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In Austria
And
Scholarships
For
International students**

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Austria is often seen as a pricey country for tourism. Vienna is one of the most expensive European capitals and winter vacations in the Austrian Alps are popular among the rich.

However, when talking about studying abroad in Austria, the first thing that shocks people from all over the world is that it is actually free for students coming from the European Union (EU), the European Economic Area (EEA), and Switzerland.

Keep reading to find out more details about university tuition fees and scholarship and funding opportunities in Austria.

1. University tuition fees in Austrian universities

In Austria, you can enroll in various higher education institutions, like public or private universities, colleges, and Universities of Applied Sciences.

Tuition fees at public universities

- For EU/EEA students: free of charge
- For non-EU/EEA students: 1,452 EUR/academic year

All students have to pay the student union membership and students accident insurance fees, which cost around 20 EUR/semester.

International students from developing countries are also exempt from tuition fees at many public Austrian universities. Check the university or study program page to verify if your country is on the list.

Find Masters in Austria

Universities of Applied Sciences (UAS) are free to decide if they charge tuition fees. At most UAS, students from the EU/EEA & Switzerland pay tuition fees of 363 EUR/semester. Non-EU/EEA students can expect to pay between 727 – 7,500 EUR/semester, depending on the university and study program.

There are also a couple of UAS, like the Vorarlberg University of Applied Sciences (FH Vorarlberg) and the University of Applied Sciences Burgenland, where courses are free for all international students. All students who enroll at a University of Applied Science still have to pay the student union and student insurance fees.

Tuition fees at private universities

Private universities have their own tuition fees, which can cost anywhere between 3,000 – 23,000 EUR/year. Some Business programs are more expensive, with tuition costs of 35,000 EUR/year or more.

Free universities in Austria

Here are several examples of free-tuition universities in Austria for EU/EEA students:

- University of Klagenfurt
- Johannes Kepler University Linz
- FH Joanneum University of Applied Sciences

Tuition fees at the best Austrian universities

These are some of the top-ranked Austrian universities:

- University of Vienna Vienna University of Technology
- University of Innsbruck
- Graz University of Technology

At these higher education institutions, study programs are free of charge for EU/EEA students. Non-EU/EEA citizens usually have to pay 1,452 EUR/academic years.

2. Scholarships and funding options for international studies in Austria

In Austria, foreign students can benefit from various study grants and scholarships. Here are several options you should explore:

- Scholarships offered by various institutions on the Grants.at website

- Scholarships offered by the OeAD (The Austrian Agency for International Mobility and Cooperation in Education)
- Some Austrian universities might provide other grants or scholarships. Ask about this possibility during the application process or see if they have any information about financial aid programmes on their website.

You can also check out the Study portals Scholarship to get some help on financing your studies in Austria.

Austria is a great place for future international students like you. It has very affordable tuition fees when compared to other popular study destinations, like the US, UK, or Australia. The quality of life is very high and the country has a low crime rate.

There are many gorgeous landscapes waiting to be explored and if you're not already into sports, there are high chances you will be once you move to Austria. With its rich history and culture, this European country seems to have it all. So, what are you waiting for?

On the following link you can find useful information about study and living in Austria.

This website is offer from Austrian Government.

<https://www.migration.gv.at/en/living-and-working-in-austria/studying-in-austria/>

Scholarships

There are various scholarship opportunities as well as possible project funding for international students & researchers. Depending on your country of origin and the level of your studies, there are different options for funding.

Please bear in mind that scholarships are offered by different institutions. You can also look for scholarships or other funding opportunities available in your home country.

<https://grants.at/>

10 Free and Cheap Universities in Austria for International Students

1.University of Vienna

Universitätsring 1

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In addition to their huge selections of programs, the University of Vienna offers low tuition to international students, and it is one of the cheapest universities in Austria. Also, check above on the list of countries to see if you apply for the tuition fee exemption from the University of Vienna.

This is great news since the tuition fee for an average international student is 750 euros (900 dollars) per semester, so if you are from one of the countries in the list above, you are exempt from paying the tuition fee.

Undergraduate Tuition Link <https://slw.univie.ac.at/en/studying/tuition-fee/amount-non-eueea-citizens/>

Graduate Tuition Link

<https://slw.univie.ac.at/en/studying/tuition-fee/amount-non-eueea-citizens/>

2.Medical University of Graz

Information for Non-European-Citizens

In order to apply for an equalization of the tuition fees equivalent to those of Austrian citizens for the Winter Semester 2019/20, it is necessary to present a valid residence permit (such as a “Aufenthaltsbewilligung-Forscher“, “Aufenthaltsbewilligung-Sonderfälle unselbständiger Erwerbstätigkeit“, „Rot-Weiss-Rot-Karte“) in person at the Division of Studies.

A student residence permit (Aufenthaltsbewilligung-Studierender) is not eligible for equalization.

Therefore, you are required to pay € 746,42 as study fees for the Winter Semester 2019/20.

Undergraduate Tuition Link [https://www.medunigraz.at/en/phd/tuition-fees/?sword_list\[\]=tuition&no_cache=1](https://www.medunigraz.at/en/phd/tuition-fees/?sword_list[]=tuition&no_cache=1)

Graduate Tuition Link [https://www.medunigraz.at/en/phd/tuition-fees/?sword_list\[\]=tuition&no_cache=1](https://www.medunigraz.at/en/phd/tuition-fees/?sword_list[]=tuition&no_cache=1)

3. Medical University of Vienna

Tuition Fees: Free Tuition for EU students and students from developing countries; \$1,600 USD per year for non-eligible students.

In collaboration with the University of Vienna, the Medical University of Vienna offers various graduate programs, and it is one of the largest and one of the most famous medical universities in the world!

Composed of nearly 30 hospitals and additional clinical centers, this university boasts of their medical capabilities, and they use those buildings to train their medical students. Equipped with these state-of-the-art technologies, the Medical University of Vienna is more than capable of producing efficient doctors and nurses.

Only undergraduate courses of the Medical University of Vienna are Medicine and Dentistry degrees, and all the rest are masters and doctoral programs. Like the University of Vienna, the Medical University of Vienna exempts students from certain countries from paying tuition fees. Because of this exemption, the Medical University of Vienna might be your cheapest university in the country of Austria.

Undergraduate Tuition Link <https://www.meduniwien.ac.at/web/en/studies-further-education/application-admission/tuition-fees/>

Graduate Tuition Link <https://www.meduniwien.ac.at/web/en/studies-further-education/application-admission/tuition-fees/>

4. Vienna University of Technology

Also called the TU Wien, the Vienna University of Technology is another great university that is located in the beautiful city of Vienna. Emphasizing on learning from past mistakes, the TU Wien battles against discrimination and strives to achieve open-mindedness among their students.

Because of their strong emphasis on research, the graduates of TU Wien are still making great progress and achievements in their various fields, and their research centers are constantly being upgraded with advanced scientific equipment.

<https://www.tuwien.at/>

5. University of Innsbruck

Tuition Fee: Free for EU students and students from developing countries, \$1,600 USD for students from other countries.

The University of Innsbruck has been founded by the Jesuits, and it continued to grow by branching out their departments one by one. Even though it has experienced many harsh times, the University of Innsbruck continues to persevere and overcome their difficult trials.

In addition to their great education, the professor at the University of Innsbruck received many accolades and awards for their works. For example, several of the professors and graduates of the University of Innsbruck received Nobel Prizes for their achievements. Lastly, the tuition rates of the University of Innsbruck is low, so take advantage of this great fact!

Being one of the cheapest universities in Austria, the University of Innsbruck offers quality education at the right price.

Undergraduate Tuition Link <https://www.uibk.ac.at/studium/anmeldung-zulassung/bachelorstudium/index.html.en#tuition>

Graduate Tuition Link <https://www.uibk.ac.at/studium/anmeldung-zulassung/doktoratsstudium/index.html.en#tuition>

Tuition Fee Waiver Link <https://www.uibk.ac.at/studium/anmeldung-zulassung/erlassgruende.html.en>

6. Graz University of Technology

Tuition Fee: Free Tuition for students from Austria and \$1,600 USD per year for other students.

Known as the TU Graz, the Graz University of Technology is one of the top universities when it comes to computer science and engineering. In addition to their engineering courses, TU Graz also ranks in many of the fields of science and mathematics.

The Graz University of Technology is located in the second largest city in Austria, and they continue to influence the world by forging many international partnerships with famous universities in the world.

Also, students from these following countries (Albania, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina; Kosovo, Macedonia, Moldova, Montenegro, Serbia, Turkey, and Ukraine) are reimbursed after they have paid the tuition fee. So after you have paid, you will receive the money back if you are from one of the countries in the list above.

Undergraduate Tuition Link <https://www.tugraz.at/en/studying-and-teaching/studying-at-tu-graz/financial-matters/tuition-fees-and-the-austrian-student-union-fee/>

Graduate Tuition Link <https://www.tugraz.at/en/studying-and-teaching/studying-at-tu-graz/financial-matters/tuition-fees-and-the-austrian-student-union-fee/>

Tuition Fee Waiver Link <https://www.tugraz.at/en/studying-and-teaching/studying-at-tu-graz/financial-matters/tuition-fees-and-the-austrian-student-union-fee/#c34696>

7. Johannes Kepler University Linz

Tuition Fee: Free for EU citizens and students from developing countries; 1,600 USD for students from other countries. One of the popular universities in Austria, the Johannes Kepler University is known for their close-knit campus. Unlike other universities which have large campuses with buildings spread out, the JKU has a main campus with close-knit buildings.

With their closeness, the professors of JKU have more time to spend with their students, and students have more time to spend with their professors since they do not waste time walking around the buildings. In addition to their close-knit community, JKU has accepted international students from more than 100 different countries.

Undergraduate Tuition Link <https://www.jku.at/en/studying/studies-from-a-z/tuition-fees/>

Graduate Tuition Link <https://www.jku.at/en/studying/studies-from-a-z/tuition-fees/>

9. University of Leoben

Tuition Fee: Free for EU citizens and students from developing countries; 1,600 USD for students from other countries.

As a public university in Austria for international students, University of Leoben provides education for free to students from the EU or developing countries or for \$1,600 USD per year for students from other countries. There are only a very few universities where you can get this kind of education for this cheap, so I highly encourage you to apply.

Tuition Link <https://www.unileoben.ac.at/en/3281/>

10. University of Salzburg

Tuition Fee: Free for EU Citizens, and 1,600 USD per year for students from other countries

University of Salzburg has a unique history. It was founded in 1622 but closed down in 1810 only to be reopened again in 1962. Currently, there are about 18,000 students studying at this university including international students.

Tuition Link <https://www.uni-salzburg.at/index.php?id=201709&L=1>

Global Scholarship for International Students

1. China Scholarship Council

Many universities and colleges around Glob give generous scholarships for international students. Prestigious universities such as Harvard, MIT, and Yale give great scholarships to international students as well as state universities such as University of Alabama and University of Mississippi. You should note that small liberal arts college also give generous scholarships for undergraduate students as well.

The China Scholarship Council (CSC) is a nonprofit organization headed by the Chinese government's Ministry of Education which seeks to provide financial assistance for international study. Institutions of higher learning are quickly recognizing the importance of providing opportunities for students across the globe.

<https://cscscholarships.net/>

2. DAAD Scholarship (Germany)

DAAD Scholarships is a government scholarship that is given for bachelor's, Master's, and PhD students. The tuition in Germany is already free, and DAAD Scholarships offers international students monthly stipend for their living expenses. Learn more about this generous scholarship policy!

<https://www2.daad.de/deutschland/stipendium/datenbank/en/21148-scholarship-database/>

3. Swiss Government Scholarships

With the goal of promoting international relationships with different countries and luring high-achieving scholars into studying in Swiss universities, the Swiss Confederation offers two types of scholarships. One of these scholarships is the Research Scholarships that are available for Master's degree holders who wish to pursue PhD or post-doctoral studies in a Swiss university. The other type of Swiss Government Scholarships is the Art Scholarships. It is meant for arts students with at least a Bachelor's degree hoping to pursue a Master's degree in Switzerland. Swiss Government Scholarships are awarded in the form of monthly stipend, housing allowance,

airplane tickets, and transportation card. However, the specific scholarship amount as well as the eligibility differ by country.

<https://www.sbf.admin.ch/sbf/en/home/education/scholarships-and-grants/swiss-government-excellence-scholarships.html>

4. Vanier Scholarships

The Canadian government funds Vanier Scholarships to attract talented doctoral students to study in Canadian universities. The scholarship is worth \$50,000 per year for three years of doctoral studies. It is awarded to up to 167 new students each year, with up to 500 scholarships being active at point of any time. Students with high academic achievements in the study areas Health Research, Natural Sciences, Engineering, Social Sciences, and Humanities are eligible for the scholarship. To receive Vanier Scholarships, students have to follow a two-step process. At first, they have to apply and be selected for a graduate program at one of the eligible Canadian universities. Next, they have to apply for the scholarship itself.

<https://vanier.gc.ca/en/home-accueil.html>

5. MEXT Scholarships

Japan funds MEXT Scholarships with an aim to increase its foreign student population. The scholarship award includes full tuition funding, monthly stipend, and airplane ticket. It is annually offered to 4,042 new graduate students, 460 new undergraduate students, and 86 new College of Technology students. Teacher training students, Japanese studies students, and special training students also receive these scholarships. Study duration can range from two to seven years, depending on the level and category of students. It includes six months to one year of language training for students unable to demonstrate a satisfactory score on a Japanese language proficiency exam. Students can apply for MEXT Scholarship either to Japanese embassies, which is the more common and recommended way, or to the universities.

<https://www.studyinjapan.go.jp/en/planning/scholarship/types/>

6. Fulbright Program

The US government runs an exchange program named Fulbright Program to promote mutual understanding between nations. One of its many core programs is the Fulbright Foreign Student Program, which offers full funding to graduate students pursuing education in the US. The Fulbright Visiting Scholar Program is another core program that allows PhD degree-holders from over 155 eligible countries to conduct post-doctoral research and/or teach at a US university for a semester to a year. The scholarship is awarded in the form of research funding, monthly stipend, and airplane ticket. Application deadline, eligibility criteria, and required materials are different for each country. So, before moving forward with the application process, students should obtain the specific guide for their own country by contacting the US Embassy's Public Affairs Section.

<https://foreign.fulbrightonline.org/about/foreign-fulbright>

7. Korean Government Scholarships

The branch of Korea's Ministry of Education named National Institute for International Education (NIIED) runs the Korean Government Scholarship, which is available to international students pursuing education in Korea. It is annually offered to around 170 undergraduate and 700 graduate students. The scholarship is awarded typically in the form of tuition funding, language training funding, monthly allowance, settlement allowance, medical insurance, and round-trip airplane ticket. Research allowance and reimbursement of dissertation printing costs are also included for graduate students. Meanwhile, students with TOPIK level of 5 or 6 additionally receive Korean Professional Grants. Applications can be submitted either to Korean embassies or to partnering Korean universities.

<http://www.niied.go.kr/eng/main.do>

<https://worldscholarshipforum.com/applykorean-government-scholarships-170-bachelors-800-masters-phd-developing-countries-2017-2018/>

8. Austrian Government Scholarship

You can study in Austria on fully funded or partially funded scholarships. Government of Austria and Universities in Austria offer scholarships to international students and local citizens every year and we have listed here some best PhD Scholarships in Austria, Masters Scholarships in Austria, and undergraduate level scholarships.

<https://www.scholarshipsads.com/category/country/austria-scholarships/>

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