Pre-Arrival Checklist

☐ Valid passport or identity document (driver’s licence would not be sufficient).
☐ Valid visa if applicable (If you want to stay for more than 3 month: no C-visa).
☐ Travel Health Insurance (Make sure that you have a valid health insurance for the time of your trip and the first few days in Germany).
☐ Biometric photograph in case you needed a visa/residence permit (could also be done in Frankfurt).
☐ Marriage certificate AND Apostille or Legalization. (Contact the International Office if you have questions concerning the documents.) Both documents must be translated by a certified translation office (could be done in Frankfurt).
☐ If you travel with your kids: Birth certificate and if you need a visa/residence permit also the Apostille/Legalization of your kid’s birth certificate and the latest school reports.
☐ Driving license. If you come from the US, Canada, New Zealand or certain other countries check with the International Office beforehand. Sometimes you can avoid a lot of paperwork if you bring the “right” license to Germany.
☐ In case of family planning: Your own birth certificates.
☐ Your latest university degrees.