
We are DOIT - your PhD student representatives at DESY and Universität Hamburg (UHH) within the PIER Helmholtz Graduate School (PHGS). Below you will find useful information for the start of your PhD in Hamburg.

Enrolling at the University

Every PhD student must be enrolled at a university. This process may be different depending on your department. For a collection of relevant information, find the info sheet here: https://graduateschool.pier-hamburg.de/members/forms/forms_amp_info_sheets/. For any other questions, contact the PHGS via graduateschool@pier-hamburg.de.

International affairs

DESY has an international office to help foreign students with anything they may need: visas, housing, insurance, and more. Visit them in bldg. 6 on the DESY campus or at http://guest-services.desy.de/international_office/index_eng.html. Furthermore, the PHGS offers an attractive buddy program: https://graduateschool.pier-hamburg.de/phd_programme/buddy_programme/index_eng.html.

Housing I

DESY has a housing office to help you find an apartment. Contact them via http://guest-services.desy.de/housing/index_eng.html or housing@desy.de. Until you have a place, try the DESY guest hostel: http://guest-services.desy.de/hostel_in_hamburg/index_eng.html.

Housing II

Plus, UHH has a limited number of student dorms of different kind: <http://www.studierendenwerk-hamburg.de/studierendenwerk/en/wohnen/>

Computer stuff at DESY

Each group at DESY has local admins. Ask your secretary if you don't know who it is. For anything "global", like your user account, email address, mathematica licenses, etc. there is UCO in bldg. 2b: contact uco@desy.de or call 5005.

Public transportation

A public transportation ticket for the Hamburg area comes with your student ID card. Until you have that, save your weekly and monthly tickets, you may be reimbursed after enrolling at UHH. Ask us for details!

Sports and leisure on campus

There are many offers on Campus Bahrenfeld to distract you from work. Among others, the PIER running group, a ball sports group, a choir, and many more. Contact DOIT for more information! Join our email list phdstudents@desy.de by writing to us!

Get involved with DOIT

Every PhD student can become a member of DOIT. Simply write an email to doit@desy.de and come to one of our monthly meetings. For more information and a collection of all links found above, as well as announcements of upcoming events, visit <http://doit.desy.de/>.