



Important information on visa application and health insurance

Application documents:

First step to take is your Online Application. It is very important to send your application documents in due time to JLU Giessen. For your **visa** you require a „**Confirmation of Acceptance**“, which we can only issue after having processed your documents entirely. A letter from Germany to e.g. Turkey can take up to four weeks (and vice versa)! That is why you should send your application documents as early as possible.

Visa:

You have to apply for a student visa as a third-country citizen– the status of your visa cannot be changed in Germany. A tourist visa is unfortunately not sufficient!

This applies to anybody, who is not citizen of an EU country and can present a corresponding passport (e.g. incoming students from Turkey).

Health insurance:

For your period of stay in Germany, you should definitely contract a German statutory health insurance!

Please also check our [Website](#) for further information. Most private health insurances do not cover all medical treatments in Germany so that you would have to pay these high costs yourself. That is why we recommend contracting a German statutory health insurance for students in Germany right after your arrival (and cancelling e.g. your Turkish insurance in order not to have double insurance costs). Remember, medical treatment in Germany is comparatively expensive when you are not sufficiently insured. You might also wish to get an insurance providing for the transport home (often offered by automobile associations) in case of serious illness. These insurances are usually quite inexpensive. We also recommend a travel insurance before your arrival, so you are safe and insured while contracting a German insurance. When enrolling as a student at JLU, your confirmation of insurance is obligatory. You will have to provide a confirmation of insurance along with your other documents after your arrival, but you will get more information on this at a later point.

In case you have a **European Health Insurance Card**, this is a sufficient proof of Health Insurance. You will get information on how to provide your Confirmation of Insurance to JLU at a later point.

Turkish students can also get a Confirmation of Insurance through the A/T 11. In case of questions, let us know.



Although this may seem a lot to organize, we will try our best to support you at our International Office and you can contact us anytime via e-mail: europa-aaa@admin.uni-giessen.de. Do not hesitate to ask, whenever you have questions or concerns.

[Here are some addresses of health insurance companies in Giessen:](#)

Techniker Krankenkasse, Liebigstr.14, Tel: 0641-7967-500 oder 0180-2858585
Öffnungszeiten: Mo, Di, Mi, Fr 8.00h-16.00h; Do 8.00h-17.00h
www.tk.de/service/app/2025156/filiale/detail.app

Barmer Ersatzkasse, Marktplatz 8, Tel: 018500-482999 or 0641-93253- 148 2999
Öffnungszeiten: Mo-Mi 8.00h-17.00h; Do 8.00h-18.00h; Fr 8:00 – 16:00h
[BARMER Krankenkasse in Gießen | BARMER](#)

DAK, Südanlage 30, Tel: 0641-9790480,
Öffnungszeiten: Mo - Mi 8.00h-16.00h; Do 8.00h-17.00h; Fr 8.00h-13.00h
www.dak.de/dak/kontakt/giessen-2084036.html

AOK Gießen, Gartenstr.10, Tel: 0180-1188111,
Öffnungszeiten: Mo, Di, Mi, Fr 8.30-16.30; Do 8.30h-18.00h; Sa 9.00-13.00h
[www.aok.de/pk/hessen/kontakt/aok-vor-ort/?tx_aokzmdms_zdclientplugin\[affiliate\]=4715](http://www.aok.de/pk/hessen/kontakt/aok-vor-ort/?tx_aokzmdms_zdclientplugin[affiliate]=4715)

Kaufmännische Krankenkasse, Seltersweg 7-9, Tel: 0641-399000,
Öffnungszeiten: Mo - Do 8.00h-18.00h; Fr 8.00h-16.00h
www.kkh.de/kontakt/servicestellen.ergebnis.35390.50

Please note that due to the current situation, opening hours might have changed. Regularly check the insurance companies' websites and contact them first.