# What are the tasks of the Family Service?

- Planning and developping family-friendly measures
- Improving childcare services
- Networking and cooperating with institutions inside and outside the University
- Raising awareness and competence in the area of work-life-balance



## Advice and information services:

- Provision in person, by telephone or in writing of advice on questions concerning the combining of academic/student/professional life with family situations. Consultation is individual and confidential.
- Assistance on issues before and after the birth of your child
- Information on childcare and financial subsidies
- Information on family-friendly arrangements (flexible telework, parent-child rooms, part-time studies)
- Online: information on the topics of studying, finance, accomodation, legal issues, insurance and foreign students in the *Guide for Parents at Lower Saxony* Universities.

# Family-friendly University

The Family Service of the University of Göttingen has set itself the aim of enhancing compatibility of academia/university studies/career and family life. Family-oriented measures are being developed in various university domains, such as working arrangements, personnel training, organisational culture and services for parents.

The Family Service is the central contact point for all members of the University seeking advice on how to combine their studies and work with family life, and it constitutes the central coordination office for family-friendly facilities and arrangements offered by the faculties and the central institutions of the University.

The Family Service is based in the Equal Opportunities Office.

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# Contact details

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**Open for consultations:** Monday, Wednesday: 2 – 4 pm Thursday: 9 – 11 am or by appointment

## Contact in case of emergency childcare needs:

**Child Day Care Agency (Kindertagespflegebörse Göttingen)** Alva Cornelius Waageplatz 8 37073 Göttingen Telephone: +49 (0) 551/2508291

Email: cornelius@kindertagespflege-goe.de www.Kindertagespflege-goe.de

# Family Service of the University of Göttingen (excluding the Medical Faculty)

# Childcare services

## Places in university-related childcare facilities

Childcare places in various childcare facilities are available to students and employees. For children under 3 years of age, Göttingen University offers its employees reserved places. **Parents should apply directly to the institution!** 

### **Studentenwerk Göttingen:**

255 places for children aged between 6 months and 10 years, granted primarily to student parents.

This includes 55 places in the *Kita am Nordcampus* for children aged between 1 and 6 years, available both to employees and students.

Contact person: Ute Katzwinkel Tel.: 0551/39-13516 www.studentenwerk-goettingen.de/kinderbetreuung.html

#### ► ASC Kinderbewegungshaus:

96 places for children aged between 1 and 10 years *www.kitasport.de* 

#### **•** Childcare facility of the University Medical Center:

155 places for children aged between 1 and 10 years *www.med.uni-goettingen.de/content/752.html* 

## **SportKinderGarten im Waldweg:**

22 places for children aged between 3 and 6 years *www.sportkindergarten-goettingen.de* 

# Specialised childcare services at the University of Göttingen

#### **Emergency childcare**

Emergency childcare can be claimed up to four times a year in case of unexpected cancellation of regular childcare provision, sudden illness of your child or occupational obligations outside of the regular childcare hours. The provision of qualified day care personnel takes place at short notice through the Child Day Care Agency (Kindertagespflegebörse).

**Please note:** Parents should contact the Child Day Care Agency directly and have to be enrolled in the emergency pool before the emergency occurs.

#### Childcare during business trips or conference trips or due to participation in training and qualification courses

The University of Göttingen offers subsidies for the cost of childcare if the period of absence exceeds normal opening times of the childcare facility or if it is necessary for the child to accompany the parent on the business trip. (Students are excluded from this service.)

#### Childcare during events organised by the University of Göttingen

The Family Service supports institutes, central facilities and other institutions of the University in organising childcare during events and can grant subsidies for the costs on request.

## Flexible childcare for student parents (financed through tuition fees)

This service can be taken up when a study course or event is held outside the hours covered by the childcare facilities. This includes lecture or seminar sessions in the afternoon, evening or at the weekend. Student parents can also make use of this service even if their children do not have a childcare place in one of the daycare centres. Students are given special advice by the Child Day Care Agency and are individually supported in their search for child minders. On request, they can receive subsidies for the costs of childcare.



You will find further information on the services offered and financial assistance available on the website of the Family Service or in the *Guide to Childcare at the University of Göttingen.* 





