













Information and support

Getting pregnant or becoming a father during your studies changes your living situation profoundly.

The strain from studying and from restructuring their family is a new and often difficult situation for future mothers or fathers-to-be. Starting studies while already having a child poses a special challenge as well.

However, with some outside support, a lot of commitment and good organization, studies and a child can be combined quite well with one another. To this end you will be supported by the social counsellors of the Studentenwerk Leipzig. They are offering free of charge, comprehensive counselling and assistance to all students of Leipzig's universities and academies regarding the subject of "studying with children". In this respect, study-related organisational and financial questions are the main focus. Together, you will develop problem solving strategies and carefully examine financing for your family, but also discuss different possibilities of applying for financial support. Furthermore, the social counsellors alert to deadlines and clarify competences of the various authorities.

Informative events for parents-to-be

In addition to counselling during normal office hours, informative events for parents-to-be regarding the subject "Expecting a baby – what to do next?!?" are offered at regular intervals.

These evening counselling sessions are open to all students of Leipzig's universities and academies; their partners are, of course, welcome to join.

Current events, advice for signing up and other information around the subject of "studying with children can be found here: www.studentenwerk-leipzig.de/beratung/studieren-mit-kind.

Family breakfast in cooperation with Leipzig University

Once per semester there is a family breakfast taking place at the canteen Mensa am Park. Student couples with children as well as single-parent students studying at any of Leipzig's universities and academies along with their children are cordially invited to attend.

Apart from the food, the breakfast offers parents the opportunity to exchange views and experiences with various advisers about any questions and issues that studying with children might entail, in an informal setting. For the little ones, there is a surprise programme. The parents among themselves also have a good opportunity to get to know each other better.

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Social counselling provided by Studentenwerk Leipzig

- Counselling and information for (future) student parents
- Application for and issue of children's canteen cards
- Counselling regarding childcare facilities

Counselling centres: Center for Social Services (CSS) Gutenbergplatz 4, 4th floor 04103 Leipzig

Studenten Service Zentrum (SSZ) Goethestraße 6, ground floor 04103 Leipzig

Children's play corners, changing tables and nursing areas are available at both locations.

Regina Engelhardt and **Julia Winkler** are happy to give advice to students of Leipzig's universities and academies, either

- without appointment during open office hours,
- with previous appointment, or

Telephone:

during telephone counselling hours.

For counselling hours and contact data see: www.studentenwerk-leipzig.de/beratung/sozialberatung

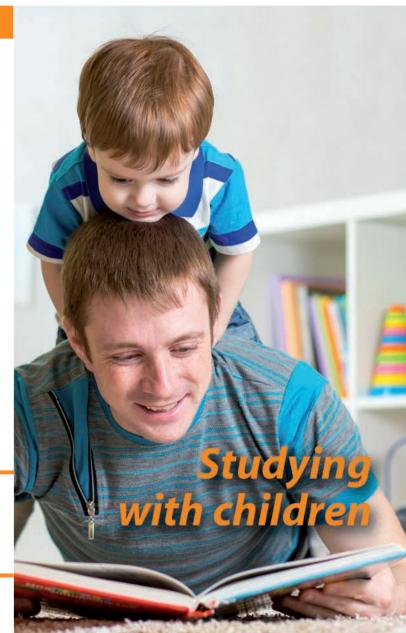
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Offers for childcare

Studentenwerk Leipzig is offering various childcare facilities for children of students.

Studentenwerk Leipzig daycare centre "Villa Unifratz"

Bornaische Straße 138, 04279 Leipzig

Kindergarten "Am Gutenbergplatz"

Sponsor: Fröbel Sachsen gGmbH Am Gutenbergplatz 4a, 04103 Leipzig

Integrated kindergarten "EinSteinchen"

Sponsor: Fröbel Sachsen gGmbH Brüderstraße 14-24, 04103 Leipzig

Registration for those daycare centres is made with the respective daycare centre management. You will find further information here:

www.studentenwerk-leipzig.de/beratung/kinderbetreuungsangebote

If you want to look for other childcare places or if you have any questions regarding financing of a childcare place, please contact the social counselling office of the Studentenwerk Leipzig.

Studentenwerk Leipzig "Kinderladen"

By-the-hour care for children limited to one semester as well as to three days per week and four hours per day. It is absolutely mandatory to sign up in advance. Mensa am Park (canteen, upper floor) Universitätsstraße 5,04109 Leipzig

Please note: The **Zappelkiste** of the registered association Studentische Eltern Leipzig e.V. (Student Parents Leipzig) provides student parents and their children with a room for playing, relaxing, meeting and studying. On weekdays, childcare provided by students for children of other students is being offered. While your child is being looked after, you can study at one of the work stations on site. The facilities are provided by Studentenwerk Leipzig.

Nürnberger Straße 42,04109 Leipzig www.studentische-eltern.de

Finding accommodation with children

Studentenwerk Leipzig offers a variety of attractive accommodation for Leipzig students. Student parents, no matter whether mother, father or couples with children, are more than welcome to come live in our student halls of residence.

In the south of Leipzig and at Leipzig's Zentrum-Ost neighbourhood Studentenwerk Leipzig is running three student halls of residence particularly suited for single-parent mothers or fathers with children:

Student hall of residence situated at Gutenbergplatz

New 2-room apartments near the city centre; nursery and kindergarten located directly at the student hall of residence

■ Student halls of residence situated at Bornaische Str. 138 and 138b

Lively mother-child shared flats with a children's room pertaining to each room; familial atmosphere in the green south of Leipzig; kindergarten located directly at the housing complex.

Student parents with children can – provided that there are spare capacities – rent a flat with two rooms. If you are interested, please get in touch with the respective contact person responsible for the student hall of residence in question. Please send any queries to: wohnen@studentenwerk-leipzig.de.

Student restaurants and cafeterias

Studentenwerk Leipzig is also focusing on child-friend-liness in its student restaurants and cafeterias. In nearly all of our facilities **children's play corners**, changing tables and highchairs are available. Furthermore, baby food and children's food can be warmed up.

Studentenwerk Leipzig supports students with children by means of the Mensa-Kinderkarte (children's card for student restaurants and cafeterias). This card entitles children of all students of Leipzig's universities and academies to receive one free warm meal per day and per child starting from the 1st birthday until completion of the tenth year of age at the facilities run by Studentenwerk Leipzig. You can obtain the Mensa-Kinderkarte at the social counselling office or you can send the application together with the necessary documents by mail.

You will find further information and the application for a Mensa-Kinderkarte online under: www.studentenwerk-leipzig.de/beratung/ studieren-mit-kind.