

Dear incoming student,

Please read this leaflet carefully as it contains some very important information regarding the next steps in your application process!

Application

You will have to apply through our online application platform *Mobility Online* as soon as you receive your registration link.

Note, that our registration deadline is 15 May (winter semester) / 15 November (summer semester).

Application Documents

To complete your application, you have to provide all personal data and upload the following documents onto *Mobility Online* by **25 May / 25 November**:

- 1. <u>Photo</u> (.jpg) <u>of yourself</u> FOR your student identity card (passport style and in colour!) Note: **NOT** a photo of your student ID
- 2. Scan/picture of Passport/ID Card
- Transcript of records + list of courses from current semester Transcripts from your university from all previous semesters in English or German and a list of all courses which you are currently taking but have not yet completed (one file)
- 4. <u>Proof of Health Insurance</u> which is valid in Austria during the time you stay in Vienna (For students from the EU you can upload a picture of your European Health Insurance Card (most countries issue this card, usually it is printed on the back of your national health insurance card))
- If you want to take classes that are taught in German, you need to provide a <u>language</u> <u>performance statement</u> certifying a language proficiency of min. B2 according to CEFR (can be issued by your home institution; this is not applicable for the courses in "Austrian Language and Culture"; German native speakers are exempt)

If you follow a double degree at our university, you also need to provide copies of the following documents:

- 6. <u>High School Certificate</u> school leaving certificate before you entered university (e.g. *Matura, Abitur, Lise Diplomasi, Baccalaureate, Attectat,...*)
- 7. Graduate students also need to provide a scan of their undergraduate <u>University Degree</u> (e.g. *BA Certificate*)

Letter of Acceptance

Once you have completed your application, our incoming coordinator is going to formally check all provided data and documents. Should everything be in order, a Letter of Acceptance will be issued latest by 31 May / 30 November.

The Letter can be downloaded from Mobility Online.

If you need the Letter of Acceptance for your visa application etc. at an earlier stage, please contact our incoming coordinator (<u>incomings@fh-vie.ac.at</u>).



Course selection & Learning Agreement

Choosing courses

- On our website, you can find a <u>course catalogue</u> that lists all courses from our degree programmes. It is indicated if a course is normally open to incoming exchange students (√ in the column *lncoming*) and which language of instruction will be used.
- If you will be studying at UAS BFI Vienna for the winter (autumn) semester, you can choose courses from the 1st, 3rd, 5th semester.
 If you will be studying at UAS BFI Vienna for the summer (spring) semester, you can choose courses from the 2nd, 4th, 6th semester.
- You are allowed to select courses from all degree programmes as well as the International Programme.
 - Graduate students can also choose courses from our master programmes.
 - <u>Prerequisites !</u> Please make sure that you meet all the course requirements as mentioned in the course description!

Reminder: language level **B2** is required, (C1 level recommended; we do not ask for an English test or certificate, but trust our partners to select students with appropriate level of English) If you would like to attend courses taught in German and your mother tongue is not German, please upload a language performance statement from your home university.

• If you choose courses from a part-time programme (same classes as full-time programmes but classes are held in the evenings/ on weekends), the courses are scheduled over the whole semester, which means these courses often start earlier. Courses from full-time programmes (courses during day time) start later in the semester and often finish earlier, but it really depends on the course.

Students should stay at our university from the very beginning until the end of the semester (see academic calendar for part-time programmes; it is <u>not necessary</u> to stay for the blocked exam week after the end of the semester). We cannot guarantee that you can finish your semester earlier, because it depends on the courses you have chosen!

Signing up for courses

• You will be able to select your courses via Mobility Online after **5 June / 5 December** once you have received our notification e-mail (it is only possible to select courses for one semester; student's staying for two semesters have to select courses for the second semester at a later date)

<u>Please note</u>: places are limited and will be issued on a first come first serve basis. If you don't sign up on Mobility Online you will not be enrolled in the course!

• When signing up for the courses you can view the class schedule. As you can choose courses from various programmes this might cause schedule clashes between courses. Please note, that **class attendance is obligatory.**

Therefore, please check the timetables for your chosen courses and select other courses where necessary.

<u>Our tip:</u> Many courses are offered in both full-time and part-time which means you might be able to switch to another group of a certain course that better fits into your timetable. (You will receive your individual course schedule at the beginning of the semester.)

Establishing a Learning Agreement

- Once you have made your course choices, you need to establish a Learning Agreement that needs to be **signed by yourself and the responsible person at your home institution**. You can print the Learning Agreement from Mobility Online **or** use a Learning Agreement provided by your home institution this could also be an online/virtual learning agreement.
- You have to submit your signed Learning Agreement by 30 June / 31 December



Please make sure you fill in the part (often Table B) where you have to enter the educational components from your degree that you would normally complete at your home institution and which will be replaced by the study abroad programme (list all courses that you would have to take according to your degree programme but will not have to do anymore because you are taking certain classes at UAS BFI Vienna; this could also be a component called e.g. "Mobility Window" or "Study Abroad").

If you need the learning agreement for your visa application etc. at an earlier stage (before the course selection is available on Mobility Online), you may prepare a **preliminary learning agreement** which will be available from the mobility coordinator. (Courses selected in a preliminary learning agreement cannot be guaranteed until they have been selected via Mobility Online!)

Timetable

You will receive your timetable latest on the first day of the semester.

Semester dates academic year 2022/2023

Winter semester 2021/2022:	05.09.2022 - 04.02.2023
Summer semester 2022:	13.02.2023 - 08.07.2023

Incoming students are expected to arrive at the beginning of the semester (of our part-time calendar). We will be holding an information session on the first day of the semester and there will be many activities organised by the International Office and our Erasmus Student Network (ESN) during the first two weeks, which will give you the chance to get to know your fellow students and the city.

Entry and Residence Regulations

Before travelling to Vienna, please make sure to familiarize yourself with the information about legal and practical issues concerning your study abroad stay (visa regulations, health insurance, residence registration etc). The following webpages are good resources:

- <u>https://oead.at/en/to-austria/entry-and-residence/</u>
- <u>https://studyinaustria.at/</u>
- <u>https://www.fh-vie.ac.at/en/pages/studies/international-students/residence-conditions</u>

Accommodation

- The OeAD Housing-Office provides accommodation in student halls of residence and small flats. We recommend the "OeAD-Guesthouse MOLKEREISTRASSE" as it is located right next to our main building (some degree programmes are located in a different building – info on our <u>website</u>). To reserve a room visit: https://www.oeadstudenthousing.at/en/accommodation/wien-en/
- Of course there are many more accommodation options; you can find more information on our website: https://www.fh-vie.ac.at/en/pages/international/incoming/accommodation-incoming

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact my colleagues or me.

Kind regards

Anne

Ms Anne Schitter Coordinator of Incoming Student Mobility



Application workflow and responsibilities

Deadline Winter	Deadline Summer	Step / Action	Responsibility
1 May	semester 1 Nov	Nomination of selected student(s)	International coordinator of home institution
		<u>Registration link is sent out</u> to nominated incoming students	Incoming coordinator at UAS BFI Vienna
15 Mey	15 Nov	Online application (Initial registration)	Student
15 May	15 NOV	Confirmation e-mail is sent out after successful registration	Mobility Online (auto- response)
25 May	25 Nov	Complete personal data and upload all application documents	Student
31 May	30 Nov	Formal check of application; <u>Letter of Acceptance is issued on Mobility</u> <u>Online (</u> if all application data has been provided by student)	Incoming coordinator at UAS BFI Vienna
5 June	5 Dec	<u>Course selection</u> is available via Mobility Online	Incoming coordinator at UAS BFI Vienna
		Select courses via Mobility Online	Student
30 June	31 Dec	Prepare learning agreement (can be printed off Mobility Online or format of home institution can be used; needs to be signed and approved by home institution and student) and upload of signed LA onto Mobility Online	Student
Before start of semester	Before start of semester	<u>Approval of course selection</u> (signed learning agreement is uploaded onto Mobility Online)	Incoming coordinator at UAS BFI Vienna
1 st day of semester	1 st day of semester	Individual timetable is available	Incoming coordinator at UAS BFI Vienna

Task has to be completed by student