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FOR STUDENTS***

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INFORMATION

AU SUMMER UNIVERSITY 2014

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INTRODUCTION

Welcome to Aarhus University. Summer is just around the corner and we look forward to greeting you here at Aarhus University.

For the fourth time Aarhus University is running "AU Summer University". This year we are proud to announce a record-breaking number of applications, and more than 50 courses will be running with around 1500 students from more than 60 countries making the campus buzz with life.

Internationalization of education is one of Aarhus University's top priorities and AU Summer University plays an important role in this regard. We are very pleased that you will take part in the AU Summer University, and we highly appreciate your contribution to developing the programme and creating new, long-term relationships between students and Aarhus University. Although the courses offered at AU Summer University are according to Danish legislation and AU procedure, they are very different from those offered in a regular semester due to the intensive teaching.

During the courses, every lecturer brings his or her unique teaching style based on their academic background and culture, and every student brings his or her own learning style into the classroom.

These academic and cultural differences create a learning lab where both faculty members and students focus on achieving the ultimate goal of learning from each other, causing unexpected but exciting results.

Arriving in a new country to enrol in a new and different university can seem overwhelming at times. This student guide caters to Danish and International Summer University students, who are not already enrolled at Aarhus University. It aims to make your stay and transition from home to here as easy and pleasant as possible.

The staff at The International Centre and the AU Summer University Help Desk is here to assist you during your stay, and we will do our best to make your stay in Aarhus as easy and pleasant as possible. We hope you will enjoy your time in Aarhus and we look forward to welcoming you to the AU Summer University.

Sincerely,

AU Summer University Team
Aarhus University

CONTACT INFORMATION

SUMMER UNIVERSITY

HELP DESK

At the Main Help Desk we will do our best to support you. We know almost everything there is to know about bus departures, sights to see, when to be where or where to find out!

On a central location close to teaching facilities on campus, you will find a 'satellite' Help Desk where a body of AU students will help you find locations, guide you to the photocopier, and the canteen, and in general answer any questions you may have. The 'satellite' Help Desk will be open during teaching hours. A map will be posted at the Main Help Desk at the International Centre with the location of the 'satellite' Help Desk. The AU student body at the Help Desk will be more than happy to assist you and answer any questions you may have during the summer.

THE MAIN HELP DESK

International Centre,
Dale T. Mortensen Building 1650,
Høegh-Guldbergs Gade 4,
8000 Aarhus C

OPENING HOURS:

Mon – Fri 08.30 – 15:00

SATELLITE HELPDESK

BUILDING 1325, 1ST FLOOR

OPENING HOURS:

MON – FRI 08.30 – 14:00
(DURING TEACHING HOURS)

ARRIVING IN AARHUS

AARHUS CENTRAL TRAIN STATION (BANEGÅRDEN)

Aarhus Central Train Station is centrally located in the city centre of Aarhus at the very end of the main shopping street, which starts next to the Cathedral. Outside the station, you will find taxis and bus stops for most city bus lines, including ones taking you to the Help Desk at the International Centre or your residence.

ARRIVING BY BUS

If you arrive on a Eurolines bus it will stop at the central bus station (Rutebilstationen). This is only a 5 minute walk from the central train station. Additionally, directly outside the train station, you can find the majority of the city's bus stops on Banegårdpladsen and Park Allé. It is therefore still easy to find local transport around Denmark if you arrive here by international bus.

»» www.eurolines.com

ARRIVING BY AIRPORT-SHUTTLE

If you arrive at either Aarhus or Billund airport, you should take the airport shuttle to Aarhus. The shuttle from Aarhus Airport stops right outside the Central Train Station and the one from Billund stops at the central bus station (Rutebilstationen).



GETTING TO THE AU CAMPUS FROM THE CITY CENTRE

Almost all courses will take place on the main campus in the architecturally renowned yellow-brick buildings in the University park, only a few minutes bus ride from the city centre.

BUSES

Going to the International Centre by bus from the central train station you can take buses no. 1A, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, 18 or 20 to the 'Nørreport' stop. Walk up Nørrebrogade to Høegh-Guldbergs Gade to reach the International Centre. It is approximately a 300-metre walk.

- Bus 1A (direction Trige/Lystrup)
- Bus 12 (direction Mejlbj/Hjortshøj)
- Bus 13 (direction Vejlbj/Stenagervej)
- Bus 14 (direction Skejbyparken)
- Bus 15 (direction Skejby/Nordlandsvej)
- Bus 17 (direction Studstrup)
- Bus 18 (direction Mejlbj/Gl. Kaløvej)
- Bus 20 (direction Åkrogen)

Busses on average leave every 10–20 minutes during the day and every 1/2 hour during the evening until midnight.

TRAVEL PLANNER



For planning your journey in Aarhus, or for travelling within Denmark, the website Rejseplanen.dk provides an excellent tool – just type in departure and destination points and you will get suggestions for the best possible travel options by bus, train and walking.

»» www.journeyplanner.dk

HOW TO GET AROUND IN AARHUS

As you will soon find out, Danes are very fond of bicycles. Even during the winter, you will see most Danes using their bikes as a means of transport. However, the local bus network is well developed and the yellow city buses will take you all over the city. If you bring your own car, you will be able to find parking both in the city centre and on campus. Whilst parking on campus is free, you will need to pay on the streets outside of campus. Once you find your parking space, you need to locate the closest parking meter in order to pay for a parking ticket. Please note the parking fines are expensive in Denmark. If you need to get somewhere fast and easily, you can always call one of the city taxis although they are quite expensive compared to other countries.

BICYCLES

It is possible to buy second-hand bikes at reasonable prices. Ask at the Help Desk for advice. Many of the bike shops in Aarhus also sell second-hand bikes.

RENT A BIKE

It is possible to rent a bicycle for a shorter stay in Aarhus:

BIKES4RENT

The shop is a bit outside the city centre but just call them, and they will deliver the bike in the city centre. Renting a bike will cost you 220 DKK per week and 350 DKK per month. Phone: +45 20 26 10 20

»» www.bikes4rent.dk

STUDENTERHUS AARHUS (AARHUS STUDENT HOUSE)

Studenterhus Aarhus is also renting out bikes to those involved with AU Summer University. Renting a bike will cost you DKK 200 per week, DKK 250 for 2 weeks, DKK 300 for 3 weeks, and DKK 600 in deposit which you will get back upon returning the bike. Any repairs on the bike will be deducted from the deposit.

»» www.studenterhusaarhus.dk

450 FREE CITY BIKES IN AARHUS

There are 450 city bikes in Aarhus free of charge 24 hours a day between May and October. You can find them located around the city in 30 specially allocated bicycle stands. Each bicycle has a coin slot (just like shopping trolleys in Danish supermarkets). Insert a DKK 20 coin into the slot and press the "key" into the other slot to unlock and release the bike from the bicycle stand. Your coin will be returned when you press the "key" back into the slot at any bicycle stand.

THE LOCAL BUS SYSTEM

The city bus network of Aarhus is well developed. The yellow city buses can take you all over the city – from 05:00 to 00:00. There are also night buses on Fridays and Saturdays. Please note that on the yellow city buses you enter the bus from the rear entrance and exit from the front.

In your Welcome Package you will find relevant bus timetables covering the routes from housing across town to campus. Midttrafik is the bus company that runs the yellow buses and on their website you will find the timetables for the different bus routes. »» www.midttrafik.dk/in-english.aspx

If you plan to take the bus every day, we recommend you to buy a multi-ride ticket valid for 10 rides ("Klippekort") for DKK 140. One-way tickets can be bought from a ticket machine at the back of the bus for DKK 20. You can buy a multi-ride ticket at the central train station, the busstation or at most newsstands and supermarkets.

TAXI



In Denmark, taxis are relatively expensive in comparison to other countries. However, they are safe, reliable, and comfortable.

Aarhus Taxa: +45 89 48 48 48

Aarhus Mini Taxi : +45 40 20 35 03

KEY PICK UP AND HANDING IN OF KEYS



KEY PICKUP

If you have signed up for accommodation, you can collect your key and the leasing contract at the Summer University Help Desk at the International Centre. Your room will be available from 12pm on the first day of the lease period.

If you arrive outside of the opening hours of the Main Help Desk (8:30-15.00), you must arrange with the International Centre a specific time for you to pick up your keys. If you need to arrange to pick up your keys outside of opening hours, please contact the AU Summer University at:

»» summeruniversity@au.dk

There will be no possibilities of collecting the key before the lease period starts, nor any possibility of extending the lease period.

When you pick up your key and the leasing contract, you will receive a binder with practical information about your stay in Aarhus and information about how to get to your dormitory using public transport.



HANDING IN OF KEYS

It is very important that you hand in your keys and the binder at departure as we require the keys for the next student moving into the room.

Please leave your room no later than 9am. You should return the key and the information binder to the Summer University Help Desk at the International Centre no later than the last day of your leasing period at 10:00 AM.

The Help Desk opening hours are: 8.30 AM – 15.30 pm. You can move out on any day before if that is convenient for you.

COMMUNICATION FROM AU SUMMER UNIVERSITY

Prior to your arrival practical information regarding your participation in AU Summer University will be given to you via the website or by private email.

»» www.au.dk/en/summeruniversity

If there are any changes to your personal contact information, please contact AU Summer University immediately at:

»» summeruniversity@au.dk

During your stay, the AU Summer University website will be updated when changes in the academic or social programme occur. Furthermore, during your stay, you will get access to your faculty's intranet, where information, updates and changes related to your programme will also be announced. The information on the intranet originates from both students, lecturers and the AU Summer University administration. Please keep yourself updated on a regular basis on both the website and the intranet.

AU INTRANET

There are three different intranets at Aarhus University (Blackboard, AULA and First Class). Depending on which courses you take and which faculty you belong to, you will get access to one of these intranets.

Prior to your arrival, you will receive access and guidelines on how to access the intranet assigned to you. You will receive this information via your private email.

During the first few days of your course, you will also be shown how to access the intranet in case you have not been able to log on prior to arrival.

WIRELESS INTERNET

Upon arrival all students will receive access to the wireless Internet on campus. You will find more information on how to access the wireless internet on our website.

FACEBOOK

Remember to join our Facebook group: AU Summer University

LIVING IN AARHUS

WEATHER

Because of the warm Gulf Stream on the west coast, Denmark's climate is relatively mild compared to its Scandinavian neighbors'. During the summer temperatures can be a pleasant 20–25 degrees Celsius, but nevertheless, expect rain and windy days, with temperatures dropping to around 15 degrees Celsius. You can check out the weather forecast for Denmark here: www.dmi.dk/eng/index/forecasts.htm

SUPERMARKETS IN AARHUS

In the central part of Aarhus you will find many supermarkets. The cheapest are called "Netto", "Rema 1000", "Kiwi" and "Fakta". These supermarkets have relatively low prices compared with the more expensive ones such as "Føtex", "Super Brugsen" and "SuperBest". You will be able to find almost everything in the cheaper supermarkets, but sometimes special ingredients or foods may not be found here. It is quite expensive to buy food in Denmark, so it is a good idea to look at the bottom shelves as the cheaper foods are always placed here.

ELECTRICITY

The electric current in Denmark is 230 V, 50 Hz. Electrical outlets in Denmark use a two-prong plug typical for continental Europe. Make sure the adapter you buy is suitable especially for Denmark (some outlets are deeper than European standard.) Look for plug types C, F, or K, they have the correct size of two round prongs.

POSTAL AND INTERNET SERVICES

The public communication network in Denmark is highly developed. The postal service is efficient and you can find a post office in all towns. You can buy stamps in kiosks and department stores. Mail boxes in Denmark are bright red and they are emptied at least once a day. Most residences have Internet connections and there is access to computers at your department and Internet access in all libraries. There is also wireless Internet access across all the University campuses.

SAMPLE PRICES IN SUPERMARKETS

- Milk DKK 6 / litre
- Bread DKK 5–30 / loaf
- Butter DKK 18 / package
- Cheese DKK 50 / 600g
- Beef DKK 30 / 400g
- Chicken DKK 35 / 400g
- Rice DKK 18 / kg
- Newspaper DKK 20
- Wine DKK 30–150 / bottle
- Beer DKK 6–10 / 33cl
- Cinema DKK 80

MEET THE DANES

Once in Denmark, you will undoubtedly form your own opinion about the Danes, and so you should. It is, after all, one of the reasons why you are here. We do not intend to supply you with a whole set of views in advance but only give you a few hints that may make your stay a bit easier in the beginning. It may seem difficult to engage with the Danes, but this is most likely because Danes are concerned about bothering other people and do not want to impose themselves on strangers. However, do not hesitate to talk to them. Most Danes will be happy to help you and to practice their English.

Danes usually fulfill their social needs in a tight circle consisting of family, colleagues, and close friends. The home is a central concept in the life of a Dane, and the Danes put a lot of effort and money into making their homes comfortable and “hyggelige” (cosy). “Hygge” (cosiness) is a keyword in Danish - the concept means focusing on enjoying the simple things in life. Young people like to meet their friends in one of the many cafés in Aarhus to have a cup of coffee or a beer. Denmark’s northern location means that summer days are long and pleasant and winter days are short and dark. However, the Danes have established festive traditions that bring life to the darker season.

Spending most of their time indoors, the Danes make the winter cosy with candles, movies, dinners, etc., whereas in the summer they move outside to spend more of their time in parks, outside cafés, on the beach, outdoor concerts, etc. The Danish language is difficult to learn. It has some strange vowels, but you will find that many words resemble English and German. But don’t worry: 95% of the population speak and understand English!

For more information on Denmark and the Danes:

The official version of Denmark and the Danes:

»» www.denmark.dk

Useful inside information from a German expat in Denmark:

»» www.worktrotter.dk

For a quick and very entertaining introduction: ‘The Xenophobe’s Guide to the Danes’ by Dyrbye, Harris and Golzen

For the more scholarly approach: Richard Jenkins: ‘Being Danish’ Stephen M. Borish: ‘The Land of the Living’

GLOSSARY



It is always nice to know just a few words of the local language when you visit another country. Below we have made a short list of the most commonly used phrases and words we imagine you will need as a visitor in Denmark.

DANISH	ENGLISH	DANISH	ENGLISH
En	1	Hej	Hello
To	2	Hvordan går det?	How is it going?
Tre	3	Hvordan har du det?	How are you?
Fire	4	Hvordan finder jeg...?	How do I find...?
Fem	5	Hvordan kommer jeg til...?	How do I get to...?
Seks	6	Sygehus/hospital	Hospital
Syv	7	Jeg er faret vild	I am lost
Otte	8	Jeg vil gerne købe/bestille	I would like to buy/order
Ni	9	Tak	Thank you
Ti	10	Bibliotek	Library
Aarhus Universitet	Aarhus University	Cykel	Bicycle
En øl tak	A beer please	Bil	Car
Øl	Beer	Bus	Bus
Brød	Bread	Avis	Newspaper
Ost	Cheese	Apotek	Pharmacy
Kaffe	Coffee	Toilet	Toilet
Te	Tea	Lokale	Room
Mælk	Milk	Undskyld	Sorry
Supermarked	Supermarket	Læge	Doctor
Restaurant	Restaurant	Billet	Ticket
Vin	Wine	Hjælp	Help

GOING OUT IN AARHUS

NIGHTLIFE

Like many other university towns, Aarhus has a bustling nightlife. From Irish pubs to jazz cafés, you will most likely find a café or bar to suit your taste. Down by the river, in the pedestrian zone, there are a number of bars and cafés, but these tend to be more expensive with prices up to DKK 50 for a beer.

For cheaper places, we recommend that you check out the numerous neighbourhood bars

MUSIC AND THEATRE

Musikhuset, the city's concert hall, boasts a wide range of performances all year round from international pop concerts, to ballet, to performances by the city's symphony orchestra. Another option for musical entertainment is VoxHall or Train, which showcases music acts from around the world. A monthly program is distributed around Aarhus. Godsbanen is a centre for cultural worth checking out.

CINEMA

There are four movie theatres in town that show movies in their original language with Danish subtitles.

WEBSITES

CINEMAS:

Metropol and BioCity

»» www.kino.dk

Øst for Paradis (Art Cinema)

»» www.paradisbio.dk

Cinemaxx

»» www.cinemaxx.dk

MUSIC AND THEATRE:

Voxhall

»» www.fondenvoxhall.dk

Train

»» www.train.dk

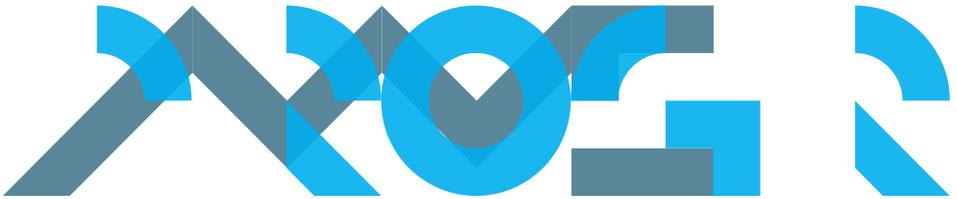
Musikhuset

»» www.musikhusetaarhus.dk

Godsbanen

»» www.godsbanen.dk

PROGRAMME



DAY 1 PROGRAMME

As newly arrived to Aarhus University we will welcome you with practical information and IT guidance at our Help desk and take you on a guided tour in the beautiful University Park so you can get to know your way around campus. The guided tours will be ongoing during the day, and you will be offered 1 sandwich and 1 beverage.

Meeting point:

International Centre, Høegh-Guldbergs Gade 4, bldg. 1650

Time:

10am - 6pm: Help desk open

INFORMATION DAY AND GUIDED TOURS ON CAMPUS

1st July
15th July
1st August

The first day in each term is reserved exclusively for practical matters and classes will start on day two.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES



A varied social activities programme will also be offered throughout the AU Summer University. For more details on the different events and prices please go to:
»» www.au.dk/en/summeruniversity/socialprogramme

Deadlines for signing up are:

- Term 1: Monday 30th June
- Term 2: Monday 14th July
- Term 3: Monday 28th July

DATE	ACTIVITY	INCLUDED	PRICE
1 July	Key pick up and campus tour	Guided tour, 1 sandwich, 1 serving	FREE
2 July	Afternoon: Aarhus City Safari	Guided tour	25 DKK
4 July	Evening: Aarhus by night	Dinner and 1 beverage	175 DKK
6 July	Daytrip: Djurs Sommerland	Bus ticket and entrance fee	260 DKK
8 July	Late afternoon: The Kingdom of DK	Dinner and 1 beverage	145 DKK
10 July	Evening: BBQ and games in Mindeparken	Dinner and 1 beverage	100 DKK
13 July	Daytrip: Canoeing trip	Snack, bustrip, rent of canoe	450 DKK
15 July	Key pick up and campus tour	Guided tour, 1 sandwich, 1 beverage	FREE
16 July	Afternoon: Aarhus City Safari	Guided tour	25 DKK
18 July	Late afternoon: Horserace	1 sandwich, 1 beverage, and guided tour	60 DKK
20 July	Daytrip to Odense	1 snack, bus trip and entrance fee	450 DKK
22 July	Evening: Traditional Danish cakes and folk dance	Cake and coffee	80 DKK
25 July	Evening: Aarhus by night	Dinner and 1 beverage	175 DKK
27 July	Daytrip to Legoland.	Bus trip, entrance and 1 snack.	450 DKK
30 July	Late afternoon: Visit to ARoS Art Museum	Entrance fee and guided tour	75 DKK
1 August	Key pick up and campus tour	Guided tour, 1 Sandwich, 1 beverage	FREE
3 August	Afternoon: Tivoli Friheden	Entrance fee and multi-ride ticket	200 DKK
4 August	Afternoon City Safari	Guided tour	25 DKK
6 August	Afternoon: Visit to the Old town	Entrance fee and guided tour	75 DKK
8 August	Evening: Aarhus by Night	Dinner and 1 beverage.	175 DKK
10 August	Daytrip: Canoeing trip	Snack, bus ticket and rent of canoe	450 DKK
12 August	Late afternoon: Bowling	1 hour bowling, shoe rental and 1 beverage	75 DKK
15 August	Evening: BBQ and games in Mindeparken	Dinner and 1 beverage	100 DKK

THE LIBRARY

Aarhus University offers international students and lecturers a number of academic services and facilities, which are described below. If you have any queries, librarians will be available whenever possible in both the main and individual faculty libraries.

THE STATE AND UNIVERSITY LIBRARY (STATSBIBLIOTEKET)

The State Library is the main library of the University. You will be able to consult books in the reading room but will not be able to borrow them. There are photocopiers and printers available and the State and University Library also subscribes to all major newspapers around the world.

Furthermore, it has an extensive electronic journal database, which you can use by logging on as a student or lecturer at the library or from home. Visit the State and University Library on campus or the website



for more details. You have online access to the library databases through the Internet.

Contact Information:

Victor Albecks Vej 1
8000 Aarhus C

Information about all libraries at AU

»» www.library.au.dk

AU LIBRARY, PART OF SCHOOL OF BUSINESS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

BARTHOLINS ALLÉ 9
BULDING 1351 - MAP
8000 AARHUS C

CONTACT INFORMATION:

PHONE:
(+45) 8716 7040
E-MAIL:
BARTHOLINSALLE@LIBRARY@AU.DK

OPENING HOURS:

ACCESS CODE FOR 24 HOURS ACCESS
PROVIDED ON ARRIVAL.

FROM 30TH JUNE AND UNTIL 15TH
AUGUST:

MON – FRI 10:00 – 14:00

FROM 18TH AUGUST:

MON – THURS 08:00 – 17:00

FRI: 10:00-14:00

AU SERVICES AND FACILITIES

COMPUTER FACILITIES

We strongly recommend that you bring your own personal laptop for the duration of the AU Summer University. You will be able to plug in your laptop to the AU network at several locations and you can connect to the wireless network in almost all areas of almost every building at the University.

IT HELP DESK

During the AU Summer University, the Main Help Desk at the International Centre will be able to help you with IT related problems, e.g. support of applications and configuring laptops to the wireless network at AU.

PRINT ACCOUNT

You will have access to printing facilities at several locations. Printing is for free for all guest students at AU Summer University. Use the copier at The Library of Social Sciences or the International Centre.

BOOKSTORES

STAKBOGLADEN

The students' book store, Stakbogladden, offers the latest textbooks, reference books, and literature for researchers and students. The literature you need for your courses can be bought here. For some courses the material needed has been pre-ordered. You will find more information on the intranet.

AU Bookstore - Stakbogladden
Aarhus Student House
Ndr. Ringgade 3
8000 Aarhus C

BSS BOOKS

BSS Books

For students following courses offered within School of Business and Social Sciences most books have been pre-ordered and can be bought at BSS Books. You can view the book list here:

»» www.bssbooks.dk/en/summer_university.asp

Opening hours

Mon - Thur: 9.30 - 16.00

Friday: 9.30 - 15.00

During week 29 all week: 12.00 - 14.00. On-line orders will not be processed during this week, so please visit the store if you need a book right away.

STUDENT CHAPLAIN

As a student at AU, you have the opportunity to talk to our student chaplain. The chaplain is a representative of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Denmark. The student chaplain is available for pastoral counseling and bound to professional secrecy.

You may contact the student chaplain via :

»» studenterpraest@gmail.com

STUDENTERHUS ÅRHUS

(AARHUS STUDENT HOUSE)

Studenterhus Århus is a social rendezvous for students in Aarhus. In collaboration with the AU Summer University administration, they have organised a number of activities for students of the AU Summer University.

Studenterhus Århus also runs a café open daily to all students in Aarhus. For further information on Aarhus Student House:

»» www.studenterhusaarhus.dk

STUDENTERHUS AARHUS OPENING
HOURS DURING SUMMER UNIVERSITY:

Cafe:

Monday to Friday: 12.00-18.00

Bar:

Monday to Saturday: 20.00-02.00

Opening hours may vary, so please check the website.



DALE'S CAFÉ

Dale's Café is a new meeting place for international students and the University's increasing number of PhD students. It is situated in the Dale T. Mortensen Building where you will also find the Help Desk of AU Summer University.

The café offers quality coffee, sandwiches and a wide selection of beers. It has an informal lounge area where you can relax whilst enjoying snacks and beverages.

OPENING HOURS:

Mon – Thu	08:30 – 16:00
Fri	08:30 – 19:00
Sat	10:00 – 15:00

ACADEMIC INFORMATION

HOW TO STUDY AT AARHUS UNIVERSITY

COURSES

The AU Summer University programmes are, in general, elective courses and carry 5 or 10 ECTS (European Credit Transfer System), which equals a workload of 100-150 hours for 5 ECTS courses and 200-250 hours for 10 ECTS courses.

During AU Summer University, you will receive information about the course, recommended literature, time schedules and examinations through the AU Summer University website and intranet.

TIME SCHEDULE

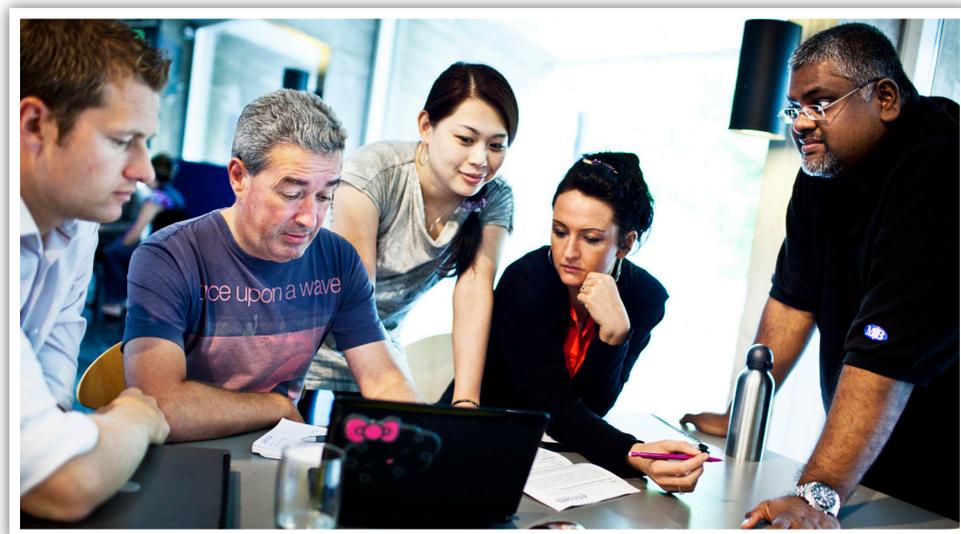
In general the courses take place in the morning, but some will also run in the afternoon. Expect the courses to be taught between 09:00 and 17:00. Find your academic time schedule on the website:

»» www.au.dk/en/summeruniversity/courses

STUDY METHODS AT AU AND IN DENMARK

For most courses, there is no compulsory attendance at AU. This means that there is no checking up on your presence in class, which leaves you with a high degree of freedom to be matched by your own responsibility and self-discipline. However, coursework activities do count as part of the final examination grade for some courses.

The dialogue in the classroom between lecturer and student is central to the teaching at AU. Students are expected to take an active part in the academic discussions during class, and many lecturers require students to make oral presentations once or twice during the course.



Another distinctive feature of Danish university education is the academic environment, which may seem informal to foreign students. Professors and other staff members often chat informally with the students and socialize with them during breaks.

It is also worth pointing out that Danish higher education is characterized by an analytical approach. Students are thus not only expected to accumulate and reproduce knowledge but also to compare, analyse and evaluate on an individual basis.

Most courses are followed by both Danish and international students. We hope that the classroom environment will pave the way for social interaction between international and Danish students, and we encourage internationals to break the ice with Danish students and to work in groups.

USE OF LAPTOP DURING YOUR STAY

We strongly recommend that you bring your own laptop during your stay at AU Summer University. All over AU the Internet is wireless, so you will be able to work online in almost any place.



EXAMINATION

The examination system at Danish universities is unlike most other systems in Europe. The final grade of the student depends only on the official exams completed during the term.

THE VARIOUS FORM OF EXAMINATIONS AT AU SUMMER UNIVERSITY

The examinations may be written or oral. There are five frequently used examination methods at Aarhus University. How frequently each examination form is used varies from faculty to faculty and lecturer to lecturer:

- » Oral examination on the examination syllabus
- » Oral examination on a set subject plus the examination syllabus
- » Written examination on a topic from the examination syllabus
- » Assignment on a fixed subject (take-home exams)
- » Assignment on an optional subject (take-home exams)
- » Coursework activities during class



THE DANISH GRADING SCALE

The Danish grading scale has seven grades of which five are passing grades and two are failing grades as seen below. The Danish grades correspond to the ECTS grades. The ECTS grading system was developed by the European Commission in order to provide common procedures to guarantee academic recognition of studies abroad.

THE GRADING SCALE

Danish Grade	Definition	ECTS Grade
12	For an excellent performance displaying a high level of command of all aspects of the relevant material, with no or only a few minor weaknesses.	A
10	For a very good performance displaying a high level of command of most aspects of the relevant material, with only minor weaknesses.	B
7	For a good performance displaying good command of the relevant material but also some weaknesses.	C
4	For a fair performance displaying some command of the relevant material but also some major weaknesses.	D
02	For a performance meeting only the minimum requirements for acceptance.	E
00	For a performance which does not meet the minimum requirements for acceptance.	Fx
-3	For a performance which is unacceptable in all respects.	F

HEALTH AND SAFETY

EMERGENCIES

In case of emergency, dial **112 (medical)** or **114 (police)**. These numbers are free to call. Should you be in the unlucky situation of being victim to theft or robbery, you should contact

the police immediately. You can also contact the Help Desk, who can assist you in those situations.

POLICE

Politiet
Ridderstræde 1
8000 Aarhus C
Tel: (+45) 8731 1448

FOREIGN POLICE

Udlændingekontoret
Fredensgade 19
8000 Aarhus C
Tel: (+45) 8731 1448
Monday-Thursday - 9-11

EMERGENCY DENTIST

Frederiks Allé 20
8000 Aarhus C
Tel: +45 4051 5162
Opening hours:
Fri: 18:00 - 21:00
Sat & Sun: 10:00 - 13:00

AFTER HOURS DOCTOR (LÆGEVAGTEN)

Tel: (+45) 7011 3131
Mon - Fri 16:00 - 08:00
Sat and Sun open 24/7

HOSPITAL / EMERGENCY ROOM

Aarhus Sygehus
Nørrebrogade 44, Building 7
Tel: (+45) 7011 3131
Please, always call first!

24 HOUR PHARMACY

Aarhus Løve Apotek
Store Torv 5
Tel: +45 8612 0022

Cough syrup, painkillers, anti-histamines, etc. may be bought in small doses from supermarkets, 7-Eleven, etc. Pharmacies are usually open between 09:00 and 17:30 during the week and from 09:30 to 13:00 on Saturdays.

STUDENTS COUNSELLING

For all students in Aarhus:
Phone: + 45 86 19 04 88



BE 'STREET WISE'

As in any major city, assaults do happen in Aarhus. Most of the time, they happen, when people are intoxicated or agitated.

It is important to keep one's head and not lose one's temper. If possible, pull away from the situation if you feel uncomfortable and uneasy. The following precautions may help to get you out of a possible violent situation:

- » Do not show you are afraid
- » Do not lose your temper
- » Use a kind but assertive voice
- » Apologise if you have been a part of the episode
- » Avoid further discussion
- » Do not answer back
- » Quietly leave if possible
- » If there are others present make them aware of what is happening
- » If all fails then run to safety

If you are caught in an unfortunate situation, you should try to leave the scene as quickly and quietly as possible and if necessary seek help immediately, either from the nearest surroundings or the police. It is best to contact the police straight away. You should also contact the Main Help Desk as we can be of help in these situations.

DRUGS

It is illegal to smoke hash/pot and to take drugs. If you are caught with any of these items in your possession, you will be arrested and charged. Consequently, you will receive a fine and it will be put on your criminal record. Be aware that you may also risk deportation.

PUBLIC SERVICES

POST OFFICES

Daily:	10:00 – 18:00
Saturday:	10:00 – 13:00

BANKS

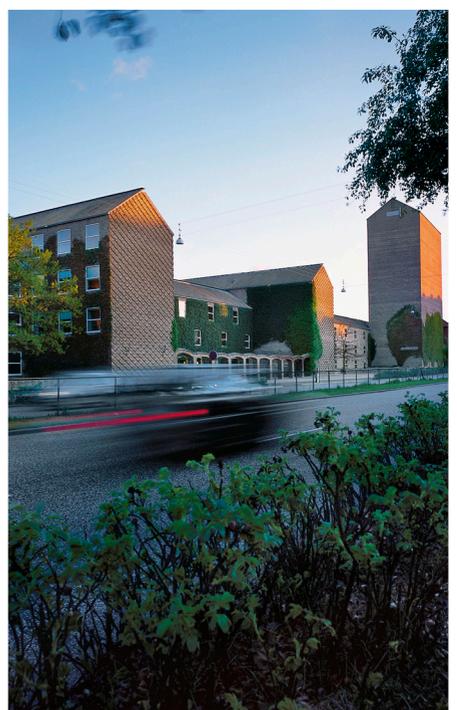
Mon – Fri:	09:30 – 16:00
Thur:	09:30 – 18:00

SHOPS

Shopping hours	
Mon – Thur:	09:30/10:00 – 18:00
Fri:	09:30/10:00 – 19:00/20:00
Sat:	10:00 – 17:00
Sun:	10:00/11:00 – 16:00/17:00

SUPERMARKETS

Mon – Sun:	08:00 – 20:00/22:00
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USEFUL LINKS

TOURIST GUIDE OF AARHUS

»» www.visitaarhus.com

STUDENTERHUS AARHUS

»» www.studenterhusaarhus.dk

THE OFFICIAL WEBSITE OF DENMARK

»» www.denmark.dk

THE ROYAL DANISH MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

»» www.um.dk

STUDY IN DENMARK

»» www.studyindenmark.dk

VISITDENMARK – THE DANISH TOURIST BOARD

»» www.visitdenmark.com

THE OFFICIAL PORTAL FOR FOREIGNERS AND INTEGRATION

»» www.newtodenmark.dk

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION FEEL FREE TO CONTACT US:

International Centre

Høegh-Guldbergs Gade 4, Bldg 1650

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