

# FACTSHEET

## INTERNATIONAL OFFICE

### 2025/2026

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YOUR ULTIMATE GUIDE FOR YOUR  
INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE

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GENERAL DATES AND DEADLINES



**CURIOSITY**  
IS THE KEY TO  
**LEARNING**

# WE DON'T REALLY HAVE MOUNTAINS IN THE BURGENLAND!

## FULL LEGAL NAME OF INSTITUTION

Private Pädagogische Hochschule Burgenland  
University College of Teacher Education Burgenland

## ERASMUS CODE/ORGANISATION ID

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*"A great majority of the challenges and developments, which our future generations will be facing, demand transregional and international approaches and actions. At the Private Pädagogische Hochschule Burgenland, preparing students for these processes is at the heart our educational policy as well as our strategy of internationalization."*

**HS-Prof. Mag. Eva GRÖSTENBERGER, PhD**

Vice-Rector for Teacher Education, Multilingualism and Internationalization

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*While living in Cardiff, Milan, Rome, and Turin, I discovered that every city is a book, every culture a lesson. These international experiences ignited my curiosity, shaping my worldview and inspiring me daily to embrace the beauty of diversity.*

*My time in Spain – from language schools to my Erasmus+ semester in Barcelona – has shaped me and broadened my perspective. Even today, I still feel these impressions, I am grateful for the experiences, and I am proud of having had the courage to embark on them!*



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*Through Erasmus+ students can gain new experiences in their studies and have the opportunity to connect internationally. Our testimonials show that the programme helps gain new perspectives. I am proud to be part of this international community!*

## STUDY PROGRAMMES AT PH BURGENLAND

Elementary Education

Inclusive Pedagogy, Early Language Development, Multilingualism and Minority Languages, Practical Orientation

Primary Teacher Education (BA)

Primary Teacher Education (MA)

Inclusive Pedagogy, Multilingualism and Minority Languages, German as a Second Language, Education for Sustainable Development, Media Education, Religious Education

Secondary Teacher Education (BA)

Secondary Teacher Education (MA)

Croatian, German, English, Geography and Economic Education, History, Mathematics, Religious Education

**MEET  
OUR TEAM  
AND  
THE STUDY PROGRAMMES!**

## GENERAL DATES AND DEADLINES

	WINTER TERM	SUMMER TERM
Start and end date	01/10/2025 - 31/01/2026	01/03/2026 - 03/07/2026
Preparatory German Course	Beginning of September	Beginning of February
End of lecture period	31/01/2026	03/07/2026
Exam period	<i>depends on course format</i>	<i>depends on course format</i>
Nomination deadline	15/05/2025	15/11/2025
Application deadline	15/06/2025	15/12/2025
Welcome Day	<i>to be announced</i>	<i>to be announced</i>
Recommended departure	not before mid-February	not before beginning of July

## NOMINATION PROCESS

Please send your nominations (student name, study programme and email-address) **via email to our Erasmus+ coordinator Marvin Kolovitsch** ([marvin.kolovitsch@ph-burgenland.at](mailto:marvin.kolovitsch@ph-burgenland.at)). The students nominated will then receive our application form and further information (about housing, etc.) via email.

## LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

As the language of instruction of most courses is German, our international incoming students **who want to access the complete course list** are expected to have a minimum CEFR German language level of B2. Non-German speaking students must prove their English language proficiency by submitting an official and recognized language certificate, proving B2-English (total of all 4 competencies of reading, writing, listening, and speaking).

Elementary Teacher Education:	minimum CEFR <b>German</b> language level of B2
Primary Teacher Education:	non-German speakers welcome, minimum CEFR <b>English</b> language level of B2
Secondary Teacher Education:	non-German speakers welcome, minimum CEFR <b>English</b> language level of B2

## ACCOMMODATION AND STUDENT DORMITORIES

Students should arrange accommodation as early as possible! It is quite difficult to find reasonable accommodation close to semester start. One of the best housing options for exchange students are the student dorms, which are located closely to our university. Information about student dorms, application criteria and the application process can be found on their website ([www.oejab.at](http://www.oejab.at)).

## PREPARATORY GERMAN COURSE

All our **non-German speaking** international incoming students are required to participate in two obligatory German courses (“Interkulturelle Kommunikation im Team - 2EC”, “Kommunikation auf Deutsch in Alltag und in Beruf - 4EC”). These two preparatory courses prior to semester start take place at the beginning of September and the beginning of February and, therefore, may alter the date of arrival of our incoming students.

## LEARNING AGREEMENT

The Learning Agreements are signed by our vice-rector. International students are encouraged to use the Online Learning Agreement (OLA). Any information about the contact data required to fill out the OLA will be provided by our Erasmus+ Coordinators.

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## COURSE CATALOGUE, COURSE REGISTRATION, COURSE TIMETABLE

Check our website for up-to-date module offerings. Students will register for their chosen modules during our Welcome Day as our staff will assist them with any queries that might arise. The course timetable will only be released a week prior to the semester start. The students will receive all necessary information during the Welcome Day and our Erasmus+ Coordinators will assist with scheduling the students' academic programme for their semester abroad.

### MANDATORY MODULE FOR OUR INCOMING STUDENTS *INTERNATIONAL ENCOUNTERS AND CROSS-CULTURAL TEACHING COMPETENCES*

The module *"International Encounters and Cross-Cultural Teaching Competences"* fosters intercultural exchange by linking Burgenland's educational, historical, and cultural developments with global perspectives. Students develop linguistic competences in the target language (English/German), an awareness of different language registers, and communication skills that they can apply in various educational and everyday situations. Furthermore, they critically engage with educational equity, diversity, and democracy, reflecting on European teaching methods and AI-supported innovations for inclusive learning. Restrictive boundaries – whether geopolitical, educational, or individual – are closely examined in this module and critically discussed from international perspectives.

BPVT0901PA	Intercultural Exchange and Regional Studies for Global Teachers	4 ECTS
BPVT0902PA	Language Productive and Receptive Skills	4 ECTS
BPVT0903PA	Education Beyond Borders: Intercultural Discourse on European Teaching Practices	2 ECTS

### HO HO HOLIDAYS!

#### WINTER TERM

#### SUMMER TERM

**Allerseelen**  
02/11/2025

**Christmas**  
24/12/2025 - 06/01/2026

**Semester Break**  
01/02/2026 - 28.02.2026

**Easter Break**  
30.03.2026 - 06/04/2026

# MULTILINGUAL SINCE 1921!



## CONFIRMATION OF STAY & TRANSCRIPT OF RECORDS

Once the international period comes to an end, our International Office will send a “Confirmation of Stay”, stating the exact dates of arrival and departure, to the students as well as their international coordinators. A “Transcript of Records” will be issued no later than 5 weeks after the exam period at PH Burgenland has finished.

## NO SEMESTER FEES BUT THE ÖH FEE (AUSTRIAN NATIONAL UNION OF STUDENTS)

Erasmus+ students only have to pay the ÖH fee, which is a mandatory contribution for students at Austrian universities, universities of applied sciences, and university colleges of teacher education. It funds the Austrian National Union of Students (ÖH), which provides student representation, legal and social support, accident and liability insurance, and various events and projects. The fee is €24.70 per semester (as of 2024).

## HEALTH INSURANCE

We advise our international students to arrange their health insurance for Austria while still based in their home country (for example, by obtaining the European Health Insurance Card).

## BUDDY PROGRAMME

Upon interest, international students can sign up for our Buddy Programme. Our buddies are experienced students at the PH Burgenland, who assist international students before and during their stay in Eisenstadt. For further information please contact our Erasmus+ Coordinators at our International Office.

## PH BURGENLAND: FREE OF DISCRIMINATION!

We are a university for all: equal opportunities and diversity are fundamental principles of the PH Burgenland. We are dedicated to providing a fair and inclusive environment, where students, teachers, and employees are treated equally and are protected from discrimination based on age, ethnic background, disability or impairment, gender, sexual identity, religion or belief, or nationality. Counseling services are available to support members of the PH Burgenland community.

### THE GRADING SYSTEM

Grade	Description (German)	Description (English)	Equivalent in % (approx.)
1	Sehr gut	Very good (excellent performance)	90-100%
2	Gut	Good (above-average performance)	78-89%
3	Befriedigend	Satisfactory (average performance)	65-77%
4	Genügend	Sufficient (minimum passing grade)	50-64%
5	Nicht genügend	Insufficient (failed)	0-49%

Depending on the type of lecture, course, seminar, some evaluations may be graded as "**Mit Erfolg teilgenommen**" (Successfully participated) or simply "**Bestanden**" (Passed) instead of using numerical grades.



**OUR  
MISSION,  
VALUES &  
GRADES**



# WELCOME TO OUR HOOD!

## THE NEAREST AIRPORT

**Vienna International Airport** is only a 30 minutes drive from Eisenstadt and offers many international flight connections.

## COST OF LIVING

The monthly cost of living for a student at PH Burgenland in Eisenstadt ranges from approximately €900 to €1,200, depending on lifestyle choices. Accommodation in student dormitories starts at around €330 per month, while grocery expenses typically range between €200 and €300. Miscellaneous expenses, such as health insurance, leisure activities, and personal items, can add another €100 to €300. These figures are approximate and may vary based on individual preferences and housing choices.

## THE CAMPUS AND WALKING DISTANCES

The campus features well-equipped lecture halls, seminar and computer rooms, and a comprehensive library. Adjacent to the campus is a student residence, providing convenient housing options. Parking facilities are available on-site. Within walking distance, students can access fitness centers, various shops, and dining establishments, enhancing the campus experience. Students can also explore Eisenstadt's city center, which offers a variety of shops, restaurants, and cultural attractions. For daily necessities, several supermarkets are easily accessible, ensuring that students have convenient options for grocery shopping. The STOP SHOP Eisenstadt retail park is also nearby, featuring a range of stores to cater to various shopping needs. Public transportation is readily available, with the Eisenstadt train station providing connections to Vienna and other major cities, facilitating easy travel for students. The strategic location of the campus ensures that students have seamless access to essential services and amenities, enhancing their overall educational experience.



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