

Welcome New Master's Students!

You have been accepted for the master's program in Biology of the Carl von Ossietzky University of Oldenburg. As your study advisor I have the pleasure to welcome you and share first info.

Before the courses start, there will be the welcome week (29 September - 2 October 2025, <https://uol.de/en/welcome-week>) for international students of all study programs, and the orientation week (6 - 10 October 2025, <https://uol.de/en/fs-bio/orientation-week>) of our study program, which we highly recommend. During the orientation week you will be introduced to the modules offered this semester. The faculty and the student body would like to help you to organize yourself and choose your modules of interest. There will be a welcome get together at 17:00 h on the 9th of October, that we should use to get to know each other.

Important events during the orientation week

Monday, 06.10.2025

Welcome and program overview M.Sc. Biology

- 15:30-16:30 Campus Wechloy Room W03 1-152

Tuesday, 07.10.2025

Module introductions MSc Biology and Landschaftsökologie 25/26

Campus Wechloy, Room: W03-1-156 and <https://uol.de/bio/oweeek/meetings>

- 10:45-12:15 Modules **MSc Landscape Ecology**
- 12:30-13:15 Joined Modules **Biology and Landscape Ecology**
- 13:30-14:00 Modules **MSc Biology**
- 14:30-17:20 Joined **Modules MSc Biology and Neuroscience**

Module introductions MSc Neuroscience winter term 2025/26

Campus Wechloy, Room: W01 117 and <https://uol.de/bio/oweeek/meetings>

- 10:00-13:00 Modules **MSc Neuroscience**

Wednesday, 8.10.2025

Planning your Curriculum

Campus Wechloy, Room: W04 1-162

- 10:00-13:00 Important information about the Module Registration as well as individual help for students planning their curriculum. Organized by the student body council biology.

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Wednesday, 8.10.2025

Safety Instructions – Mandatory for all to participate in practical courses!

Campus Wechloy Room: W32 0-005

- 13.00-14.00 Lab safety instructions (engl.), MUST for first-year students

Thursday, 09.10.2025

Groups and Research Options

Campus Wechloy, Room: W03-1-156 and <https://uol.de/bio/oweeek/meetings>

- 13:00-14:30 **Neuroscience Groups** and Research Options
(recommended for MSc Neuroscience & Biology students)
- 14:45-16:00 **Biology Groups** and Research Options
(recommended for MSc Biology & Neuroscience & Landscape Ecology students)
- 16:15-17:00 **Landscape Ecology Groups** and Research Options
(recommended for MSc Landscape Ecology & Biology students)

Students who cannot attend in person e.g. because of visa issues: You will find recordings in the community forum 5.02.InfoB Informationen MSc Biology in Stud.IP, please see <https://uol.de/ibu/studium-und-lehre/orientierungswoche>

Beer and Prezel Welcome

Campus Wechloy courtyard

- starting 17:00 Get together of all biological master's degrees, to get to know each other. Organized by student body councils Biology, Neuroscience, Landscape Ecology Mol. Biomedicine.

Online resources

- Please visit <https://uol.de/en/fs-bio/orientation-week> to get more information on the program schedule and relevant updates.
- Website Master Biology: <https://uol.de/en/biology/studies/master-of-science-biology>.

The University of Oldenburg plans this winter semester 2025/26 as a regular semester, were teaching takes place on campus. Our study program is organized in block courses allowing to fully concentrate on one or two subjects at a time. There are no mandatory modules (except for the MSc thesis) and many module choices. It is recommended to start with background modules providing the background knowledge for further research modules.

In case you have questions, please contact the Student Body (studentbody.biology@uol.de) I will be available for discussions and questions during the orientation week.

We are looking forward to meeting you soon and welcome you to our highly international and interdisciplinary group of students!

Best wishes for your Master's studies,



Prof. Dr. Arne Nolte