Dear students!

We are happy being able to send you the new issue of the RUBiss newsletter by the International Office! We inform you about current activities and offers from the International Office and other facilities and provide hints and tips for the semester break.

The next RUBiss newsletter will be issued at the beginning of the winter semester 2014/15.

Have a nice and relaxed semester break!
Your RUBiss Team – RUB international student services.

Facebook Group

RUBiss can also be found on facebook! Join the group and the RUBiss Team will always keep you up to date and provide you with newsworthy information and useful tips – and you will also have the opportunity to get to know other international students and exchange!

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RÜCKBLICK (REVIEW)
- the summer semester 2014 with RUBiss -

Evaluation of the semester programme

The RUBiss Team would like to thank you very much for your active participation in the semester programme. Your presence at Ruhr-Universität is a great enrichment! Since we plan to offer a varied programme in the next upcoming semesters too, we would like to ask you to take a moment to fill out our evaluation form online. You would support our work in particular and we are very interested to hear your suggestions, criticisms and ideas. Of course, the survey is held up anonymous.

[Link to the survey](#) (The password for the English version is Rubiss2014e; for the German version: RUBiss2014)

Semester finale with an international Barbecue

As in last summer semester, RUBiss organised an international (farewell-) barbecue together with the Erasmus Student Network Bochum (ESN) to let the semester gently fade away. Some students will be traveling back to their home countries, this was therefore a great opportunity to see each other again and to say goodbye. If you go home, we wish you a pleasant journey and hope to welcome you one day in Bochum again!
RUBiss looks back on a nice summer semester 2014 and would like to take this opportunity to thank ESN Bochum once again for the active support during our joint events.

[More about ESN Bochum](#)

ExtraSchicht at RUB

For the third time RUB was part of ExtraSchicht – the Night of Industrial Culture. Once a year on a summer’s night ‘Extraschicht’ draws attention to the cultural heritage of former industrial facilities and current production centres in the whole of the Ruhr Area. This year at RUB, it was all about engineering sciences and architecture – the I-buildings have been restaged with light art, theatre, lectures and science slam. The International Office set up an international stand by the help of international students on the topic worldwide architecture. Posters, postcards, symbolic buildings of Chinese or religious architecture, puzzles of buildings and memory games were designed as well as profiles with information of international students’ experiences at RUB and of RUB-students abroad. ExtraSchicht offered the opportunity for all ages to become active. By an Origami workshop or by attempting to build structures with Spaghetti, they tried to act as architects. The knowledge of other languages or music as well as the expertise about international architecture could be shown in an international music and construction quiz. Lots of great projects were designed and made it possible to transform the stand of the International Office to a cozy, colorful and bright place.
By this opportunity we would like to thank all of our hard-working helpers once again very much!
Café Welt at RUB’s summer festival

On occasion of the annual university’s summer festival the so-called Café Welt is organised by the help of volunteers in the Audimax. This year, the café has been supported by the campaign “Social Erasmus” - organised by the association ESN - offering international students an opportunity to volunteer in a social way during their stay. As usual, a cultural stage programme has been offered next to refreshing drinks and tasty snacks. The proceeds go directly to the association “Support for foreign students in Bochum e.V.” aiming to support international students, who are in financial distress on a short-term basis.

More information about the aid fund for foreign students

Studienkreis Film (SKF)

The so-called Studienkreis Film is an initiative of various film-avid students of RUB. During the semester, current as well as older films are shown in HZO 20. The programme offers numerous films in original version with German subtitles. The entrance fee of 2.50€ is related to the semester card of 1.50€ and is therefore especially low in comparison to other cinemas. The next films will be shown during the winter semester.

By the way, you can also join SKF actively as an international student!

More about SKF

Soccer World Cup in Brazil

This year’s summer semester came along with an exciting Football World Cup in Brazil. Many students from all around the world pursued the matches together in the Kulturcafé or in other locations. Of course, we are particularly proud that the German National Team won the trophy for the fourth time and “brought it finally home” after 24 years! Although the match against the host Brazil came out very clearly, we hope that the German-Brazilian friendship remains at RUB. Did you know that this summer semester 68 Brazilian students were enrolled at RUB? Thanks to the exchange program CsF (Ciencias sem Fronteiras) we are expecting even more Brazilian students. Also RUB students spend their exchange in Brazil. In summer semester 2014 at least two students have spent it there. Surely after this exciting World Cup even more students will be interested in such an exchange.
VORSCHAU (PREVIEW)

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The International Office is moving!

The so-called Student-Service-Center (abbreviated: SSC) is completed. The new building is located between the university administration and the building IA. Surely you've already discovered the new building on the left, on your way over the bridge in to the direction of the university. In mid-August, the International Office and thus RUBiss will move to it. Starting at 14 August 2014 you may find us on the first floor of the SSC. The exact rooms can then be found on our website. We hope that our work goes on in a smooth way during the relocation. We apologize for any inconvenience during this time.

More information about SSC

Orientation for new international students

As usual our new international and exchange students will be welcomed and accompanied in the upcoming winter semester by the orientation offers of RUBiss. The orientation course for exchange students as well as the orientation days for international students offer an extensive cultural programme and information events concerning the preparation for the university. The start in Bochum will be simplified by dealing with formal and bureaucratic matters together. During the orientation events, tutors and Campus Guides will accompany the new students doing their first steps at Ruhr-Universität Bochum.

More information about the Orientation Days

Announcement of the graduation grants

As in every semester graduation grants funded by the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) will be advertised for the upcoming winter semester. These grants are aimed for international degree seeking students who plan their final degree this winter and therefore want to fully concentrate on it. The financial support amounts to 4 months with 400 € monthly. Last semester, 10 scholars were awarded. The new announcement will be published in mid-August. The application period is expected to end in mid-October. More information will be provided in our next newsletter.

More information about scholarships in general
(R)AUSBLICK (PERSPECTIVE)

- Tips for your semester break -

Even if you have to do exams or write essays during the semester break you’ll probably have a bit more spare time on your hands. If you’d like to fill this time with some activities, there are numerous things to be done in and around the Ruhr Area and the region. You can find a small selection of possibilities to spend your free time in the following list:

**Juicy Beats on 26 July 2014**

Summer time means festival time. Therefore on 26 July 2014 you’ll have the opportunity to visit the Juicy Beats Festival which will be held for the 19th time this year. The Juicy Beats will take place from noon until 4 am in the following morning and offers especially for fans of electronic music, a variety of attractions, but also fans of Indie/Alternative, Hip Hop, Reggae to Worldbeat will have fun. Located in the heart of Dortmund, the Westfalen Park is a great location, perfect for parties, picnics or just relaxing.

[More about Juicy Beats](#)

**Ruhrtriennale from 15 August until 28 September 2014**

The Ruhrtriennale, the “International Festival of the Arts” brings numerous international artists to the Ruhr Metropolis between 15 August and 28 September 2014. Over 150 events with a considerable number of new artists, 43 productions including around 20 world premieres, new productions, European premieres and German premieres, as well as concerts and artist discussions transform the prominent industrial monuments of the region into unique performance venues in 2014 for music, visual art, theatre, film, dance and performances. A total of around 800 international artists have been invited. As usual, the Ruhrtriennale is banking on the fantastic interaction between modern world premieres and artistic performances at unusual locations.

[More information about Ruhrtriennale](#)

**Zeltfestival Ruhr from 22 August until 07 September 2014**

For the seventh time the Zeltfestival Ruhr right next to Lake Kemnade offers, in addition to its atmospheric piazza area, a spectacular programme consisting of music, cabaret and comedy. Numerous events will take place between 22 August and 07 September 2014 in the large event tents. It is worth a visit, even without a concert ticket: More than 80 craftspeople and traders are other good reasons for visiting Zeltfestival. The beach area also offers a relaxing change.

[More information about Zeltfestival Ruhr](#)

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