
 - In Baden-Württemberg: reinstated due to the new green party / social democrats state government

Verfasste Studierendenschaft Baden-Württemberg

- Constituted Student Union
- Abolished in 1977, reinstatement on June 27th, 2012
- Present Situation:
 - Student representatives in a university are organised within the General Student Council (AStA), members of AStA takes part in the academic senate
 - AStA is not constituted student union → no real statute, no financial autonomy, their regulations and budget come from university
 - AStA: cross-faculty student council to promote social, intellectual, artistic and athletic interests of the students

Verfasste Studierendenschaft Baden-Württemberg

- Future Situation:
 - “Verfasste Studierendenschaft” – a constituted student union
 - Can act on legal transactions, sign agreements, etc.
 - Independent member of the university
 - More powerful than the student council

Cooperation with the Student Associations for Student Affairs

- Due to the abolishment in the 1970s – the Student Associations for Student Affairs had to take on tasks which belonged in the past to the student union
- Double structure (double expenses) is not allowed → separate task to each jurisdiction

General Student Council of Aalen University - AStA

- Representatives of the students
 - (until the re-institution of the student union “Verfasste Studierendenschaft”)
- Represents students in and out of the university, in Higher Education Laws and Regulations
- Support the student on following matters:
 - student financial matters (BAföG)
 - Student with disabilities or with children
- Elected annually in the summer semester
- Consists of four student members who are also members of the academic senate
- Term of Office: one year

Departmental Student Council

- Representatives of the interests of the students of a degree programme
- Responsibility: student affairs at departmental level e.g. events
- Any student can join and be active in a departmental student council
- Structure of a departmental student council depends on each department, e.g.:
 - Chairman
 - Deputy chairman
 - Treasurer
 - Minute taker (note taker)
 - Communication person (media)

Independent Students Committee - UStA

- Open membership
- UStA → UStA Services Ltd.
 - A company which was established by students at Aalen University to offer better services for students, professors, and employees of the university.
- Responsibility:
 - organising cultural and sporting events for students, university – industry events, etc.
 - With the goal of promoting education, training, and research and offer the student a better student life at the university.
- Divisions of UStA:
 - Band, CampusRadio, Event, International, Kino (Cinema), Art and Culture, Communication media, Party Utensils, UStA-Shops, and Sports



Unabhängiger Studierendenausschuss

Independent Students Committee

Referate / Sections

- Sport / Sports
- Internationales / International
- Aalener Industriemesse – AIM for students
- Events u.a. Newie-Party
- Hochschul kino / Cinema
- Partyutensilien (Verleih von Technik & sonstigem Equipment) / Parties
- Erstsemestertag / Introduction to First Semester Students
- Erstsemesterheft / First Semester Students Magazine
- Admin / Administration
- UStA-Shop / Shop of University Articles

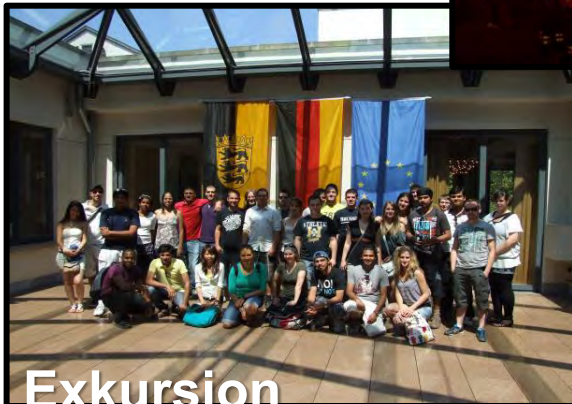
Sport / Sports

- Aerobic
- Handball
- Badminton
- Basketball
- Fußball
- Klettern / Climbing
- Tanzen / Dancing
- Tennis
- Tischtennis
- Volleyball
- CrossFit
- Parkour
- Joggingtreff





Newie Party



Exkursion



Aalener
Industriemesse

F.t.V. Hohenstaufen

- Fraternity of Aalen University with competences and a traditional background
- Purpose of this fraternity:
 - Offer students opportunities to work on their social skills and rhetoric abilities
 - Large network of students, professional engineers and connections to other universities – possible for a member to experience informative exchanges through cultural and social events
- Membership can be applied at their office
 - Requirement: male student of Aalen University
 - Not an act of misogyny – simply tradition
 - Ladies are, however, also welcome to join their open-events

Resources for International Students

- Housing Assistance
- Orientation Weeks
 - Information Sessions
 - Activities
- German Language Classes
- UStA/ASTA
 - Excursions and other activities
- MOST KIND
 - Excursions
 - Intercultural Trainings
 - Buddy-Tandem Program
- Student Residence Hall Tutors
- University Cafeteria and Refectory



MOST KIND

Mentoring **OST**württemberg

Kooperative Integration

Nicht-Deutscher Studierender



- 5 “official” student residence halls
- + a number of private residence halls
- Also opportunity for private accommodation in so called student flats
- The University Association „International Society Aalen e.V.“ reserves accommodation for exchange students
- New exchange students from partner universities possess highest priority



Carl-Schneider-Wohnheim,
Rombacher Straße 91



Wohnheim AA-Unterrombach,
Steinertgasse 10

[Details](#)



Wohnheim "Burren",
Anton-Huber-Straße 5,7,9,11

[Details](#)



Studentendorf Wellandstraße,
Wellandstr. 14 - 14/6

[Details](#)



Wohnheim AA-Dewangen,
Leintalstraße 6

[Details](#)

Orientation Weeks

Hochschule Aalen

Orientation WS 12-13
September 3 - October 2, 2012

Please inform us in due time about your exact arrival day and means of travel (car, plane, train)

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Monday, September 3 rd	9:00 - 17:00	First day of Arrival Week: Government day Welcome and Registration at the International Relations Office (IRO) Please bring all of your documents (passport, photos, etc.)
Tuesday, September 4 th	9:00 - 17:00	Government day Welcome and Registration at the International Relations Office (IRO) (Day 2) Please bring all of your documents (passport, photos, etc.)
Wednesday, September 5 th	14:15	Hour through the city (10:00 - 17:00) (17:00 - 19:00) The Tour Office will show you important places around the city, Post Office, City Hall, insurance office, train station and bank. Registration at the IRO. Meeting point: 14:30, IRO, Gatecolor 133
Thursday, September 6 th	10:00 - 14:30	Hour through the university Getting to know the campus, refectory, student societies, etc. Registration at the IRO. Meeting point: IRO - Gatecolor 133
Friday, September 7 th	14:00 - 15:00	International Business Students' Forum and Lecture Room with Univ. Finance Center, Gatecolor: 1, Room: 302
Friday, September 7 th	18:00-00:00	Orientation Night (18:00 - 24:00) at the International Relations Office Registration at the IRO - Gatecolor 133 Meeting point: IRO - Gatecolor 133 Registration at the IRO - Gatecolor 133 Meeting point: IRO - Gatecolor 133

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- Welcome Folder
- Activities
 - Mandatory
 - Suggested
- German Language Courses
- Professor Contact
- Familiarity with New Surroundings
 - Learning the city
 - Fulfilling requirements


MOST KIND

- What is MOST KIND?
 - Mentoring OSTwürttemberg -
Kooperative Integration Nicht-
Deutscher Studierender
- Intercultural Trainings
 - For University Staff
 - For Tutors
- Excursions
- Website
 - www.most-kind.de
- Buddy-Tandem Program

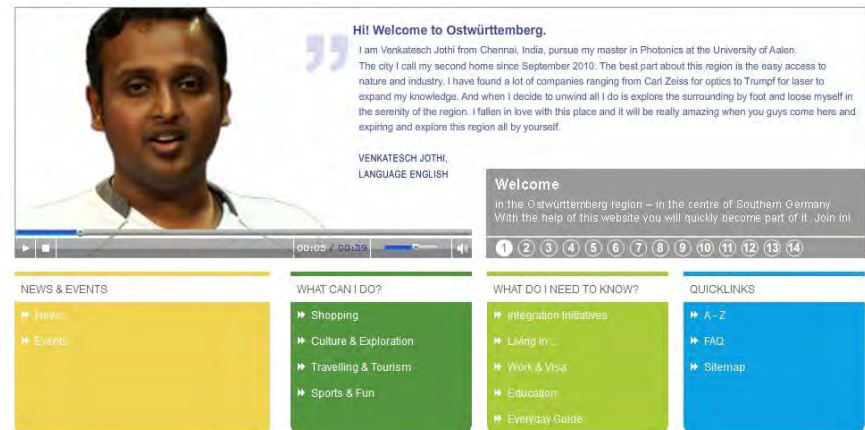


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MOST KIND – Mentoring OST-Württemberg - Kooperative Integration Nicht-Deutscher Studierender



Hi! Welcome to Ostwürttemberg.

I am Venkatesch Jothi from Chennai, India, pursue my master in Photonics at the University of Aalen. The city I call my second home since September 2010. The best part about this region is the easy access to nature and industry. I have found a lot of companies ranging from Carl Zeiss for optics to Trumpf for laser to expand my knowledge. And when I decide to unwind all I do is explore the surrounding by foot and loose myself in the serenity of the region. I fallen in love with this place and it will be really amazing when you guys come here and expiring and explore this region all by yourself.

VENKATESCH JOTHI,
LANGUAGE ENGLISH

Welcome
in the Ostwürttemberg region – in the centre of Southern Germany.
With the help of this website you will quickly become part of it. Join in!

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NEWS & EVENTS

- ▶ News
- ▶ Events

WHAT CAN I DO?

- ▶ Shopping
- ▶ Culture & Exploration
- ▶ Travelling & Tourism
- ▶ Sports & Fun

WHAT DO I NEED TO KNOW?

- ▶ Integration Initiatives
- ▶ Living In ...
- ▶ Work & Visa
- ▶ Education
- ▶ Everyday Guide

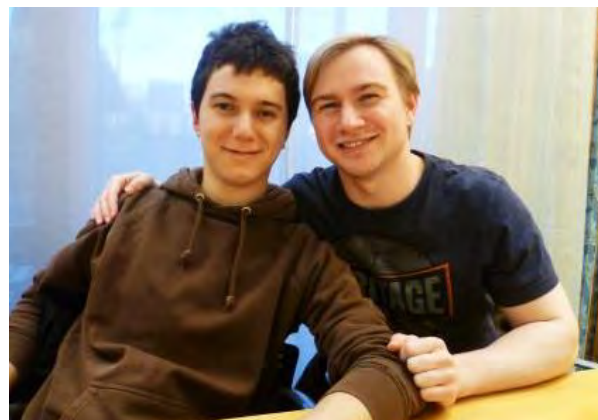
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- ▶ Sitemap

MOST KIND – Buddy-Tandem Program



- Purpose
- Pairings
- Group Meetings



(Fach-)Tutoren – (Academic) Tutors

- Academically talented students work as a subject academic tutor
- Responsibility:
 - Tutoring a class – support the students during the semester to prepare for the exam in the specific subject
- As a support for the international student with difficulties in a single subject, it is possible to hire an academic tutor to be their private tutor for the subject.

Thank you for your attention!

