

Information for foreign applicants

Foreign applicants from an EEA country and Switzerland:

Not later than after the expiry of three months from the moment of settling in Austria, citizens of EEA countries or Switzerland must request a confirmation of registration (Anmeldebescheinigung) from the competent district administration authority*.

Foreign applicants not requiring a visa to enter Austria:

Entry into Austria should occur shortly before the admission examination. After the admission examination has been passed successfully, the applicant must immediately request a residence permit – student (Aufenthaltsbewilligung – Studierender) to be issued by the competent district administration authority*. The residence permit can only be granted for the duration of the legally permitted visa-free stay in Austria.

Foreign applicants requiring a visa to enter Austria:

1. An application for a visa to participate in the admission examination must be made to the competent Austrian professional representation body = embassy or consulate general.
2. After undergoing the admission examination and not later than the visa expiry date, the applicant must return to his/her homeland.
3. If the admission examination was passed successfully, the applicant must request a residence permit – student to be issued by the competent Austrian professional representation body. This application requires a confirmation of the student's successful passing of the admission examination. This confirmation is issued by studien.office@kunstuni-linz.at.
4. If the applicant is granted a residence permit by the competent district administration authority*, he/she may enter Austria with a visa.
5. The residence permit is issued in Austria by the competent district administration authority*.

We would like to emphasise that it is within the exclusive competence of the competent district administration authority* to approve or reject your application as the case may be.

For information about work permits (employment permits) for foreign applicants (except from EEA countries and Switzerland) please contact the Public Employment Service Linz**.

* If you intend to settle in the City of Linz:

Magistrat der Stadt Linz (Linz City Administration)
Neues Rathaus (New City Hall), Hauptstrasse 1-5, 4041 Linz
Phone: 0043/732/7070/2497 or 2478

* If you intend to settle in the Linz Region:

Bezirkshauptmannschaft Linz-Land
Kärntnerstrasse 16, 4021 Linz
Phone: 0043/732/69414/66423

** Public Employment Service Linz

Bulgariplatz 17-19, 4021 Linz
Phone: 0043/732/6903/28541 or 28542
<http://www.ams.at/sfa/14074.html>

Online information (some only in German):

www.bmi.gv.at/niederlassung
www.aussenministerium.at
www.oead.ac.at
www.auslaender.at
www.kunstuni-linz.at