

A STUDENT'S GUIDE TO THE VIP & VEEP GALAXY

VIRTUAL INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMMEs AT JLU
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VIRTUAL INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMME (VIP) & VIRTUAL EUROPEAN EXCHANGE PROGRAMME (VEEP) OF JLÜ GIessen



1. ABOUT THE PROGRAMMES

At JLÜ, our foremost objective is to provide an outstanding virtual learning experience. As a VIP and VEEP student, you will not only benefit from exceptional online education but also:

- Gain Insight into JLÜ and the German Education System from Anywhere: Dive into the world of JLÜ and grasp the specifics of the German education system, all from the comfort of your home.
- Customize Your Learning Experience: Enjoy the freedom to select courses that align with your personal interests from our diverse course catalogue, ensuring your academic journey is tailored to your goals.
- Connect with German Students and Professors: Forge valuable connections with both fellow German students and experienced professors, fostering cross-cultural dialogues and enriching your educational experience.
- Online Support: Access robust online support structures specifically designed to cater to the needs of international students at JLÜ, ensuring a smooth and successful educational journey.

At JLÜ we are committed to offering you an all-round virtual experience!



2. INSIGHTS AND ADVANTAGES

- VIP and VEEP serve as the ultimate gateway to explore JLUs academic environment from the comfort of home
- Tailored online programme to cater to the unique requirements of international students
- Dynamic and flexible online curriculum, featuring:
 - Diverse Online Courses – covering a wide spectrum of subjects from eight faculties of JLUs
 - Multilingual Options – courses available in English, German, Spanish, Italian and various other languages, catering to both undergraduate and graduate students
- International Collaborative Teaching: breaking barriers, elevating academic experiences
- Academic Recognition: VIP and VEEP alumni receive a Transcript of Records, including Credit Points/ECTS
- The programme is completely free of charge for students from our partner universities



3. COURSE PROGRAMME

VIP and VEEP provide a varied catalogue featuring both traditional, ongoing courses and an innovative, semester-changing curriculum. Students and doctoral candidates can select up to five courses.

- **REGULAR COURSES** – Always on offer (ongoing): our regular courses are either available in the summer or winter semesters. High-quality teaching on fundamental topics.
- **COURSE CATALOGUE** – Current Topics & New Perspectives: we offer a semester-changing course programme to give our lecturers and students the opportunity to focus on current academic, political, and economic topics and trends.
- **INTERDISCIPLINARY SEMINARS** – Led by faculty members from diverse disciplines, fostering cultural and academic exchange. Through academic dialogue and interactive learning, students acquire intercultural and digital competencies, along with teamwork skills, enhancing their virtual study experience.
- **INTERNATIONAL VIRTUAL COLLABORATIVE TEACHING** – Seminars offered in collaboration with universities worldwide. Developed and co-taught by JLÜ lecturers and instructors from partner universities, these seminars see professors and lecturers aligning their research interests, pooling resources, and jointly designing the course curriculum.



4. COURSE CATALOGUE – Summer Semester 2026

Period	Study Cycle		Course Type	Lecturer	Interdisciplinary	Language of Instruction	
	Summer Term (April - July)	Bachelor					
Faculty of Law							
Comparative European Constitutional Law	x	x	x	lecture	Dr. Magdalena Jaś-Nowopolska	English	
Desigualdades de género y trabajo de cuidado	x	x	x	seminar	Dr. Laura Rivera Revelo	Spanish	
Introduction to European Energy Law	x	x	x	lecture	Dr. Magdalena Jaś-Nowopolska	English	
Memory Studies: The Contributions from the Latin American Experience	x	x	x	seminar	Tatiana Quintero	x	English
Metodologías críticas y decoloniales para la investigación social	x		x	seminar	Tatiana Quintero, Andrea Neira	x	Spanish
Migration and Human Rights	x	x	x	block seminar	Dr. Juliana González Villamizar		English
Pedagogías de los discursos sociales: memorias, ambiente, desigualdades	x	x	x	seminar	Prof. Dr. Stefan Peters, Dr. des. Andrea Cagua Martínez, MA Lorena Díez		Spanish
Perspectivas críticas de inteligencia artificial: poder, violencias y resistencias	x	x	x	seminar	Lucia Fernanda Mesa Velez	x	Spanish
The Language of Law: A Comparative Study of Polish, German and European Union Legal Systems	x	x	x	lecture	Dr. Magdalena Jaś-Nowopolska		English
Umkämpfte Geschichte(n): Interdisziplinäre Analysen zum Geschichtsrevisionismus der extremen Rechten	x	x	x	lecture	Prof. Dr. Stefan Peters, PD Dr. Patrick Eser, Prof. Dr. Christina Brüning		German

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Faculty of Economics and Business Studies

Accounting		x	x		lecture/ tutorial	Prof. Dr. Ewelt-Knauer, Prof. Dr. Arnt Wöhrmann		German
Competition Policy and Strategy		x	x		lecture/ tutorial	Daniel Lüke		English
Economics of Innovation		x		x	lecture/tutorial	Prof. Dr. Georg Götz		English
Economics of Regulation		x		x	lecture/tutorial	Prof. Dr. Georg Götz		English
Virtual Summer School in Economics		x		x	lecture/ block seminar	Prof. Vesely, PhD, PD Dr. Mandler		English

Faculty of Social Sciences and Cultural Studies

Artificial intelligence and tech autocracy		x		x	seminar	Prof. Dr. Regina Kreide		English
Building Bridges on Rising Waters: Climate Change and International Disaster Management		x	x	x	lecture	Prof. Dr. Helmut Breitmeier	x	English
Business Ethics and Responsible Entrepreneurship		x	x	x	seminar	Farhad Feizi	x	English
Climate Change & Society in Botswana & South Africa		x	x		seminar	Prof. Dr. Jörm Ahrens		English
Communication, AI and Cooperation in Educational Science		x	x	x	seminar	Erum Afzal	x	German, English
Democratic Development in Times of Migration and Mobility		x		x	block seminar	Zekiye Gürün-Ücüm, Dr. Sascha Krannich	x	English

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Faculty of Social Sciences and Cultural Studies

Open Data Fundamentals		x		x	lecture/tutorial	Ievgen Bilyk	x	English
Platforms, Power & Care: Critical Feminist Analyses of Media and Governance		x	x	x	seminar	Marina Iaroslavtseva	x	English
Virtual International Exchange: Advancing Intercultural Learning, Inclusion, Peace, and Justice in Global Educational Context		x	x	x	seminar	Dr. Annika Brück-Hübner, Dr. Tatiana Joseph		English

Faculty of History and Cultural Studies

Politische Theologien		x	x	x	lecture	Prof. Dr. Ansgar Kreutzer, Prof. Dr. Bernhard Emunds		German
Gold and Silver Metalwork from the Carolingian Period to the Baroque		x	x	x	seminar	Dr. Antje Bosselmann-Ruickbie		English

Faculty of Language, Literature, Culture

Aktuelle Fragen der Forschung, Französisch, Spanisch und Komparatistik		x	x	x	seminar	Prof. Dr. Kirsten von Hagen		German
Ausgewählte Probleme der Linguistik und Sprachdidaktik		x	x		seminar	Prof. Dr. Mathilde Hennig, Dr. Anna Bratytsya, Dr. Polina Yatsenko		German
Coach statt Lehrkraft? Wege zum selbstständigen Sprachenlernen im Französisch- und Spanischunterricht		x			seminar	Prof. Dr. Hélène Martinez		German
Erzählen in unterschiedlichen Medien - Schreibwerkstatt mit der Autorin Nirina Ralantsoaritsimba		x	x	x	seminar	Prof. Dr. Kirsten von Hagen		German

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x	x	x	seminar	Prof. Dr. Kirsten von Hagen		German
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History of the English Language

x	x	x	lecture	Dr. Barbara Ann Güldenring	x	English
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Introduction to English Linguistics

x	x	x	seminar	Dr. Barbara Ann Güldenring	x	English
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Literarisches Lernen mit aktueller KJL im handlungs- und produktionsorientierten Deutsch



x	x		seminar	Prof. Dr. Juliane Dube, Dr. Olha Dobrychuk		German
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Stories of War and Conflict: Peace Education in Foreign Language Learning and Teaching



x	x		block seminar	Jennifer Ehrhardt		English
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Text- und Medienlinguistik



x		x	seminar	Prof. Dr. Katrin Lehnen, Dr. Tetiana Kalyniuk		German
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The importance of Being Similar: Metaphor, analogy, seriality



x	x	x	seminar	Prof. Dr. Thomas Daiber, Dr. Rostyslav Semkiv		English
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The United States in the Twenty-First Century and after Trump

x	x	x	lecture	Prof. Dr. Greta Olson		English
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Von der Vielfalt zum Mehrwert: Mehrsprachigkeit als Ressource im Französisch- und Spanischunterricht

x	x		tutorial	Prof. Dr. Hélène Martinez		German
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Faculty of Biology and Chemistry

Scientific Writing and Data Dissemination

x	x	x	seminar	Prof. Dr. Peter Schreiner		English
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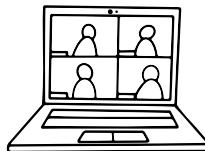
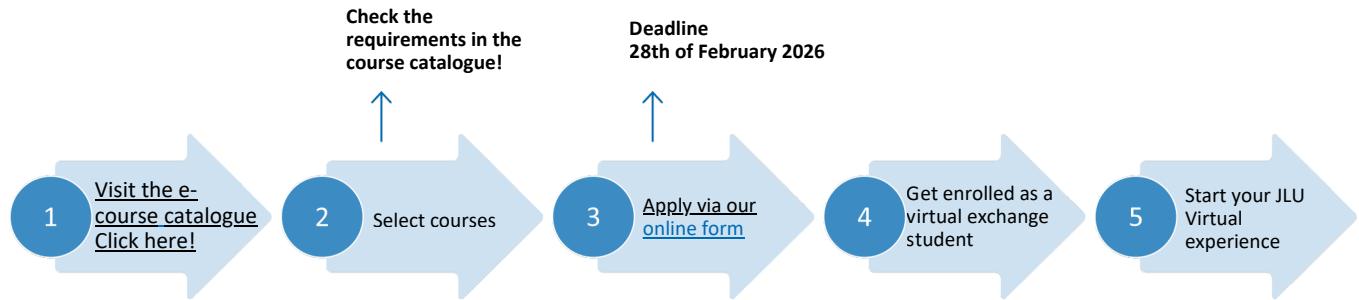
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Resource Economics and Sustainable Management	x		x	lecture	Dr. Michael Hübler		English
Faculty of Medicine							
Basic Books - Global Health	x	x	x	seminar	Dr. Sascha Kranich		English
Language Courses							
Italiano B2.1	x	x	x	language course	Grazia Caiati	x	Italian
B2.2 Comprensione e produzione orale	x	x	x	language course	Grazia Caiati	x	Italian
Key competences							
Grundlagen der mündlichen Kommunikation	x	x	x	lecture	Dr. Ulrike Nespal	x	German
Regionalkompetenz Irland	x	x	x	block seminar	Hannah Klaas	x	German



5. APPLICATION PROCESS AND DEADLINES

The application process is conducted online, and the application form is accessible from now until the 28th of February, 2026. Detailed course descriptions, along with additional information regarding the application process and requirements, can be found on the [Digital Campus](#).



Question Time for Applicants

Thursday, 5th of February 2026 at 2 p.m (CET)
<https://webconf.hrz.uni-giessen.de/b/jul-niw-ihg-uum>



6. ONLINE ORIENTATION WEEK FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS (OWIS)

The online OWIS occurs every semester in the week prior to the start of lectures and provides various sessions to assist in preparing for the semester. These include an introduction to the electronic system landscape at JLÜ, tips on how to use it, access to the library system as well as interactive Question & Answer sessions. Additionally, the OWIS is an excellent opportunity to socialize. For instance, attending the online Welcome Session at the beginning of the week allows you to meet the VIP and VEEP team at JLÜ, and the Ultimate Get-together provides a chance to network with your peers. Be sure to mark your calendar for OWIS!

Summer Semester: 1th to 10th April 2026



7. ACCOMPANYING PROGRAMME

• The International Office organises the Ultimate Get-together, weekly student-to-student online meetings, and a twice-monthly Question Monday. The programme is published monthly and invites you to get to know each other and network. You'll have the opportunity to meet JLÜ students and other international students in an informal setting at the Online Language Café or at the Quiz Night. Our Student Assistants are always keen to hear from enthusiastic students, so you are very welcome to contribute your own ideas to the programme planning during the semester!



- Throughout the application process and the semester, we provide online consultations. In Stud.IP (Teaching and Learning Platform), we establish a Group that provides the option to chat using Blubber, enabling virtual exchange students to connect with each other regardless of their chosen courses.



- Weekly Newsletter featuring information about studying at JLU, important online events and quirky anecdotes about cultural peculiarities of Hessians and Germans.

So gear up, future Virtual Exchange Students! Let's shoot for the stars, break through boundaries, and make history together.  See you in the Virtual Exchange Galaxy!

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