This workflow is directed at prospective international doctoral students

All relevant information regarding the doctoral programs offered at TU Graz as well as their admission requirements for international degree seeking students, can be found on the website of TU Graz. The TU Graz Student Union offers advice for students on all degree programs offered at TU Graz.

Prospective doctoral students need to find a thesis supervisor and agree on a topic before they can start the admission process. The institute issues a letter of supervision. Further information can be found on the website of each doctoral school.

Prospective students need to submit their documents for admission to the registration office in person or via postal mail within the given deadlines. Please note that all documents must be submitted in German or English and may need to be legalized. Prospective students from third countries* need to submit their documents by September 5 for the winter semester and February 5 for the summer semester. For any specific questions regarding the admission, please contact the registration office.

After a review of the documents, the registration office will send a notification on your admission for a study place per post.

In case of admission the prospective student will receive a positive admission letter from the registration office.

If the prospective student is not admitted to study at TU Graz, the process ends here.

The regulations for entry and residence in Austria are based on the nationality of the prospective student.

EU/EEA and Swiss nationals do not need any specific entry or residence permit.

Third country nationals* must inform themselves about the adequate entry and residence permit.

EU/EEA and Swiss nationals can stay and study without a residence title in Austria.

Third country nationals* have to apply for the entry and residence title at the Austrian representative authority in their country of residence; if the residence title is granted, the citizen will be issued a Visa D to enter Austria.

Third country nationals* who are allowed to travel to Austria visa-free, may apply for the residence title after their arrival in Austria at the local Styrian Government.

Third country nationals* who came to Austria visa-free, must apply for and collect the residence permit at the local Styrian Government.

After the arrival in Austria, the registration for the doctoral program must be completed at the registration office in person by November 30 the latest to start in the winter semester or April 30 to start in the summer semester. However, plan to arrive already at the beginning of the semester to complete your registration to be able to have a good start in your first semester without missing any courses.

EU/EWR and Swiss nationals have to register with the local Styrian Government (Anmeldebescheinigung).

Third country nationals* must collect the residence permit at the local Styrian Government.

Third country nationals* who came to Austria visa-free, must apply for and collect the residence permit at the local Styrian Government.

The educational agreement for the doctoral program must be designed in cooperation with the supervisor. The agreement is handled by the dean’s office of each field of specialization.

*If you do not hold a EU/EAA or Swiss passport, you are a national of a third country.

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