

### **Are you an international student?**

### **New city, new people, and hundreds of questions?**

**Then the MU Buddy Program might be right for you!**

#### What is the Buddy Program?

The Buddy Program is a volunteer-based program that pairs current MU students (Austrian or international) with newly admitted international and exchange students. It aims to help international students transition to a new environment during their first months in Vienna and at MU. The program provides an excellent opportunity to meet students from other cultures, receive support and potentially build lasting friendships.

#### What does the Buddy Program offer?

The Buddy Program offers various benefits and needs to be discussed individually between you and your buddy depending on your buddy's availability. Your buddy might do the following:

- Contact and interact with you prior to your arrival.
- Meet you soon after your arrival to Vienna.
- Tour Vienna with you and show you the most important spots near your accommodation (subway stops, bank, grocery store, etc.).
- Pick-up the key at your dorm if your buddy lives in the same dorm and you arrive outside of the opening hours.
- Show you the way up to Kahlenberg & give you a tour of campus.
- Help you register with the local authorities.
- Help you get a student transport pass, open a bank account and/or get health insurance.

Please maintain realistic expectations of support from your buddy. Remember, your buddy is a student too and may not have time to communicate with you or help you every day. Therefore, be patient and understanding when coordinating plans or communicating with your buddy.

#### How to sign up?

You can sign up by filling out [this form](#).

The program is free of charge.

