

Get ready to study

Take your first step
towards your
undergraduate degree
at the University
of Applied Sciences
Upper Austria.

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You want to study in Austria but do not meet the entry requirements?

Don't worry!
We offer an
alternative
route
to you:

International
Foundation
Program

Your
pathway
to studies
in Upper
Austria



Why IFP?

The International Foundation Program offers you a focused and tailored preparation for your application to study at the University of Applied Sciences Upper Austria.

Your benefits

- **Improve language proficiency**
 - Advance your language skills to communicate during your studies and in daily life.
- **Bridge the gap between school and university**
- **Time to adjust**
 - IFP also gives you space and time to familiarise with student life, settle with life abroad and make new friends.



Essential information

- **Mode of study:**
Full-time
- **Duration of studies:**
Mid-September until mid of July
- **Language of instruction:**
English
- **Location:**
Wels Campus
- **Costs:**
Program fee: EUR 2,888,- per semester, payable as a single payment covering both semesters upon invoicing in mid-2027.
Berlitz on Demand licence: EUR 363,- (+ VAT)
- **Please note:**
accommodation, travel and living cost to/in Austria are **not** included in the program fee.

Who can enrol?

The International Foundation Program is perfect for students who ...

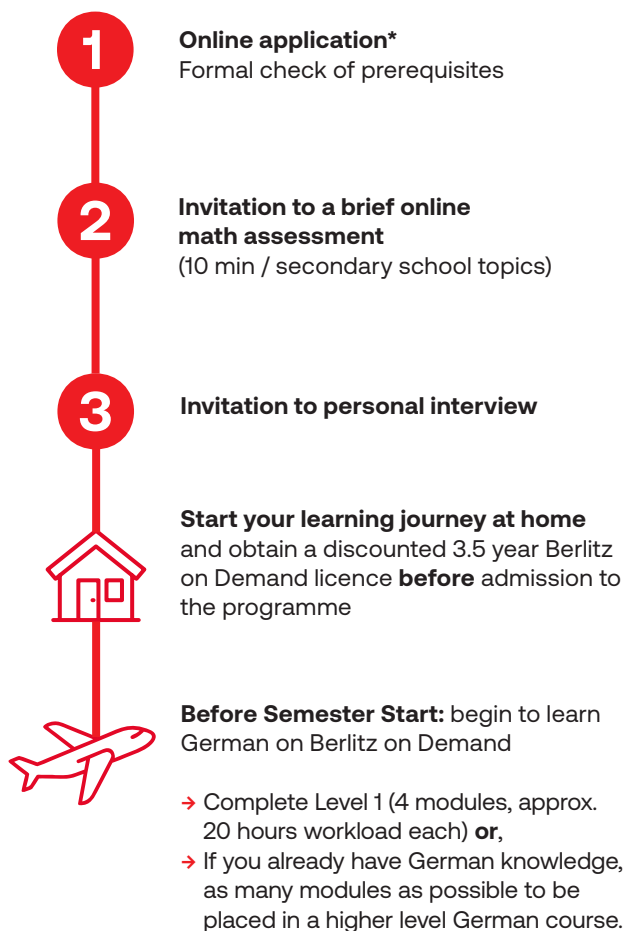
- ... do not meet entry requirements for studying in Austria
- ... are looking for a preparation program taught in English
- ... miss sufficient credits in Mathematics, Physics and English to be enrolled in a study program
- ... wish to fresh up Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Informatics and Business English prior to entering a study program
- ... wish to brush up their language skills and technical terminology
- ... want to learn or improve German

How to join

If you would like to participate in the International Foundation Program, please apply online.



Application procedure



In IFP, you get what you expect from the program. It is an incredible program from which you can learn the fundamental subjects to continue your study journey in Austria.

Cheng Lykheang
from Cambodia,
International Foundation
Program

Admission requirements

- At least 12 successfully completed years of schooling, a Secondary School Leaving Certificate that provides access to higher education in the country where it was issued, A-Level / High School Diploma or equivalent.
- English Language Certificate B2
Accepted certificates are IELTS (6.0), TOEFL (79), Cambridge Certificates, not older than 2 years.



Study plan

Duration of study: 2 semesters

Winter term

Mid-September – Beginning of February

Summer term

End of February – Mid of July

Minimum requirements for successful IFP completion:
pass all core modules + 5 ECTS electives in EACH semester

8 ECTS  Mathematics	5 ECTS  Physics	1 ECTS  Social Skills & Intercultural Training
2 ECTS  English	2-9 ECTS  German*	3 ECTS  Biology ¹
2 ECTS  Chemistry 1 ¹	2 ECTS  Market-oriented Management ¹	3 ECTS  Powerplants for Electrical Power Generation ¹

8 ECTS  Mathematics	2 ECTS  English	2-9 ECTS  German*
2 ECTS  Chemistry 2 ^{1 2}	3 ECTS  Applied Informatics	5 ECTS  Physics ³
3 ECTS  Microbiology ¹	1 ECTS  Presentation Skills	3 ECTS  Market Research I ¹
3 ECTS  Logistics Management I ¹		

- (1) will be accredited in several Bachelor's degree programs
(2) can only be selected if Chemistry 1 is passed in Winter term
(3) mandatory for studies in the field of Engineering

■ Core modules ■ Elective modules

*German

- **Before Semester Start:** begin to learn German on Berlitz on Demand
- Complete Level 1 (4 modules, approx. 20 hours workload each) or,
 - If you already have German knowledge, as many modules as possible to be placed in a higher level German course.
- **Upon Semester Start:**
- For German beginners: 9 ECTS
 - For people with prior knowledge: 2 ECTS (placement based on your level on Berlitz on Demand)

Those who are only taking a 2 ECTS German course are allowed to select an additional 3 ECTS elective course.

What is ECTS?

- European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System
- One ECTS credit corresponds to approximately 25 hours of total student workload, including classes, self-study, assignments, and exam preparation.

Your study career

5,500
students

31,400
alumni

Number 1
in research
of Austria's
Universities of
Applied
Sciences

Top
rankings

99%
employment
rate
for graduates

250
partner
universities
worldwide

The universe of the University of Applied Sciences Upper Austria offers you more than 70 top-ranked degree programs.

For IFP graduates, we especially recommend the following programs:

→ Ready for Upper Austria Study Programs:

- Green Science
- Applied Computer Science & AI
- Business Administration & Economics
- Electrical Engineering / Energy Mechatronics

→ International Logistics-Management

→ Media Technology and Design

→ Global Sales and Marketing

→ Innovation, Product & Engineering Management

Please note: you will **not** be automatically accepted but need to **apply again** for the program of your choice.

Partner universities

Do you want to continue your studies in Austria after the foundation program but your desired Bachelor's degree program in English is not offered at FH Upper Austria? With a successful completion of the IFP you are also eligible to study at one of our partner universities:

→ University of Applied Sciences Krems
fh-krems.ac.at/en/study/bachelor

→ University of Applied Sciences St. Pölten
fhstp.ac.at/bcc

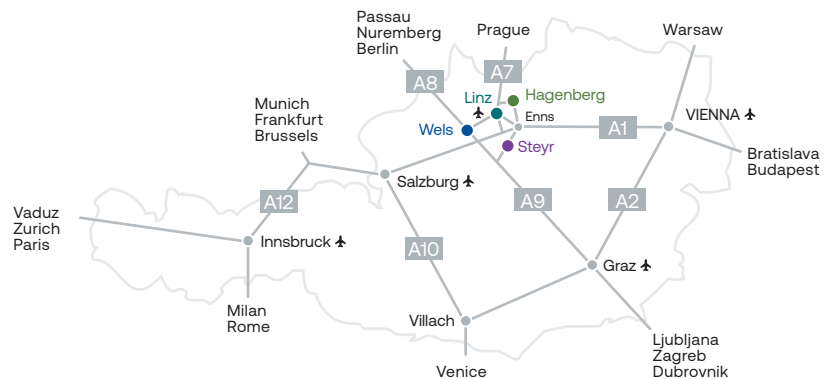
→ Deggendorf Institute of Technology
www.th-deg.de/en

→ Campus 02 Graz
www.campus02.at/en/

Many other universities also accept our IFP as an entry qualification. In individual cases, however, a university may require you to take additional entrance examinations.

Don't worry: the IFP prepares you well for these examinations.

Study in the heart of europe



Hagenberg Campus

#IT
#Medien



Linz Campus

#Medical
#Engineering



Steyr Campus

#Business
#Management



Wels Campus

#Environment
#Technologie

4 schools

1.5 hours to Vienna

Your pathway to studies in Upper Austria.



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