

MORE – An Offer for Refugees by Austrian Universities

Dear prospective MORE student!

We are glad that you are interested in studying at the Austrian universities. Within their initiative “MORE”, Austrian universities offer academic and artistic courses and seminars to refugees and asylum seekers. Courses in the German language will also be offered. Please take note of the following information:

What does the MORE initiative offer?

MORE aims at providing a space for reflection to refugees where one can find out whether university studies are an option for the future. It offers orientation in academic and artistic study fields and language trainings. MORE students will be admitted as extra-curricular students.

MORE courses are available in every university town in Austria. They cover various academic and artistic fields as well as training in the German language. The language of instruction is either German or English.

MORE students can sign up for existing courses and seminars and also for courses which have been specifically designed for them. Universities grant a certain number of places in these courses for MORE students.

Please ask about possible financial implications when you take up studies, especially concerning certain social benefits (e.g. “bedarfsorientierte Mindestsicherung”).

www.more-uni.at

What does it mean to be a MORE student?

- Admission as an extra-curricular student. The universities will offer a non-bureaucratic procedure to determine the qualifications necessary for the individual courses.
- Tuition fee waiver
- Waive of the membership fee for the Austrian student union; the insurance fee being covered by the student union
- Access to the university library
- Some courses have an examination at the end, which MORE students can take. In that case, the students will receive a transcript of records at the end of the semester. There is also no legal right for academic recognition or credit transfer by the university. However, the certificates will document successful completion of university courses and may help you to qualify for future studies.
- If there won't be an exam, students receive a certificate of attendance.
- Support in the day to day life by student buddies
- Where possible support for travel expenses and expenses for teaching materials can be provided.

Who can participate?

Women and men with the following residence permits:

- Asylum-Seekers with a residence entitlement card acc. to Art. 51 Asylum Act
- Recognised refugees
- A person who has been granted subsidiary protection acc. to Art. 52 Asylum Act
- A person who has been granted temporary leave to remain acc. to Art. 46a Aliens Police Act

Step by step check list

1. Check the study offer online on www.more-uni.at
2. Find the contact person at the university and get in touch
3. Choose your courses and sign up for them
4. Off to university!

Supporting Organisations:

- Caritas
- Diakonie
- Federation of Austrian Industries
- Vienna Ball of Sciences 2016
- University Preparation Programme of the Vienna Universities
- Österreichische Orient-Gesellschaft
- Austrian National Student Union