

Welcome Apéro 2024

Welcome Center

Relocation advice and information on everyday life for new arrivals in Bern

The University Welcome Center offers information and advice to help new faculty and academic staff planning and preparing their stay in Bern.

The Welcome-staff also helps with networking and establishing contacts with other university services.

Who can use Welcome Center services?

- Doctoral students
 - Post-docs
 - Visiting scholars
 - Professors and lecturers
 - Academic employees
- and
- Applicants for academic positions (e.g., during hiring negotiations)

The Welcome Center provides new employees and their families with personalized consultation and information on issues including:

- finding affordable housing
- registering with local authorities
- meeting Swiss health insurance requirements
- finding adequate childcare
- basics about taxation issues
- learning to speak German
- public transport in Bern

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We also offer:

- **Customized advice**, either directly on-site, by e-mail or Zoom e.g., in the pre-departure phase
- A **checklist** for the relocation preparation (before/after).
- A list of **housing rental opportunities**

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The Welcome Center organizes welcome and network events for various groups.

- Welcome Apéro for new faculty and staff
- Orientation and Welcome Event for new international Master- and PhD students
- UniBE at a Glance (for all new employees)
- Welcome Coffee Breaks (for international newcomers)
- workshops for integration and intercultural learning



For institutes and departments, the Welcome Centre offers **supplemental assistance** on topics and questions that are not directly linked to employment.

Consult with us and subscribe to the newsletter "News from the Welcome Center".

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Tip for newcomers:

Leave plenty of time to plan your move. We recommend that you contact the Welcome Center approx. three months before you move.

[Registration and check lists](#)

The Welcome Center is part of the Euraxess mobility network for researchers: www.euraxess.ch

