**Buddy Program for international students of the Faculty for Mechanical Engineering during the summer semester 2014**

During the summer semester 2014, the student council of mechanical engineering will be organising a Buddy Program for international students again.

We hope to achieve a better integration of the incoming students from outside of Germany and an increase of intercultural exchange at our faculty.

**How does it work?**

During the first week of the Semester, we will hold an incoming event for those students, who have arrived to study at the TUM in the summer. After a short introduction you will have the chance to meet local students during a small brunch/lunch with pretzles and beer. After a nice chat with the others, you will be asked to “team up” with a student who is already studying at the TUM. These “teams” can also consist of many international and local students. Your buddy/buddies will be a contact person for you for the whole semester. They will help you with problems concerning Uni, the course of studies and life in Munich. We also would like to see you become friends and have time to get to know the city and its surroundings and see some of the best German culture and attractions.

**How much time do you have to invest?**

How much time you will invest into meeting your buddy is your personal choice. You can decide on your own how often you will meet, and how much you will stay in contact with your buddy.

**What is in for me?**

The Buddy-Programm gives you a chance to meet people from around the world and to learn about their culture. It also gives you an opportunity to improve your language skills. It will also make your first days in this foreign country and city much easier. You will find friends who already have the experience of studying at the TUM. Not all of them are German of course. Some may even have been foreign students themselves and are now a part of this university as we hope you will become some day.

If you have any questions about the Buddy-Programm or need help during the semester (if your Buddy doesn’t know how to solve the problem first) then you can contact us by mail (international@fsmb.mw.tum.de) or find one of us at the Student Council Office.

We wish you a great start and a pleasant time at your new University!

*The International Department of the Student Council of Mechanical Engineering*