

Information about financial conditions, part time jobs and about accommodation possibilities for foreign students

Financial conditions:

- The tuition is free of charge for EU students, which is good. There are no scholarship possibilities, which is bad.
- The Danish educational funding scheme (www.su.dk) is not available for EU students coming to Denmark for study purposes.
- The students buy their own books. In total it will cost approx. 8,000 DKK over the 4 semesters. The critical thing is that you must buy most of the books from the beginning (approx. 5,500 DKK). Exchange rate: 7.5 DKK = 1 EURO)
- Rent: approx. 2,200 DKK per month (1 person in 1 room). You pay the rent upfront and you pay 2 - 3 months deposit as well. This means that you must pay approx. 6,500 DKK – 7,500 DKK for accommodation upfront
- You cannot expect to find a job from day one. Normally it will take 1 – 4 months depending on your energy, your skills and your luck. This means that you must cover your living expenses from other sources in this period. Living expenses are approximately 5,000 DKK per month including rent.
- Taxes: From the first approx. 3,500 DKK per month you pay 8 % taxes. If you earn more than that you pay approx. 48 % taxes including the 8 %.

Part time work:

- We estimate that it is possible for the typical student to work approx. 10 – 15 hours per week and still have enough energy to study seriously. In the vacations you can do course work full time.
- Typical jobs will be so-called unskilled jobs like dishwashing, cleaning jobs, newspaper delivery in the morning etc.
- The salary is approx. 100 DKK per hour before taxes
- It has become more difficult to find work, due to the financial crisis, but we still believe that it is possible to find it, if you work hard on it.
- You will find jobs through Job centres, newspaper delivery agencies, your visits at bars and restaurants, hints from friends, help from friends in for instance sport clubs etc.
- Please notice that the college cannot find the jobs for you. If we know about a job, we will inform you immediately.

Accommodation:

There are different possibilities here in Odense. Until now, we managed to help all international students to find accommodation.

- You can ask for a room in our own hostel, which is situated approx. 6 kilometres from the college. Approx. 1 May we will know, how many rooms we have available.
- You can apply for a room through an advertisement in a weekly newspaper "Ugeavisen". We will send you a link later and a list of words, so that you can understand the advertisements. We also plan to send the advertisements by PDF every week in August. This could then be a possibility, if you did not find accommodation by that time.
- We intend to have a Danish student helper here in August, who can help to connect you with private landlords who rent rooms to students.

- You can apply through one of the housing organisations mentioned in the link below.
<http://www.studiebyen.odense.dk/sitecore/content/studieguidenuk/Topmenu/Bolig/Boliger.aspx>

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