DEZERNAT INTERNATIONALE BEZIEHUNGEN



Dear students of Heidelberg University,

Thank you for your interest in the Buddy Program.

The Buddy Program is a project of the International Relations Office. We want to make your orientation in your academic life and in everyday life in Heidelberg as easy as possible by assigning a Heidelberg student of your own study course as your "buddy". You can e-mail him or her before your arrival in Heidelberg and address any concerns.

Our Heidelberg Buddies have studied at least one semester in Heidelberg and will try his or her best to provide support and orientation in student life as well as in your new home in general.

If possible, your Heidelberg "Buddy" will pick you up from the train station when you arrive in Heidelberg, and he or she will assist you during your first days in Heidelberg and explain everything that is important for studying and living in Heidelberg.

Your buddy will continue to provide help throughout the semester. Furthermore, you will have the opportunity to get to know other participants of the program during joint meetings of the participants.

<u>Please note:</u> Heidelberg students aiding the international students do so on a voluntary basis.

They would like to support you as much as possible during your first steps in Heidelberg, but of course they cannot offer you round-the-clock services. Your buddy may not be able to pick you up at the train station or at the airport. You should discuss this in advance with him or her via e-mail.

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The "buddies" are not responsible for questions on immigration law or examination matters either. If you have any questions in this regard, please contact the relevant authorities (i.e. the local Foreigners' Registration Office or the university's International Relations Office).

We look forward to welcoming you to the program and to the university, and we hope your stay in Heidelberg will be both pleasant and successful!

Best regards

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