

## Welcome to the Department of Law at the Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität Bonn!

What do you need to know about your Erasmus studies at the University of Bonn's Department of Law? You can find all important information about your stay abroad here.

### Application

- Please be aware that almost all the lectures and courses at the Law Department are only taught in German. Good **German knowledge** is required to attend our program and especially, the examinations. We recommend you to have at least B1 German language skills (or better B2) that should be improved during your stay in Bonn.
- Before your stay in Bonn the „Online Linguistic Support System (OLS)“ in the Erasmus program offers an opportunity to learn German and enhance your language skills. The coordinator at your home university will help you with more information about the system.
- Only within the scope of the specialization of the law studies some courses are offered in English. For more information please refer to [Basis](#) → Course Overview → Course Catalog → Rechtswissenschaft and in our course description.
- **Application Deadlines:**
  - **1st of May** for the winter semester and the entire academic year, at the **1st of November** for the summer semester.
  - To nominate and apply, fill out the [online form](#), you can find an instruction [here](#).
- Please note that the semester schedule at the University of Bonn may differ from those at your home university. You can find the current academic calendar [here](#).
- Details on the application procedure can be found [here](#).

### Before your arrival

- You will choose your courses in the form of the Erasmus **Learning Agreement** with your Erasmus coordinator/professor at your home university and with your Erasmus coordinator in Bonn. Once your home university has nominated you as an Erasmus student, we will send you further information.
  - The Law Department will not interfere with your choice of courses. Our course description can assist you with choosing your courses. Probably you have to meet certain requirements from your home university (e.g. a minimum number of ECTS credits). Please discuss this with the Erasmus coordinator at your home university.
  - In [Basis](#) you find all the degree programs offered at the University of Bonn with all the courses offered in a specific semester. If the course list for the coming semester is not published yet, please refer to the course list of the corresponding semester of the last academic year. As the course lists vary in the different academic years, you may need to change your list of chosen courses in the beginning of your stay in Bonn.
  - Please find the list explaining the number **ECTS credits** you will earn for a course in the document [here](#).
- Information on the **cost of living** in Bonn can be found [here](#).
  - Please note that you have to pay a social contribution of approx. 323.96 EUR to enroll at the University of Bonn.
- You also need a [health insurance](#) to be able to study in Germany.
- **Students from the EU** or from countries belonging to the European Economic Area (Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway) do not require a visa to enter or commence studies in Germany due to the freedom of movement.

- A **valid travel document** such as a passport is required.
- If you are coming to Bonn from a **non-EU country** to study, you will need an **electronic residence permit** for stays of three months or more. This does not apply if your visa covers the entire duration of your stay.
  - You can find detailed information about registering with the authority of foreigners [here](#).

### Searching for accommodation

- It is generally possible to apply for a place in a [student hall of residence](#).
  - You should note that these are always allocated very early on, so it makes sense to apply early.
- Apartment advertisements can also be found on the Internet.
  - For example under <https://www.wg-gesucht.de/>, <https://www.immobilienscout24.de>
- The International Office lists further helpful contact points and providers on its website "[Living in Bonn](#)".

### After your arrival

- The **certificate of arrival** has to be sent to your home university after your arrival in Bonn. Please send the form by e-mail to [erasmus@jura.uni-bonn.de](mailto:erasmus@jura.uni-bonn.de). We will sign it and send the scan back to you.
- If you are staying in Bonn for longer than three months, you must **register at the City of Bonn** as soon as you move into your (student residence) room.
  - You can find more detailed information on how to register [here](#) under „Legal Formalities“.
- You may need a **German bank account** to transfer the monthly rent. It is recommended that you open an account as soon as you arrive in Bonn. You will also receive support with all these formalities from the International Office as part of the Welcome Days.
- Further information can be found on the [website of the "Fachstudienberatung Jura"](#).

### Introductory events and further offers

- With the [Welcome Days](#) at the beginning of the semester, the University of Bonn would like to welcome all new international students and doctoral candidates to Bonn and support them in starting their studies. Please also note the information events before your arrival, which will inform you about the current entry requirements for your stay in Bonn.
- As part of the introductory events, the Erasmus coordinator will organize a highly recommended **virtual welcome event** for you at the faculty. There you will receive all the important information about your studies at the Department of Law. You will receive the invitation by e-mail before the start of the lecture period.
- General **Study Buddy Program** of the university: [here](#)
- In addition, the foreign affairs office has set up a **subject-specific "Study Buddy Program"**. You will be assigned a Bonn law student who will support you with questions about studying and life in Bonn in general. In addition, "Study Buddy Evenings" are held approximately twice a semester for all Erasmus students and their buddies. We will inform you about the program in advance by e-mail.
- [Further offers for international students](#)

## Choice of courses

- You can find the electronic course catalog [here](#).
- Please also refer to our course description when making your choice.
- **Timetable:** You coordinate your courses in the form of the Erasmus Learning Agreement with your Erasmus coordinator/professor at your home university and with your Erasmus coordinator of your department in Bonn.
  - It is still possible to **change your Learning Agreement** up to four weeks after the start of lectures. You are therefore welcome to try out different courses. It is important that you enter any changes either on the Learning Agreement on the page for changes or on a new Learning Agreement and let the changes sign by your Erasmus coordinators at both universities.
  - If you are certain about your choice of courses, please come with your filled in learning agreement to the foreign affairs office during our contact hours to have your learning agreement signed by the Erasmus coordinator. We recommend that you already have the learning agreement signed by the Erasmus coordinator of your home university.
  - After having it signed you can send it back to your home university.
- Information on the **tutorials** (Arbeitsgemeinschaften) can be found [here](#).
  - If you have any questions, you can get personal support from [Tutorial-Support](#) (AG-Support)
- **German Language:** Please be aware that almost all the lectures and courses at the Law Department are only taught in German. You can also choose the English taught course (with the exception of the FFA-program), if the capacity of these courses allows this, but there are not enough English taught courses to reach 30 ECTS credits. A learning agreement only containing English courses cannot be signed, because we cannot be sure which English taught courses will be offered in that semester and cannot guarantee a sufficient number of courses.

## ECTS-Point System for Incomings

- SWS = Semesterwochenstunden (weekly hours per semester)
- Further information can be found [here](#).

## Lectures in Intermediate Studies

- 27 ECTS and 6 SWS: BGB AT (Civil Law – General Provisions), Staatsrecht I (Constitutional Law)
- 18 ECTS and 6 SWS: Allgemeines Verwaltungsrecht mit Verwaltungsprozessrecht (Administrative Law with Administrative Procedure)
- 18 ECTS and 4 SWS: Schuldrecht AT (Law of Obligations – General Provisions), Staatsrecht II (Constitutional Rights)
- 13,5 ECTS and 3 SWS: Schuldrecht BT I (Law of Obligations I)
- 12 ECTS and 4 SWS: Strafrecht I (Criminal Law – General Provisions), Strafrecht II (Criminal Law – Offences), Sachenrecht (Property Law)
- 9 ECTS and 3 SWS: Schuldrecht BT II (Law of Obligations II)
- 9 ECTS and 2 SWS: 1. Grundlagenveranstaltung (Basics Course)
- 6 ECTS and 2 SWS: Grundzüge des Europarechts (european law), Strafrecht III (Criminal Law – Offences 2)
- 1,5 ECTS and 1 SWS: Ringvorlesung Grundlagen (Ringlectures Basics)

## Lectures in Advanced Studies:

- 15 ECTS and 2 SWS: Fremdsprachige Lehrveranstaltung (Foreign-language Course)
- 12 ECTS and 4 SWS: Zivilprozessrecht mit Grundzügen des Zwangsvollstreckungsrecht (Civil

#### Procedure with Basic Features of Enforcement Law)

- 12 ECTS and 2 SWS: Große Übungen (Advanced Exercises)
- 9 ECTS and 3 SWS: Recht der Arbeitsverhältnisse (Employment and Labor Law)
- 9 ECTS and 2 SWS: 2. Grundlagenveranstaltung (2. Basic Course), Proseminar, Schlüsselqualifikation (Key Qualifications)
- 6 ECTS and 2 SWS: Alle Übrigen Veranstaltungen des Hauptstudiums (Any other course in the advanced studies, view detailed overview)
- 3 ECTS and 1 SWS: Staatshaftungsrecht (State Liability Law)

#### Lectures in the Specialization of Law

- 9 ECTS and 2 SWS: For any course in the Specialization of Law

#### Tutorials

- 3 ECTS and 2 SWS: For any Tutorial

#### Special Courses for Incoming Students:

- 4 ECTS and 2 SWS: Erasmus Tutorium (Erasmus Tutorial), Rechtsvergleichende Einführung in das Deutsche Rechtssystem (Law Comparing Introduction to the German Legal System for International Students)

#### Your personal Uni-ID

- You will need this for all central information and communication services at the University of Bonn. It is important for many registrations (online portals BASIS and eCampus) during your studies abroad.
- You will receive it in a letter from the Student Secretariat (top left in the white box).
- To use your Uni-ID, you must activate it via the University Computer Center (Hochschulrechenzentrum) using the following link: [Uni-ID activation](#).
- You will also receive an e-mail address [Uni-Id@uni-bonn.de](mailto:Uni-Id@uni-bonn.de). Please note that official offices of the University of Bonn will only use this e-mail address to communicate with you and that you should check your mailbox regularly. You can find it [here](#).

#### Improve your German language skills

- The supporting language offer at the University of Bonn is limited in terms of capacity. Registration for the various courses is mandatory. Improving your language skills can make studying in Bonn much easier.
- Offers of the University of Bonn can be found [here](#).
- Offers of the Bonn Language Learning Center (Sprachlernzentrum) can be found [here](#).

#### Contact und Support

- To register for the tutorials, please send an e-mail to [aganmeldung@jura.uni-bonn.de](mailto:aganmeldung@jura.uni-bonn.de) and state your name, matriculation number, subject and the head of the tutorial.
- The [International Coordination Team](#) will be happy to help you with any questions or problems.
- If you have any questions, please write to us at [erasmus@jura.uni-bonn.de](mailto:erasmus@jura.uni-bonn.de) or call us during our [office hours](#) on +49 228 73 60180.

- If you have any further questions about studying in Bonn (especially of an informal nature), please feel free to contact the law student council (Fachschaft Jura).
  - E-Mail: [info@fsjurabonn.de](mailto:info@fsjurabonn.de)
  - Instagram: [@fsjurabonn](https://www.instagram.com/fsjurabonn)

### Examination Phase

- You must **register** for the final examinations by the deadline. Please check the respective deadlines. You have to register for an examination at the lecturer's office or directly with the lecturer, when you have decided to take an examination. The lecturers decide whether the examination will be oral or written, but you should also have in mind meeting the requirements for examinations from your home university. It is not possible for you to register via Basis.
- Your lecturer will attest your performance on a special performance record for Erasmus-Students. In the case of written examinations it is recommended to apply for "**Pre-Correction**" by the respective lecturer in order to be able to receive a performance record and thus a transcript of records as soon as possible at the end of the semester.
- If you do not pass a written examination, it is possible to take an oral examination. This has to be coordinated with your examiner.
- The department's International Coordination Office offers a separate information event for the examination phase. We will inform you of the venue and time of the event in time.

### End of your stay

- If your home university requires a **Confirmation of Stay**, have this issued by the university in the last week before the end of your study abroad period with exact dates.
- At the end of the lecture period you will get a written performance record for every passed written or oral exam handed out by the professor. To create your **Transcript of Records**, please complete the tables in the [overview of your examinations](#) and send the form together with scans of the transcripts of records you already have to [erasmus@jura.uni-bonn.de](mailto:erasmus@jura.uni-bonn.de). The Transcript of Records will be issued to you once you have received all your transcripts.
- Before you leave Bonn, it is important that you **deregister with the City of Bonn**. You can do this from one week before you move out.
  - You can find more detailed information on deregistration [here](#).

### Further Information

- [Studying at the Department of Law at the University of Bonn for Erasmus students](#)
- [Study at the University of Bonn with the Erasmus+ program](#)

**We look forward to welcoming you in our city and hope you have a great time with us!**