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Welcome to St. Pölten

Information for international students and visitors

quick facts

interdisciplinary and innovative teaching and learning

around **4,000** students

around **160 partner universities** in more than 34 countries

roughly **450 full-time** employees

founded in **1996**

coordinator of one out of only **64 European Universities**

25 min. from Vienna

practice-oriented and research-based

15 bachelor degree programmes

1 programme in English

16 master degree programmes

4 programmes in English

continuing education programme

about 250 full-time lecturers & researchers

Universities of applied sciences (UAS) are accredited institutions of tertiary education. UAS offer degree programmes at undergraduate (BA) and postgraduate (MA) levels specifically designed to meet the needs of certain industries. In doing so, UAS offer their students a career-oriented practical education along with a solid theoretical background. Further information can be found at studynaustria.at/en.

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welcome!

I am pleased to welcome you to a **versatile, locally anchored university of applied sciences**. The St. Pölten University of Applied Sciences offers a sound interdisciplinary education in the subject areas of Media, Digital Technologies, Communications, Management, Informatics & AI, Security, Mobility Engineering, Health Sciences, and Social Sciences. In all of these fields, the university offers innovative teaching by renowned experts.

By collaborating with numerous partners from public life, various industries, science, and research, the St. Pölten UAS ensures that students receive a practice-oriented, interdisciplinary education which prepares them for the challenges of their future professional life. Moreover, we are part of the European University Alliance E³UDRES² which offers students easy access to international exchange throughout Europe.

The university is proud of its entrepreneurial spirit. In addition to ongoing efforts in developing and updating our study programmes, we foster innovative ideas among our students, which are presented once a year in an exhibition of student projects.

The St. Pölten UAS offers a charming middle-sized town environment with easy access to the Austrian capital Vienna which can be reached by train in only 25 minutes.

We look forward to welcoming you to our campus.

FH-Prof. Dipl.-Ing. Dr. Alois Frotschnig
Chairperson of the St. Pölten University of Applied Sciences Board



study programmes

digital business & innovation

Bachelor:


- Management & Digital Business
- Marketing & Communication

Master:



- Digital Marketing & Communication
- Digital Management & Sustainability
- Digital Business Communications

media & digital technologies

Bachelor:

- Creative Computing 
- Media Management
- Media Technology
- Smart Engineering

Master:



- Digital Design
- Digital Media Management
- Digital Media Production
- Interactive Technologies
- Digital Healthcare
- Gamified Reality Applications for Real-world Challenges and Experiences (GRACE)² 
- Citizen-Centered Digital Healthcare Technology Transformation² 

computer science & security

Bachelor:

- IT Security
- Data Science and Artificial Intelligence¹

Master:

- Digital Innovation and Research 
- Cyber Security and Resilience 
- Data Intelligence
- Information Security

health sciences

Bachelor:

- Dietetics
- Healthcare and Nursing
- Physiotherapy

Master:

- Digital Healthcare

rail technology & mobility

Bachelor:

- Rail Technology and Mobility
- Rail Vehicle Technology¹

Master:

- Rail Technology and Management of Railway Systems

social sciences

Bachelor:

- Social Work
- Social Pedagogy

Master:

- Social Work

¹ subject to accreditation by AQ Austria

² subject to accreditation by AQ Austria according to the European Approach for Quality Assurance of Joint Programmes

WE ARE **E³UDRES²**
EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY

We are part of the European University Alliance E³UDRES². You can participate in formats such as Hackathons, I Living Labs, or Bootcamps which give educators and learners the possibility to work together in new ways, finding solutions to real-life challenges. eudres.eu

Each academic year, we host Erasmus+ funded Blended Intensive Programmes (BIPs) which combine short-term physical mobility with a virtual component. BIPs enable trans-national teams to tackle important societal challenges while engaging students from diverse backgrounds and study fields. For more information about planned BIPs, visit <https://bip.fhstp.ac.at/>

opportunities for students



Funded by
the European Union

english programmes

The St. Pölten UAS offers both English semester modules for incoming students and five degree programmes taught entirely in English (two of them awaiting accreditation) for international degree-seeking students. If you choose one of the several semester modules, you will be studying in a multicultural class including incoming students and degree-seeking students from Austria. Each module comprises a minimum of 30 ECTS credits.

If you decide to enrol in one of our English-language study programmes, you will complete your entire degree at the St. Pölten UAS. The bachelor degree programmes cover six semesters (180 ECTS), while the duration of the master degree programmes is four semesters (120 ECTS).¹

Study programmes:

Department of Media and Digital Technologies:

- Creative Computing (Bachelor)

Department of Computer Science and Security:

- Digital Innovation and Research (Master)
- Cyber Security and Resilience (Master)
- Gamified Reality Applications for Real-world Challenges and Experiences (GRACE)²
- Citizen-Centered Digital Healthcare Technology Transformation²

Semester modules:

Department of Digital Business and Innovation:

- Spotlight on Digital Business (winter semester & summer semester)

Department of Media and Digital Technologies:

- European Project Semester (EPS) (winter semester & summer semester)

Department of Computer Science and Security:

- European Project Semester (winter semester)
- ICT Module (winter semester)
- Computing Module (summer semester)

Interdisciplinary module (open for all degree programmes):

- iLab (winter semester)

learning german

Studying in Austria provides international students with the unique opportunity to not only immerse themselves in the Austrian culture but to learn some German as well.

International students are strongly encouraged to take German language classes. During the semester, various German language and Austrian culture classes at different levels are available for international students.

how to apply

International degree-seeking applicants:

Detailed information on admission requirements, deadlines, and procedures can be found at fhstp.ac.at/admission

International exchange students:

Processes, deadlines, and semester dates can be found at fhstp.ac.at/en/international

¹ ECTS: European Credit Transfer System – measure for the overall workload an average student has in order to successfully complete a course. One credit (credit point) represents 25 study hours (including attendance, self-study, exams, etc.).

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support and services

library

The library is located on the ground floor of the university building and holds over 50,000 books, electronic journals, and other media. For any items not available in the library, the staff can arrange inter-library loans from libraries in other cities in Austria and elsewhere.

Numerous reading places, computer research stations, a book scanner, and a colour copier are available in the library. The library is free of charge for all students, including exchange students, as well as for staff members. It is open to the general public as well. At the beginning of each semester, students are given an introduction on how to use the library.

staff support

International guests receive assistance with regard to accommodation, paperwork, and other organisational matters. During a stay abroad, the International Office is the first point of contact for incoming international visitors.

alumni and career center

The Alumni and Career Center organises career guidance and professional networking events for students. Amongst its recent initiatives are the start-up programme 'Creative Pre-Incubator' and an annual Career Fair. Through events and social media groups, former students of the St. Pölten UAS stay connected and share career advice with students and fellow alumni. fhstp.ac.at/en/campus/alumni-career-services

student support

For guidance with regard to housing, paperwork, and organisational matters, students may turn to the International Office. The International Office staff are committed to helping all exchange students settle in as smoothly as possible. The Orientation Week at the beginning of each semester is designed to provide the best possible support for incoming exchange students.

International students coming to St. Pölten can rely on the support of the Erasmus Student Network (ESN) St. Pölten. This student organisation helps newcomers with their studies and everyday life on campus. The ESN organises meetings between Austrian students and students from abroad and conducts a programme of day trips and leisure activities. Joining the ESN gives exchange students the fantastic opportunity to meet fellow students, be part of an international student community, and immerse themselves in the local culture. The ESN also coordinates a buddy system for exchange students. Local student buddies provide help during the onboarding process at the beginning of the semester and guide the students through their time in St. Pölten.



campus media

Regardless of their field of study, all students are invited to take advantage of the Campus Media. They can enrol in a workshop for the UAS' radio station, participate in TV channels and the student magazine, and learn media production from professionals.

sumo

is produced twice a year. Planning, researching, interviewing, writing articles, winning advertising and sales partners, planning release events, producing magazines: The media trade magazine offers students the chance to go through all the steps in a media company in the practical laboratory "Media - Journalistic Working Methods" (print) as well as in the optional subject "SUMO".
sumomag.at

c-tv

gives students the opportunity to turn their ideas into TV content and new formats. Well-researched and technologically advanced reports on current topics, short films of festival quality, and pilot broadcasts – c-tv stands for creative content for young viewers, a test lab for new TV formats, and experiments with the moving image medium on all platforms.
campusfernsehen.at

campus & city radio 94.4

is run entirely by students. Frequency 94.4 'Campus & City Radio' is broadcasted in the surroundings of St. Pölten and via webstream. Especially international students are welcome to work for 'Campus & City Radio'. You can register for the optional subject 'Campus & City Radio' to get extra ECTS credits for working at the radio station.
cr944.at

fhSPACEtv

is an interdisciplinary initiative launched by the Digital Media Technologies programmes. The aim is to bundle creative and artistic potential within the university's departments and to integrate specific approaches and requirements for digital media by pooling contemporary and alternative information channels and forms of presentation for students.



research and development

Institutes

Institute of Creative\Media/Technologies

The Institute of Creative\Media/Technologies (IC\MT) conducts human-centred, interdisciplinary research on time-based media and interactive technologies, with a view to strengthening the university's academic programmes and achieving scientific advances. The institute consists of four research groups with a team of 30+ researchers: Media Computing, Media Creation, Digital Technologies, and Media Business.

Institute for Innovation Systems

The Institute for Innovation Systems accompanies all stakeholders affected by digitisation and greening through these transformation processes and supports them with expertise in the areas of Green & Digital Strategies, Digital Business & Data Economics, Data-Driven Marketing & Customer Experience, and Financial Communications.

Carl Ritter von Ghega Institute for Integrated Mobility Research

The Carl Ritter von Ghega Institute for Integrated Mobility Research conducts application-oriented research and development on the topics of railway technology and mobility. The focus is on the core competence of the institute, the comprehensive knowledge of the railway system.

Institute of IT Security Research

The Institute of IT Security Research comprises the two research groups for Secure Societies and Data Intelligence as well as the Josef Ressel Center for Blockchain Technologies & Security Management.

Institute of Health Sciences

The Institute of Health Sciences carries out interdisciplinary research on health topics and related subject areas. At the same time, it develops didactically valuable and technology-based solutions for higher education and further training in the health professions.

This results in two separate research areas: Health Sciences and Lifelong Learning.

Ilse Art Institute for Social Inclusion Research

Research projects at the Ilse Art Institute for Social Inclusion Research focus on the three working areas of participation and democracy, health and social care as well as social work methodologies and social diagnostics.

Centers

Center for Sustainable Mobility

The Center for Sustainable Mobility focuses on interdisciplinary approaches to innovation and awareness-raising for inclusive and sustainable mobility.

Center for Artificial Intelligence

The aim of the center is to advance AI research and generate tangible benefits for individuals, companies, society, and the environment through new and innovative solutions.

Center for Digital Health and Social Innovation

The aim of the center is to conduct research and development at the interface of health, social, and digital technologies.

Josef Ressel Center for Blockchain Technologies & Security Management

The objective of the Josef Ressel Center for Blockchain Technologies & Security Management is to make secure and future-proof blockchain-based technologies available for a larger audience.

in and around st. pölten

The city of St. Pölten with its population of more than 58,000 inhabitants is the government centre of Lower Austria. It is situated 60 km west of the Austrian capital Vienna and is well connected by rail and motorway to all other major Austrian cities.

St. Pölten is a baroque town with a history dating back to the period of the Roman occupation. Throughout the year, it offers a wide range of programmes including performances, exhibitions, music festivals, and other cultural events. Near the city and the campus, one can find riverside walkways, an extensive network of bicycle paths, and three lakes which offer swimming, boating, and outdoor dining opportunities.

St. Pölten is a perfect starting point from which to explore the rest of Austria. The cities of Vienna and Salzburg, the famous Wachau wine-growing region of the Danube Valley, and the mountains and lakes of the Salzkammergut are only a day trip away. Take a weekend trip and expand your international experience by visiting the nearby countries of Germany, the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Hungary, Slovenia, Italy, or Switzerland.

cost of studying and living

Exchange students participating in the Erasmus programme and exchange students from most of our partner universities are exempt from paying tuition fees.

Regular students at the St. Pölten UAS pay a tuition fee of € 363.36 per semester (EU rate), plus € 24.70 for membership in the Students' Union. The tuition fee for students from third countries amounts to € 1,500 per semester. Whilst living in St. Pölten, one should factor in an average expenditure of approximately € 1,150 per month including accommodation.

See [studyinaustria.at](https://www.studyinaustria.at) for details.

campus life

The St. Pölten University of Applied Sciences offers a vibrant small-town campus experience. Students can access the campus facilities 24/7 and use laboratories as well as study areas. International students may also join the university's student-run sports club that offers a wide range of competitive and recreational activities from volleyball to zumba.

accommodation

Two modern, well-equipped, and affordable student residences are located within walking distance of the university.

A number of rooms are reserved for international students at the student homes 'Wihast' and 'Campus Domus'.



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