

Reasons why you should apply for a study programme at FH JOANNEUM

Low Tuition Fees for Non-EU Citizens

Education is government-funded, tuition fees are very low. At public universities like FH JOANNEUM, the cost is only around €720 per semester, with no registration or application fees!

Open Access to Universities

Austria accepts India's 12-year school education for bachelor's program admission if the Indian certificates are recognized as equivalent to Austria's secondary school diploma (Matura). Indian students can start their studies without additional preparatory years (providing the application meets all the criteria).

In contrast: Germany typically requires 13 years of schooling, forcing Indian students to complete a Studienkolleg or a year of a bachelor's program in India before qualifying.

English Master Programmes

Data Science & Artificial Intelligence, Electronic Engineering, Energy & Mobility Technology, and more: Get your degree within two years through one of our internationally recognized English-taught programmes.

Simplified Visa and Residency Process

Students (under 24) must demonstrate financial means of €672.64 per month for 12 months, deposited in their name in a foreign savings book or bank account accessible from Austria.

Graduates can stay in Austria for another 12 months to seek employment. Upon finding a job relevant to their field of study and meeting criteria like minimum salary, they receive a regular Red-White-Red Card, allowing them to remain and work in Austria.

In contrast: Germany requires a "Sperrkonto" for Visa. This blocked account is not needed in Austria.

Work Permit during Studies

Students are allowed to work up to 20 hours per week

Providing opportunities to gain practical experience and cover the living costs (starting from €600 per month).

Attractive Job Opportunities in a Strong Economy

Austria boasts a highly diversified economy and companies provide an attractive work environment

It is home to hundreds of global market leaders across various industries, particularly in export-driven, high-tech manufacturing and service companies. Benefit from a unique work-life balance that stands out on the international stage: 38.5 hours work week, starting salaries from 35-40k (gross) per annum, five weeks of paid holidays and additional 10+ public holidays.

Smaller Institutions and Personalized Support

Austrian universities often have smaller student groups (especially compared to Germany), enabling more personalized attention and closer interaction with faculty members.

High Quality of Life

Austria is frequently praised for its high living standards. It provides a safe, multicultural environment, ideal for international students.

Gateway to Europe

Austria is centrally located in Europe, but it often has fewer bureaucratic hurdles for internships or travel to neighboring countries.

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Find our English-taught MSc programmes, testimonials, and further information for Indian applicants at www.fh-joanneum.at/india