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Cellphone provider

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Telephone Guide

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Working out which cell phone plan to choose can be time-consuming and tiresome! Finding the suitable rate depends primarily on your habit of use.

Cellphone rates, what to keep in mind.

It is practically impossible to be without smartphones today, whether iPhone or Android devices, mobile phone rates are important.

- Without a good rate, the device is almost useless.
 - A well-developed network is crucial for reliable reception.
 - Shorter agreement periods, bring a plus in flexibility.
 - Transparent and fair price structure is important.
 - Advantage: rates are mostly adapted to user's individual needs
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- i. **The best option** would be to choose a pay-as-you-go plan, which you can top up monthly. This is suitable for exchange students who are only in Germany for one semester or two. You can use your own mobile phone and only need to purchase a sim-card from the provider of your choice.
 - ii. **Pay-as-you-go rates** (Call Ya or Prepaid), allows you to top-up your phonecard with credit and then use the phone until that pre-paid credit runs out. This means you are not tied to a contract or into paying for a fixed amount each month.

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Helpful Tips (continued):

Contract (Ø 24 months) or **Prepaid**.

iii. Choose a bundle or contract and pay monthly for the chosen package rate, this might be an interesting choice, if you are staying for more than a semester. Please be informed that you have free Wifi on campus at Macromedia University of Applied Sciences and might not need that much data, unless you intend to travel a lot.

iv. Advantage of prepaid cards, excellent costs control.

v. The more phone calls and use of mobile internet, the more worthwhile it is to have a contract with a cheap rate. (Average agreement 24 months, + Basic fee)

Thanks to the EU-Roaming guidelines (EU-Countries only) you do not have to pay any additional Roaming fees when using your mobile phone in EU countries outside Germany.

Students coming from any EU countries might not even need to get a new cellphone contract, because the new EU-Roaming regulations allows you to basically use your cellphone plan here, just like in your home country.

Following up, a few links and online providers that might help you make a choice

Overview

Links to Rates and Providers*

CELL-PHONE WEBSITES / PROVIDERS	START-UP-KIT/ GENERAL INFORMATION	PROVIDER
Check24 – Search platform	Mobile phone rates in comparison. Search and compare Cellphone rates (Sim cards only), and providers that suit your needs. (German)	Various – Digital Tool
VERIVOX	Choose the best rate from a list of providers. (German) Rate: Otelo Allnet flat Classic All flat, Flat SMS, 15 GB Data, LTE. Ø 9,37 € per Month (Set-up-fee 19,99 €)	Various – Digital Tool
ALDITALK	ALDI TALK Starter-Set (incl. Triple-SIM-Card) Rate: Package S 1,2,19 FLAT - Unlimited calls and SMS – 3 GB high-speed Internet, incl. LTE19, EU roaming incl. Ø 7,99 € / 4 Weeks 12,99 € One-Time fee, incl. 10,- € Credit balance,	Aldi discounters / Medion AG Product range
CONGSTAR	Prepaid Allnet L Rate. 9,99 € One-Time Service Fee All flat in German network - 15,00 € / 4 Weeks, 5 GB Data - 5 € start credit and 10 € Client credit Add-on-options possible.	Digital Tool – Online Provider
VODAFONE	The CallYa Digital – Vodafone 10 GB Data – Telephone Flat, SMS Flat in Germany 20 € for 4 weeks with 4G LTE Max EU roaming incl.	Vodafone und Kabel Deutschland GmbH



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