

FAQ – Master of Mechanical Engineering (International Students)

Welcome to Emden-Leer University of Applied Sciences!

We are delighted that you will join us for the 2026/27 winter semester. From day one, the First-Semester Welcome Week will give you a solid start and help you get acquainted with our campus and city.

Our aim is to make your transition as smooth as possible. During the orientation week you will receive all the practical information you need, such as:

- your university e-mail address
- WLAN/Wi-Fi access
- where to collect your campus card
- how to view your timetable
- where to find course information
- how Moodle works
- and much more...

If you cannot attend the orientation week, the FAQs below will guide you through the most common questions and point you to detailed resources.

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

Accommodation – Where can I find a place to live?

All housing information is compiled by the International Office here:

[Housing information \(EN\)](#)

Please note: The accommodation situation in Emden is difficult at the moment. Please be sure to look for an accommodation **before** you are travelling to Emden, so that you know where you can stay upon your arrival.

Also, the following cities are within one hour of public transportation to Emden.

Consider looking for an accommodation there as well.

Leer, Papenburg, Lingen, Norden, Aurich, Bad Zwischenahn, Oldenburg

Getting to Emden – How do I travel there?

Emden is well connected by train. Timetables and tickets are available via Deutsche Bahn:

[Cheap Train Tickets | Timetables for Germany & Europe](#)

Visa questions – Who can help me?

The International Office maintains a step-by-step guide:

[Visa information \(EN\)](#)

Orientation & welcome days – When and where?

The International Office organises the general welcome days for all incoming students.

Details can be found here:

[Welcome days for international students](#)

For Mechanical Engineering students, the specific orientation week starts on **14 September**. The full programme is available here:

[Mechanical Engineering orientation days](#)

All university-wide events are listed here:

[First-semester information portal](#)

Buddy programme – How can I find a buddy?

The International Office runs a buddy system for newcomers. More information:

[Buddy-Program for international students](#)

Germany-Ticket – How do I activate it?

Log in with your date of birth and matriculation number at the following portal to download your ticket:

[Germany-Ticket portal](#)

The ticket is personal and must not be shared. Carry a valid ID with you to prove ownership.

Campus card – Where do I collect it?

The Examination and Admission Office issues campus cards. Maike Riemann, responsible for the Master Mechanical Engineering, hands them out in **Room T102**.

IT, WI-FI & PLATFORMS

Login credentials – How do I receive them?

After you have successfully registered, the Computer Centre will send you an e-mail with your username and password. If you encounter problems, contact the Computer Centre at hrz-support@hs.emden-leer.de or visit the IT Service Desk in **Room T112**.

Campus Wi-Fi – How to connect?

eduroam (education roaming) is an initiative in which participating universities and other academic institutions provide each other with simplified Internet access via WLAN. The SSID is usually “eduroam” (as is the case here).

All professors, staff and students at participating institutions have access to the Internet via eduroam. You do not need to apply for a guest account, but authenticate yourself with the login data of your home university.

If you have any problems with the WLAN, please contact us via our service portal or contact our service points in T123 (Emden).

SSID	eduroam
Username	<your-username>@hs-el.de (e.g. aa2345@hs-el.de)
Password	<your-password>
Domain	<i>Leave blank</i>
Security	WPA2-Enterprise

If you experience connectivity issues, use the service portal or visit the support desk in Room T123 (Emden).

Moodle – What is it and how do I access it?

Moodle is the university-wide learning management system. Access your courses here:

[Moodle dashboard](#)

For Master Mechanical Engineering specific information, enroll in the M-Board:

[M-Board for Mechanical Engineering](#)

ACADEMIC MATTERS

Timetable – Where can I view it?

All lecture schedules are published at:

[Timetable portal](#)

Instructions for using the MathPlan tool are available here:

[MathPlan guide \(EN\)](#)

You will need to select a number of electives from a wide range of options. Choose the courses that best match your interests; your personal timetable will be generated automatically.

Master programme information – Where can I find it?

All details about the Master Mechanical Engineering are on the programme website under information material:

[Mechanical Engineering Master \(EN\)](#)

Key resources:

- **Module handbook (PO 2024)** – full description of each course
[Download PDF](#)
- **Regulations** – study and examination rules
[Study regulations](#)

German language courses – What are my options?

The International Office offers German classes at beginner, intermediate and advanced levels throughout the semester:

[German classes \(EN\)](#)

An intensive beginners' course runs from **21 – 25 September 2026**.

Additionally, you have free access to the online language-learning platform

Speexx Core: [Speexx Core](#)

Feel free to use it to improve your German at your own pace or even start learning before your arrival.