

Other Useful Information

Cost of Living per month (approximately)

Accommodation costs (including heating and electricity)	€ 400 - 500
Food (excluding luxury items and tobacco)	€ 300
Study and personal requirements, books, culture, recreation	€ 300
TOTAL (per month)	€ 1000 - 1100
Cost Contribution (once a semester)	+ € 727 (€ 1454)

Accommodation in Graz

International degree seeking students can apply online for housing in Graz offered by the Austrian Exchange Service (OeAD). More information can be found on this website:

www.housing.oead.at/en

Accommodation in Kapfenberg/Bad Gleichenberg

International degree seeking students can apply via e-mail for dormitories in Kapfenberg or Bad Gleichenberg via international@fh-joanneum.at

Living and Working in Austria

More information about living and working in Austria can be found on this website:

<https://oead.at/en/to-austria/entry-residence-and-employment/working/>

¹ We highly recommend applying as soon as possible due to long visa procedures.

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APPLICATION AND ADMISSION



2026/2027

We look forward to welcoming you at FH JOANNEUM University of Applied Sciences.

For more information about all the degree programmes at FH JOANNEUM:

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Application and Admission for international degree seeking Non-EU/EEA/Switzerland students

Application deadlines for 2026/2027

Deadline for international students living in Pakistan, India, Bangladesh, Iran and Nigeria	
Application deadline	Admissions Procedure
1st February 2026	February 2026

Deadlines for international students living in another third country	
Application deadline	Admissions Procedure
1st February 2026	February 2026
24th March 2026	April 2026
27th April 2026	May 2026
26th May 2026	June 2026
29th June 2026	July 2026

Please consider that not all degree programmes offer all application periods. For knowing better which programme offers which application periods, please have a look at our website www.fh-joanneum.at/en/studies/

Note: Non-EU/EEA Applicants who have secured their residence permit prior to the Summer Deadline, can also apply for the Summer Deadline.

The 6 steps from Applicant to Student

STEP 1 - Application for a degree programme at FH JOANNEUM

Submit your application documents online at www.fh-joanneum.at/online-application

The following documents must be submitted:

- A signed letter of motivation / cover letter (describing your motivation for undertaking the course)
- A signed curriculum vitae
- A copy of your school leaving certificate (or proof of university entrance qualification)
- A copy of the citizenship certificate or passport
- A proof of having attained an adequate level of German and/or English (depending on the language of your chosen degree programme - see *)
- A copy of your final school report (when applying for a Bachelor degree programme)
- A copy of documentary evidence demonstrating completion of a relevant Bachelor degree program, or equivalent (when applying for a Master degree programme)

- A Transcript of Records for assessing compliance with the admission requirements (when applying for a Master degree programme)

Please note that some Bachelor and Master degree programmes require specific papers (portfolio, letters of reference, etc.) as part of the application.

The letter of motivation and the CV must be submitted in the relevant language of instruction for all Bachelor's (and Master's) degree programmes. All other application documents (exception: original documents) may be submitted in English or German.

Required Language skills

The Bachelor programmes at FH JOANNEUM are taught in German or both German and English.

The Master programmes are taught in German, in English or both German and English.

For English Programmes*:

English language competency must be equivalent to minimum Level B2 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages and may be provided in the form of TOEFL Certificate (min. 87 points), a TELC Certificate, a Cambridge Certificate (First Certificate in English - FCE), PTE Academic Zertifikat (Pearson Test of English; min. 59 Punkte) or an IELTS Certificate or another equivalent school certificate.

For German Programmes*:

German language competency must be equivalent to the required German level. The required level is mostly B2 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages, for some programmes the requirements are even higher (details can be found on the prospective websites). Proof may be provided in the form of ÖSD, TestDAF (TDN 4), Goethe Certificate or another equivalent school certificate.

For programmes in both languages*:

Applicants for **programmes taught both in German and English** must provide a proof of English and German in the required language skills. More information about proof of language can be found on the website www.fh-joanneum.at/en

Legalization and translation

Legalization and translation of international documents are a prerequisite for acceptance to the admission procedure. The legalization and translation guidelines applicable for your country are laid out here: www.fh-joanneum.at/guidelines.

Applicants from third countries may be required to submit their translation together with their application. The certification can be submitted by 29 June at the latest.

Please also send us copies of all certificates and documents required to verify compliance with the admission requirements in the original language. The Study Administration will then review your application documents.

Application deposit & Reimbursement of expenses

All applicants who are citizens of a third country (i.e. not EU and/or EEA/Switzerland), including stateless persons and persons of unknown nationality, except for foreign nationals who have completed their education in Austria (Matura in Austria), internal students of FH JOANNEUM from third countries and citizens of LDC countries (according to the DAC list) must pay a deposit of €250.00 plus €10.00 reimbursement of expenses via the FH Shop before applying.

The invoice must be uploaded with the application.

Please note:

Only **complete application files** (including translated and/or legalized documents), will be verified individually by the academic board according to the entry requirements. We will inform you by e-mail whether you comply with the entry requirements. If you fulfill the entry requirements, you will be invited to take part in the admissions process.

STEP 2 - Admissions Procedure

Once your application is accepted, you will be sent a confirmation by email. The invitation for the admissions process with the exact date and time will be sent approx. two weeks after the application deadline by email. The individual parts of the admissions process are described in detail on the webpages of the relevant programmes. With the Confirmation and Invitation Letter you can apply for an entry visa (see step 4) to take part in the admissions process on site, where necessary (most admission procedures take place entirely online). After the admissions process you will be informed whether you are accepted or not.

Note: FH JOANNEUM does not have specific grade requirements (CGPA/GPA). While good grades can positively influence the applicant ranking, the final decision is based on the overall evaluation of the applicant.

STEP 3 - Tuition fee

In the event of acceptance, applicants from non-EU/EEA countries are required to transfer a cost contribution for the first two semesters (1,454 euros) to FH JOANNEUM in advance. The application deposit may be deducted from the amount. The place will then be confirmed and the letter of acceptance will be sent out. The contribution can be refunded upon request under certain conditions. The [“Regulation on payment and refund or exemption from the cost contribution for students from third countries”](#) and the [“Application for refunding of the cost contribution”](#) can be found on the web pages of the relevant degree programmes. The ÖH (student union) membership fee (currently 25.20 Euros) is additionally payable per semester. The cost contribution of € 727 for each further semester is payable per semester.

STEP 4 - Visa and/or Residence permit application

The acceptance letter must be submitted as soon as possible to the relevant Authorities (Austrian Embassy) together with all other required documents in order to obtain an entry visa and/or residence permit for Austria. Please note that the visa/residence permit procedure can take up to 6 months (depending on your home country)! Please contact the relevant Authorities and/or make an appointment as soon as you receive your acceptance letter. For more information, please visit <https://oead.at/en/to-austria/entry-and-residence/>

STEP 5 - Orientation Packages

Degree seeking students from non-EU/EEA countries are highly recommended to attend the orientation package [PREMIUM](#) three weeks before the start of the academic year. More detailed information is available here: www.fh-joanneum.at/international/services.

STEP 6 - Start of your studies

You will be notified of the start of classes in the letter of acceptance. Students arriving late will lose their place of study.

Scholarships/Grants:

You can check if you are eligible for scholarships or grants here in the [Austrian Database for Scholarships and Research Grants – grants.at](#)