



Tübingen - Virtual Intercultural Program

October 5 – December 11, 2026

Course title	Virtual Buddy Program - getting to know Tübingen student life from afar
Course content	Studying at a foreign University is very exciting – even more if the studying takes place virtually. To support you during your digital experience at the University of Tübingen and to promote an intercultural exchange we have set up a Buddy Program. In this Buddy Program, a student of the University of Tübingen teams up with a participant of the TÜ-VIP. The Buddy Program aims to initiate a cultural exchange between international students and the Tübingen students, to expand one's own cultural horizon, as well as the strengthening of intercultural skills and competences. The Buddy Program will allow you to get to know German student life first-hand and to make friends.
Learning objectives	By the end of the course you will: - know more about living and studying in Germany - have gained practical intercultural competences - have established an international network in Tübingen (and globally)
Method of instruction	Common ('Stammtisch' every 2 weeks, 90 minutes) and individual (between the Buddies without 'instruction') Zoom sessions.
Academic hours	3 hours/week on Zoom
Course requirements	The course does not require any previous knowledge and is aimed at students interested in intercultural communication. A good command of English is required.
Credits & Grading	Tübingen students can obtain ECTS for participating in the 'Stammtische' (at least 3x) and for filling in the Buddy protocol/reflection portfolio. ECTS points can be accrued for the certificates "Global Awareness" (https://uni-tuebingen.de/de/33385).
Course language	English
Number of places	20
Course instructor	N.N.
Schedule	Courses takes place Mondays at 6.30pm (German Time) First lesson on Monday, October 12, at 6.30pm (German Time)