



International Exchange - Fact Sheet

Name of the institution	UNIVERSITÄT GRAZ
PIC, ECHE, Erasmus codes	999873188; 28563-EPP-1-2014-1-AT-EPPKA3-ECHE; A GRAZ01
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Websites	Partner Website (for partners) Orientation Platform (for students)	International Office Website University Website

	Winter semester (W)	Summer semester (S)
Planning your trip & Arrival	Students must arrive in time for the Orientation Days, in case of participation in the intensive German course in time for the start of the German course.	
Pre-semester German Course	3 weeks in September	3 weeks in February
Orientation Days (Link)	Orientation Days are mandatory. Sessions are NO walk-in sessions!	
	Orientation Days I beginning of September Orientation Days II Mid-September	Orientation Days I beginning of February Orientation Days II Mid-February
Academic Calendar (Link)	Lecture period beg. October - end January Exam period usually in last week of lecture period, in rare cases possible until ~mid-Feb	Lecture period beg. March - end June Exam period usually in last week of lecture period, in rare cases possible until ~mid-July

Nomination	<p>Nomination via Mobility-Online including the following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student's first and last name as it appears in the passport • student's date of birth • student's email address • semester/s student is nominated for • student's field/s and level of study <p>Nomination deadlines: 1st May for the winter semester / whole academic year 1st October for the summer semester</p>
Application	<p>Nominated students will receive application instructions via email. The application process must be completed online.</p> <p>Application deadlines: 1st June for the winter semester / academic year 1st November for the summer semester</p>
Acceptance	<p>Following the successful online application, Acceptance Letter and Visa/Residence Permit Letter (if required) will be available for download in Mobility-Online.</p>
Fields of Study	<p>University of Graz is a public university with an enrolment of 31.100 students and a strong international profile offering more than 120 BA, MA and PhD degrees which are open to exchange students (except for a few restrictions – see below). https://www.uni-graz.at/en/study/prospective-students/</p> <p>Focus: The university's regional focus on South-Eastern Europe is one of the defining factors throughout all areas of study.</p> <p>Co-enrollment: If academically relevant, exchange students can co-enroll at other Graz universities (e.g. Graz Univ. of Technology, Kunstuniversität Graz) after arrival at no extra cost. A min of 50 % of ECTS during the exchange must be taken at University of Graz. Courses taken at another Graz university will come on a separate transcript.</p>
Course information English-taught courses	<p>→ Guidelines for course search</p> <p>→ Online Course Guide</p> <p>→ Search for English-taught courses</p>
Restrictions	<p>Lab placements are generally difficult and cannot be guaranteed.</p> <p>Joint Degree Programs are only open to exchange students enrolled in one of these programs already at their home university (= partner in the Joint Degree program).</p> <p>An application for translation/interpretation/transcultural communication with German is only possible if students have a clearly identifiable focus on the German language in their degree at the home university.</p>
Early exams / Alternative exam modes	<p>Cannot be guaranteed! Please note that <u>each professor decides</u> for his/her course whether early exams / alternative exam modes are possible. It is the <u>student's responsibility</u> to contact each professor as early as possible in the application process and definitely before finalizing travel plans in case, they need to return to their home universities before the end of the exchange semester at Uni Graz.</p> <p>Early exams are <u>NOT available</u> for lecture-type courses at the Faculty of Business and of the field of English and American Studies. For other types of courses such as pro-seminars, seminars professors have the last say.</p>
Housing	<p>For housing information & deadlines of different dorms go to https://orientation.uni-graz.at/de/planning-the-arrival/accommodation/</p>
Language Requirements	<p>University of Graz recommends language level B2 in German in order to take full advantage of the mobility. Students who will only take courses in English must have B2 English knowledge.</p> <p>Students who will only take courses in English must check whether they can find enough English-taught courses to fulfill their home university's credit requirements.</p>
Language courses	<p>3-week German Intensive Language Courses (6 ECTS credits incl. in transcript) are offered in September and February before the start of the semester at a reduced fee. Also, German courses during the semester are offered.</p> <p>Further information → Treffpunkt Sprachen</p>

Buddy program	<p>Buddies are Austrian students interested in supporting international exchange students as unpaid volunteers during their time in Graz (pick-up service, support in practical matters, etc.).</p> <p>Further information → Buddy programme</p>
Students - special needs	<p>The Disability Resource Center offers support for students with special needs. Students are advised to get in touch once they are nominated and well ahead of the start of their mobility.</p> <p>Further information → Disability Resource Center</p> <p>Students in need of counselling are advised to contact the Counselling Center for Students well ahead of their arrival if an appointment immediately after arrival is needed (approx. 3-month waiting period).</p> <p>Further information → Counselling Center for Students</p>
Health & Safety Policy	<p>The compulsory student union fee includes liability and accident insurance. (way to/from the university as well as on campus). This does, however not replace full health insurance coverage for the exchange stay.</p> <p>Safety facilities and trainings are provided in specific departments where applicable (e.g., labs).</p>
Health Insurance	<p>EU/EEA students need to bring their European health insurance card (EHIC) to Austria. The EHIC must be valid for the full duration of their stay.</p> <p>Non-EU/EEA students nominated for 2 semesters are required by law to register for Austrian health insurance upon arrival (assistance and more information available during the mandatory Orientation Days). This insurance will NOT cover the student's journey to and from Graz or medical evacuation and repatriation – the student has to make sure s/he purchases travel insurance accordingly.</p> <p>Non-EU/EEA students nominated for 1 semester are free to choose their insurance as long as this insurance is in accordance with the requirements for an Austrian visa application. For details students have to contact the Austrian embassy in their country of residence. The insurance must also cover their journey to Graz including medical evacuation and repatriation.</p>
Visa & Residence Permit	<p>For detailed information see: https://oead.at/en/to-austria/entry-and-residence/</p> <p><u>Student jobs available/allowed?</u> Visa regulations make finding a job very difficult (unless students also hold an EU passport). Graz University has no facilities to help secure a job or advise students in this matter. Students should NOT rely on getting a job in Graz when budgeting their exchange!</p>
Transcripts ECTS & Grading system	<p>University of Graz no longer issues paper transcripts. Students are expected to initiate and download their electronically signed transcript from their UNIGRAZonline account themselves within the timeframe of their enrollment.</p> <p>Instructions for both transcripts download and verification are available online → Transcript of Records</p> <p>For detailed information on the European Credit transfer System (ECTS), please check out our information on Information on workload and grading.</p>

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