Current Events of the Welcome Centre

Monthly Academics special edition “Carnival from antiquity to present day”

Date: Monday, 20 January 2020, 5 to 7 pm
Organiser: Welcome Centre (International Office)
Location: Alexander von Humboldt-Haus, Hüfferstraße 61
Enrolment: support.academics@uni-muenster.de

Following the 250th anniversary of Alexander von Humboldt’s birthday, the WBU’s rectorate has taken the opportunity to organise a special “Humboldt-Day” with the focus on funding of research projects and incoming / outgoing mobility of excellent scientists. The Welcome Centre for international mobile researchers and the Research funding support SAFIR invite interested members of all faculties to this event, dealing with the motivation, funding options and perspectives of international research. The president of the Humboldt foundation, Prof. from-Chrispie Van Paman, will give the audience and the event will be followed by a dinner buffet with time to network.

Monthly Academics “Science communication” with Graduate Centre’s 2-Minute Elevator Pitch

Date: Friday, 21 February 2020, 5 to 7 pm
Organiser: Welcome Centre (International Office)
Location: Alexander von Humboldt-Haus, Hüfferstraße 61
Enrolment: support.academics@uni-muenster.de

Graduate and Welcome Centre join forces to allow seventeen participants of the recent WWU GC’s workshop on science communication to pitch their research to the Welcome Centre’s audience in a Monthly Academics’ session. Having practiced their pitches at the Graduate Centre in a one-hour peer coaching session on 21 February 2020, the PhD students will move to Alexander von Humboldt-Haus at 5:15 pm to “sell” their research to Welcome Centre’s academics, as if they were face-to-face with the CEO of their dream company. Welcome Centre’s academics as the audience will decide who got the job and give useful improvement tips. As usual, the pitches are followed by a small snack and time to network.

Monthly Academics “Digital tools for the assistance of international mobile researchers”

Date: Friday, 27 March 2020, 5 to 7 pm
Organiser: Welcome Centre (International Office)
Location: Alexander von Humboldt-Haus, Hüfferstraße 61
Enrolment: support.academics@uni-muenster.de

In this Monthly Academics meeting the Welcome Centre will illustrate new digital tools for the assistance of international mobile researchers as the recently released tutorial and CRM solutions for an improved service, information: docs within the Research affairs department at Münster University.

Current Events of Our Partners

Welcome of new Postdocs

Date: Thursday, 22 October, 3 to 5 pm
Organiser: Graduate Centre
Location: Schönliebe, room 002
Enrolment: http://go.wwu.de/whsp

During this event, PhD students will move to Alexander von Humboldt-Haus at 5:15 pm to “sell” their research to Welcome Centre’s academics, as if they were face-to-face with the CEO of their dream company. Welcome Centre’s academics as the audience will decide who got the job and give useful improvement tips. As usual, the pitches are followed by a small snack and time to network.

Change is happening all the time-building moment

Date: Monday, 17 January 2020, 8 to 9 am
Organiser: Graduate Centre
Location: Graduate Centre (Room 001)
Enrolment: http://go.wwu.de/whsp

This workshop is to help you to manage change. You will explore your ability to adapt and find out how to approach important changes coming up in your life. The workshop aims to provide ideas and concrete actions that will help you move forward in your career.

Postdoc Days

Date: Monday, 3 February until Friday, 7 February 2020
Organiser: Graduate Centre and SAFIR
Location: Graduate Centre, room 001
Enrolment: http://go.wwu.de/whsp

This is a 5-day intensive program on day 1 and 3 are organised by the Graduate Centre, focusing on career perspectives and entrepreneurship as a career choice, respectively. Days 2, 4 and 5 are presented by our research funding department SAFIR and designed to help you to write successful applications for German third party funding.

Useful Links of Our Partners

You can find more interesting events at our partner here:

Graduate Centre: This is the central office for PhD students and Post-docs within the Research affairs department at Münster University. They offer tips, advice and workshops on academic matters as well as life in Münster. Under the following link you can find the seminar program: www.uni-muenster.de/DieBruecke/

Safir: This is the central office for PhD students and Post-docs within the Research affairs department at Münster University. They offer tips, advice and workshops on academic matters as well as life in Münster. Under the following link you can find the seminar program: www.uni-muenster.de/Safir/

Dual Career Service: The Dual Career Service helps partners of visiting academics to improve their professional profile and endure job interviews, while searching an occupation in Münster. It also informs about other meaningful activities such as language and professional training. Follow this link for more information: www.uni-muenster.de/DualCareer/

Die Brücke: This is the international Centre of Münster University, which offers a varied programme for students and PhDs. You can find their events here: www.uni-muenster.de/DieBruecke/

Social Affairs Office of the Student Support Services: This branch of the student services assists students with personal problems and organises a series of events, especially for families. Throughout the semester and the semester breaks they offer different activities accompanying festivities as Carnival, Easter and Christmas and many trips in the surroundings. You can find the calendar: www.st-muenster.de/de/hochschulangebote/veranstaltungen/

University Sports department: The university sports department provides 175 different courses for any appetite and moves more than 20,000 people weekly. Find out more about the right activity for yourself: www.uni-muenster.de/stud/sportangebote/en/

Münster University: During the year, the city of Münster offers a lot of tournaments we can’t list here, for example several sports events, the Münster Marathon and the Christmas markets. Moreover, many districts as the Kneuerleit, Südstadt, Raurisches West and Flingern have their own little festivals. For more events: www.muenster.de/stadt/lernorten/en/events
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**Monthly Academics presenting “Applications of Geo-Informatics”**

- **Date:** Friday, 25 October, 5 to 7 pm
- **Organizer:** Welcome Centre (International Office)
- **Location:** welcome.academics@uni-muenster.de
- **Enrollment:** support.academics@uni-muenster.de

During this edition of the Monthly Academics Junior Prof. Judith Versteegen from the Netherlands will introduce the applications of geo-informatics through one of her projects studying the environmental impact of bio-fuels. Afterwards, as usual, there will be time to mingle with a small snack.

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**German Stammstisch – German Conversation Group**

- **Date:** Once or twice a month 5 to 6:30 pm
- **Organizer:** Welcome Centre (International Office) and WWU Language Centre
- **Location:** Alexander-von-Humboldt-Haus, Room 139
- **Enrollment:** support.academics@uni-muenster.de

This intensive German course for intermediate beginners (from level A2) will give you a head start to conversation in German and train you in some grammar basics, while providing fun experience. You will engage in some stimulating games to prepare an interview in German and on the second day, you will test in a group with a citizen of Münster and share your experiences.

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**Presentation of University Services for Internationally Mobile Researchers**

- **Date:** Friday, 27 September 2019, 9 to 16 pm
- **Organizer:** Welcome Centre (International Office)
- **Location:** Alexander-von-Humboldt-Haus, Room 139
- **Enrollment:** audrey.busch@uni-muenster.de

The Welcome Centre and various partners from WWU, such as the Brazil Centre, the Language Centre and the University Sports department will present their portfolio for international researchers. Afterwards we will offer you some coffee, tea and biscuits, giving you the chance to mingle with the other guests.

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**Guided Tour of Münster for Postdocs and PhDs**

- **Date:** Sunday, 29 September 2019, 11 am to 12:30 pm
- **Organizer:** Welcome Centre (International Office)
- **Location:** welcome.academics@uni-muenster.de
- **Enrollment:** support.academics@uni-muenster.de

In the open reception hour of the Welcome Centre Ms Audrey Bush offers individual counseling to international academics on topics such as bureaucratic issues, financing your stay and family support. For complex matters make an appointment with the Tutor Service at support.academics@uni-muenster.de to obtain assistance in the procedures at the Foreigners’ Registration Office.

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**Staying in Germany as a career choice**

- **Date:** Friday, 13 December 2019, 5 to 7 pm
- **Organizer:** Welcome Centre (International Office)
- **Location:** Alexander-von-Humboldt-Haus, Hufferstraße 61
- **Enrollment:** audrey.busch@uni-muenster.de

For those who just arrived (or others who didn’t have time yet to discover this city) this guided walk takes it through the highlights of Münster. The tour will be in English and the attendance is limited to 25 people, so please register as soon as possible to participate.

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**Seasonal Celebration “Christmas traditions in Italy and Spain”**

- **Date:** Friday, 6 December, 4.30 to 7.30 pm
- **Organizer:** Welcome Centre (International Office), with the WWU Partners
- **Location:** Alexander-von-Humboldt-Haus
- **Enrollment:** audrey.busch@uni-muenster.de

We invite you to enjoy a casual stroll to the Christmas Markets with us and your fellow international academics. To finish we’ll take a mulled wine or hot cocoa and enjoy some food at one of the stalls. Attendance is limited to 15 participants. Please register in advance.

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**Mobile Researchers**

- **Date:** Wednesday, 6 November, 5 to 7 pm
- **Organizer:** Welcome Centre (International Office), with the WWU Partners

During this special edition of our monthly “Stammstisch” we will take you on a guided visit to the LWL museum. You can mingle with other foreign and German academics regarding the exhibits. And since it is the first Friday of the month the museum is open to visitors free of charge!