Welcome Center
Welcome to WHU! Congratulations on your decision to join WHU – Otto Beisheim School of Management and pursue a career at one of the best business schools in Germany and in all of Europe.

“WHU is a great place to study, teach, conduct research, and work. With the Welcome Center, WHU aims to convey and further develop the warm culture that characterizes its diverse, international community. I’m glad that we are able to offer new members a smooth onboarding process and provide support whenever needed so that everyone joining WHU feels welcome and part of a big family.”
You will find WHU is a diverse and caring community that offers many opportunities for personal and professional development.

We know starting a new job is exciting. That being said, it can also be challenging. It means diving into a new environment with new people, structures, systems, and processes to learn. For many new hires and their families, starting a new job at WHU means needing to relocate. And for some, that may also mean moving to a new country and getting to know a whole new culture. To do this while also completing many administrative tasks—prior to one’s arrival and again after moving—requires patience and tenacity.

Our priority is to make you feel welcome and to provide you with all the support and resources you need to prepare for your arrival in the region and in Germany and have a smooth onboarding process.

The Welcome Center and the various departments of the school work hand in hand to ensure that all your needs as new WHU members are covered.

We, the Welcome Center team, look forward to warmly welcoming you to WHU!

Our Services

The Welcome Center offers many customized services to new faculty and staff members.

You can count on our support and expertise in these four main areas: workplace, private and family matters, personal development, and networking.

Here is a selection of our many offers:

- Welcome package with useful information about the school, daily work, and some recommendations for leisure time
- Support in administrative formalities (e.g., visa, residence permit) and organization of info sessions during the year on a variety of topics (e.g., the German tax system)
- Insights about Germany and helpful suggestions for personal and family matters (e.g., childcare)
- In-person and online German and English courses
- Information about and invitations to various networking offers at WHU (e.g., MeetMe@WHU, After-Work Get Together)

“WHU Toddlers” is the family daycare of WHU initiated to support working parents in achieving a better work-life-balance.
www.whu-toddlers.de
Feel the excellence.
Feel the spirit.
Feel WHU.

Contact
Feel free to contact the Welcome Center team by email or phone or in person. We will be happy to help!

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Selected Social Events

Feb
Carnival Opening
WHU celebrates this German tradition with costumes and Berliner (jelly doughnuts).

Jun
Company Outing
This one-day trip allows WHU community members to get to know their colleagues outside the daily working routine and to explore the regional surroundings.

Jul
Company Run in Düsseldorf and Koblenz
These short-distance city “fun runs” are open to all WHU running enthusiasts.

Nov
Intro WHU
Twice a year, new WHU community members receive insightful information about the school during an orientation day.

Dec
Holiday Gathering
WHU community members get together for a festive end-of-year celebration with speeches and Christmas carols.