

Introduction Guide and Schedule Plan for the 1st Master Semester (Start SuSe 2026)

This document will be updated regularly. (Current version from March 11, 2026)

Check out the last page for invitations from our International Office to awesome welcome events and additional information for international students!

University ID

You need to activate your university ID once you got it with your enrollment documents. The university ID has the following format: "s" followed by a one- or two-digits number, followed by the first letter of your first and the first four letters of your last name (might change a bit if the abbreviation is already taken).

To active your ID (and get access to online services of the university such as e-mail) go to: <https://gosa.gosa.uni-bonn.de/gosa/> (you can change the language from German to English by clicking on the British flag) and follow the instructions.

University mail

After activating your university ID, you have access to your personal university e-mail address. (<your-university-ID>@uni-bonn.de). Please check your mails (<https://email.uni-bonn.de>) **daily** and use only this e-mail address to communicate with us. E-Mails from private email addresses might get sorted into spam, depending on the subject used.

Student ID, Uni Bonn App and public transportation (SemesterTicket)

The university of Bonn does not provide a student ID in card or paper form anymore. Please download the Uni Bonn App (<https://www.uni-bonn.de/en/studying/uni-bonn-app>) from your preferred app store and once you are fully enrolled, you can log in with your university ID and password. You can use it as your student ID, your semester ticket for the public transport ("Deutschlandsemesterticket") or to check the daily menus of the Mensa and Food Truck.

While the Uni Bonn App works as your ticket for the public transport, your still need to carry an ID card or passport with you to be able to identify yourself when being controlled in a bus or train. Please note that you are not allowed to take all trains and all buses. See here: <https://www.asta-bonn.de/Studiticket>

Internet/Wifi

There are two Wifi (WLAN) networks available at (almost) every university building: eduroam and bonnet. As bonnet requires a VPN service to login and cannot automatically connect, eduroam should be the preferred network. If you already have access to internet (e.g. from home or via mobile data) you can easily install access to the eduroam-network. 1) Go to <https://cat.eduroam.org> **with the device you want to connect to eduroam**. 2) Download the eduroam installer and select "Universität Bonn" as organization when asked. 3) Open the installer and enter your university ID and password when asked.

VPN

Some online resources of the university are restricted, e.g. access to some online journals and books, which requires an IP-address of the University of Bonn. In case you want to access from outside of the university (e.g. from home), you can use the VPN service from the university to get a university IP-address. For instructions how to set up the VPN service see here: <https://www.hrz.uni-bonn.de/en/all-services/internet-network-access/vpn-bonnet>

Examination Regulations

Please make yourself familiar with the legally binding examination regulations for the MSc Chemistry program: https://www.chemie.uni-bonn.de/de/studium-lehre/medien/pdfs/mpo_chemie_2020-09-08.pdf (German version; legally binding) or https://www.chemie.uni-bonn.de/de/studium-lehre/medien/pdfs/mpo-chemistry-2020_en_disclaimer.pdf (English version; reading aid). The examination regulations might not be of interest at first, but are important when facing situations like the automatic re-registration after failing an exam or under which terms you are allowed to register your Master's thesis, just to name a few reasons you should have a look at the regulations document. All people involved in the study program, e.g. professors and students, have to abide by these examination regulations and it might come in handy to know your rights.

Modules/Courses in the first semester

An overview of all courses and their contents can be found in the module guide (German: <https://www.chemie.uni-bonn.de/de/studium-lehre/medien/pdfs/modulhandbuch-msc-chemistry.pdf>; English: https://www.chemie.uni-bonn.de/de/studium-lehre/medien/pdfs/module-description-msc-chemistry_en.pdf or here: <https://www.chemie.uni-bonn.de/en/studying/degree-programs/mch/modules>)

In the first Master's semester (summer semester) there are four different courses you should take:

- MCh 1.2: Organic Molecules and Materials
- MCh 1.3: Advanced Physical Chemistry
- MCh 1.4: Quantum Chemistry
- MCh 2: Analytical Methods for Condensed Matter

If you are not going to take all four of them, you can repeat those modules later in your studies but this will elongate your study time by at least one semester. Please note that MCh 2 is only offered once year, whereas MCh 1.2, 1.3 and 1.4 are offered every semester. Please also note that passing those modules may be a prerequisite for elective modules, the laboratory course and the master's thesis.

Lectures/Seminars in the first semester

You do not have to register for lectures or seminars in the first semester. Just go to the lecture hall or seminar room, sit down and listen carefully. General information on the organization of the modules is given in the first lecture, normally. If you arrive later into the semester, please talk to the professor after your first lecture in each module and ask about the content you have missed and on how to proceed being added to the eCampus course of each module. Please also get in contact with your fellow students regarding potential other information and news you may have missed.

Exercises (MCh 1.3 and 1.4)

How to register for exercises is usually mentioned in the first lecture of the course. If you arrive later, please turn directly to the module coordinator/professor and talk about your options. Normally, you have to register in eCampus (course of the respective module) as well as in BASIS for the exercises.

eCampus

eCampus is the central e-learning platform of the university. Most (!) of the courses have eCampus-courses, where additional content (e.g. slides) are uploaded. Joining eCampus-courses is not mandatory, but it's highly recommended to do so. The following links provide an overview of all eCampus Master courses for your first semester:

Organic Molecules and Materials (MCh 1.2): https://ecampus.uni-bonn.de/ilias.php?baseClass=ilrepositorygui&ref_id=1535762

Advanced Physical Chemistry (MCh 1.3): not yet available, as of March 11, 2026

Quantum Chemistry (MCh 1.4): not yet available, as of March 11, 2026

Analytical Methods for Condensed Matter (MCh 2): https://ecampus.uni-bonn.de/ilias.php?baseClass=ilrepositorygui&ref_id=3258521

The professors will tell you more about their eCampus courses in their first lecture.

Additionally, it is highly recommended to join the eCampus course of the study program management. You can find valuable information there and important announcements are shared via the e-mail list of the eCampus course: https://ecampus.uni-bonn.de/goto_ecampus_crs_210646.html

Exam Dates

In case you want to plan your semester break ahead of time, you can find the examination dates for the written exams on the homepage of the Chemistry department: <https://www.chemie.uni-bonn.de/de/studium-lehre/studiengaenge/pruefungstermine> (please open the PDF-file on the German version of the website). Please be aware that the plan is updated regularly and some dates might change over time. Please also be aware that you have to register for exams via BASIS. You will be informed on how to do that in our BASIS-information-meeting in the beginning of the new semester.

BASIS

BASIS is the most frequently used platform of the university. It is used to register and de-register for exams and study achievements, provides the course catalogue for all study programs and can be used for downloading transcripts, enrollment certificates and other relevant documents. In the beginning of the semester, we will offer an introduction meeting where we explain the different parts of BASIS and show how to register for and de-register from exams. We will also show you how to create your own schedule for the upcoming semesters.

Student Council

The student council Chemistry ("Fachschaft Chemie") is a group of chemistry students from all semesters. If you have questions or problems within in your study program, you can ask there: fachschaft-chemie@uni-bonn.de ; office room 0.101, Gerhard-Domagk-Str. 1, 53121 Bonn. They also provide a new *Whatsapp* group every semester for the new first semester students. You can also follow them on *Instagram*: [fachschaft.chemie.bonn](https://www.instagram.com/fachschaft.chemie.bonn) as they regularly post

valuable information and invitations and remind students about deadlines. The student council can also provide you with exams or exam notes from previous semesters/years, which can help you a lot while studying for your own examinations.

Study program management

The study program management can help you with questions on regulatory details of your study program:

studienberatung_chemie@ticket.uni-bonn.de; office room: 0.102 (Mrs. König) 0.105 (Dr. Keßler), Gerhard-Domagk-Str. 1, 53121 Bonn. The study program management hosts one of the most important eCampus courses. As mentioned above, you should definitely join that course: https://ecampus.uni-bonn.de/goto_ecampus_crs_210646.html. All important announcements and valuable information are shared via the email-list of that eCampus course. Student job offers and meeting invitations are also posted in that course (there's a whole section only for Master's students – check it out!).

Examination office

It is mandatory to register for the Master of Science examination (MPO, §11(1)). You have to register before technically being able to register for your first exams. Therefore, you have to go to Mrs. Monika Klein in the examination office and register (Mo/We/Fr. 8:00 to 12:30h). It is located in the Organic Chemistry building, room 0.104, Gerhard-Domagk-Straße 1, 53121 Bonn. Please bring this form: https://www.chemie.uni-bonn.de/de/studium-lehre/medien/pdfs/anmeldung-zur-masterpruefung_en.pdf as well as your passport, Bachelor's degree certificate and your smartphone (to show your student ID in the Uni Bonn app).

Mensa (Canteen)

The Mensa CAMPO in Poppelsdorf by the Studierendenwerk Bonn offers healthy and cost-effective lunch options from Monday to Friday: <https://www.studierendenwerk-bonn.de/en/food-drink/canteens-and-cafes/campo-campusmensa-poppelsdorf> and about two times a week the Food Truck by the Studierendenwerk comes to the Gerhard-Domagk-Straße 1 (Organic and Inorganic Institutes) to provide the students and staff members in Endenich with food from the Mensa without having to go to Poppelsdorf: <https://www.studierendenwerk-bonn.de/en/food-drink/canteens-and-cafes/food-truck>. Please be aware that payment at the Food Truck is only possible with Mensa card, EC card (girocard) or credit card.

Housing

Most student apply for a dorm room at the Studierendenwerk (<https://www.studierendenwerk-bonn.de/en/accommodation>), but it might be the case that the Studierendenwerk has more applicants than rooms available and chances are high that you will not get a room in one of the dormitories of the Studierendenwerk right away, but will stay on the waiting list for a while. The department of Chemistry cannot interfere with the Studierendenwerk nor fasten the process of providing rooms for students (in case you applied for a room there). We are aware how expensive the rent here in and around Bonn might be; but unfortunately, we cannot change that and the department cannot support you financially. But here are some tips we can give you:

- Do not only rely on the Studierendenwerk for housing.
- Have a look for private dormitories in Bonn or Cologne.

- Have a look at Facebook groups, Kleinanzeigen, wg-gesucht, immoscout, house4students, boennschkwartier, etc. and apply for all the rooms you can afford (but please watch out for scams!).
- Ask your fellow students if they know someone who rents out a room/know where something might be available.
- Do not only search for rooms in the city center of Bonn or near the Chemistry department, broaden your search radius to the surrounding area and villages around Bonn and Beuel, even have a look at available rooms in Cologne and every town in between – even in the areas around Euskirchen or Siegburg something might be available.
- Up to about one hour and a half of commuting is manageable for a while; you can go around with the public transport in NRW for free thanks to your student ID (except ICE, IC and EC trains!).

If you need more assistance:

- <https://asta-bonn.de/en/services/consultations-and-services/housing>
- <https://www.uni-bonn.de/en/university/university-life/living-in-bonn>
- [Flyer "Studentisches Wohnen"](#) (student living, only available in German)
- "Zimmer Frei!?" Bonn, Contact: +49 (0)228/ 73-66002, zimmerfrei@uni-bonn.de
- Amt für Soziales und Wohnen der Stadt Bonn (The Social Security and Accommodation Office of the City of Bonn), Contact: +49 (0)228 / 77-48 10 or +49 (0)228/ 77-49 59, address: Friedrich-Breuer-Straße 65, 53225 Bonn
- General Students' Committee (AStA) -The Office "Wohnen für Hilfe", Contact: Wednesday and Fridays +49 (0)151/51433701, wfh@asta.uni-bonn.de

Useful Links

AStA (General Student's committee; Housing, Finances, Legal Matters, Mobility): <https://asta-bonn.de/en/services/consultations-and-services>

Basis (course overview, exam registration): <https://basis.uni-bonn.de/>

Connecting with other students: <https://www.uni-bonn.de/en/studying/during-your-studies/connecting>

Important Dates (Uni Bonn): <https://www.uni-bonn.de/en/studying/organizing-your-studies/key-semester-dates>

International Office: <https://www.uni-bonn.de/en/university/organisation-and-institutions/university-administration/international-office>

Library and e-media (e.g. literature research): <https://www.ulb.uni-bonn.de/en>

Organizational matters for international students: <https://www.uni-bonn.de/en/studying/international-students/planning/planning>

Studierendenwerk Bonn: <https://www.studierendenwerk-bonn.de/en/>

Studierendenwerk Bonn (housing): <https://www.studierendenwerk-bonn.de/en/accommodation>

Studierendenwerk Bonn (canteens & cafés): <https://www.studierendenwerk-bonn.de/en/food-drink>

Studierendenwerk Bonn (counseling): <https://www.studierendenwerk-bonn.de/en/counselling-social-affairs>

Studierendenwerk Bonn (jobbing): <https://www.studierendenwerk-bonn.de/en/jobbing>

Psychological Counseling and Mental Health: <https://www.uni-bonn.de/en/studying/consultation-and-service/psychological-and-social-counseling/psychological-counseling>

Counseling regarding racism: <https://www.chancengerechtigkeit.uni-bonn.de/en/inclusion-and-protection-against-discrimination/counseling/counseling-regarding-racism>

Gender Equality Office: <https://www.gleichstellung.uni-bonn.de/en/>

1st Semester M.Sc. Chemistry (Start: Summer Term 2026)

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
08-09	S MCh 1.2 (OC) (SR 1.104) (Lützen) Start: 20.04.26	VL MCh 2 (AC)* (HS 2) (Glaum, Kornienko) Start: 14.04.26			VL MCh 1.2 (OC) (HS 2)
09-10					
10-11	Ü MCh 1.3 (PC) (3 groups: S2 (PC), S3 (PC), 0.005 (MCTC)) Start: will be announced in the first lecture on 15.04.	Ü MCh 1.4 (TC) (3 groups: SR 1.033, SR 1.094, SR 3.094) Start: will be announced in the first lecture on 16.04.	VL MCh 1.3 (PC) (HS PC) (Kielb) Start: 15.04.26	VL MCh 1.4 (TC) (HS PC) (Grimme, Hansen) Start: 16.04.26	Ü MCh 2 (AC)* (HS 2)
11-12					
12-13			VL MCh 2 (AC)* (HS 12)		
13-14			P MCh 2 (AC)* (HS 2) (Schnakenburg, Daniels, Assenmacher) Start: will be announced in the first lecture on 14.04.		
14-15	VL MCh 1.2 (OC) (HS 1) (Bunescu, Höger, Menche, Jester) Start: 13.04.26				
15-16			VL MCh 1.2 (OC) (HS 2)		
16-17					
17-18					
18-19					

* the detailed schedule for MCh 2 can be found here: https://ecampus.uni-bonn.de/ilias.php?baseClass=ilrepositorygui&cmd=sendfile&ref_id=3259132 (only available for members of the eCampus course of MCh 2)

Legend:

VL = Lecture ("Vorlesung")

S = Seminar

Ü = Exercise ("Übung")

P = Lab/practical work ("Praktikum")

AC = Inorganic Chemistry ("Anorganische Chemie")

OC = Organic Chemistry

PC = Physical Chemistry

TC = Theoretical Chemistry

Please note, that lectures and seminars usually start 15 minutes later, e.g. MCh 1.2 on Mondays will start at 8:15 a.m. not at 8:00 a.m. Lecturers will tell you in the first lecture, when they will start.

Buildings, rooms and addresses:

The chemistry department is spread among three buildings:

Lecture Halls, Inorganic Chemistry and Organic Chemistry:

Domagk-Straße 1

53121 Bonn

HS1: lecture hall 1 ("Hörsaal 1") (flat building in the meadows)

HS2: lecture hall 2 ("Hörsaal 2") (flat building in the meadows)

SR 1.033: seminar room 1.033 (big building; first floor; entrance: "Institut für Anorganische Chemie")

SR 1.104: seminar room 1.104 (big building; first floor; entrance: "Kekulé-Institut für Organische Chemie und Biochemie")

SR 1.094: seminar room 1.094 (big building; first floor; entrance: "Kekulé-Institut für Organische Chemie und Biochemie")

SR 3.033: seminar room 3.033 (big building; third floor; entrance: "Institut für Anorganische Chemie")

SR 3.094: seminar room 3.094 (big building; third floor; entrance: "Kekulé-Institut für Organische Chemie und Biochemie")

SR 4.031: seminar room 4.031 (big building; fourth floor; entrance: "Institut für Anorganische Chemie")

Clausius Institute of Physical and Theoretical Chemistry

Wegelerstraße 12

53115 Bonn

HS PC: lecture hall in physical chemistry building ("Hörsaal Physikalische Chemie")

S2 (PC): seminar room 2

S3 (PC): seminar room 3

Mulliken Center for Theoretical Chemistry

Beringstraße 4

53115 Bonn

0.005 (MCTC): room 0.005 (ground floor)

Additional Information and Invitations by our International Office

Welcome Days Summer Semester 2026

The Welcome Days are an opportunity for new students and doctoral students from abroad to gather information on the most important issues, such as registration with the local authorities, finances and health insurances. Getting to know fellow international and German students as well as doctoral students during recreational activities is another benefit of the Welcome Days.

All events are free of charge and there is no need to register in advance.

On our [website](#) you will find all the important information about the Welcome Days and life in Germany.

There, you will also find our [event calendar](#). Take a look!

Study Buddy Program

We would also like to take this opportunity to draw your attention to our [Study Buddy Program](#).

Participation in our program not only enables a special kind of cultural exchange between students, but also the opportunity to make international friends. Bonn students with similar interests and study programs help international students to arrive, which makes it easier and special to settle in Bonn and at the University.

We encourage you to sign up for the program minimum three weeks before your arrival so that we can find a Buddy in a timely manner.

Be a part of it!

Welcome to the University of Bonn! We are looking forward to meeting you!

Your International Office

Section International Students and Study Programs

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Before arriving to study in Bonn

<https://youtu.be/-M3waFMug2U> (subtitles may be necessary)

https://www.uni-bonn.de/en/international/campus-international/welcome-days/download/2025_03_14_pre-arrival-info-session.pdf (pre-arrival infos)

<https://www.uni-bonn.de/en/international/campus-international/welcome-days/download/info-session-housing.pdf> (infos on housing by the international office)