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# A STUDENT'S GUIDE TO THE VIP GALAXY

VIRTUAL INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMME (VIP) OF  
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## 1. ABOUT THE VIP

At JLU, our foremost objective is to provide an outstanding virtual learning experience. As a VIP student, you'll not only benefit from exceptional online education but also:

- **Gain Insight into JLU and the German Education System from Anywhere:** Dive into the world of JLU and grasp the intricacies of the German education system, all from the comfort of your home.
- **Customize Your Learning Experience:** Enjoy the freedom to select courses that align with your personal interests from our diverse course catalogue, ensuring your academic journey is tailored to your goals.
- **Connect with German Students and Professors:** Forge valuable connections with both fellow German students and experienced professors, fostering cross-cultural dialogues and enriching your educational experience.
- **Online Support:** Access robust online support structures specifically designed to cater to the needs of international students at JLU, ensuring a smooth and successful educational journey.

At JLU we are committed to offering you an all-round virtual experience!



## 2. INSIGHTS AND ADVANTAGES

- VIP serves as the ultimate gateway to explore JLU's academic environment from the comfort of home
- Tailored online programme to cater to the unique requirements of international students
- Dynamic and flexible online curriculum, featuring:
  - Diverse Online Courses – covering a wide spectrum of subjects from all 11 faculties of JLU
  - Multilingual Options – courses available in English, German, Spanish and various other languages, catering to both undergraduate and graduate students
  - Online German Language Courses – for Beginners and Advanced Learners from A0 up to B2+ Level (German Language Courses can only be selected in combination with at least one subject course)
- International Collaborative Teaching: breaking barriers, elevating academic experiences
- Academic Recognition: VIP alumni receive a Transcript of Records, including Credit Points/ECTS
- VIP is completely free of charge for students from our partner universities



### 3. VIP COURSE PROGRAMME

VIP provides a varied catalogue featuring both traditional, ongoing courses and an innovative, semester-changing curriculum. Students and doctoral candidates can select up to five courses.

- **REGULAR COURSES** – Always on offer (ongoing): our regular courses are either available in the summer or winter semesters. High-quality teaching on fundamental topics.
- **COURSE CATALOGUE** – Current Topics & New Perspectives: we offer a semester-changing course programme to give our lecturers and students the opportunity to focus on current academic, political, and economic topics and trends.
- **INTERDISCIPLINARY SEMINARS** – Led by faculty members from diverse disciplines, fostering cultural and academic exchange. Through academic dialogue and interactive learning, students acquire intercultural and digital competencies, along with teamwork skills, enhancing their virtual study experience.









- **INTERNATIONAL VIRTUAL COLLABORATIVE TEACHING** – Seminars offered in collaboration with universities worldwide. Developed and co-taught by JLU lecturers and instructors from partner universities, these seminars see professors and lecturers aligning their research interests, pooling resources, and jointly designing the course curriculum.

## 4. COURSE CATALOGUE – Summer Semester 2025

Period	Study Cycle		Course Type	Lecturer	Interdisciplinary	Language of Instruction
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### Faculty of Law

Comparative European Constitutional Law		x	x	x	seminar	Dr. Magdalena Jaś-Nowopolska (JLU), Dr. Yuliya Matveyeva (NaUKMA)		English
Diplomacia Científica desde la perspectiva del sur global		x	x	x	seminar	Dr. Carlos Nupia, Prof. Dr. Stefan Peters	x	Spanish
Extractivismo en América Latina desde la Colonia hasta la actualidad: oportunidades y desafíos		x	x	x	seminar	Prof. Dr. Verena Dolle (JLU), Peralta González (Universidad del Rosario)	x	Spanish
Feminisms and Peacebuilding in the Global South		x	x	x	seminar	Juliana González Villamizar		English
Memorias en diálogo: museología crítica entre América Latina y Europa		x	x	x	seminar	Lorena Díez	x	Spanish
Metodologías críticas y decoloniales para la investigación social		x		x	seminar	Tatiana Quintero, Andrea Neira	x	Spanish
Migración, Desigualdades Sociales y Memoria		x	x	x	seminar	Dr. Laura Rivera Revelo	x	Spanish
Navigating Italian Private Law: A General Introduction		x	x	x	seminar	Alessandro Drigo		English
Peace and Conflict Studies		x	x	x	seminar	Prof. Dr. Stefan Peters		English
Prácticas musicales, conflictos y construcción de paz		x	x	x	seminar	Rafael Quishpe	x	Spanish




## 4.COURSE CATALOGUE – Summer Semester 2025

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<b>Faculty of Economics and Business Studies</b>								
Accounting		x	x		lecture/tutorial	Prof. Dr. Ewelt-Knauer, Prof. Dr. Arnt Wöhrmann		German
Competition Policy and Strategy		x	x		lecture/tutorial	Daniel Lüke		English
Economics of Innovation		x		x	lecture/ tutorial	Prof. Dr. Georg Götz		English
Economics of Regulation		x		x	lecture/ tutorial	Prof. Dr. Georg Götz		English
Rechnungslegung nach HGB		x	x		lecture/ tutorial	Prof. Dr. Corinna Ewelt-Knauer		German
Virtual Summer School in Economics		x		x	lecture/ block course	Prof. Filip Vesely (UWM), PD Dr. Martin Mandler (JLU)	x	German
<b>Faculty of Social Sciences and Cultural Studies</b>								
Dwelling: Financialization, Political Strategy, Camp		x		x	seminar	Prof. Dr. Regina Kreide		English
Environmental Justice		x		x	seminar/ block course	Dr. Sandra Schwindenhammer		English
Exploring Digital Pedagogy: Integrating Technology in Schools		x	x	x	seminar	Erum Afzal		English
Global Governance, Peace and the Crisis of Liberal World Order		x	x	x	lecture	Prof. Dr. Helmut Breitmeier		English
Multi-professional Collaboration and Digital Innovation		x	x	x	seminar	Erum Afzal		English

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<b>Faculty of Social Sciences and Cultural Studies</b>								
Open Data Fundamentals		x		x	seminar	Ievgen Bilyk		English
Selected Aspects of Inclusive Education in Primary Schools		x	x	x	seminar	Prof. Dr. Anja Seifert, Mareike Pfeiffer, Saskia Warburg, Dr. Thomas Bürger, Benedikt Basedow, Antje Danner, Dr. Ulrike Beate Müller		English
<b>Faculty of Language, Literature, Culture</b>								
Aktuelle Fragen der Forschung. Französisch, Spanisch und Komparatistik		x	x	x	seminar	Prof. Dr. Kirsten von Hagen		German, French
Arbeit am Wortschatz im DaZ-Unterricht		x	x	x	seminar	Dr. Lena Bien-Miller, Natalya Shapochka	x	German
Grammatik lernen und lehren in Deutsch als Fremd- und Zweitsprache		x	x	x	seminar	Prof. Dr. Tanja Fohr, Dr. Polina Yatsenko	x	German
History of English Language (Group A)		x	x	x	seminar	Dr. Barbara Ann Güldenring		English
Intercultural Communication in linguistic Interactions		x	x	x	seminar	Prof. Dr. Anna Ladilova (JLU), Prof. Dr. Ulrike Schröder (UFMG)	x	English, Portuguese, Spanish
Introduction to English Linguistics		x	x	x	seminar	Dr. Barbara Ann Güldenring		English
Kinder- und Jugendliteratur verstehen und vermitteln: Theorie trifft Praxis		x	x	x	seminar	Dr. Juliane Dube	x	German

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<b>Faculty of Language, Literature, Culture</b>										
Lebenskunst und kreatives Schreiben : Schreibatelier mit der Autorin Nirina Ralantaoritsimba		x		x		x	seminar	Prof. Dr. Kirsten von Hagen, Nirina Ralantaoritsimba		German, English
Lehr- und Lernkulturen – Beraten und Coachen als zentrale Kompetenzen von Lehrkräften		x					seminar	Prof. Dr. Helene Martinez		German
Romantik		x		x			block course	Dr. Oleksandra Nicolova, Dr. Kirsten Prinz	x	German
Syntax		x		x			seminar	Dr. Tobias Bernaisch		English
Text- und Medienlinguistik		x				x	seminar	Prof. Dr. Katrin Lehnen	x	German
The United States after the Elections: Historical Factors, Transnational Perspectives		x		x		x	seminar	Prof. Dr. Greta Olson		English
Wortschatz lernen und lehren im Deutschen als Fremdsprache		x		x		x	block course	Prof. Dr. Karin Madlener-Charpentier, Dr. Anna Bratytsya	x	German
<b>Faculty of Psychology and Sports Science</b>										
Work and Organizational Psychology		x		x			lecture	Prof. Ute-Christine Klehe		English
<b>Faculty of Mathematics and Computer Science, Physics, Geography</b>										
Climate modelling: Energy Balance Models		x		x		x	seminar	Dr. Elena Xoplaki		English




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### Faculty of Biology and Chemistry

General Chemistry		x	x		lecture	Prof. Dr. Richard Göttlich, Prof. Dr. Siegfried Schindler		English
Introduction to Sustainability		x	x	x	lecture	Lecturers from Ljubljana, Padua, Zagreb and Giessen	x	English
Organic Materials		x	x	x	lecture	Prof. Dr. Bernd Smarsly, Prof. Dr. Arthur Mardyukov		English
Scientific Writing and Data Dissemination		x	x	x	seminar	Prof. Dr. Peter R. Schreiner		English
Sustainable Organic Chemistry		x	x	x	lecture	Lecturers from Ljubljana, Padua, Zagreb and Giessen	x	English
Sustainable Materials Chemistry: Energy Materials		x	x	x	lecture	Lecturers from Ljubljana, Padua, Zagreb and Giessen	x	English
Sustainable Water Treatment		x	x	x	lecture	Lecturers from Ljubljana, Padua, Zagreb and Giessen	x	English

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<b>Faculty of Faculty of Agricultural Sciences, Nutritional Sciences and Environmental Management</b>							
Resource Economics and Sustainable Management	x		x	seminar	Prof. Dr. Michael Hübler		English
<b>Faculty of Veterinary Medicine</b>							
One Health in Infection Biology	x	x	x	block course	Prof. Dr. Sascha Knauf		English
Tropical Veterinary Medicine: From EcoHealth to One Health	x		x	block course	Prof. Dr. Sascha Knauf		English
<b>Faculty of Medicine</b>							
Basic Books - Global Health	x	x	x	seminar	Dr. Sascha Krannich		English
Migration and Health in the European Union and Turkey	 x	x	x	seminar	Dr. Sascha Krannich	x	English

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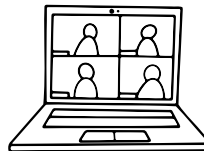
### Language Courses

German Language Course: Schnupperkurs A0 - Taster course A0	x	x	x	language course			German
German Language Course: Vertiefungskurs A1.1+	x	x	x	language course			German
German Language Course: Vertiefungskurs A1.2+	x	x	x	language course			German
German Language Course: Vertiefungskurs B1+	x	x	x	language course			German
German Language Course: Vertiefungskurs B2+	x	x	x	language course			German
Pomeriggio italiano: conversazione ai livelli B1/B2	x	x	x	language course	Grazia Caiati		Italian
Italiano B2.1	x	x	x	language course	Grazia Caiati		Italian
Language learning in (online) tandem	x	x	x	language course	Dr. Johanna Lea Korell		German, English



## 5. APPLICATION PROCESS AND DEADLINES

The application process is conducted online, and the application form is accessible from now until 28th of February, 2025. Detailed course descriptions, along with additional information regarding the application process and requirements, can be found on the [Digital Campus](#).



Question Time for VIP Applicants

Thursday 6th February 2025 at 9 – 10:30 am (CEST)


<https://uni-giessen.zoom-x.de/j/66349198935>



## 6. ONLINE ORIENTATION WEEK FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS (OWIS)

The online OWIS occurs every semester in the week prior to the start of lectures and provides various sessions to assist in preparing for the semester. These include an introduction to the electronic system landscape at JLU, tips on how to use it, access to the library system as well as interactive Question & Answer sessions.

Additionally, the OWIS is an excellent opportunity to socialize. For instance, attending the online Welcome Session at the beginning of the week allows you to meet the VIP team at JLU, and the Ultimate Get-together provides a chance to network with your peers. Be sure to mark your calendar for OWIS!



summer semester: 14 to 17 April 2025  
winter semester: 13 to 17 October 2025



## 7. ACCOMPANYING PROGRAMME

- The International Office organises the Ultimate Get-together, weekly student-to-student online meetings, and a twice-monthly Question Monday. The programme is published monthly and invites you to get to know each other and network. You'll have the opportunity to meet JLU students and other international students in an informal setting at the Online Language Café or at the Quiz Night. Our Student Assistants are always keen to hear from enthusiastic students, so you are very welcome to contribute your own ideas to the programme planning during the semester!



- Throughout the application process and the semester, we provide online consultations. In Stud.IP (Teaching and Learning Platform), we establish a VIP Group that provides the option to chat using Blubber, enabling VIP students to connect with each other regardless of their chosen courses.



- Weekly Newsletter featuring information about studying at JLU, important online events and quirky anecdotes about cultural peculiarities of Hessians and Germans.

So gear up, future VIPs! Let's shoot for the stars, break through boundaries, and make history together. 🚀🌟 See you in the VIP galaxy!

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