

Welcome to Tübingen



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Words of Welcome by the Lord Mayor

Dear newcomers to Tübingen,

I am pleased that you now live in Tübingen and I welcome you to our town in my capacity as Lord Mayor.

Tübingen has become home to many people with an immigration background and sees itself as a cosmopolitan town. People from more than 140 countries live and work here. This diversity greatly enriches our urban community and we see that as a great opportunity.

A peaceful co-existence is only possible if we all respect each other, treat each other with tolerance and find solutions jointly. That is why many committed Tübingen inhabitants support a successful dialogue between cultures. Intercultural exchange is promoted not only by numerous international clubs and social organisations but also by the town council. The objective of this joint contribution is to ensure that all inhabitants, regardless of origin, feel good in our town.

The aim of our welcome brochure is to make the start of your new life in Tübingen easier for you so that you will quickly know your way around and soon feel at home. We have compiled for you important information on language courses, health, authorities, clubs and much more and hope that you find it useful.

Yours,



Boris Palmer
Lord Mayor



Words of Welcome by Integration Commissioner Luzia Köberlein

Dear newcomers to Tübingen,

I sincerely welcome you to Tübingen! Our town looks forward to seeing you.

An access to offers and services by all inhabitants and participation by all inhabitants – regardless of whether they have already been here for a long time or newly arrived - in the social and community life in our town are very important to us.

With this brochure, we want to give you some addresses, information and tips to make your arrival and settlement in our town easier.

The brochure informs you about regulations and procedures concerning residence, employment and insurance cover. It gives addresses of administration offices, language course providers, services and facilities that can give you advice and assistance if you have questions concerning residence, accommodation, employment, education, apprenticeship, child care, health, etc. and thus make your start in Tübingen easier. Tübingen also has much to offer in terms of sport activities, culture, leisure time and meeting places. Numerous clubs and initiatives make a major contribution to a lively and diverse co-existence and are an important element of our culture of welcome in Tübingen. You will also find many contact addresses for that in this brochure.


The Integration Council that is composed of well-informed inhabitants with an immigration background experience and members of the Municipal Council give advice to the Town Council and the Municipal Council on integration-relevant topics. Both the Integration Council and the Administrative Department of Equality and Integration are committed to equal participation opportunities for people with and without an immigration background.

You can obtain this brochure in the German, English, Arabic, Russian or Spanish language at one of the Citizens' Advice Bureaus (Bürgerbüro) (see pages 6 and 7) of the Town Council.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Administrative Department of Equality and Integration:

Universitätsstadt Tübingen
Gleichstellung und Integration
Münzgasse 20, 72070 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 204-1470
E-mail: vielfalt@tuebingen.de

I wish you a good start in Tübingen!



Luzia Köberlein
Head of the Administrative Department of Equality and Integration



New in Tübingen

Tübingen and Its Quarters

The university town of Tübingen with its historic old town centre, castle and many medieval buildings boasts a history of almost a thousand years. With its approx. 85,000 inhabitants and almost 29,000 students, Tübingen is a young, cosmopolitan town, characterised by cultural diversity. Besides its inner city, Tübingen has the following quarters: Bebenhausen, Bühl, Hagelloch, Hirschau, Kilchberg, Pfrondorf, Unterjesingen and Weilheim.

If you have just moved to Tübingen, please register with the responsible Citizens' Advice Bureau (Bürgerbüro) or administration office (Verwaltungsstelle).

The contact details of the Citizens' Advice Bureaus (Bürgerbüros) or Administration Offices (Verwaltungsstellen) of the University Town of Tübingen are as follows:

Universitätsstadt Tübingen

Bürgerbüro Stadtmitte

(Town Centre)

Schmiedtorstraße 4, 72070 Tübingen

Telephone 07071 204-2020 | Fax 07071 204-2222 | E-mail buergerdienste@tuebingen.de

Opening times

Mon., Wed., Fri. 7:30 to 13:00 | Tue., Thu. 7:30 to 18:00

Telephone consultation hours

Mon. to Thu. 8:00 to 16:00 | Fri. 8:00 to 13:00

Universitätsstadt Tübingen

Bürgerbüro Lustnau

Steige 14, 72074 Tübingen

Telephone 07071 84669 | Fax 07071 980754 | E-mail rathaus-lustnau@tuebingen.de

Opening times

Mon., Thu. and Fri. 8:00 to 11:30 | Tue. 8:00 to 13:00 and 14:00 to 18:00 |

Wed. 8:00 to 11:30 and 14:00 to 16:00

Universitätsstadt Tübingen

Bürgerbüro Derendingen

Sieben-Höfe-Straße 11, 72072 Tübingen

Telephone 07071 204-1308 | Fax 07071 204-1208 | E-mail rathaus-derendingen@tuebingen.de

Opening times

Mon. 8:00 to 13:00 and 14:00 to 17:00 | Tue. to Fri. 8:00 to 11:30

Universitätsstadt Tübingen

Verwaltungsstelle Bebenhausen

Schönbuchstraße 2, 72074 Tübingen

Telephone 07071 62434 | Fax 07071 610360 | E-mail rathaus-bebenhausen@tuebingen.de

Opening times

Tue. 9:00 to 12:00 | Thu. 14:00 to 17:00

Universitätsstadt Tübingen

Verwaltungsstelle Bühl

Bühler Rathausplatz 1, 72072 Tübingen

Telephone 07472 6281 | Fax 07472 6557 | E-mail rathaus-buehl@tuebingen.de

Opening times

Mon. to Fri. 8:00 to 12:00 | Wed. 14:00 to 18:00

Universitätsstadt Tübingen**Verwaltungsstelle Hagelloch**

Hagenloher Straße 1, 72070 Tübingen

Telephone 07071 66688 | Fax 07071 650484 | E-mail rathaus-hagelloch@tuebingen.de**Opening times**

Mon. to Fri. 8:00 to 11:30 | Tue. 16:00 to 17:30 | Thu. 16:00 to 17:00

Universitätsstadt Tübingen**Verwaltungsstelle Hirschau**

Kingersheimer Straße 57, 72070 Tübingen

Telephone 07071 791357 | Fax 07071 760938 | E-mail rathaus-hirschau@tuebingen.de**Opening times**

Mon. to Fri. 8:00 to 12:00 | Wed. 14:00 to 18:00 | or by appointment

Universitätsstadt Tübingen**Verwaltungsstelle Kilchberg**

Tessinstraße 7, 72072 Tübingen

Telephone 07071 72310 | Fax 07071 792260 | E-mail rathaus-kilchberg@tuebingen.de**Opening times**

Mon. to Thu. 8:30 to 11:30 | Tue. 15:00 to 18:00 | or by telephone appointment

Universitätsstadt Tübingen**Verwaltungsstelle Pfrondorf**

Lustnauer Straße 1, 72074 Tübingen

Telephone 07071 81910 | Fax 07071 81102 | E-mail rathaus-pfrondorf@tuebingen.de**Opening times**

Mon., Thu. 8:00 to 12:00 and 14:00 to 16:00 | Tue. 8:00 to 12:00 and 16:00 to 18:00 | Fri. 8:00 to 12:00

Universitätsstadt Tübingen**Verwaltungsstelle Unterjesingen**

Jesinger Hauptstraße 56, 72070 Tübingen

Telephone 07073 6284 | Fax 07073 5296 | E-mail rathaus-unterjesingen@tuebingen.de**Opening times**

Mon. to Fri. 8:00 to 12:00 | Tue. 14:00 to 18:00 | and by appointment

Universitätsstadt Tübingen**Verwaltungsstelle Weilheim**

Wilsonstraße 43, 72072 Tübingen

Telephone 07071 73146 | Fax 07071 792004 | E-mail rathaus-weilheim@tuebingen.de**Opening times**

Mon. to Fri. 8:00 to 12:00 | Tue. 14:00 to 18:30 | Thu. 14:00 to 16:30

If you are a new Tübingen citizen, you will be given the gift token booklet titled "Tübingen geschenkt" (Tübingen for free) when you register your place of residence. Use it to get to know Tübingen. You can also get more information on Tübingen at the following Tourist Information Centre:

Verkehrsverein Tübingen

An der Neckarbrücke 1, 72072 Tübingen

Opening times

Mon. to Fri. 9:00 to 19:00 | Sat. 10:00 to 16:00 | Sun. and on public holidays from May to September 11:00 to 16:00

You can also find further information at www.tuebingen.de

Living in Germany

Your legal residence in Germany depends on whether you are a citizen of the European Union (EU), the European Economic Area (EEA) or Switzerland or whether you immigrate to Germany from a third country (outside the EU) or as an ethnic German repatriate.

Freedom of movement for EU citizens and their family members

EU citizens may enter Germany and live here if they:

- work or are looking for work in Germany
- have adequate funding and health insurance.

Family members from non-EU countries who join EU citizens may also live here. You need a residence card (German: Aufenthaltskarte) for that purpose.

Residence permit (Residence title)

The residence permit (German: Aufenthaltserlaubnis) allows you to live for a specific reason in Germany for a limited period of time. The residence permit is issued to persons who

- want to study or undergo vocational training in Germany or
- want to work in Germany or
- are entitled to stay in Germany under international law or for humanitarian or political reasons or
- come to Germany for family reasons or
- are foreigners and former German nationals who want to return to Germany or
- hold a permanent residence permit in another EU Member State

Settlement permit

The settlement permit (German: Niederlassungserlaubnis) is a permanent and unrestricted residence permit for non-EU citizens. The following criteria must be fulfilled to obtain such:

- A prior residence permit for 5 years
- Financially self-sufficient
- Proof of having paid into the German pension fund for at least 60 months
- No criminal record
- Work permit
- Permit for self-employment
- A good command of the German language
- General knowledge of Germany
- Registered place of residence

The local Immigration Office (Ausländeramt) will advise you about which residence title is applicable for you:

Universitätsstadt Tübingen

Ausländeramt

Schmiedtorstraße 4, 72070 Tübingen

Telephone 07071 204-2020 | Fax 07071 204-2223 | E-mail buergerdienst@tuebingen.de

Opening times

Mon. to Fri. 7:30 to 13:00 | Tue. 7:30 to 18:00

Telephone consultation times

Mon. to Thu. 8:00 to 16:00 | Fri. 8:00 to 13:00

Language and Integration Courses

Language Courses for Adults

A good command of the German language is of paramount importance for starting a new life in Germany, for employment and for coping with day-to-day life. This chapter gives you advice about where you can learn German as quickly as possible.

Entitlement to a language course

Depending on your residence status, you may be entitled, or even required by law, to attend a so-called integration course (German language course). The Immigration Office (German: Ausländeramt, see page 8) or the Migration Advice Offices (German: Migrationsberatungsstellen, see page 26) can inform you about whether or not a course is mandatory for you and, if so, which course you are obliged to attend.

Language courses for immigrants with residence permit

You can attend the mandatory courses only at certain institutions. The following institutions offer a certified German language course:

vhs Tübingen Katharinenstraße 18, 72072 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 560329

InFö e.V. Mauerstraße 2, 72070 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 33005

Subsidised offers

You can learn the German language or improve your knowledge of the German language free of charge at:

Adolf-Schlatter-Haus Österbergstraße 2, 72074 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 23097

Deutsch Lernen durch Lesen (DLDL) / Learning German by reading
Stadtteiltreff WHO e.V. Berliner Ring 20, 72076 Tübingen
E-mail deutsch.lesen@stadtteiltreff-who.de

Further offers

If you do not get a mandatory or subsidised German language course, you can take a course at any time if you pay for it. You can attend such a course at the above-mentioned or below-mentioned institutions:

Internationaler Bund e.V. Tübingen SIT
Eugenstraße 71, 72072 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 935416

Vivat Lingua! Friedrichstraße 18, 72072 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 8884540

German Language Acquisition for Children and Adolescents

Learning German at pre-school age

Children are already assisted in learning German at the kindergarten. Further information can be obtained from:

Universitätsstadt Tübingen

Fachdienst Migration

(Migration Department)

Telephone 07071 204-1291

Learning German at school

The easiest way for your children to learn German is to be together with German children. There are schools with special classes in which your children can learn German. These classes are called international preparatory classes (German: internationale Vorbereitungsklassen).

Multilingual/bilingual schools

Some schools in Tübingen offer multilingual classes.

The multilingual brochure "Schulen in Tübingen – Wege, Chancen, Perspektiven" (Schools in Tübingen – Educational Paths, Opportunities and Prospects) at https://www.tuebingen.de/Dateien/schulen_in_tuebingen_2014.pdf will inform you which schools have international or bilingual classes.

Mother tongue classes

Perhaps you want your children to learn both German and the language of your home country. You will find much information on that in the brochure titled "Mehrsprachig aufwachsen – Ein Gewinn für Bildung" (Growing up multilingual – An educational benefit) published by the university town of Tübingen. This brochure can be found at: http://www.tuebingen.de/Dateien/mehrsprachig_aufwachsen_2012.pdf.

Intercultural Assistance

Intercultural assistance by the Caritas charity

The intercultural assistants will go with you to authorities, doctors and the like and provide assistance in your mother tongue:

Caritas-Zentrum Tübingen

Albrechtstraße 4, 72072 Tübingen

Telephone 07071 7962-33 | E-mail ivde@caritas-schwarzwald-gaeu.de

Living in Tübingen

Finding a Flat

There are many ways to find a new flat. You can read the local daily paper (in Tübingen: Schwäbisches Tagblatt), the free-of-charge weekly paper or the property to let classifieds on the web or take the initiative and place your own ad that you are looking for a flat. You must register the new address at the responsible Citizens' Advice Bureau (Bürgerbüro) situated at the new place of residence after each move (see pages 6 and 7 for Tübingen). Further information can be found at www.tuebingen.de/wohnen.

Many people in Tübingen do flatsharing or housesharing (German: Wohngemeinschaften, often abbreviated to WGs). It means that several persons share a flat. You can, for example, find a room in a flatshare at: www.wg-gesucht.de

Rent and Lease

The rent is usually divided into two parts in Germany. The base rent or so-called cold rent (Kaltmiete) is just the rent for the flat without water, heating, rubbish disposal or any other service charges. The so-called warm rent (Warmmiete) includes all the costs to be paid for the flat (base rent plus service charges excluding electricity). That is the amount that must be paid to the landlord or landlady each month.

Electricity costs are not included in the so-called warm rent. A separate contract must be concluded directly with the electricity provider, for example the 'Tübinger Stadtwerke' utility company (www.swtue.de). They will also give you tips on how you can reduce your service charges.

You will also receive an annual final account each year. The service charges will include lump sums for water and heating. If your consumption is higher or lower than expected, you will have to pay the outstanding amount or get a refund of overpayments transferred to your bank account as the case may be.

The lease sets forth the charges, and the tenants' and landlord's / landlady's rights and obligations. The duration of the lease is also specified in the lease.

The majority of leases require a deposit. The deposit is a payment that you pay to the landlady or landlord when you move into the new flat. The deposit serves as security to cover any shortfalls in payment or damage to the flat. The deposit will be paid back to you when you move out of the flat.

Financial Aid for Tenants

Subsidised housing eligibility certificate and housing allowance

Subsidised housing (German: Sozialwohnungen) with a lower rent level is available to people with a low income. You need a subsidised housing eligibility certificate (German: Wohnberechtigungsschein – WBS) for such accommodation. Another option to get financial support for rent is the so-called housing allowance (German: Wohngeld). You can apply for the subsidised housing eligibility certificate and the housing allowance at:

Universitätsstadt Tübingen

Soziale Leistungen
(Welfare Benefits)

Bei der Fruchtschranne 5, 72070 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 204-1850

Many tenants are members of associations that help them when problems arise with leases, the landlady or landlord or when other questions crop up. You can get advice from such association against a fee if you have any general or legal questions:

Deutscher Mieterbund

Reutlingen-Tübingen e.V.

Katharinenstraße 18, 72072 Tübingen

Telephone 07121 44611 | E-mail info@mieterbund-rt-tue.de

Further Residential Rules

Rest periods

It is expected that everyone complies with the mandatory rest periods for a peaceful co-existence in their neighbourhood. That means that noise may not be made at certain times, i.e. no loud music or use of loud appliances like vacuum cleaners or lawn mowers or similar.

The following rest periods usually apply:

At night: 22:00 to 6:00 | Sat.: 13:00 to 15:00 | Sun.: all day

Snow clearing and gritting

Your lease might include provisions that you (and possibly other tenants in the house) are responsible for clearing snow and ice from the driveway and the pavement in front of the house during winter.

House-sweeping duty

Some houses have rules that the hallway and the staircase have to be cleaned at regular intervals. The tenants take turns doing that. A small sign labelled 'Kehrwoche' is usually put on the door of the flat that is responsible for cleaning shared areas during that specific week.

Pets¹

Your lease or your landlady / landlord will inform you if pets are allowed in your flat.

Rubbish

In Germany, rubbish is sorted and disposed of in different ways. Each flat or the entire house has different, coloured rubbish bins for such disposal. Tübingen has the following rubbish bins:

The green rubbish bin / organic waste

Food leftovers, fruits, vegetables, coffee filter paper cones and similar items go into this bin.

The yellow bag

All plastic waste such as packaging, yoghurt pots, etc. go into the yellow bag.

¹ Dogs must be registered in Germany. They also need certain inoculations. Further information can be obtained from the responsible Citizens' Advice Bureau (Bürgerbüro), see pages 6 and 7.

The blue rubbish bin / waste paper

Newspapers, cardboard and other paper go into this bin. Alternatively, waste paper is collected by Tübingen clubs and associations. Waste paper piles can be placed on the pavement on special days for such collection.

Glass

Bottles and jars are collected in waste glass containers that are installed at various places.

The black rubbish bin / other waste

Any other waste that does not fall into the above categories goes into the black bin.

Special waste / hazardous substances

Hazardous waste includes household chemicals and other toxic and dangerous substances and items, such as batteries, disinfectants, low-energy light bulbs, aerosol containers with contents, etc. Such waste can be handed in at one of the hazardous waste collection points in Tübingen. Used batteries can also be returned to the shops where they were purchased.

All bins are emptied and the yellow bags are collected on a regular basis. They must be placed on the pavement for that. Please make sure that the bin is positioned on the pavement with the handle facing the road. When you register your place of residence in Tübingen, you will be given a rubbish collection calendar that lists the collection days. You are also provided with yellow bags for plastic waste at the Citizens' Advice Bureau (Bürgerbüro) upon request. You are advised to check which bins are placed on the pavement in the neighbourhood.

Further information on waste disposal and the locations of the waste glass containers and the hazardous waste collection points can be found at www.abfall-kreis-tuebingen.de

If no bin is available when you move in or if you encounter problems with the waste collection or related matters, please contact the Tübingen District Council:

Landratsamt Tübingen Wilhelm-Keil-Straße 50, 72072 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 207-1302 | E-mail AWB@kreis-tuebingen.de

Bulky waste

Besides the usual waste, bulky waste is collected on specific dates or upon request. Waste that does not fit into standard bins can then be disposed of. That includes, for example, old furniture or non-working electrical appliances / equipment. Such rubbish is placed on the pavement in the evening before the collection date. Further information and the dates applicable for your place of residence are included in the waste calendar that you will usually receive by post. The waste calendar can also be found at: www.abfall-kreis-tuebingen.de.

Alternative Use

Many items (for example, furniture and old clothes) that are thrown away can still be used by other people. You can often find someone, who can still put such items to good use, on Internet barter/swapping sites or donation sites. You can hand in or buy used goods at second-hand shops or the 'Retour' second-hand store. Further information can be found at www.tuebingen.de/gebrauchtwaren.

Internet and Telephone

Please find below some information on internet and telecommunications services.

Fixed-network telephone and internet

You need a fixed-network connection and an internet connection (both are usually offered in one package) in order to call from home and surf the internet. There are many private telephone service providers that offer the contracts at different prices and with different services.

Mobile phone contracts

There are also many mobile phone service providers. Their contracts are usually valid for two years.

Prepaid SIM cards

You have full cost control with a prepaid SIM card. It is a SIM card that can be topped up with credit once it has been used up. You can get it from a mobile phone service provider.

International calls

There are cost-effective international telephone rates for fixed network and mobile phone contracts and prepaid SIM cards. You can obtain relevant information from your service provider or on the web.

Contracts in general

Costs in addition to the monthly fixed charge are often incurred for fixed-network telephone and mobile phone contracts. Please inform yourself about all terms and conditions before you sign a contract.

Health

Medical care

If you have taken out health insurance (see page 15), it is advisable that you choose a general practitioner (German: Allgemeinmediziner/Hausarzt). A general practitioner is the first point of contact for all general health problems.

If your general practitioner cannot provide the treatment you need, he/she will refer you to a specialist doctor (for example an ophthalmologist, German: Augenarzt). You will then be given a referral form that you will have to take with you for your specialist doctor's appointment. There are not only doctors attending to your health but also doctors that specifically attend to the health of your children (paediatrician, German: Kinderarzt).

Medication

Some medicines, like light painkillers (for example against a headache), can be bought without prescription at any pharmacy. Others must first be prescribed by a doctor and can only be purchased at a pharmacy with a prescription and against a charge.

Further information is available from the health department at the Tübingen District Council:

Landratsamt Tübingen, Wilhelm-Keil-Straße 50, 72072 Tübingen

Gesundheit Telephone 07071 207-3303

That is where you can get a health guide with a list of multilingual physicians in Tübingen.

Drinking water

You can drink tap water in Germany. It is of top quality and is regularly checked by the public health authority. Tap water is perfectly suitable as refreshment, for the preparation of food and for personal hygiene.

Insurance

Statutory Insurance: Social Security System

There are many public insurance schemes that provide support at old age and in cases of poor health, unemployment and accidents. Every person in employment pays contributions to such insurance and will get some of the money back when he or she needs it.

Health Insurance (Krankenversicherung)

Every person in Germany must have health insurance. There are many different health insurance companies. You can choose your health insurance company yourself.

If your spouse already has health insurance coverage, you and any joint children can be co-insured (family insurance). You will be given a health insurance card as proof of your health insurance membership. Please always take the card with you when you visit a doctor because you will need to show it there.

Health insurance registration is effected:

- directly at the health insurance company or
- via your employer.

Contact the advice centres of your health insurance company if you have specific questions about your membership.

Foreign Health Insurance

When you arrive in Germany, you can keep your foreign health insurance until you start working in Germany. If you are employed abroad but work in Germany for some time, you may also take out international health insurance in your home country.

Pension Insurance Scheme (Rentenversicherung)

The old-age pension insurance scheme will pay you benefits when you are old, usually as from your 67th birthday.

Long-Term Care Insurance (Pflegeversicherung)

The long-term care insurance will help you if you can no longer look after yourself. It will, for example, pay a person who assists you in the daily routine.

Unemployment Insurance (Arbeitslosenversicherung)

The unemployment insurance will pay you benefits if you lose your job.

Accident Insurance (Unfallversicherung)

The accident insurance will pay you benefits if you can no longer work as a result of an accident.

Private Insurance

Insurance policies protect you and your family against high costs in the case of illness or damage. Some insurance schemes are required by law (see page 15), others are voluntary. We want to give you an overview of some voluntary insurance policies below.

Third-Party Private Liability Insurance (Private Haftpflichtversicherung)

Third-party liability insurance will cover any damage caused by you to third-party property. If you have any children, it is recommended to co-insure them.

Household Contents Insurance (Hausratversicherung)

Household contents insurance policies cover damage in your own household. Make sure that the insured sum does not exceed the value of items in your household.

Disability Insurance (Berufsunfähigkeitsversicherung)

The disability insurance provides coverage if you can no longer carry out your current occupation or are unable to work at all for various reasons.

Legal Expenses Insurance

The legal expenses insurance will help you in legal proceedings. That means that it will pay the costs for a lawyer.

Life Assurance (Lebensversicherung)

Life assurance provides financial security, for example for family members when the insured dies.

Children and Family

Birth

Newborns must be registered in Germany within a week of their birth. If you give birth to your child at the Tübingen University Gynaecological Hospital (Universitätsfrauenklinik Tübingen), you can do the registration there directly. Otherwise, please go and see the following Registry Office of Births, Marriages and Deaths (Standesamt):

Universitätsstadt Tübingen

Standesamt Schmiedtorstraße 4, 72070 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 204-1534

Kindergartens

Children aged between six months and six years can be looked after in kindergartens or nurseries all day or half a day from Mondays to Fridays. Your children will learn there together with other children, practise the German language and get prepared for school. If you need further information, please contact the Central Registration Centre for Day Child Care:

Universitätsstadt Tübingen

Zentrale Anmeldung Kindertagesbetreuung

Bei der Fruchtschranne 5, 72070 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 204-1456 | E-mail zak@tuebingen.de

School

In Germany, children and adolescents between the age of 6 and 18 must attend school. That means that children whose 6th birthday is before 30 September of a year must attend school from that year onwards. Please register your child with a school no later than six months after your immigration into Germany. You can seek advice on schooling at the School and Sport Department of the Tübingen Town Council:

Universitätsstadt Tübingen

Fachabteilung Schule und Sport

Bei der Fruchtschranne 1, 72072 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 204-1540,

and you can also find information in the brochure "Schulen in Tübingen – Wege, Chancen, Perspektiven" (Schools in Tübingen – Educational Paths, Opportunities and Prospects) published by the Tübingen Town Council (see page 10).

Parents

The parents are the most important partners of kindergartens / day nurseries and schools during pre-school and school age of your children. The parents' co-operation and participation is necessary. It is therefore important that parents attend the parents' evenings (Elternabende), participate in school festivities and regularly talk to the kindergarten / nursery and school teachers. The parents' rights and obligations are summarised in the brochure titled "Schulen in Tübingen – Wege, Chancen, Perspektiven" (Schools in Tübingen – Educational Paths, Opportunities and Prospects) (see page 10).

INET – Interkulturelles Netzwerk Elternbildung Tübingen (Tubingen Intercultural Parenting Education Network)

The parent counsellors of the INET project are multicultural and speak various languages. They assist children and parents in all issues about school, education and further training. They accompany parents to appointments with the school or other institutions. Please address your questions to the Equality and Integration Department of the Tübingen Town Council:

Universitätsstadt Tübingen

Gleichstellung und Integration Münzgasse 20, 72070 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 204-1470 | E-mail vielfalt@tuebingen.de

Support for Children and Families

Child benefits (Kindergeld)

Every child in Germany is entitled to child benefits from its date of birth to the 18th birthday. In special cases, payment of child benefits can be extended until the 25th birthday. Child benefits for the first and second child are 184 euros each, for the third child 190 euros and for every further child 215 euros per month and child. Child benefits can be applied for at the following Family Benefits Office (Familienkasse):

Familienkasse Baden-Württemberg-Ost

Standort Reutlingen Marktstraße 150, 72793 Pfullingen
Telephone 0800 4555530 | Fax 07121 309313 | E-mail familienkasse-reutlingen@arbeitsagentur.de

They will give you detailed advice about child benefits.

Parental benefits (Elterngeld and ElterngeldPlus)

Mothers and fathers who look after their children after birth and interrupt their employment as a whole or in part receive parental benefits (Elterngeld). The amount of parental benefits depends on the assets and income of the parents and is calculated individually. ElterngeldPlus is another flexible option to combine child care and career. You can apply for Elterngeld or ElterngeldPlus at the Citizens' Advice Bureau or Administrative Department responsible for your quarter (see pages 6 and 7).

Education and Participation Package (Bildungs- und Teilhabepaket)

Those who receive welfare benefits under the German Social Code, Book II (Hartz IV) or Book XII or under the Asylum-Seeker Act (AsylbIG), can apply for benefits under the education and participation programme. For example, school excursions, school trips, private lessons, writing utensils, and lunch for pupils can be sponsored. Further information can be found at www.bildungspaket.bmas.de or obtained from the Tübingen District Council (Tübinger Landratsamt):

Landkreis Tübingen

Wilhelm-Keil-Straße 50, 72072 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 207-2045 | E-mail bildungspaket@kreis-tuebingen.de

Children's Card (KinderCard)

This card gives discounts on many offers, such as club membership, museum admission and school supplies. All children and adolescents aged between 0 and 18 years whose parents have little money get such a KinderCard. Further information can be obtained from the Family Commissioner:

Universitätsstadt Tübingen

Familienbeauftragte Münzgasse 20, 72070 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 204-1490

Education and Studies

The dual education system

Vocational training is an option after leaving school. The dual education system combines an apprenticeship at a company and vocational education at a vocational college. The apprentices gain the theoretical knowledge of their future occupation at a vocational college and the practical skills at their employer. An overview of the vocational colleges can be found in the brochure titled: "Schulen in Tübingen – Wege, Chancen, Perspektiven" (Schools in Tübingen – Educational Paths, Opportunities and Prospects) (see page 10).

Vocational training advice

Most schools assist pupils in making a career choice from 7th grade onwards. Further advice can be obtained at the following Job Information Centre:

Berufsinformationszentrum (BiZ) Reutlingen

Ulrichstraße 38, 72764 Reutlingen
Telephone 07121 309-409 | E-mail reutlingen.biz@arbeitsagentur.de

School and vocational advice for immigrated adolescents can also be obtained at the following Youth Migration Centre:

Jugendmigrationsdienst

Hechinger Straße 13, 72072 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 930476 | www.jmd-tuebingen.de

University Studies

Tübingen's Eberhard-Karls-University is the second largest university in the state of Baden-Württemberg and covers a large number of disciplines. You can find comprehensive information at the university home page at: www.uni-tuebingen.de

Student Guidance and Counselling Centre (Zentrale Studienberatung - ZSB)

ZSB will advise you how to apply for a place at university and what you will need for it:

Zentrale Studienberatung (ZSB) Wilhelmstraße 11, 2. OG (2nd floor), 72074 Tübingen

Telephone 07071 29-72555 | E-mail zsb@uni-tuebingen.de

International Office (Dezernat Internationale Angelegenheiten)

International students can contact the International Office of Tübingen's Eberhard-Karls-University (Dezernat für Internationale Angelegenheiten) for advice and admission:

Beratung und Zulassung internationaler Studierender (BEZIS)

Nauklerstraße 2, 72074 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 29-77735

Employment and Occupation

The following chapter will provide you with some important information on working in Germany.

Work Permit

Non-EU citizens need a residence title which allows them to work in Germany. EU citizens can work in Germany without restrictions. Please enquire at the Immigration Office (Ausländeramt), see page 8, to ascertain whether or not you are allowed to work in Germany.

Recognition of Foreign Qualifications

If you have already gained qualifications abroad, you must have them recognised in Germany. The following authorities are responsible:

The Central Office for Foreign Education (Zentralstelle für ausländisches Bildungswesen - ZAB) is responsible if you hold a university degree or have higher education qualifications: www.kmk.org/zab.html. You can ascertain whether your university in your home country is recognised in Germany at www.anabin.de.

The Chamber of Commerce and Industry (Industrie- und Handelskammer - IHK) is responsible for completed vocational training / apprenticeships:

IHK Reutlingen Hindenburgstraße 54, 72762 Reutlingen
Telephone 07121 2010 | E-mail kic@reutlingen.ihk.de

The 7th Department (School and Education) of the Regional Administrative Authority of Stuttgart is responsible for the recognition of general school-leaving certificates:

Regierungspräsidium Stuttgart
Abt. 7 - Schule und Bildung Ruppmannstraße 21, 70565 Stuttgart
Telephone 0711 904-17170 | E-mail anerkennungsstelle@rps.bwl.de

Job-Hunting

The German Federal Employment Agency (Bundesagentur für Arbeit) will assist you in finding a new job, getting an apprenticeship or further training and will provide you with important information on your job prospects in Germany. The German Federal Employment Agency and the Job Centre will also help you if you get unemployed. You can make an appointment with them for counselling if you do not have a job upon your arrival in Germany.

Bundesagentur für Arbeit Konrad-Adenauer-Straße 12, 72072 Tübingen
Telephone 0800 4 5555 00

Job-Center Landkreis Tübingen Schleifmühlweg 68, 72070 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 56520

Advisory Service

Finding a new job can sometimes be difficult. You can obtain starter advice at:

Jobstarter-Projekt BASIS – Bruderhaus Diakonie

(BASIS Job Starter Project of the Social Welfare Organisation of the Protestant Church)

Sindelfinger Straße 18, 72070 Tübingen

Telephone 07071 4071217 | E-mail ali.sevinc@bruderhausdiakonie.de | www.bruderhausdiakonie.de

Qualifizierungsprojekt für die Altenpflege – InFö e.V.

(Qualifying project for geriatric care)

Mauerstraße 2, 72072 Tübingen

Telephone 07071 33005 | E-mail Infoe_tue@gmx.de | www.infoe-tuebingen.de

Unemployment

If you receive a notice of termination of your employment contract, contact the German Federal Employment Agency / Job Centre (Bundesagentur für Arbeit / Arbeitsagentur) as soon as possible. If you have a temporary employment contract, you have to report to the German Federal Employment Agency / Job Centre as early as three months before the expiry of your temporary employment contract. Full unemployment benefits (Arbeitslosengeld 1) will be paid to you if you have been employed and paid social security contributions (see page 15 [unemployment insurance]) for more than twelve months during the past two years. If you get unemployed before twelve months have expired, you are entitled to a subsistence allowance (Arbeitslosengeld 2 or “Hartz IV”). In this case, the Job Centre will support and advise you.

Further Training

Further occupational training is very important in Germany. Acquiring further qualifications is necessary for many occupations. Employers, the German Federal Employment Agency (Bundesagentur für Arbeit) and the following institutions are the relevant points of contact in this connection:

Volkshochschule Tübingen e.V. Katharinenstraße 18, 72072 Tübingen

Telephone 07071 560339 | E-mail beruf@vhs-tuebingen.de | www.vhs-tuebingen.de

ttg team training GmbH

Holzmarkt 7, 72070 Tübingen

Telephone 07071 51396 | E-mail info@team-training.de | www.team-training.de

Internationaler Bund e.V. – Bildungszentrum Tübingen-Bühl

Knollstraße 17, 72072 Tübingen-Bühl

Telephone 07472 96660 | E-mail bz-tuebingen@internationalerbund.de | www.ib-bildung.de

BBQ Berufliche Bildung gGmbH Europaplatz 7, 72072 Tübingen

Telephone 07071 96527-0 bzw. -28 | E-mail uhoegel@bbq-online.de | E-mail cwuetz@bbq-online.de |

www.bbq-zukunftskurs.de

Vatter Bildungszentrum

Derendinger Straße 50, 72072 Tübingen

Telephone 07071 791079 | E-mail tuebingen@bildungszentrum.de | www.bildungszentrum.de

Working Life and Employment Rights

Employee rights

Every company that has at least five employees has a works council. It consists of elected colleagues who represent the employees' interests against those of the company. Contact the works council if you need some type of support at your place of work.

Protection against unlawful dismissal

A company that has more than ten employees is subject to a statutory period of notice in Germany. The following general rule applies: A longer length of service entitles you to a longer statutory period of notice. The notice period, working hours, holidays and wage/salary are laid down in the employment contract.

Youth Employment Protection Act

Children and adolescents benefit from special protection in Germany. There are laws that stipulate the allowed duration and type of work for adolescents. You can seek advice about the youth employment protection laws at the District Youth Department of the Tübingen District Council:

Landratsamt Tübingen

Kreisjugendreferat

Wilhelm-Keil-Straße 50, 72072 Tübingen

Telephone 07071 207-2107

Sick notes / Certificate of incapacity for work

You must inform your employer as soon as possible if you are unable to come to work for health reasons. You need a sick note or certificate of incapacity for work from your doctor if you are absent from work for more than three days. That must be submitted to your employer on the fourth day of your sickness. You are then on sick leave.

Continued payment of wages during employee's illness

If you are ill for a longer period, your employer will pay you the full wage or salary for six weeks. The statutory health insurer will pay 70 per cent of your wage / salary thereafter.

Taxes (Payroll Tax)

Besides social security contributions (see page 15 [Social Security Insurance]) you must also pay tax on your income. The tax / contributions are automatically deducted from your wage / salary. Your tax bracket and therefore the amount of tax / contributions payable depend on how much you earn, whether you are married or single, whether or not you have children and whether one spouse or two spouses earn(s) income in your marriage.

Church tax

If you are of Catholic or Protestant denomination and stated that during your registration, you will automatically pay church tax. That will also automatically be deducted from your wage / salary.

Current account

You need a current account with a bank for the receipt of your wage / salary or benefits / financial assistance from the government. Please open a current account with a bank of your choice as soon as possible after your arrival in Germany.

Mobility and Transport

Local and Long-Distance Public Transport

Bus

Tübingen has a very good network of bus routes (see route map at www.swtue.de/tuebus/fahrplan-und-liniennetz/liniennetz.html). Tickets can be bought from ticket dispensers that are situated either at the bus stop or in the front section of each bus. You can buy a one-way ticket or choose one of the other offers, for example, a 4-way ticket or a monthly ticket. Further information is available at www.naldo.de or on telephone number 07471 93019696 and at www.svtue.de, or from the Tourist Information Centre:

Verkehrsverein Tübingen

An der Neckarbrücke 1, 72072 Tübingen

Opening times

Mon. to Fri. 9:00 to 19:00 | Sat. 10:00 to 16:00 | Sun. and on public holidays from May to September: 11:00 to 16:00

For students, it pays to make use of the Semester Ticket. If you enrol at Tübingen University, you will get a semester ticket voucher that you can redeem at one of the sales outlets (for example the Citizens' Advice Bureau (Bürgerbüro) or the Tourist Information Centre (Verkehrsverein) at above 'An der Neckarbrücke' address).

All bus numbers start from the central bus station – directly next to the main railway station (Hauptbahnhof) – to take you into any direction you want. You can ascertain the departure times either via the free-of-charge 'naldo' smartphone App or on the web at www.naldo.de.

Train

There are several train stations in Tübingen (main railway station (Hauptbahnhof - Hbf), Tübingen-West, Tübingen-Lustnau, Tübingen-Derendingen, Unterjesingen-Mitte, and Unterjesingen-Sandäcker) from where trains depart at regular intervals. Most services start from Tübingen's main railway station (Hauptbahnhof). Tickets can only be purchased at the station, the German Rail Travel Centre (DB Reisezentrum) or a ticket dispenser.

Reisezentrum DB Tübingen Hbf Europaplatz 17, 72072 Tübingen

Opening times

Mon. to Fri. 7:00 to 19:00 | Sat. 8.00 to 17:00 | Sun. 9:00 to 18:00

Note: You will have to pay a minimum fine of EUR 40.00 if you cannot produce a validated ticket during a ticket inspection.

Bicycle

Tübingen is a bicycle-friendly town. You can buy a bicycle at many bicycle shops in town or at flea markets. Alternatively, you can also hire a bicycle for a short time at a bicycle hire dock. You can have your bicycle repaired at a low cost or free of charge at bicycle workshops such as 'Gepäckträger' or 'Werkstadthaus'. You can also often assist in the repair. Further information about bicycle traffic in Tübingen can be found at: www.tuebingen.de/radfahren

Taxi / Hailed shared taxi services (Sammeltaxi - SAM)

Besides normal taxis that predominantly wait at Tübingen's main railway station (Hauptbahnhof), at Neckarbrücke or Wilhelmstrasse or pick you up upon your call, there are hailed shared taxis that collect you from certain bus stops and take you to your destination or a bus stop in the vicinity. In this case, several persons share the taxi and the fare is therefore lower. Hailed shared taxis must be reserved at least half an hour before departure on telephone number 07071 34000. Further information can be found at www.swtue.de/stadtverkehr/liniennetz/sam.html

Long-Distance Travel

You can go by train, bus or car for long-distance travel. There are also ridesharing options where a person has a car and gives others a lift. Ridesharing offers can be found on the internet. You can also visit other cities by long-distance coach that you should book early enough before the journey. Long-distance coach offers can also be found on the web.

Car Traffic

Driving Licence

Each car driver needs a valid driving licence (Führerschein) in Germany. The EU driving licence entitles you to drive in any EU country – with only a few exceptions. If you have acquired your driving licence in a non-Member State of the EU and want to stay in Germany for a longer period of time, such driving licence only entitles you to drive in Germany for a maximum period of 6 months after your arrival in Germany. Thereafter, you have to exchange your driving licence for a European Union photocard driving licence. You otherwise run the risk of having committed a criminal offence for driving without a driving licence.

If you have entered Germany from a non-EU country and not yet have a driving licence, you can acquire a German EU photocard driving licence under certain conditions. If your main place of residence is in the Tübingen District, you can contact the Driver Licensing Department (Führerscheinstelle) of the Tübingen District Council (Landratsamt Tübingen) for more information about any required documents, or about whether or not your foreign driving licence can be exchanged without a driving test or whether or not you have to pass a theoretical and/or practical driving test first.

The Driver Licensing Department (Führerscheinstelle) will be pleased to receive your application for a driving licence and will issue the driving licence to you after having checked your documents for compliance:

Landratsamt Tübingen

Führerscheinstelle Wilhelm-Keil-Straße 50, 72072 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 207-4380 | E-mail fuehrerschein@kreis-tuebingen.de

Further information can be found on the web at: www.kreis-tuebingen.de ('Viel Gefragt' (Frequently asked questions – FAQ) under the 'Kfz-Führerschein' (Motor Vehicle Driving Licence) heading).

Reregistration of cars

If you bring your car from abroad and want to use it over here, you must register your car as soon as possible. You can do that at the Vehicle Licensing Department (Kfz-Zulassungsstelle):

Landratsamt Tübingen

Kfz-Zulassungsstelle Wilhelm-Keil-Straße 50, 72072 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 207-4380 | E-mail zulassungsstelle@kreis-tuebingen.de

Motor insurance

Every car registered in Germany must be insured. There are different types of insurance. Third-party motor vehicle insurance is mandatory. It will pay for any damage caused by you to other motor vehicles in the case of accidents.

Parking

Residential zone parking (Anwohnerparken) is available in many parts of Tübingen. That means that the existing parking spaces are reserved for people who live there and have a resident parking permit. If such a permit is required in your residential area, you can apply for it at the Citizens' Advice Bureau (Bürgerbüro, see pages 6 and 7) responsible for your area. Several multi-storey car parks are situated close to the old town centre. Fees are payable for multi-storey car parks and open-air car parking spaces.

Emission sticker (Umweltplakette)

You may only drive a car that complies with a certain environmental standard in Tübingen and many other cities in Germany. That means that cars with high exhaust emissions may not enter certain areas. The emission sticker shows how much exhaust pollution your car produces. You may only drive with a green emission sticker in Tübingen and its quarters. You can obtain an emission sticker from the Vehicle Licensing Department of the Tübingen District Council (KfZ-Zulassungsstelle, Landratsamt Tübingen (see page 24)).

Car-sharing

You can also become a member in the 'teilAuto' car-sharing club if you do not have a car. The club charges a basic fee per month plus a fee per driven kilometre. About 100 vehicles located at about 60 different places in town are available and can be used at any time. Further information can be found at: www.teilauto-tuebingen.de

Traffic Regulations

Information on basic rules in road traffic, regardless of whether you go by foot, by bus, by train, by car or by bicycle, can be found at: www.germanroadsafety.de

Information and Advice

Advice Centres

Tübingen has many different clubs and institutions that can accompany you during your arrival in Germany or later. We want to introduce you to some of them in the following chapter.

General Migration Advice Centres

These are the first points of contact that will assist people with immigration background in many matters. We recommend that you contact one of these advice centres directly after your arrival in Tübingen:

Migrationsberatung für erwachsene Zuwanderer – Caritas-Zentrum

(Migration advice for adult immigrants – Caritas Centre run by the Catholic Church)

Albrechtstraße 4, 72072 Tübingen

Telephone 07071 79 62-0 | www.caritas-schwarzwald-gaeu.de

Migrationsberatung für erwachsene Zuwanderer – InFö e.V.

(Migration advice for adult immigrants)

Mauerstraße 2, 72070 Tübingen

Telephone 07071 33005 | E-mail Infoe_tue@gmx.de | www.infoe-tuebingen.de

Jugendmigrationsdienst

(Youth migration service)

Hechinger Straße 13, 72072 Tübingen

Telephone 07071 930476 | E-mail gieseler.diakonie@evk.tuebingen.org |

www.jugendmigrationsdienst.de

Refugees and Asylum-Seekers

Landkreis Tübingen (Refugee Housing Allocation Authority of the Tübingen District Council)

Untere Aufnahmebehörde

Wilhelm-Keil-Straße 50, 72072 Tübingen

Telephone 07071 207-3133 | www.fluechtlinge-kreistuebingen.de

Universitätsstadt Tübingen (Social Services Department of Tübingen Town Council)

Fachabteilung Soziale Hilfen

Bei der Fruchtschranne 5, 72070 Tübingen

Telephone 07071 204-1850 | E-mail soziales@tuebingen.de

Asylzentrum e.V.

(Asylum Centre)

Neckarhalde 40, 72070 Tübingen

Telephone 07071 44115 | E-mail asylzentrum.tuebingen@web.de |

www.asylzentrum-tuebingen.jimdo.com

Refugio Stuttgart – Regionalstelle Tübingen

(Tübingen Branch Office of Refugio Stuttgart for Traumatized Refugees)

Neckarhalde 66, 72070 Tübingen

Telephone 07071 9904620 | E-mail info@refugio-stuttgart.de

Children and Families

Universitätsstadt Tübingen (Family Commissioner of Tübingen Town Council)

Familienbeauftragte Münzgasse 20, 72070 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 204-1489 | E-mail elisabeth.stauber@tuebingen.de

Universitätsstadt Tübingen (Department for Family, School, Sport and Social Matters of Tübingen Town Council)

Fachbereich Familie, Schule, Sport und Soziales

Bei der Fruchtschranne 5, 72070 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 204-1550

Familienbildungsstätte e.V. (Family Education Centre)

Hechinger Straße 13, 72072 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 930466 | E-mail buero@fbs-tuebingen.de | www.fbs-tuebingen.de

elkiko Familienzentrum Tübingen (Family Centre)

Lilli-Zapf-Straße 17, 72072 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 9587300 | E-mail vorstand@elkiko.de | www.elkiko.de

Pro familia – Kreisverband Tübingen / Reutlingen e.V. (Sexual and reproductive health and rights organisation)

Hechinger Straße 8, 72072 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 34151 | E-mail info@profamilia-tuebingen.de | www.profamilia-tuebingen.de

Kinderschutzbund e.V. (Child Protection Association)

Aixer Straße 5, 72072 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 61334 | www.kinderschutzbund-tuebingen.de

Women and Girls

Frauenprojektehaus e.V. (Women Projects)

Weberstraße 8, 72070 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 410978 | E-mail info@frauenprojektehaus.de | www.frauenprojektehaus.de

Frauen helfen Frauen e.V. (Women help Women)

Weberstraße 8, 72070 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 66604 | E-mail fhffrauenhaus.tue@t-online.de | www.frauen-helfen-frauen-tuebingen.de

Mädchen*treff e.V. (Girls-only club)

Weberstraße 8, 72070 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 550022 | E-mail info@maedchentreff-tuebingen.de | www.maedchentreff-tuebingen.de

Frauencafé achtbar Tübingen e.V. (Women's Café)

Weberstraße 8, 72070 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 32862 | E-mail info@achtbar-tuebingen.de | www.achtbar-tuebingen.de

Disabled People

Lebenshilfe für Menschen mit Behinderung Tübingen e.V.

Friedrich-Dannenmann-Straße 69, 72070 Tübingen

Telephone 07071 94403 | E-mail mail@lebenshilfe-tuebingen.de | www.lebenshilfe-tuebingen.de

Freundeskreis Mensch

Reutlinger Straße 12, 72072 Tübingen

Telephone 07071 92059531 | www.freundeskreismensch.de

International Clubs and Immigrants' Self-Help Organisation

People from many countries around the world live together in Tübingen. They often meet in groups to support each other and facilitate the start into a new life in Germany for new Tübingen inhabitants. Please find the contact details of some of these clubs and groups below:

International Clubs

Albanischer Verein „Drita“ e.V. (Albanian club)

Herrenberger Straße 112, 72070 Tübingen

Telephone 07071 22932

Associazione Amici della Cultura Italiana Tübingen e.V. (Italian club)

Beckmannsweg 14/1, 72076 Tübingen

Telephone 07071 63218 | E-mail amici.tuebingen@yahoo.de | www.amicituebingen.de

Alevitischer Kulturverein Tübingen und Umgebung e.V. (Alawite club)

Eisenbahnstraße 8, 72072 Tübingen

Telephone 07071 4078630 | www.akv-tuebingen.de

Bustan Shalom – Jüdischer Verein Tübingen e.V. (Jewish club)

Postfach 1253, 72072 Tübingen

E-mail info@bustan-shalom.org | www.bustan-shalom.org

Circulo Argentino Baden-Württemberg e.V. (Argentinian club)

Gartenstraße 62, 72074 Tübingen

E-mail info@circuloargentino.de | www.circuloargentino.de

Deutsch-Griechische Gesellschaft Tübingen – Reutlingen e.V. (German-Greek club)

Nauklerstraße 57, 72074 Tübingen

www.dgg-tue-rt.de

Deutsch-Indische Kulturgesellschaft Tübingen e. V. (German-Indian Cultural Society)

Brunnenhalde 10, 72070 Tübingen

Telephone 07071 147993 | www.dikg-tuebingen.de

Eritreische Vereinigung zur gegenseitigen Unterstützung in der BRD Bezirk Tübingen e.V.
(Eritrean association for mutual support in Germany)

Europastraße 25, 72073 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 157755 | E-mail club.eritrea@yahoo.com

Gambischer Kulturverein e.V. (Gambian cultural club)

Alte Landstraße 11, 72072 Tübingen
E-mail anthonymalack@yahoo.de

Ghana Union Neckar-Alb e.V. (Ghanaian club)

Mirabeauweg 1, 72072 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 4078453 | E-mail ghana-union@web.de

Griechischer Eltern- und Erzieherverein Tübingen e.V. (Greek parents' and teachers' club)

Postfach 1533, 72005 Tübingen
E-mail info@sxolio-tübingen.de | www.sxolio-tübingen.de

Griechische Gemeinde Tübingen und Umgebung e.V. (Greek community association)

Schwärzlocher Straße 6, 72070 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 49040

Griechische Tanzgruppe REA Tübingen (Greek dance group)

Eisenbahnstraße 8, 72072 Tübingen
E-mail info@rea-tuebingen.de | www.rea-tuebingen.de

Internationaler Studentenverein- IST e.V. – Lernstube (International students' club)

Poststraße 12, 72072 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 365771 | E-mail info@ist-ev.de | www.ist-ev.de

Kroatische Katholische Gemeinde Tübingen (Croatian Catholic community)

Bachgasse 3, 72070 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 203628 | E-mail kroatkathgemeinde.tue@drs.de

Pueblito Viejo e.V. (Spanish association)

Haydnweg 19, 72076 Tübingen
Telephone 015730860218 | E-mail pueblitoviejo@hotmail.de | www.pueblito-viejo.de

Spanischer Eltern- und Kulturverein Tübingen-Reutlingen e.V. (Spanish parents' cultural club)

Postfach 2453, 72014 Tübingen
Telephone 07121 22909 | E-mail apf.tuebingen@gmail.com

Türkischer Verein Tübingen und Umgebung e.V. (Turkish club)

Am Stadtgraben 17, 72070 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 51787 | E-mail info@tvttuebingen.de | www.tvttuebingen.de

Verband binationaler Familien und Partnerschaften, iaf e.V. (Association of binational families and partnerships)

Lilli-Zapf-Straße 17, 72072 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 940218 | E-mail iaf-tuebingen@freenet.de | www.verband-binationaler.de

Verein Arabischer Studenten und Akademiker Tübingen (Association of Arab students and graduates)

Postfach 2670, 72076 Tübingen

E-mail info@vasat-tuebingen.de | www.vasat-tuebingen.de

Religion

Tübingen is a town of cultural and religious diversity. People from different countries and of different religious denomination peacefully live together there. That is why there is a large offer of different religious institutions, of which we want to name a few below. Further offers can be found at www.tuebingen.de/religion

Christian churches

Protestant churches

Stiftskirche Tübingen	Holzmarkt 1, 72070 Tübingen www.stiftskirche-tuebingen.de
Jakobusgemeinde	Justinus-Kerner-Straße 2, 72070 Tübingen www.jakobusgemeinde.de
Eberhardskirche Tübingen	Eugenstraße 24-28, 72072 Tübingen www.eberhardskirche.de/index.php
Kirche am Eck	Aixer Straße 42-46, 72072 Tübingen www.eberhardskirche.de/index.php
Martinskirche Tübingen	Frischlinstraße 33, 72074 Tübingen www.martinsgemeinde-tuebingen.de
Stephanuskirche Tübingen	Friedrich-Dannenmann-Straße 60, 72070 Tübingen www.ev-stephanusgemeinde-tuebingen.de
Albert-Schweitzer-Kirche	Beim Herbstenhof 21, 72076 Tübingen www.asktue.de/home.html
Dietrich-Bonhoeffer-Kirche	Berliner Ring 12, 72076 Tübingen www.bonhoeffer-gemeinde.de/index.php

Catholic churches

Sankt Johannes Kirche	Froschgasse 4, 72070 Tübingen www.sanktjohannes.de
Sankt Petrus Kirche	Neuhaldenstraße 16, 72074 Tübingen www.sanktpetrus.de

Sankt Paulus Johannes-Reuchlin-Straße 3, 72076 Tübingen
www.sanktpaulus.de/home.html

Sankt Michael Hechinger Straße 45, 72072 Tübingen
www.st-michael-tuebingen.de

Sankt Aegidius Hirschau Bachgasse 3, 72070 Tübingen
www.hirschau-sankt-aegidius.de/

Christian communities

Die Christengemeinschaft in Tübingen

Nauklerstraße 62, 72074 Tübingen
www.christengemeinschaft.de/gemeinden/1814

Evangelische Freikirche Arche Pyerstraße 11, 72074 Tübingen
www.arche-tuebingen.de

Kreuzkirche Tübingen Pyerstraße 11, 72074 Tübingen
www.kreuzkirche-tuebingen.de

Evangelische Methodistische Gemeinde

Rümelinstraße 12, 72070 Tübingen
www.emk-tuebingen.de/index.htm

Freie evangelische Gemeinde Lilli-Zapf-Straße 14-16, 72072 Tübingen
www.tuebingen.feg.de

Neuapostolische Kirchengemeinde Tübingen

Brunnsstraße 24, 72074 Tübingen
www.cms.nak-tuebingen.de

Russisch-Orthodoxe Kirchengemeinde

Österbergstraße 2, 72072 Tübingen
www.orthodoxekirche.de/Tuebingen/index.html

Sieben-Tags-Adventisten Tübingen

Moltkestraße 26, 72072 Tübingen
www.adventgemeinde-tuebingen.de/

Mosques and prayer rooms

Masjid al Wanne – Islamisches Kultur- und Begegnungszentrum Tübingen e.V.

Philosophenweg 70, 72076 Tübingen
www.ikb-tuebingen.de

DITIB - Zentralmoschee Tübingen

Am Stadtgraben 17, 72070 Tübingen

Buddhist prayer centres

Tübingen Yun Hwa Dharma Sah

Philosophenweg 28, 72076 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 989121 | www.tuebingen@lotussangha.org

Buddhistisches Zentrum Tübingen

Schwärzlocher Straße 38, 72070 Tübingen
Telephone 015781973914 | www.tuebingen@diamondway-center.org

Triratna Tübingen

Georgstraße 8, 72070 Tübingen
E-mail dharmapushpa@yahoo.de | www.triratna-buddhismus.de/gruppen/tuebingen

Buddhistische Teerunde

Telephone 07071 4071277 | E-mail info@buddhistischeteerunde.de | www.buddhistischeteerunde.de

Other religious communities

Gurudwara Sahib

Schaffhausenstraße 3, 72072 Tübingen

PolyThea e.V.

Telephone 07071 9208377 | info@polythea.com | www.polythea.com

Leisure Time and Meeting Places

Meeting Places

There are many places in Tübingen where people meet to get to know each other and to exchange information. We list a few of these meeting places for you below. Please note that we cannot list every single institution because of the large choice.

Neighbourhood meeting places and other meeting places

Neighbourhood meeting places are places where people who live in the same residential area can meet. They are open to people regardless of age, sex and origin and provide a good opportunity to meet new people. Various courses and leisure activities are often offered there. The following meeting places are situated in Tübingen:

InFö e.V. – Interkulturelles Mehrgenerationenhaus (Intercultural multi-generation house)

Mauerstraße 2, 72070 Tübingen

Telephone 07071 33005 | E-mail infoe@infoe-tuebingen.de | www.infoe-tuebingen.de

Stadtteiltreff Derendingen

Kähnerweg 2, 72072 Tübingen-Derendingen

Telephone 07071 791519 | E-mail gerdhagmeyer@gmx.de | www.buergerverein-derendingen.eu

Dorfscheune Kilchberg

Tessinstraße 8, 72072 Tübingen-Kilchberg

Telephone 07071 72310 | www.kilchberg-tue.de

Stadtteiltreff Lustnau

Neuhaldenstraße 14, 72074 Tübingen

Telephone 07071 9870830

Bürgertreff NaSe (Nachbarschaftliche Selbsthilfe) (Self-help neighbourhood meeting place)

Janusz-Korczak-Weg 1, 72072 Tübingen

Telephone 07071 360554 | E-mail nase@mbh-jugendhilfe.de | www.buergertreff-nase.de

Stadtteiltreff Waldhäuser Ost

Berliner Ring 20, 72076 Tübingen

Telephone 07071 66153 | E-mail sttwho@stadtteiltreff-who.de | www.stadtteiltreff-who.de

Werkstadthaus – Französisches Viertel (French quarter)

Aixer Straße 72, 72072 Tübingen

Telephone 07071 538169 | E-mail info@werkstadthaus.de | www.werkstadthaus.de

Dorfcafé im Seniorenzentrum Pfrondorf

Baumwiesenweg 1, 72074 Tübingen-Pfrondorf

Telephone 07071 8884335 | E-mail freundeskreis.seniorenzentrum@gmail.com

Senior citizens' meeting places

There are also special senior citizens' meeting places that are either integrated into the above-mentioned neighbourhood meeting places or solely aimed at senior citizens. Further information can be found at www.tuebingen.de/senioren.

HIRSCH-Begegnungsstätte für Ältere e. V.

Hirschgasse 9, 72070 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 22688 | E-mail Hirsch-Begegnung@t-online.de

Das Erzählcafé der Stephanusgemeinde

Friedrich-Dannenmann-Straße 60, 72070 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 42243

Seniorentreff im Schönblick Gottlieb-Olpp-Straße 22-24, 72076 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 709896

Seniorentreff Pfrondorf Baumwiesenweg 1, 72074 Tübingen-Pfrondorf
Telephone 07071 889708 | E-mail annka@emrecht.de

Family Meeting Places

The family meeting places offer leisure-time activities and advice. Further information can be found at: www.tuebingen.de/familientreffs

Familientreff Hirschau – im Kinderhaus „Ein Ort für Kinder“

Wiesenweg 7, 72070 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 7952996

Familientreff Weststadt – im Kinderhaus Weststadt

Sindelfinger Straße 1/3, 72070 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 204-1779

Familientreff Südstadt – im Bürgertreff und Kinderhaus

Janusz-Korczak-Weg 1, 72072 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 360004

Familientreff Wanne – im Kinderhaus Helene von Hügel

Johannes-Reuchlin-Straße 7, 72076 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 61661

Familientreff Waldhäuser Ost – im Kinderhaus WHO

Weissdornweg 29, 72076 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 6102986

Eltern-Kind-Café „Fränzchen“ – im Französischen Viertel (Werkstadthaus)

Aixer Straße 72, 72072 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 538169

Youth centres and youth meeting places

Young people meet at youth centres and youth meeting places. A special programme that is free of charge and open to all is frequently offered. Parties often take place there in the evening.

- Jugendzentrum e.V. Epplerhaus** Karlstraße 13, 72072 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 32743 | www.epplerhaus.de
- JuFo, Jugendforum WHO** Berliner Ring 33, 72076 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 968151 | www.jugendforum-who.de
- Jugendhaus Pauline – Südstadt**
Paulinenstraße 34, 72072 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 34261 | www.jugendhauspauline.de
- Jugendraum Mixed-Up –Südstadt**
Bei den Pferdeställen 24, 72072 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 369640 | www.jugendraummixedup.de
- Jugendtreff Derendingen** Primus-Truber-Straße 47, 72072 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 7704328
- Jugendtreff Lustnau** Neuhaldenstraße 12, 72074 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 885756 | www.jugendtreff-lustnau.de
- Jugendtreff Schleif – Weststadt**
Schleifmühlweg 71, 72070 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 400819 | www.jugendtreff-weststadt.de
- Musikwerkstatt Tübingen – Sudhaus**
Hechinger Straße 203, 72072 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 763097 | www.musikwerkstatt-tuebingen.de
- Jugendraum Bebenhausen – Heuhaus des Klosters**
Forstamt 2, 72074 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 61964 | E-mail dagmarroehm@web.de
- Jugendraum Hirschau** Schulstraße 4, 72070 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 72600 | www.jugendraum-hirschau.de
- Jugendraum Pfrondorf** Süßerstraße 4, 72074 Tübingen
E-mail martin.roell@freenet.de
- Jugendraum Unterjesingen** Unterm Rathaus 3, 72070 Tübingen
Telephone 07073 6284 | E-mail rathaus-unterjesingen@tuebingen.de
- Jugendtreff Bühl** Eugen-Bolz-Straße 10, 72072 Tübingen
Telephone 07472 6281

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Jugendtreff Hagelloch	Geißwiesenstraße 6, 72070 Tübingen Telephone 0172 7476849
Jugendtreff Kilchberg	Rammertstraße 27, 72072 Tübingen Telephone 07071 72310 E-mail rathaus-kilchberg@tuebingen.de
Schlupfloch Weilheim	Wilonstraße 43, 72072 Tübingen Telephone 07071 76449
Kinder- und Jugendfarm Tübingen e. V.	Saibenstraße 10, 72072 Tübingen Telephone 07071 1468570 www.kijufa-tuebingen.de

Cultural Offers

The following portals provide a good overview of the numerous offers:

- Schwäbisches Tagblatt – The Tagblatt paper is the regional newspaper for the Tübingen District and its surrounding areas. The Schwäbisches Tagblatt newspaper can be found at any news stand throughout town, at the headquarters at Uhlandstraße 2 or on the web at: www.tagblatt.de
- The home page of the university town of Tübingen provides information on regular events at: www.tuebingen.de.
- Home page of the Citizens' Advice Bureau and the Tourist Information Centre: www.tuebingen-info.de
- Parties / Events: www.partykel.info
- Art and Culture: www.kulturnetz-tuebingen.de

Cinemas

Tübingen's cinemas show current and older films for every taste, some even in the original language version. Film festivals with different topics take place on a regular basis.

Kino Arsenal	Hintere Grabenstraße 20, 72070 Tübingen Telephone 07071 9997531
Kino Atelier	Am Haagtor 1, 72070 Tübingen Telephone 07071 21225
Kino Blaue Brücke	Friedrichstraße 19, 72072 Tübingen Telephone 07071 23661
Kino Museum	Am Stadtgraben 2, 72070 Tübingen Telephone 07071 23355

Theatres

Landestheater Tübingen Reutlingen (LTT)

Eberhardstraße 6, 72072 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 9313149 | E-mail info@landestheater-tuebingen.de |
www.landestheater-tuebingen.de

Zimmertheater Tübingen

Bursagasse 16, 72070 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 92730 | E-mail info@zimmertheater-tuebingen.de |
www.zimmertheater-tuebingen.de

Harlekin Theater

Wilhelmstraße 103, 72074 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 23858 | E-mail Volker.Quandt@t-online.de | www.harlekintheater.de

Kindertheater Teo Tiger

Herrenberger Straße 40, 72070 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 928653 | E-mail mail@theater-teo-tiger.de | www.theater-teo-tiger.de

Vorstadttheater – Tübinger Puppenbühne

Katharinenstraße 28, 72072 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 62681 | www.vorstadttheater.de

Museums

Auto- und Spielzeugmuseum Boxenstop (Car and Toy Museum)

Brunnenstraße 18, 72074 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 929094 | www.boxenstop-tuebingen.de

Kunsthalle Tübingen (Art Gallery)

Philosophenweg 76, 72076 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 96910 | www.kunsthalle-tuebingen.de

Mineralogische Schausammlung der Universität Tübingen (Mineralogical collection of Tübingen University)

Wilhelmstraße 56, 72074 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 29-72600 |
www.geo.uni-tuebingen.de/sammlungen/mineralogische-sammlung.html

Museum der Universität Tübingen (MUT) (Museum of Tübingen University)

Wilhelmstraße 26, 72074 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 29-76439 | www.unimuseum.uni-tuebingen.de

Museum Schloss Hohentübingen (Castle Museum)

Burgsteige 11, 72010 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 29-77384 | www.uni-tuebingen.de/uni/qms/museum.html

Paläontologische Sammlung – Institut für Geologie und Paläontologie (Paleontological Collection)

Sigwartstraße 10, 72076 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 29-77378 | www.paleo.uni-tuebingen.de/index.php?id=4

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Stadtmuseum Tübingen (Town Museum)

Kornhausstraße 10, 72070 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 204-1711 | Telefax 07071 204-1797 | www.tuebingen.de/stadtmuseum

Hesse-Kabinett (Hermann Hesse Museum)

Holzmarkt 5, 72070 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 204-1711 | www.tuebingen.de/hesse

Hölderlinturm (Hölderlin Tower)

Bursagasse 6, 72070 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 22040 | www.hoelderlin-gesellschaft.de

Kloster Bebenhausen (Bebenhausen Monastery)

Im Schloss 1, 72074 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 6028-02 | Telefax 07071 6028-03 | www.kloster-bebenhausen.de

Kulturhalle (Cultural Hall)

Nonnengaße 19, 72070 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 204-1737 | Telefax 07071 204-1739 | www.tuebingen.de/kulturhalle

Further information can be found at www.tuebingen.de/museen

Libraries

Stadtbücherei Innenstadt

Nonnengasse 19, 72070 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 204-1428 | www.tuebingen.de/stadtbuecherei

Stadtbücherei Derendingen

Primus-Truber-Straße 37, 72072 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 763777 | www.tuebingen.de/stadtbuecherei

Stadtbücherei Waldhäuser Ost

Berliner Ring 33, 72076 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 968134 | www.tuebingen.de/stadtbuecherei

Stadtbücherei Wanne

Eduard-Spranger-Straße 69, 72076 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 610716 | www.tuebingen.de/stadtbuecherei

Universitätsbibliothek

Wilhelmstraße 32, 72074 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 29-72846 | www.uni-tuebingen.de/nc/einrichtungen/universitaetsbibliothek/home.html

Sports

You have a wide choice of sports you can do in Tübingen even without joining one of the numerous sport clubs (see below). You can also take part in some sports offered by Tübingen University (with restrictions). The programme can be found at: www.hsp.uni-tuebingen.de/index.html

Swimming pools

Tübingen offers several opportunities for swimming, bathing and relaxation:

Indoor swimming pools

Uhlandbad Karlstraße 2/1, 72070 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 157-272

Hallenbad Nord Berliner Ring 30, 72076 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 157-270

Open-air swimming pool

Freibad Tübingen – near the sport facilities situated at Europastraße
Freibad 1, 72070 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 157-277

Clubs

Club life is very varied in Tübingen. You can find detailed information on the clubs in the club database of the university town of Tübingen at: www.tuebingen.de/vereine and at

Büro Aktiv e.V.

Büro Aktiv e.V. collects all information on Tübingen clubs and initiatives. If you want to become a club member, you can seek personal advice there.

Büro Aktiv Tübingen e.V. Bei der Fruchtschranne 6, 72070 Tübingen
Telephone 07071 21315 | info@bueroaktiv-tuebingen.de | www.bueroaktiv-tuebingen.de

There is also a club guide that lists all clubs and initiatives in Tübingen.

Important Emergency Numbers

Emergency Number (Police)	110
Fire Brigade	112
Emergency physician / Ambulance	112

Emergency Numbers in Special Situations

Medical Emergency Service (physicians in the evening, at night and at weekends)	07071 791071
Samaritan telephone service (in the case of mental problems)	0800 1110111
Helpline in the case of suicide risks	07071 19298
Battered women's shelter (German: Frauenhaus) (help for women)	07071 66604
Help in the case of violence against women	08000 116016

