

Dear HTU,

An important project over the Summer was organizing the International Welcome Days, which took place on the 17th and 18th of September. We had a few meetings with the International Office for this, and our involvement was mostly two-fold: for one, updating and preparing the presentation on Study Law, making sure the info was up to date and adding some more slides explaining things, based on the feedback received from students at the IWDs last year. The other part of our involvement was making sure there were enough representatives from every present Master's degree for the session for individual advice. Thanks to other motivated members of the HTU from the StVs, we were able to cover all of the Master's with more than a couple students, and the International Office noted on the large participation from the HTU (so thanks again to everyone who helped out).

This month we organized a brief meeting on September 27th to discuss the future of our department and to ensure that the handover process continued smoothly. The meeting also served as an opportunity for everyone to get to know each other better and to clarify our respective roles and responsibilities.

During the meeting, we discussed upcoming plans and potential gatherings, including the use of the International Welcome Rooms for future events. We are currently in the process of recruiting new members and have been following up on emails from several interested candidates. In addition, we began planning how to best distribute ongoing tasks, initiate new activities, and maintain a steady workflow moving forward.

Furthermore, we took part in an information call about the Students at Risk Fund, which allowed us to learn more about the topic and explore how it might relate to our department's future activities.

We are also actively preparing for the upcoming Fördertopf processing this semester and are pleased to share that we will officially resume our office hours starting in November

Best regards,

International Department