

**Master „Agriculture, Ecology and Societies“ (AGES)
 Introductory Week**

Dear students,

welcome to Witzenhausen, to the University of Kassel, and to the Master AGES!

Attached you find the schedule for the Introductory Week. We strongly encourage that you attend the intros to make sure you have all relevant information to choose and enroll in your courses for the first semester (deadline 19.10.!).

We also look forward to getting to know you, particularly during the excursion to the Niederkaufungen farm and commune on Saturday (14.10.23).

Additionally, the tutors and the international students' association will invite you for other social events.

For all questions to tutors or the coordinator during your settlement period, feel free to use the **Open door afternoon** (Room 1127 - Old monastery building, Steinstr. 19, 37213 Witzenhausen): 15.09.23, 22.09.23, 29.09.23, 06.10.23, 11.10.23 from at 1pm – 5pm

We are looking forward to meeting you – the AGES Team

Time	Activity	Location
Thursday 12.10.23		
10.30 – 13.00	Study program introduction: Administrative questions, study structure, living in Witzenhausen, help desks	H13 New building, Steinstraße 19
13.00 – 15.30	Campus tour	Start at main entry, old monastery building, Steinstraße 19
16.00 – 18.00	IT and library introduction	Library building, North campus, Nordbahnhofstr. 1A
Friday 13.10.23		
10.00 – 17.00	Kassel day: Introduction of faculties, mensa, campus rallye	Meeting points: 8.00 -> Old Monastery Building, Steinstraße 19 8.30 -> Train Station Witzenhausen Nord 9.15 -> Train Station Kassel HbF
Saturday 14.10.23		
10.00 – 17.00	Visit to Niederkaufungen farm and commune*	Meeting points: 09.15 -> Steinstraße 19 09.45 -> Kommune Niederkaufungen, Kirchweg 3, 34260 Kaufungen

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Monday 16.10.23		
09.00 – 10.00	Official Welcome address by the dean Prof. Dr. Finckh	Old monastery building, Steinstr. 19 „Zeichensaal“ – Ceremonial aula
15.00 – 17.30	City rallye	Start in front of the Old monastery building, Steinstraße 19
Tuesday 17.10.23		
10.00 – 12.00	Presentation of thematic clusters and modules in Witzenhausen	H13 - New building, Steinstraße 19
14.00 – 18.00	Two-day simulation game „Agri-food systems transitions“. Continued next day, same teams! Snacks and drinks will be provided	Old monastery building, Steinstr. 19, „Zeichensaal“ – Ceremonial aula
Wednesday 18.10.23		
09.00 – 17.00	Two-day simulation game „Agri-food systems transitions“. Continued, same teams! Lunch, snacks and drinks will be provided	Old monastery building, Steinstr. 19, „Zeichensaal“ – Ceremonial aula
Thursday 19.10.23		
13.00 – 17.00	Open door afternoon for questions around course enrolment (deadline 19.10.!))	Room 1127, old monastery building, Steinstraße 19
24.00 (12p.m.)	Deadline for course enrolment!	eCampus

***Route description for the excursion on Saturday 14.10.23, for those who live at Kassel. From Witzenhausen we will go together with small busses!**

Tram line 4 (direction Oberkaufungen / Helsa / Hessisch Lichtenau) to the Tram station Niederkaufungen-Mitte.

From there it is a five-minute walk to the community: cross the tracks, pass the Aldi and Rewe supermarkets until you reach Leipzigerstraße. Turn right into this street. Opposite the gas station on the left side of the street is the pharmacy. There you follow the sign to the church and turn downhill into the street Am Haferbach. Take the next street on the left: Wilhelmstr. and then you will see Kirchweg (= next street on the right).

Pass the farm store and the kindergarten playground and you will approach the conference house. Directly behind the conference house turn left into the courtyard and you are in front of the municipal office (Kirchweg 3).