# ProRef program at Europa-Universität Flensburg

With the Program for the Academic Preparation and Integration of Refugees (ProRef), the Europa-Universität Flensburg supports refugees who are interested in studying at higher education institutions.



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The ProRef program at Europa-Universität Flensburg offers its participants individual educational guidance on studies and careers as well as social counseling. After successful completion of the ProRef program, further study guidance is also offered.



## **Educational Guidance**

In an individual educational guidance session, based on their previous biography and current opportunities ProRef participants can define their personal educational goals. In this way, an educational plan can be outlined during the program and the necessary steps can be planned.



# **Study Planning**

Study Planning is the formal process of preparing to enter university after completing the ProRef program. At this stage the application requirements for the chosen field of study are discussed. If necessary, relevant academic advisor or study program coordinator can be contacted. The financing of studies (BAföG) or the search for a scholarship is prepared.



# **Study Guidance**

Even during their subsequent academic studies at the EUF, ProRef counseling is available to former ProRef participants and students with a refugee background for questions and regular reflection on the success of their studies.



# **Social Counseling**

Counseling supports with all social questions, e.g.

### Housing

In the case of a need to move to Schleswig-Holstein or Flensburg to participate in the ProRef program, the counseling provides support in the relocation process, gives tips on finding housing and assists in contacting property owners. A reallocation application (Umverteilungsantrag) or the removal of a residence requirement (Wohnsitzauflage) may be necessary, depending on the residence status (Aufenthaltsstatus).

### **Financing**

Participation in the ProRef program is free of charge. The financing of living expenses, including rent, must be secured by the participants themselves. According to individual agreements, previous benefit providers like Jobcenter may continue to pay all benefits due to the participant's guest student status at EUF. The counseling service assists with all questions regarding Jobcenter, social welfare office (Sozialamt), immigration office (Einwanderungsbüro) or housing subsidy (Wohngeld) etc.

### Childcare

If childcare is required for ProRef participation, the counseling service provides guidance in finding the ideal form of childcare as well as helping to make the necessary applications.

### Health

During the counseling process, any health-related questions can be dealt with as well. Stress management and mentally preparing for the exam is part of the program. If needed, the counseling office can aid in finding medical care.

