

FACT SHEET update January, 2021
University of Art and Design Linz | Kunstuniversität Linz



Institutional details

Name of the Institution	University of Art and Design Linz Kunstuniversität Linz
Country	Austria Europe
Erasmus Code	A LINZ02
Website for exchange students	Erasmus: https://www.ufg.at/Student-Erasmus.9373.0.html Bilateral Exchange: https://www.ufg.at/Student-Bilateral-Agreement.9382.0.html

Contacts

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Application procedure

Nomination deadline	<p>Nomination by email: 15 April for the fall/winter semester or the whole academic year 15 October for the spring/summer semester</p>
Application deadline	<p>1 May for the fall/winter semester 1 November for the spring/summer semester</p>
Important!	<p>Industrial Design program The Department Industrial Design scionic® (Bachelor and Master degree-program) accepts incoming exchange-students only for the summer term.</p> <p>Fashion and Technology program The students of Fashion and Technology FAT (bachelor program) of our university do have to complete an internship / work placement during their 4th semester (in summer term) – thus, only courses of a 2nd and a 6th semester will then be offered to incoming exchange students.</p> <p>Teaching Training program In 2021/22 we offer courses in the first and second year for the Master's degree in the teaching training program in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Art Education • Media Design • Design: Tech.Text <p>This is relevant information for all teaching training program - incoming students: Due to changes in the Austrian teacher education system, all universities in Upper Austria involved in teacher education for secondary teachers (pupils above 10-years old) must cooperate in a so-called "Cluster", a network of regional universities.</p> <p>This will have some minor effects on the Learning Agreement and Transcript of Records procedure:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Our mobility agreement is still valid and our university is still your partner and all contact persons stay the same. We will still be responsible for the whole administrative process. 2. Students enrolled in Secondary Teacher Education will still apply and select courses supported by our university staff, but will receive a Learning Agreement and Transcript of Records signed and stamped by Johannes Kepler University, Linz (JKU).
Decision	<p>Notes of acceptance will be sent within 6 weeks after application deadline by email to the students and their coordinators.</p> <p>Students receive an E-mail with extensive information once they have been accepted.</p>

Academic information

	Winter Semester*	Summer Semester*
Classes begin	beginning of October	beginning of March
Classes end (including exams)	end of January	end of June
Welcome day/s (compulsory)	End of September / beginning of October	End of February / beginning of March

* Please check the homepage [Einteilung-Studienjahr-Zeittafel](#) for **exact dates** of the respective academic year.

Welcome Day	An obligatory welcome day takes place in the beginning of each semester. Students will receive an invitation by email in time.
Level of Study	undergraduate and graduate students Find a list of the degree programs in the end of the fact sheet.
Courses catalogue	curricula and course catalogue http://www.ufg.ac.at/Learning-Agreement.8893.0.html The active course program for the upcoming academic year is online earliest at the beginning of July.
Credit system	ECTS - Austrian Grading Scale - Definition 1 - EXCELLENT: outstanding performance 2 - GOOD: above the average standard but with some errors 3 - SATISFACTORY: generally sound work with a number of notable errors 4 - SUFFICIENT: performance meets the minimum criteria 5 - UNSATISFACTORY: Substantial improvement necessary; requirement of further work Successfully completed – positive performance, where a strict differentiation is not adequate Not completed – negative performance, where a strict differentiation is not adequate
Transcript of Records	4 weeks after the assessment period has finished - on students demand
Language of instruction	German language <u>Language requirements:</u> A sufficient level of German language is strongly recommended as lectures are usually held in German. Upon request many professors are willing to teach in English! It is also strongly recommended to attend a German course during the exchange period. At least we expect a profound knowledge of English language from the students.

	The Interface Culture master program is taught in English!
German language courses	<p>German as a Foreign Language / Basic Course (winter- and summer term) 500.030 W - 4 ECTS 500.030 S - 4 ECTS</p> <p>German as a Foreign Language / Advanced (winter- and summer term) 500.031 W - 2 ECTS 500.031 S - 2 ECTS</p> <p>For incoming students free of charge!</p>

Accommodation

Accommodation	<p>Our university does not have on-campus accommodation.</p> <p>To help students find accommodation, our Austrian National Agency (OeAD) offers a lodging service. Reservation deposit required (Euro 950,- / this includes the rent for one month)!</p> <p>Information as well as a list of recommended student residences in Linz on our homepage: www.ufg.ac.at/Accommodation.8891.0.html</p> <p>Students should finalize their room reservation as soon as possible after acceptance!</p>
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Health insurance

Health insurance requirements	<p>It is obligatory to have a sufficient health insurance valid in Austria during the exchange. Students have to take care of an appropriate health insurance themselves.</p> <p>Please find details: https://www.ufg.at/Health-Insurance-Care.10761.0.html</p> <p>European Health Insurance Card: ec.europa.eu/social</p> <p>The Austrian Student Union's fee from about Euro 20,- per semester (compulsory for all students enrolled at Austrian Universities) covers a liability insurance and an accident insurance for damages and accidents in the University's sites and on the way from home to the University – http://www.ufg.ac.at/Health-Insurance-Care.10761.0.html</p>
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Visa

Entry to Austria	<p>Students have to make visa arrangements by themselves!</p> <p>Please see our website: https://www.ufg.at/Entry-to-Austria-and-Residence.8903.0.html</p> <p>More information can be found here: Entry to Austria</p> <p>and here (in German only): www.bmi.gv.at/202/Fremdenpolizei_und_Grenzkontrolle/</p>
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Covid19 regulations	<p>Information can be found here: https://oead.at/en/to-austria/entry-and-residence/entry-conditions-covid-19/</p>
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Practical Information:

Living Costs	<p>Total per month approx. 950 Euros</p> <p>The amount of money students will need greatly depends on how economically they live. Therefore, it is difficult to say exactly how much money a student in Austria needs per month.</p> <p>Accommodation approx. 400 euros Food (excluding luxuries and tobacco) approx. 250 euros Studies and personal requirements (books, culture, recreation): approx. 300 euros</p> <p>More details: https://studyinaustria.at/en/living/living-costs/</p> <p>Daily Life: https://studyinaustria.at/en/why-austria/daily-life/</p>
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Useful links	<p>Find a list of useful links with information about Linz, public transportation, etc. https://www.ufg.at/Helpful-Information-Links.8901+M54a708de802.0.html</p>
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Fields of study at the Kunstuniversität Linz

We accept incoming students according to our bilateral agreements.

Art Studies	<p>Fine Art Sculpture – Transmedial Space Experimental Design Painting & Graphic Art Diploma Programme</p> <p>Graphic-Design and Photography Bachelor Programme</p> <p>Visual Communication (Graphic-Design and Photography) Master Programme</p> <p>Interface Cultures Master Programme The language of instruction is English!</p> <p>Sculptural Conceptions / Ceramics Bachelor Programme Master Programme</p> <p>Fashion & Technology Bachelor Programme Master Programme A profound knowledge of the English or German language is required!</p> <p>Space & Designstrategies Bachelor Programme Master Programme</p> <p>textile-art-design Bachelor Programme Master Programme</p> <p>Time-based and interactive Media Arts Bachelor Programme</p> <p>Time-based Media Master Programme</p>
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Art and Technical Studies	<p>Architecture Bachelor Programme Master Programme</p> <p>Industrial Design scionic® Bachelor Programme Master Programme</p>
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Cultural Studies	<p>Media Culture and Art Theories Master Programme</p> <p>Cultural Studies Bachelor Programme</p> <p>for both programs: A profound knowledge of the German language is required!</p>
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Programs for Teachers	<p>Art Education Bachelor Programme Master Programme</p> <p>Media Design Bachelor Programme Master Programme</p> <p>Design: Tech.Text Bachelor Programme Master Programme</p>
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PhD Program	PhD Study
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INFORMATION for INCOMING EXCHANGE STUDENTS 2020/21

Contact International Office

Sarah Rößler

E-mail: international.office@ufg.at

Phone: +43 732 7898 – 2273 (usually by appointment as I only work 6 hours/ week and, hence, I am difficult to get hold of on the phone)

Office hours: Monday – Thursday
by appointment only

Address: Hauptplatz 6, 4010 Linz (2nd entrance right hand side), 3rd floor

Useful Links

Erasmus students: www.ufg.ac.at/Incoming-Students-Erasmus.9373.0.html

Bilateral agreement students: www.ufg.ac.at/Incoming-Bilateral-Agreement.9382.0.html

General information: www.ufg.ac.at/Helpful-Information-Links.8901+M54a708de802.0.html

Rough outline about the next steps – details on the following pages:

- Organise accommodation
- Health insurance (do you have a valid one for Austria? If not – apply for one)
- Apply for your visa (if applicable)
- Complete your Learning Agreement – Erasmus only! If you need a signature before arrival, send me an email in due time!
- Online pre-registration at Kunstuniversität Linz (I will send you more info about that in due time)

If you have any questions and cannot find the answer in this booklet, send me an email ☺

Before arrival & how to get to Linz

Accommodation

Our university does not have on-campus accommodation. To help students find accommodation, our national agency (OeAD) offers a lodging service. Reservation deposit required!

You can find more information as well as a **list of recommended student residences** in Linz on our homepage (on the right hand side under "Downloads") :
www.ufg.ac.at/Accommodation.8891.0.html

Covid-19: I have contacted the dorms and they confirmed that they accept room reservations as usual!

Please finalize your room reservation as soon as possible!

Point out that you are an exchange student at Kunstuniversität Linz (your reservation may only be finalized after you have paid the registration charges and sometimes also the first rent – this depends on the dorm!)

Entry regulations

EU / EAA / Switzerland:

If you are a national of an EU/EEA country or Switzerland you do not need a visa. If you have sufficient financial means to finance your stay in Austria and valid health insurance covering all the necessary costs, you only need a valid travel document (passport or identity card) in order to enter and become resident in Austria. <https://oead.at/en/to-austria/entry-and-residence/>

Nationals of Third Countries

If you do not have EU/EEA or Swiss nationality, you are a "national of a third country" and you will need an entry or residence permit in order to enter or become resident in Austria. You have to make visa arrangements yourself!
<https://oead.at/en/to-austria/entry-and-residence/>

Corona-regulations:

Information can be found here: <https://oead.at/en/to-austria/entry-and-residence/entry-conditions-covid-19/>

Health insurance

It is obligatory to have a sufficient health insurance valid in Austria during your stay as an exchange student. You have to take care of an appropriate health insurance yourself.

National health insurance

If you are from an [EU/EEA country or Switzerland](#), it should be sufficient to bring your e-card with you. However, please contact your national health insurance to ask if they have any special regulations!!

If you are a ["national of third countries" \(i.e. not EU/EEA or Switzerland\)](#), you need a health insurance which is valid in Austria. You also have the possibility to apply for the Austrian Health Insurance - ÖGK. However, this is only possible AFTER arrival – so if you need the health insurance for your visa, make sure to apply for a health insurance before coming to Austria!

More information about the ÖGK can be found here: www.gesundheitskasse.at

You can find details concerning health insurance regulations here:

<https://oead.at/en/to-austria/scholars/before-arrival/insurance/gebietskrankenkassen/>

European Health Insurance Card: ec.europa.eu/social

The **Austrian Student Union's fee** from **about Euro 20,-- per semester** (compulsory for all students enrolled at Austrian Universities) covers a **liability insurance and an accident insurance** for damages and accidents in the University's sites and on the way from home to the University – <http://www.ufg.ac.at/Health-Insurance-Care.10761.0.html>

Arrival from Vienna to Linz

From the airport:

Direct train connection from Airport Vienna to Linz with ÖBB (Austrian Railway Company)
www.oebb.at/en/

There is an Airport Bus from Airport Wien-Schwechat to Wien-Hauptbahnhof
<http://www.wien-konkret.at/reisen/flughafentransfer-wien-schwechat/>

By train:

Coming from Vienna main train station - "Wien Hauptbahnhof" or from the train station "Wien Westbahnhof" you can choose between 2 different railway companies:
The Austrian Railway Company – ÖBB or the often cheaper Westbahn.

Academic information

Academic calendar

Summer semester 2021:

Semester start: Monday, 01 March 2021

Lecture period: Monday, 01 March 2021 to Friday, 02 July 2021

Click here for the full academic calendar: [academic calendar.pdf](#)

Courses

You can find the **course catalogue** (KUNI online system) here:

<http://www.ufg.ac.at/Learning-Agreement.8893.0.html>

Learning Agreement (for Erasmus only):

If you need a signature before your arrival, please contact the International Office international.office@ufg.at

Otherwise, you will get the signature after arrival.

German as a foreign language:

KUNI Linz offers free German courses for exchange students.

www.ufg.ac.at/Language.8884.0.html

German as a Foreign Language / Basic Course (Winter- and Summer term)

500.030 W - 4 ECTS

500.030 S - 4 ECTS

German as a Foreign Language / Advanced (Winter- and Summer term)

500.031 W - 2 ECTS

500.031 S - 2 ECTS

Additional German courses are also offered at 3 institutions in Linz. These courses are not free of charge! All these institutions are located in Linz and can easily be reached by tram.

More info: https://www.ufg.at/fileadmin/_migrated/content_uploads/NachweisDeutsch_01.pdf

After arrival

Please contact the International Office after your arrival in Linz.

Enrolment

First step: pre-registration (e-mail with detailed information will follow in due time)

Second step: Enrolment at Kunstuniversität Linz – I will assist you.
Please bring the following with you:

- Valid travel document

Exchange students are **exempt from student fees** but have to pay the student union fee (about Euro 20,20 per semester).

Local registration – obligatory for everybody

Within three (working) days after entering Austria, you have to register with the Registration Office (“Bürgerservice” in Linz) by submitting your registration form (“Meldezettel”).

More information about the local registration can be found here: <https://oead.at/en/to-austria/scholars/during-your-stay/registration/>

Registration office for those who have their place of residence in Linz:

Bürgerservice Center (Rathaus/City Hall)

Neues Rathaus

Hauptstraße 1 - 5, 4041 Linz

info@mag.linz.at

+43 732 7070 free hotline

Monday to Friday, 7 a.m to 6 p.m.

Info (in German only):

<http://portal.linz.gv.at/Serviceguide/viewChapter.html?chapterid=121790>

You also have to **de-register** at the end of your stay!

During your stay

Austrian Student Union - ÖH

You can find information about the ÖH and their contact details here: [OeH - Kunstuni Linz](#) (the homepage is partly in German, partly in English)

Important telephone numbers

International code to Austria from abroad: 0043 or +43
Dial 0732 to Linz within Austria - dial +43 732 from abroad

Fire Emergency – 122
Police Emergency – 133
Ambulance Emergency – 144
EURO Emergency – 112

In case of (psychological) problems

If you face any problems concerning your studies during your stay, you can contact the “Ombudsstelle für Studierende” <https://hochschulombudsmann.at/ueber-uns-EN/>

Psychological Counseling Center at Johannes Kepler University Linz:

The Psychological Counseling Center is a student support service of the Ministry of Science designed to assist students and prospective students.

Contact: <http://www.studierendenberatung.at/standorte/linz/kontakt.html>

Nearest Hospital

Unfallkrankenhaus LINZ
Garnisonstraße 7
4017 Linz
Tel.: +43 732 69 20-0 free hotline
Fax: +43 732 69 20-1509
E-Mail: ULV@auva.at
www.auva.at/ukhlinz

Reachability

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