

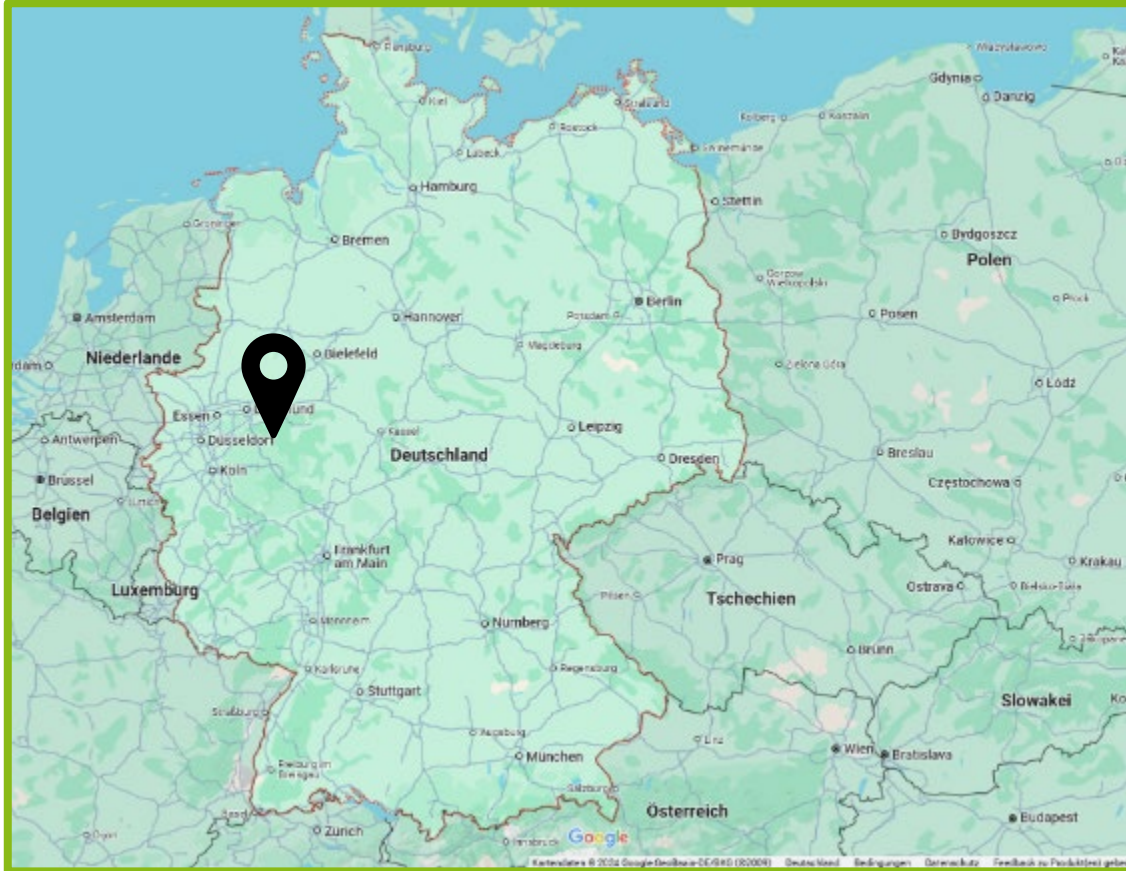
# The University of Wuppertal welcomes you!

## Presenting: 10 top assets for studying here



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# 1. Location



Wuppertal's central location in North Rhine-Westphalia makes it a perfect base for students to explore other cities. Major hubs like Cologne, Düsseldorf, and Dortmund are less than an hour away by train, offering easy access to more cultural and social opportunities. The Rhein-Ruhr area is the **Germany's largest metropolitan region** right on Wuppertal's doorstep.

Also, cities like Berlin, Brussels or Paris are only a 4-5 hour train ride away.



## 2. Affordable Living Costs

Compared to larger German cities like Berlin, Munich, Düsseldorf or Cologne, Wuppertal offers more **affordable housing** and general living expenses, making it an attractive option for students on a budget. The Studierendenwerk Wuppertal offers 1,217 places in seven modern halls of residence. Also, you can find 9 canteens and cafeterias in total on all 3 campuses in Wuppertal as well as 1 pub (with late opening hours) and 1 kiosk on the main campus.

[housing web page](#)



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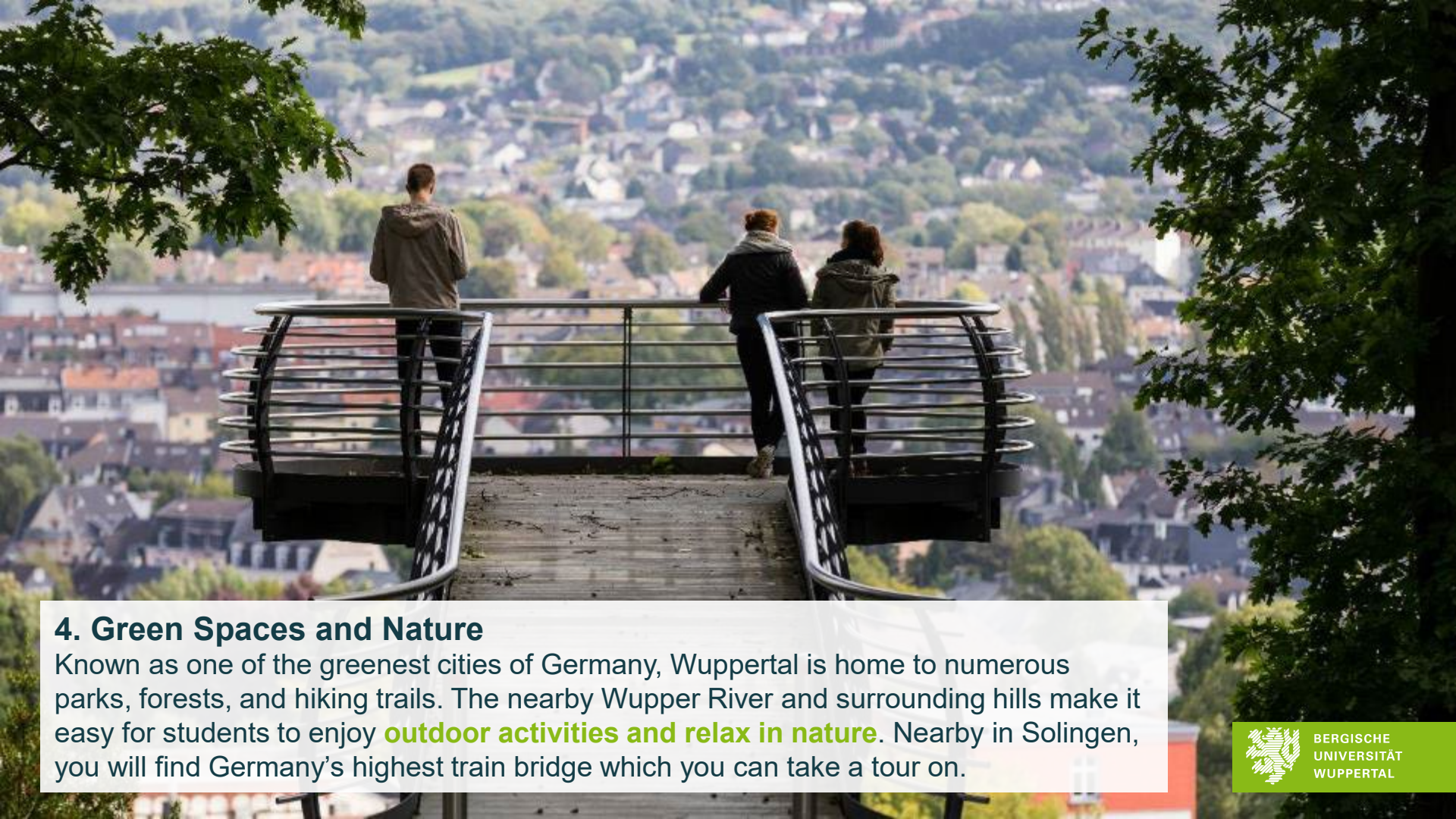
### 3. Excellent Public Transport

Wuppertal is famous for its iconic suspension railway (Schwebebahn), the oldest of its kind in the world. Students can easily explore the city and commute using the extensive public transport system, which is both **convenient and affordable** with the “Deutschlandticket” that is included in the University of Wuppertal’s semester fee which allows you to use all local and regional trains in Germany.



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#### 4. Green Spaces and Nature

Known as one of the greenest cities of Germany, Wuppertal is home to numerous parks, forests, and hiking trails. The nearby Wupper River and surrounding hills make it easy for students to enjoy **outdoor activities and relax in nature**. Nearby in Solingen, you will find Germany's highest train bridge which you can take a tour on.



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## 5. Focus on Innovation and Sustainability

Wuppertal is known for its commitment to sustainability and innovation. The **Wuppertal Institute** is a leading think tank for sustainability and transformation research focused on impact and practical application. The organisation's activities are centred on developing transformation processes aimed at shaping a climate-friendly and resource-efficient world. And, the **Circular Valley initiative** actively promotes research in renewable energy, climate protection, and social development, making it an attractive destination for students interested in environmental and social sciences.



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# 10 top assets for studying, researching and living in Wuppertal

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## 6. Job opportunities

Around 38,000 companies are based in the Bergisch city triangle of Wuppertal-Remscheid-Solingen and about **700,000 companies in North-Rhine Westphalia** – a lot of them available by public transport on a daily basis from Wuppertal. Municipal services (House of Integration, team of the newly opened service centre for labour and skilled workers) help refugees and immigrants to find jobs or apprenticeships. The start-up Workstadt fosters a sense of community among all international employees in the city so everyone feels at home.

### Selection of Wuppertal based companies that work internationally and have subsidiaries worldwide:

- Tool manufacturing: Wera Werkzeuge, Knipex
- Pharmaceuticals & life sciences: Bayer (Aspirin was invented in Wuppertal)
- Automotive technology & electronics: Aptiv (operates in more than 40 countries)
- Broadcast & media communication tech: Riedel Communications (provides communication technology for the Oscars, Super Bowl, Formula 1 and other big events)
- Vacuum and compressor technology: Gebrüder Becker
- Healthcare & hygiene products: Johnson & Johnson (present in 60+ countries)
- Multi-industry (membranes, materials): 3M
- Adhesive tapes, cables, wiring: Coroplast Group



## 7. Student-Friendly Nightlife

Wuppertal offers a variety of affordable cafes, bars, and clubs where students can socialize and unwind. The city's nightlife is active but not as overwhelming as in larger cities, making it an **ideal balance for study and leisure**. Wuppertal offers various student discounts on cultural events and recreational activities.



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## 8. Cultural Scene

The city has a rich cultural scene, with many theaters, museums, and galleries. **Pina Bausch's dancing company and the Skulpturenpark Waldfrieden by Tony Cragg are internationally renowned** and attract visitors from all over the world. Students can enjoy a variety of performances and exhibitions throughout the year – for free.

Latest attraction in Wuppertal: Murals! 24 from artists around the world can be found on walls throughout the entire city.



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## 9. Diverse and International Community

The city hosts a diverse and international student population. Wuppertal embraces a **multicultural atmosphere**, and international students will find numerous opportunities to connect with peers from all over the world. From the University of Wuppertal's appr. 20,000 students, 10% are international.



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## 10. Citizens with Unusual Commitment

Wuppertal has its own supermarket and gym chains (outside the typical mainstream).

Old, unused railway lines that have been converted into kilometres of cycle paths that connect the city districts so you can avoid traffic - thanks to the relentless initiative of a private association (e.g. Nordbahntrasse and Sambatrasse).

Often you find restored brick buildings which are now home to start ups or other innovative small companies.



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## Full service: What the University of Wuppertal offers for students

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- application via **uni:assist** and admission via **TestAS**,
- no tuition fees, just a semester fee of appr. 300 Euros, “Deutschlandticket” included
- pre-study and accompanying **courses in German as a foreign language of all levels**, also online and/or in the evening,
- **Student counselling service** with individual consultations and workshops on time, self and stress management, exam anxiety, concentration techniques and much more,
- an International Students Team that offers **social evenings and excursions in the region**,
- an International Office that organizes **Welcome Events**,
- a **Buddy Programme** with a **mentor at your side**,
- Opportunities for **funding** your studies through student jobs, the Deutschlandstipendium scholarship or graduation scholarships,
- **intercultural and job trainings**, an annual recruiting day, monthly excursions and contacts with local businesses,
- a service team from the city of Wuppertal that **places international students in training or work**,
- a local start-up that **connects international professionals in our region** with get togethers and events,
- **University sports with more than 60 types of sport, a student health center and a fitness center**,
- **University church with social gatherings for all confessions**,
- and much more.





## Application and admission

Website for checking your eligibility for studying in Germany offered by the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD):

<https://www.daad.de/en/studying-in-germany/requirements/admission-database/>

You can apply to the University of Wuppertal via uni-assist, here's a helpful application tutorial: [Uni Assist Application Tutorial](#)


Find a TestAS centre in your region:

<https://www.testas.de/en/participants/my-testas/find-a-test-center>



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**Thank you for your attention and see  
you soon in Wuppertal!**

Helpful links:

[Information for international students](#)

[Information on the CSiS study programme](#)

[CSiS module handbook](#)

**Questions?**

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