



Visa and Residency Permit Insights

APPLYING FOR A VISA IN AUSTRIA

Student Residence Permit Assistance

Depending on your citizenship, you may require a visa, residence permit or both to study in Austria at MU Vienna.

MU provides extensive support with document checks, appointment scheduling, housing, and visa tracking to ensure a smooth process.

MU Supports You



Embassy Appointments

MU can request appointments on behalf of students at their local Austrian Embassy & in Vienna



Documents Check & Visa Tracking

MU representatives call visa-seeking students to prepare them and check documents. Plus, MU tracks students' visa expiration to ensure timely extension



Personalised Approach

MU provides a list of certified translators. We also help with choosing and applying for health insurance



Dedicated Housing Support

MU collaborates with various accommodation providers in Vienna



We understand that applying for a visa can feel overwhelming, which is why our team is here to guide you at every step

Sanela Babic, Head of Admissions and Student Accounting



Benefits of Student Residence Permit

Students do not only gain access to world-class education but also the opportunity to **work 20 hours per week**, helping them gain valuable international market experience. **The 1-year stay-back option** after graduation provides a chance to explore career opportunities in Austria.

Applying for a family visa for a spouse or children is possible and would require them to provide the necessary documentation, including proof of funds, various certificates, and suitable accommodation arrangements.

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Application Process

Apply in your home country or long-term country of residence

Processing time: **6 – 9 months**

Costs: Approx. **€300-400**

- Application fee: **€160**
- Legalisation costs: **€15-20 per doc**
- Residence permit: **€60-80**

Document Requirements

EN Legalised Documents (Varies by country: apostille or double legalisation):

- Birth Certificate
- Criminal record certificate
- Highest academic degree

€ Financial Proof (Funds must cover 12 months of living costs in advance):

- **Under 24 years:** recommended min. €12.000/year
- **24+ years:** recommended min. €17.000/year

- Funds must be in a (foreign) savings book or (foreign) bank account bearing the applicant's name and accessible from Austria

- Alternative options include: Declaration of guarantee ("Haftungserklärung") from an EU resident; Purchase of traveller's cheques; Confirmation of a scholarship award

Additional Requirements:

- Payment confirmation & MU admission letter
- Housing confirmation (deposit & first month's rent)
- Health insurance (€60-80/month)

PRO TIPS



APPLY EARLY!

Getting an appointment at the relevant Austrian embassy may take 1-3 months, or even 6-9 months in certain countries



Bank statement in the student's name!

If using a sponsor, proof of access to funds is required



Housing contract & enrolment confirmation

Only needed for collecting the residence permit in Vienna, not for the initial application

1-3 MONTHS
Document preparation

4-6 MONTHS
Submit application & wait for approval

14 DAYS
Apply for Visa D* & collect residence permit in Vienna

*Only students who do not have 90-day visa-free entry to Austria must apply for Visa D

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