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March 08, 2018  9:30 – 11:30  **Campus Start** in U7-205

Monthly welcome event for new international researchers. Get to know the university and the Welcome Centre team, learn about getting started in Bielefeld, how to get around the university and the services we offer.

Registration required: welcome@uni-bielefeld.de

March 08, 2018  11:30 – 12:30  **Campus Tour**, departing from U7-205

Following Campus Start, we offer a guided tour through the main and X building explaining all points of everyday interest for your convenience.

March 08, 2018  12:30 – 13:30  **International Lunch**, Westend cafeteria, main building

Monthly opportunity to get to know other internationals over an informal lunch. We meet at the first table beyond the entrance to the Westend cafeteria. Friends and family are welcome.

March 20, 2018  19:30 – 21:00  **International Stammtisch**, (Regulars’ Table), Casa Café & Bar

Monthly informal get-together to meet other international academics in a casual atmosphere. Simply show up at the Casa in Karl-Eilers-Straße 12 in 33602 Bielefeld on the third Tuesday of every month.

March 2nd, 2018  09:00-17:00  In the spirit of supporting a more inclusive and understanding university community, the Welcome Centre will be offering an **intercultural competence training** with the aim of bringing members of the university together to discuss, explore and expand upon their experiences and notions of intercultural interaction and communication. All international academics are invited to attend.

Room: C2-136

Please contact welcome@uni-bielefeld.de to register for the workshop

Further info: [http://www.uni-bielefeld.de/International/host.html](http://www.uni-bielefeld.de/International/host.html)
Scholarships, Grants, Positions

Apply as earlier as possible

The Emmy Noether Programme gives exceptionally qualified early career researchers the chance to qualify for the post of professor at a university by leading an independent junior research group for a period of six years. The programme is open to postdocs and junior professors with temporary contracts and are at an early stage in their research careers. Further information: https://goo.gl/O2UMQf

Deadline: March 1st, 2018

The Heinrich Böll Foundation offers scholarships for innovative and ambitious research projects conducted by socially engaged scholars. Application is open for doctoral students of all subjects and nationalities until March 1st, 2018. More information here: https://goo.gl/LjHqeR

March 21, 2018

If you are interested in funding during your doctoral and postdoctoral studies, make sure to attend the informational session of Bielefeld Young Researcher’s Fund, which is organized for students and young scholars. Dates Funding Line PhD Students:
21 March 2018, 12:00 - 13:00, H2 (main university building)
Dates Funding Line Postdocs:
21 March 2018, 13:00 - 14:00, H2 (main university building)
More information: https://goo.gl/QobXxP

Contact as earlier as possible

The Einstein Foundation Berlin offers Guest Professorships and Junior Fellowships for threatened and displaced scholars. The Universities involved are the Freie Universität Berlin, the Technische Universität Berlin, Humboldt Universität, the Berlin University of Arts, and the Charité Berlin. For further information, please visit their website or contact Dr. Anne Jordan at anne.jordan@einsteinfoundation.de. https://www.einsteinfoundation.de/de/programme/wissenschaftsfreiheit/

Contact anytime

The Service Center for Young Researchers at Bielefeld University offers consultation for Postdocs and PhDs to secure funding. Among the many services they provide is the Bielefeld Young Researchers’ Fund. It offers a scholarship known as the "Career Bridge Doctorate - Postdoc" which aims to help finance the transition period between completing a doctorate and finding employment. Further information: https://goo.gl/3ZrQ5D
Various deadlines

The primary goal of the programme “Research Stays for University Academics and Scientists” is to support short-term research stays and thus promote the exchange of experience and networking amongst colleagues. Applications are welcome from young academics from numerous countries and disciplines. [https://goo.gl/qUU4ZM](https://goo.gl/qUU4ZM)

Contact anytime

The Center for Interdisciplinary Study (ZIF) offers funding and support to promote interdisciplinary research. Additionally, cooperation and Research Groups, Workshops and Summer Schools are some of the unique opportunities offered at the ZIF. [https://uni-bielefeld.de/(en)/ZiF/Foerderung/index.html](https://uni-bielefeld.de/(en)/ZiF/Foerderung/index.html)

Deadline February 28, 2018

The International Office at Bielefeld University is looking for applicants to work as a coordinator of international student support (Koordinatorin/Koordinator des Bereiches Betreuung internationaler Studierenden). More information here: [http://uni-bielefeld.de/Universitaet/Aktuelles/Stellenausschreibungen/Anzeigen/Tech/tech18012.pdf](http://uni-bielefeld.de/Universitaet/Aktuelles/Stellenausschreibungen/Anzeigen/Tech/tech18012.pdf)

Submit anytime

Funding for international PhD students from the Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung. Anybody who has been unconditionally accepted for a doctorate at a German institution of higher education is invited to apply. Further information: [https://www.alumniportal-deutschland.org/en/news/scholarships-germany/scholarships-for-doctoral-students-friedrich-ebert-stiftung/](https://www.alumniportal-deutschland.org/en/news/scholarships-germany/scholarships-for-doctoral-students-friedrich-ebert-stiftung/)

Consult anytime

As a central service facility of Bielefeld University, the Department for Research Administration and Technology Transfer offers a broad range of services to support and to facilitate third-party funded projects as well as knowledge and technology transfer. More information: [http://www.uni-bielefeld.de/%28en%29/Universitaet/Ueberblick/Organisation/Verwaltung/FFT/index.html](http://www.uni-bielefeld.de/%28en%29/Universitaet/Ueberblick/Organisation/Verwaltung/FFT/index.html)

Career Development

Placement tests: 12 - 14 March, 2018

The next German intensive course by PunktUm will take place from 15th March to 6th April. PunktUm offers different German courses depending on your level. Find out more about the dates for placement tests and the semester long German courses: [https://goo.gl/vgB1PL](https://goo.gl/vgB1PL)
From April 23 – 26, 2018, The 2018 Scholars at Risk Global Conference will take place from April 23 - 26 in Berlin. Join higher education leaders, scholars, students, and advocates in the center of Europe to address current and historic challenges. Further information on the program and registration here: https://con-gressa.de/avh-psi/

Deadline March 5, 2018

Bielefeld University offers a workshop for researches from the Natural Sciences on March 22nd and 23rd, which will be held in English. You can sign up until the 5th of March: http://www.uni-bielefeld.de/pep/fortbildung/service_lehre/lehre_anmeldung.html
Further information about the workshop (German website): http://www.uni-bielefeld.de/pep/fortbildung/nachwuchs/Zegers_Scientific_Writing18.html

Accommodation

Accommodation offers: Here you will find some of our available flats and rooms in Bielefeld. You can find the whole list on our Facebook group and at the wall in front of our offices.

#283 Room furnished, Im Bracksiek, Bielefeld, 300€, 12m², Available now until: 31.08.2018 (prolongation possible), Room in a shared flat, suitable for singles, bedroom, no living room, KB shared, internet included, no pets allowed, no smoking allowed, women only

#292 House furnished, Kerkenbrink, 33619 Bielefeld, 1200€, 140m², 3 bedrooms, living room, KB, balcony and patio/garden, car space available, suitable for families with up to 3 children, no pets allowed, no smoking allowed

#300 Flat partially furnished, Melanchthonstr., 33615 Bielefeld, 880€, 100m², Available now until: 31.07.2018, 1 bedroom, own kitchen furnished, own bathroom, own livingroom, internet included, shared garden, shared utility room, no pets allowed, no smoking allowed

#271 Flat unfurnished, Stückenstraße , 33604 Bielefeld, 885€, 90m², Unfurnished flat with more than 1 room, KB, 2 bedrooms, living room, suitable for singles, couples, families with 1 child, patio, garden, winter garden available, no pets allowed, smoking allowed

Further Info

Contact anytime

Immobilien Scout 24 offers a great tool for comparing house and apartment affordability in Bielefeld and throughout Germany when searching for a new place to live. The web page: https://www.immobilien scout24.de/
Submit anytime

The Marie Curie Alumni Association and the University of Manchester invite academics and researchers who has experienced forced migrations to participate in this anonymous survey. The information gathered will be used to support displaced academics and students. The findings will be presented to the European Commission and the 2018 European Science Open Forum. 

In Bielefeld you can find several opportunities to shop or sell for second hand bargains, on our homepage several you can find addresses for Second Hand Shopping. If you want more information on such services, please check out our pdf (link below). Furthermore, if you have any tips about locations and opportunities for second hand shopping for our international community, contact us: welcome@uni-bielefeld.de

On #WomenScienceDay, Valeria Nicolosi from Trinity College Dublin sends an inspirational message about What it takes to win an ERC grant, and shares her advice for future ERC applicants. Click here to watch her video: https://vimeo.com/191447326

The City of Bielefeld offers assistance to students in financial need and that require translation services. For citizens who are unable to pay for commercial translation/interpreting services due to low income, the "Stadtinterner Zentraler Übersetzer- und Sprachmittelungsdienst" provides the services at low cost. 
https://ki-bielefeld.de/160-Stadtinterner_Zentraler_Uebersetzungs- und_Sprachmittelungsdienst

In the News

27 universities produce more research than entire industrial nations
Together, a group of 27 Universities produce more research results than most large industrial nations. Presidents from these Universities are taking part in the "Global University Leaders Forum" as part of the Davos meeting, which acts as an advisory body on research agendas. 

University Society awards Dissertation Prizes
The Bielefeld University Society awarded Dissertation Prizes to young academics at Bielefeld University: the award goes to the best doctoral thesis of 2017 in each faculty. All 17 theses proposed by the faculties had received the highest classification of ‘summa cum laude’. 
https://ekvv.uni-bielefeld.de/blog/uninews/entry/the_17_best_doctoral_theses