



TU Graz  
International

**Experience  
an unforgettable  
exchange**

**GRAZ UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY  
AUSTRIA**



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A floating island<sup>1</sup>,  
a 500 year old double helix staircase<sup>2</sup>,  
a friendly alien<sup>3</sup> and a medieval clock  
tower with anti-clockwise  
clock hands<sup>4</sup>.

Sounds like Harry Potter or  
Alice in Wonderland?





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## Discover Graz – a multicultural and vibrant student city with mediterranean influence.

Situated in the center of Europe, Graz is the second largest city in Austria after Vienna, but has a population of only 330,000 inhabitants, including 60,000 students.

The city center has countless historically valuable buildings from different eras, restored with loving attention to detail. So Graz is a cosy little town with flair and atmosphere, full of contrasts, with a long history as well as a vibrant city life.

Graz hosts people from 160 different nationalities who live, study and work here and make Graz a gathering of international communities.

There is a wide range of cultural offerings such as festivals, theaters, and concerts. You can find modern architecture as well as museums and galleries, parks and gardens or sports facilities. There is a vast variety of cafés and pubs, and a favourite spot around every corner.

Leaving the gently rolling hills of Graz, it's just a one hour ride to the mountains, a two hour ride to Vienna, and a three hour ride to the Mediterranean Sea.

**1**

Internationally top ranked university

**2**

An international campus: 1 out of 5 is an international student

**3**

Many English-taught undergraduate and graduate courses

**10**

Pick-up service, Buddy Programme, events and trips organized by the student union (HTU ESN Graz)



# 10 Reasons

TO STUDY AT TU GRAZ

**4**

19 graduate programmes completely taught in English

**5**

Projects and courses with partners from the industry

**7**

Study in a vibrant, trendy and multicultural student city with 60,000 students in a city with 330,000 inhabitants

**9**

Austrians speak English very well

**8**

Affordable housing in student dorms and shared flats

**6**

Situated right in the heart of Europe (Austria borders 8 countries, with well-established train, bus & flight connections)



# Greetings

FROM THE INTERNATIONAL OFFICE -  
WELCOME CENTER



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Our International Office - Welcome Center Team



WE SUPPORT  
YOU DURING  
YOUR  
EXCHANGE

The International Office  
- Welcome Center at TU  
Graz is happy to support  
you prior, during and after  
your stay.

From the time you get nominated at your home university we, the Exchange Coordinators, are here to support you and prepare you for your stay at TU Graz. We offer orientation sessions and further events that are targeted to your needs in order to enable a smooth start and a great semester at TU Graz.

- Easy online application after being nominated by your home university
- Pre-arrival guide with lots of useful information (housing, courses, health insurance, entry regulations)
- Orientation events prior to semester start (orientation sessions, intercultural awareness sessions, campus survival tour, academic advising, welcome reception)
- Events to connect exchange students with local students
- Support and guidance during your stay
- Information on to-dos before you leave

# About

## GRAZ UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY



Old Campus - „Alte Technik“

**As a university with a long history over 200 years TU Graz offers outstanding education in the field of science and technology.**

TU Graz was founded in 1811 by Erzherzog Johann, a member of the Imperial Habsburg family. It is the oldest University of Technology in Austria.

Nikola Tesla is the most famous student of TU Graz. He spent 3 years at our university. Our high voltage laboratory is dedicated to him.

TU Graz is firmly anchored in the scientific community, is engaged in the European University Network for Innovation, Technology and Engineering, or *Unite!* for short, and expands its worldwide cooperations in industry projects and university research.

Students find an attractive range of study programmes increasingly offered in English


across all technology and science fields.

Students have the possibility to join real life projects with partners from the industry and to apply and deepen their learned knowledge.

All three campuses of TU Graz are in walking distance, which makes it easy to attend courses at all three campuses. The university has a great infrastructure such as state of the art lecture halls, well-equipped labs, specialised libraries, open workspaces and computer labs.

Furthermore it is located close to the city center, has well connected bus connections and is surrounded by cafes and restaurants.



	FACULTIES AT TU GRAZ
 <p>TOP RANKED <b>University of Technology</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Architecture</li> <li>- Civil Engineering Sciences</li> <li>- Computer Science and Biomedical Engineering</li> <li>- Electrical and Information Engineering</li> <li>- Mathematics, Physics and Geodesy</li> <li>- Mechanical Engineering and Economic Sciences</li> <li>- Technical Chemistry, Chemical and Process Engineering and Biotechnology</li> </ul>



PROGRAMMES

**in English  
& German**

3 CAMPUSES

**13,900**  
STUDENTS

**3,700**  
INTERNATIONAL  
STUDENTS

**400**  
EXCHANGE  
STUDENTS/  
YEAR

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# Academic offer



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Possibility to  
take courses at  
TU GRAZ AND  
UNI GRAZ

Both undergraduate and graduate students can spend a semester or year at TU Graz and choose courses from 58 undergraduate and graduate degrees.

You can create a study plan selecting courses from different degree programs at TU Graz that fit your academic needs and benefits your educational progress. Furthermore, you also have the chance to attend some courses at the University of Graz which gives you an even larger choice of courses.

## ACADEMIC OFFER AT A GLANCE

**21**

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

courses taught in English & German

**18**

GRADUATE  
PROGRAMMES

taught in German and  
English

**19**

GRADUATE  
PROGRAMMES

completely taught  
in English



Possible  
duration

**1 SEMESTER  
OR 1 YEAR**

INDIVIDUAL  
COURSE  
SELECTION

attend courses from  
different degree  
programmes

## INFO ABOUT STUDY DURATION

Bachelor studies (undergraduate): 3 years - 180 ECTS

Master studies (graduate): 2 years - 120 ECTS

► English course catalogue:  
[tugraz.at/go/search-courses](https://tugraz.at/go/search-courses)

► All degree programmes  
[tugraz.at/go/degree-and-certificate-programmes](https://tugraz.at/go/degree-and-certificate-programmes)

## COURSE SELECTION



CAN BE HIGHLY  
INDIVIDUALISED.

Course selection from different majors and faculties is possible.

Undergraduate students are advised to mainly choose undergraduate courses, but can select graduate courses if they are in their 3rd and 4th year of study and meet the pre-requisites.

Graduate students can choose from undergraduate and graduate courses.

The normal workload is 30 ECTS per semester. The recommended workload for exchange students is at least 16 ECTS per semester.



## ACADEMIC CALENDAR

## GERMAN COURSES

Dive into German language and culture with the three-week German Intensive Course prior to semester start or take German courses during the semester. German courses for all levels are offered by „treffpunkt sprachen“, a renowned centre for language, plurilingualism and didactics. TU Graz exchange students are welcome to use this service for a reduced price.



► More information:  
[treffpunktsprachen.uni-graz.at/en/teaching](https://treffpunktsprachen.uni-graz.at/en/teaching)

	WINTER SEMESTER	SUMMER SEMESTER
	October- January	March-June
Orientation Session 1*	Beginning of September	Beginning of February
Orientation Session 2**	Mid September	Mid February
Semester Start	1 <sup>st</sup> October	1 <sup>st</sup> March
Semester End	End of January	End of June

\* for German Intensive Course participants

\*\* for NON German Intensive Course participants

FEEL WELCOME AND GET CONNECTED AT THE

# International House at TU Graz



Welcome to the International House of TU Graz  
– the ideal place to spend some time networking  
and enjoying international flair.

## COME TOGETHER!

The house is a meeting place for our students and employees from all over the world as well as for all those at TU Graz who are interested in getting in touch with internationals.

There are plenty of possibilities to hang out, network and study together at the International House:

INTERNATIONAL HOUSE
OPENING HOURS Mon - Fri
LOCATION Lessingstrasse 32 8010 Graz
ROOMS International Lounge Kitchen Garden Study & Work Zone

## HANG OUT & MAKE NEW FRIENDS

On three floors, the International House offers numerous opportunities to network (internationally) and to study and work together.

During opening hours the International Lounge, Kitchen and Garden are open to everyone to take breaks and spend their free time together. Additional rooms, such as the International Study & Work Zone, can be booked for study groups and co-working sessions.

The International House also hosts the offices of the Exchange Coordinators, who support you during all phases of your exchange.

- More information  
[tugraz.at/go/international-house](http://tugraz.at/go/international-house)



VISIT US  
AND GET  
CONNECTED!







7 REASONS WHY GRAZ IS THE

**perfect city for students**

# 1

## VIBRANT STUDENT CITY

Graz, the second biggest city of Austria. It is a vibrant and multicultural student city with a rich culture. The city with a Mediterranean flair has a historic city centre and its' green castle hill in the middle of the city not only provides you with a breath-taking view but it is also a World Heritage Site. Apart from a rich culture, vibrant design scene and many thriving businesses. Graz is home to 8 higher education institutions. 60,000 of more than 330,000 inhabitants are students and they contribute to Graz being a lively and exciting city.



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# 2

## RELATIVELY CHEAP RENT

Even if there is no on-campus housing available, it is still very easy to find student accommodation. You can easily book your room with OeAD Housing, who offers accommodation targeted to the needs of international exchange students. Furthermore you can also look on your own for a room in other dorms or in private shared flats. Compared to its size, Graz has relatively low prices for rents.

# 3

## THE BIKE AS YOUR MAIN WAY OF TRANSPORT

Graz is also known as the „bike-city“. It is a safe city for biking and many Austrian students love to go by bike all year round. It pays off to buy a second hand bike and sell it before your departure. In addition also the public transport system is very convenient and student passes are available for a reduced price.



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## 4

### STUNNING NATURE

You like to be outside and to be active? Graz is surrounded by rolling hills but also mountains and lakes are easily accessible. Go skiing and ice-skating in winter and hiking and biking during the rest of the year, or try out sports like paragliding – enjoy the many possibilities that the region has to offer.



## 5

### IDEAL STARTING POINT FOR TRAVELLING

Graz is not just a great city to study in but the location makes it really easy to travel to different destinations. A city trip to Vienna or Salzburg, a skiing day in Schladming or a glass of wine in Slovenia? Many well-established bus, train and flight connections to different places in Europe are available.



## 6 DIVERSE CULINARY OFFERS

Wienerschnitzel, Kaiserschmarrn and Sachertorte – try out different Austrian delicacies in the many restaurants and coffee shops. If you want a change from Austrian cuisine, don't worry! You can also find restaurants from all over the world. Graz has also a variety of farmers' markets that sell fresh regional produce. Enjoy culinary snacks while experiencing the cheerful bustle at the markets.



## 7

### CULTURAL TREASURES AND EXCITING EVENTS

Graz is a vibrant city with a huge variety of cultural treasures. It was already City of Design and Cultural Capital of Europe and has two UNESCO world heritage sites. Architectural highlights ranging from historic houses to futuristic buildings can be found throughout the city. You can walk around discovering many sights that tell stories of Graz and be immersed in a great cultural experience while visiting one of the many museums. The city is also rich in concerts, festivals and special events.

JOIN STUDENT TEAMS AND PROJECTS

# Gain knowledge and make friends



TU Graz offers many exciting possibilities to gain knowledge and apply learned skills in student teams and projects with partners from the industry.





## TU GRAZ RACING TEAM

The TU Graz Racing Team is the fastest student team of TU Graz! The team develops, designs and constructs racing cars to take part in the international Formula Student competitions. There are around 50 team members and all are united by the one mission: to build the best Formula Student racing car.

🏆 2021: 1st place over all at the Formula Student Online

## PRODUCT INNOVATION

Following the concept of problem-based learning, the „Product Innovation“ by the Institute of Innovation and Industrial Management (IIM) gives students the opportunity to work for one academic year on real-life tasks given directly by industrial partners with a project budget. In return, the student teams create numerous ideas, some of them even resulting in patents and new products.



## TU GRAZ ROBOCUP TEAM

GRIPS (Graz Robust and Intelligent Production System) develops robots that are able to plan, implement and optimize material flows and the delivery of products in response to dynamic orders. The team works on artificial intelligence as well as the representation and processing of knowledge, with the robots as an application of these methodologies.

🏆 2022: 2nd place in the RoboCup Logistics League at the world championship in Bangkok

- List with student teams at TU Graz:  
[tu-graz.at/en/studying-and-teaching/studying-at-tu-graz/student-teams](https://tu-graz.at/en/studying-and-teaching/studying-at-tu-graz/student-teams)

# Experience

## STUDENT LIFE

Whether you want to explore Austria, take part in sports courses, make new friends or immerse yourself fully in Austrian culture by learning German, there is a wide range of different offers to make the most of your time at TU Graz.

HOW TO  
FULLY IMMERSE  
INTO STUDENT  
LIFE



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### ORIENTATION SESSIONS

To give you the best possible experience at TU Graz there are orientation sessions prior to the semester start that prepare you for your stay at TU Graz and your life in Austria. Not only do you get useful information and support, but these sessions are an excellent way to make friends.

### GET A BUDDY - GET A FRIEND

Want to dive into Austrian student life? Join a buddy group and make friends with local students. They will get in touch with you prior to your arrival, get your key in advance if needed and pick you up from the train station/airport and support you in various matters. A lot of fun and great experiences are guaranteed.



## STUDY INFRASTRUCTURE

TU Graz consists of three campuses, which are all in walking distance. It has a great infrastructure such as state-of-the-art lecture halls, well-equipped labs, specialised libraries, open workspaces, computer labs, and a lot more. On-campus canteens or nearby cafes and restaurants are a great place to have lunch with your study colleagues and friends and recharge your energy.

## LEARN GERMAN

You can choose on your own if and what type of language courses you want to take. Join the three week German Intensive Course prior to semester start or/and take German classes during the semester (more information on page 11).

## SERVICE POINT FOR ACCESSIBLE LEARNING

The Service Point for Accessible Learning at TU Graz provides support for students with disabilities, impairments, and/or illnesses.







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## USI SPORTS COURSES

Get active and join a university sports course! There are many courses offered from Yoga to Paragliding and Volleyball. Try out new sports or improve your existing skills.

## STUDENT ORGANIZATION ESN

The student organization ESN Graz organizes a lot of different events during the semester for all incoming exchange students – parties, cultural events, trips to different Austrian cities and neighbouring countries, skiing days, hiking trips and many social events. This is a fantastic way to make the most out of your free time.






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# Living costs in Graz

### APPROXIMATE COSTS PER MONTH

The cost of living in Graz depends above all on your housing situation, and whether or not you eat out often or prepare your meals at home (most of the Austrian students eat at home). To be on the safe side, a student should be prepared to spend approximately 1000 Euros (€) per month for lodgings, food, and personal expenses. Depending on your lifestyle it can also be lower or higher.

AVERAGE PRICES									
 <b>PRICES FOR</b> <b>Food and Drinks</b>	<table> <tr> <td>LUNCH in a regular restaurant</td><td>MEAL in a university canteen</td></tr> <tr> <td><b>8 - 12 €</b></td><td><b>6.50 €</b></td></tr> <tr> <td>COFFEE</td><td>BEER (0,5L)</td></tr> <tr> <td><b>3.50 €</b></td><td><b>4 - 5 €</b></td></tr> </table>	LUNCH in a regular restaurant	MEAL in a university canteen	<b>8 - 12 €</b>	<b>6.50 €</b>	COFFEE	BEER (0,5L)	<b>3.50 €</b>	<b>4 - 5 €</b>
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 <b>Health insurance</b> <b>PER MONTH</b>  (for non EU students) <b>65€</b>	 <b>Housing</b> <b>IN STUDENT DORMS</b>  single room <b>400 - 500 €</b>  double room <b>approx. 340 €</b>								

► More Information  
[tugraz.at/go/preparation](https://tugraz.at/go/preparation)



# Possible programmes

## FOR AN EXCHANGE SEMESTER AT TU GRAZ

In order to spend an exchange semester or year at TU Graz your university or faculty needs to have a partnership agreement with us or be part of the ISEP network. The most popular programmes are:

### WITHIN EUROPE

#### ERASMUS+ PROGRAMME

Erasmus+ is the biggest and best-known European student mobility programme. It is based on bilateral agreements.

In case you are not sure if you can pursue your exchange at TU Graz, please ask your International Office.

### OUTSIDE OF EUROPE

#### OVERSEAS PROGRAMME

Your university (most likely outside of Europe) has a bilateral agreement with TU Graz.

#### ISEP EXCHANGE

ISEP is a non profit organisation that enables to study at TU Graz at a budget-friendly price. Your university needs to be a member of the ISEP network.

- Full list of all programmes  
[tugraz.at/go/incomings-exchange](https://tugraz.at/go/incomings-exchange)





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# Application information

## FOR EXCHANGE STUDENTS

The duration of your study exchange at  
TU Graz can be one semester or one year

### ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Bilateral student exchange agreement between TU Graz and your home university or exchange within a network (ISEP, CEEPUS)
- English OR German level B2 according to CEFR
- Undergraduate (Bachelor) or Graduate (Master) student

### APPLICATION PROCESS

1. Apply at your home university
2. Get nominated by your home university at TU Graz
3. Complete the application in our online system Mobility-Online

# Research/Internship

## OPPORTUNITIES AT TU GRAZ

### ERASMUS+ TRAINEESHIP

You study at a European university and want to conduct a traineeship or write part of your thesis at TU Graz? Then this programme is the right fit for you! Once you have found a supervising professor you can apply to the programme.

► [tugraz.at/go/erasmus-traineeship](https://tugraz.at/go/erasmus-traineeship)

### OVERSEAS INTERNSHIP/RESEARCH

Are you interested in diving deeper into research topics and working with highly skilled researchers at TU Graz? Or do you want to experience the business world first-hand at one of our partner companies? This programme enables students from our OverSEAs partner universities to spend some weeks/months in Graz and gain international work/research experience.

► [tugraz.at/go/overseas-internship-research](https://tugraz.at/go/overseas-internship-research)

### RESEARCH STAY

#### at TU Graz for US students

If you are a student from the US and would like to do a research stay at TU Graz, you can apply for financial support via the Marshall Plan Scholarship.

Students stay between 3 - 10 months and have the chance to work on part of their Bachelor's or Master's thesis while being supported with a generous scholarship by the Marshall Plan Foundation.

► [tugraz.at/go/marshall-plan-stipendium](https://tugraz.at/go/marshall-plan-stipendium)

## Further opportunities

### TO SPEND SOME TIME AT TU GRAZ

### SUMMER AND WINTER PROGRAMMES

TU Graz also offers a variety of summer and winter schools as well as Erasmus+ Blended Intensive Programmes on various exciting topics.

► [tugraz.at/go/summer-schools](https://tugraz.at/go/summer-schools)



## DOUBLE DEGREE PROGRAMMES

- Double Degree Programme with Politecnico di Milano, Italy  
Master's degree Architecture
- Double Degree Programme with Tongji University, China  
Master's degree Mechanical Engineering
- Double Degree Programme with University of Ljubljana, Slovenia  
Master's degree Computer Science
- Joint Doctoral Programme with Nanyang Technological University, Singapore  
Phd Visual Computing

► [tugraz.at/go/double-degree](https://tugraz.at/go/double-degree)

## CEEPUS

This opportunity is perfect for students from middle and Eastern European countries. Your home university is a CEEPUS partner? You can apply for a semester exchange or short term mobility at TU Graz within the CEEPUS network.

► [tugraz.at/go/ceepus](https://tugraz.at/go/ceepus)

## BEST OF SOUTH-EAST SCHOLARSHIP

The Best of South-East (BOSE) scholarship is offered in cooperation with Steiermärkische Sparkasse for students from South-Eastern Europe. The scholarship programme lasts 12 months. Events and informative meetings are part of the scholarship programme and ensure that you are integrated into economic, cultural and scientific life in Styria.

► [tugraz.at/go/best-of-south-east](https://tugraz.at/go/best-of-south-east)



## FULL DEGREE STUDY AT TU GRAZ

Are you interested in pursuing your entire degree at TU Graz? Contact the Academic Advisory Service ([study@tugraz.at](mailto:study@tugraz.at)) for further information about studying at TU Graz as an international degree-seeking student.

► **More Information**  
[tugraz.at/go/admission-international-students](https://tugraz.at/go/admission-international-students)





**Get ready for  
your exchange**

AT TU GRAZ,  
AUSTRIA

## FURTHER INFORMATION

🌐 [tugraz.at/go/international-en](https://tugraz.at/go/international-en)

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