STUDY ABROAD

Guidelines

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1. Planning and application

1.1. MOTIVATION

impact on time, location, funding

General motivation:

- Exploring other cultures/countries/cities
- Language learning and training
- Career perspectives, personal networks

Specific motivation:

- Specialisation, new study contents
- Study/research at international renowned universities
- Diploma thesis/dissertation at an international partner institution
- Double-, Joint Degrees
- Internships in companies
1. Planning and application

1.2. Clarify in advance:

**Funding**
- Study fees at host institution?
- Scholarship?
- Jobs in host country?

**Language**
- Language tests required (e.g. TOEFL, GRE, GMAT,...)?
- Preparatory course at home?
- Courses in host country? (e.g. Summer Schools)
- Courses in English in non-English speaking countries?
1. Planning and application

1.2. Clarify in advance:

Insurance
• Coverage, additional packages?

Recognition of studies
• Learning agreement for studies, pre-recognition

Accommodation
• Types of accommodation
• Assistance of International Offices
1. Planning and application

1.2. Clarify in advance:

Relevant questions concerning studies

...study fees?
e.g. USA: $ 5.000 - 20.000,-/y(!)

...structure of study year?
Semester/trimester (UK), study year

...free selection of courses possible?
Fixed study plan vs. flexibility

...exam periods?
End of the year or semester

...organisation of study programmes?
Bachelor/Master (e.g. 3+2; 4+2; 3+1)

...internships offered?
e.g. part of engineering studies in IT, FR
2. Sources of information

2.1 Internet

Homepage International Office (IO):
- www.tuwien.ac.at/international

Search for universities and studies abroad worldwide:
- https://univ.cc/
- https://www.studyabroad.com/
- https://erudera.com

Country specific:
- EU: https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/national-policies/eurydice/home_en
- AUS, CAN, IRL, NZ, UK, USA: www.worldwidestudy.net/
- USA: www.fulbright.at
- UK: www.britishcouncil.at/
- FR: www.campusfrance.org/
2. Sources of information

Scholarships:
• www.grants.at (in Austria)
• http://www.european-funding-guide.eu/

Internships abroad:
• http://vienna.iaeste.at/ (worldwide, IAESTE)

Student reports (blogs):
• https://www.tuwien.at/studium/international/studieren-im-ausland/erfahrungsberichte (IO)
• http://istudy.iagora.com/ (iAGORA - international)
2. Sources of information

2.2. Personal counselling

TU Wien:
- International Office Gußhausstrasse 28, 1040 Wien
  Mo., Do., 09.30-11.30 Uhr, 13.30-16.30 Uhr, Mi. 09.30-11.30 Uhr, Tel.
  58801 41552, 41554, 41555 www.tuwien.ac.at/international
- Program-coordinators (e.g. ERASMUS+, Joint Study Programmes)

OeAD:
Agency for Education and Internationalisation, Ebendorferstraße 7, 1010
Wien www.oead.at

“Studienbeihilfenbehörde Wien” (Auslandsbeihilfe):
Gudrunstrasse 179a, 1100, http://www.stipendium.at
2. Sources of information

Country specific information:


- **Fulbright Commission**, Quartier 21/MQ, Museumsplatz 1, 1070, personal counselling by appointment [www.fulbright.at/](http://www.fulbright.at/)


- **Istituto Italiano di Cultura Vienna**, Ungargasse 43a, 1030, [https://iicvienna.esteri.it/iic_viena/it/](https://iicvienna.esteri.it/iic_viena/it/)


- **Embassies**, [data.bmeia.gv.at](http://data.bmeia.gv.at)
3. Scholarships from TUW

International Office www.tuwien.ac.at/international
Application in TISS Mobility Services

3.1 Joint Study-Programmes:

- Bilateral or multilateral agreements of TUW
- 2021/22: 41 partner-universities worldwide
- Min. 4 semesters finalised
- Focus region: Asia
- Subject-specific or open for all fields of study
- Country rates (ca. € 170 - 490/mo.) + travel allowance (€ 580, € 870)
- max. for 1 year
- Fee waiver at host institution (and TUW)
- Program-specific application periods (December – April)
- Nomination by program-coordinators at TUW
3. Scholarships from TUW

International Office www.tuwien.ac.at/international
Application in TISS Mobility Services

3.2 Diploma- and PhD-theses and related courses abroad:

- Target group: Students working on diploma- or PhD-theses
- Free elective host institution (university, company, organisation,..)
- Scholarship rate: € 750/mo. and € 850/mo.
- max. for 3 mo.
- Fee waiver at TUW
- Application deadlines: 15.1., 15.5., 15.10.
- Nomination of candidates by TUW-jury
3. Scholarships from TUW

International Office www.tuwien.ac.at/international
Application in TISS Mobility Services

3.3 Scholarships for participation in int. conferences:

- Target group: PhD-students
- Financial contribution: Lump sum for travel and costs of stay, conference fees
- Final selection by jury & Vice Rector for Academic Affairs
- Application deadlines: 15.1., 15.3., 15.6., 15.10.

3.4 Scholarships from Faculties

- For research (diploma-, PhD-theses)
- Selection by the Dean
- 1 application/semester
- Submission, information by Dean`s Office
4. National Scholarships

OeAD data base [www.grants.at](http://www.grants.at)

4.1 „Auslandsbeihilfe“:

- Target group: „Studienbeihilfenbezieher_innen“ (min. 5th semester)
- Additional to “Inlandsbeihilfe”
- Free elective host university
- Scholarship: country rates
- Duration of stay: 3-20 mo.
- Min. recognition: 3 ECTS/mo.
- Application up to 3 mo. after the stay possible
- Submission at “Studienbeihilfenbehörde” [http://www.stipendium.at](http://www.stipendium.at)
4. National Scholarships

OeAD data base [www.grants.at](http://www.grants.at)

4.2 CEEPUS:

- Target countries: central, (south)eastern Europe
- Application within university networks (deadlines: 15.6., 31.10.) or “free mover” during summer-semester (deadline: 30.11.)
- Scholarship from host country + BMBWF
- Duration of stay: 1 – 10 mo.
- Submission and information: [www.ceepus.info](http://www.ceepus.info)
4. National Scholarships

**OeAD data base** [www.grants.at](http://www.grants.at)

### 4.3 Bilateral country-specific scholarships:

- E.g. “Aktionsprogramme” with neighbouring countries (CZ, SK, HU)

### 4.4 Summer colleges

- Language courses abroad
- 2-3 weeks
- Financial contribution: course costs, costs of stay
- [www.oead.at](http://www.oead.at)

### 4.5 Summer schools, summer universities

- Subject-specific courses
- [www.summerschoolsineurope.eu/](http://www.summerschoolsineurope.eu/)
5. EU-Scholarships

5.1 ERASMUS+ for studies

- Offer at TUW 2021/22: 280 partner universities (EU/EEA + CH, MK, RS, TR) – all fields of study covered
- Min. 3rd semester – but specific requirements/institution
- Selection by TUW-“departmental coordinators”
- Good services for students (language courses, accommodation, recognition of studies,...)
- Duration of stay: 2-12 mo. (short term mobility: 5-30 d. for PhD-students or „Blended Intensive Programs“)
- Country rates: € 380 – 480/Mo („Top-Ups“ for “green mobility”, disadvantaged groups, families, disabled persons)
- Fee waiver at TUW and host university
- Min. recognition: 3 ECTS/mo.
- Application in “TISS Mobility Services”
- Application periods: 01.02 - 15.03. and 01.07. - 15.10.
5. EU-Scholarships

5.2 ERASMUS+ for internships

- Duration of stay: 2 - 12 mo.
- Country rates: € 530 - 630/mo.
- Free elective host institution (company, university, public organisation,..)
- Permanent application at International Office/TUW possible
- Basic requirement: training agreement

5.3 Marie Sklodowska-Curie Actions

- Target group: PhD-students
- Duration of stay: 2-3 y. in “EU-Research Training Centres”
- No age limit
- Employment contracts
- Application at host institutions
- Contact at TUW: Service Unit of Funding Support and Industry Relations
6. Scholarships - others

6.1 “Bundesländer” – travel support (only)

6.2 Scholarships of associations and foundations
   - Marshall-plan scholarship for diploma theses and PHD-students at US-universities (application at International Office/TUW)
   - Fulbright scholarship for graduates
   - Others: Lions Club, Industriellenvereinigung,…

6.3 Scholarships of int. organisations (e.g. ESA, CERN,..)

6.4 Scholarships of host institutions
7. Study Fees

Fee waiver at TUW:

• For studies abroad within institutional, national or international mobility programmes
• Submission: “Studienabteilung” TUW

Fee waiver abroad:

• For studies abroad within bilateral or multilateral mobility programmes
• Highest fees: USA, AUS, CAN, UK
8. Mobility – Legal Framework

Austrian University Act 2002

- §78.(1) Responsible person for recognition: Dean of Studies (prove of equivalence of content and workload).
- §78.(5) Pre-recognition in advance (= Learning agreements in ERASMUS, Joint Study,..)
- §69.(2) „Diploma Supplement“ includes information about studies/internships abroad
- §87.(5) Regulations for double- and joint degrees

9. Credit Systems

EU: ECTS (European Credit Transfer-System)

- Make workloads comparable (1 semester = 30 ECTS)
- Facilitates recognition
10. Double- and Joint Degrees

Double Degrees
- 2 Diploma (Master-level) – one academic program
- In some cases: 1 additional year
- At TUW:
  - T.I.M.E.-Program (Engineering, Mathematics, Physics); 2 years abroad
    Partner universities: DE: TU Darmstadt; ES: UP Madrid; FR: Ecoles Centrales (CentraleSupelec, Lille, Lyon, Nantes, Marseille); IT: Politecnico di Milano; JP: Doshisha University
  - **INSA Lyon** (informatics); 2 years abroad
  - Tongji University, Shanghai (architecture & planning)
  - **Cotutelle de These-Projects** (individual joint PhD-projects)

Joint Degrees
- 1 joint diploma awarded by 2 or more universities (e.g. MSc)
- At TUW:
  - Cartography (TU München, TU Dresden, Univ. Twente)
  - Mathematical Modelling in Engineering (Univ. L`Aquila)
  - EIT-Master in Manufacturing
11. Language Tests

**OLS** = Online-test und -course in ERASMUS

**TOEFL** (Test of English as a Foreign Language): worldwide recognised
- Internet-based: US$120
- Fixed dates
- Content: Listening, reading, speaking, writing; result is valid for 2 years, [http://www.ets.org/toefl](http://www.ets.org/toefl)
- Test training and information: OeAD Testing Services, Ebendorferstraße 6/3/11, 1010 [http://www.testing.oead.at](http://www.testing.oead.at)

**IELTS** (International English Language Testing System) in English-speaking countries, [https://www.ielts.org/](https://www.ielts.org/); score scale 1-9; contact: British Council

**GRE** (Graduate Record Examinations): USA - postgraduate TEST, research, valid for 5 years [http://www.ets.org/gre](http://www.ets.org/gre)
INTERNATIONAL OFFICE

Gußhausstraße 28. 1. Stock, www.tuwien.ac.at/international

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Mo, Th 09.30-11.30, 13.30-16.30
We 09.30-11.30

personal counselling currently only after arrangement!