

A photograph of a young woman with long dark hair, wearing a red jacket and a grey top, smiling and gesturing with her hands while talking to a man. The man is seen from the side, wearing a dark jacket and glasses. They are outdoors in a modern, possibly university-related setting with tables and plants in the background.

Welcome to your BIP in Austria

USTP – University of Applied Sciences St. Pölten

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Welcome to St. Pölten

This compact university city is the capital of Lower Austria. Its city centre, railway station, campus and leisure areas are easy to explore, while Vienna is within convenient reach by train.

The Traisen river runs through the city from north to south and often forms the boundary of the neighborhoods. With a population of roughly 60,000 people, St. Pölten ranks 9th in size on the list of Austrian cities.

The area has been inhabited since the Stone Age and the city is considered to be one of the oldest cities in Austria. A lovely place to visit is Lake Ratzersdorf or Lake Viehofen – both within walking distance from USTP – University of Applied Sciences St. Pölten. Both swimming lakes are also ideal places for a relaxing stroll by the water.

About the university campus

The university offers practice-oriented higher education, applied interdisciplinary research and international networking. The main campus brings together modern teaching spaces, laboratories, studios, self-study areas, a library, a canteen and plenty of green campus space.

FIRST ORIENTATION

The Traisen river runs through St. Pölten. Two swimming lakes are within walking distance of the campus – both popular places for a quiet walk.



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Arrival in St. Pölten

By train

- Depending on your route, your long-distance train may stop directly in St. Pölten.
- If you arrive at Vienna Main Station, change there for a train to St. Pölten.

By plane

- Use Vienna Airport as your starting point when planning the journey to St. Pölten.
- There is a direct train going from Vienna airport and there are several other options that require you to change your means of transport.
- Always check the latest timetable for the best option on your travel date.



ÖBB Journey Planer

Plan your rail travels with the Austrian Federal Railways



How to travel to USTP How to find your way on Campus



TRAVEL TIP

Check your departure information shortly before travel because platforms, connections and departure and arrival times can change. Use mobile apps for your travel planning such as the “Scotty” app.



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Transportation

St. Pölten city bus

- The LUP city bus network connects the railway station, city centre, campus and other parts of St. Pölten.
- Advance-sale tickets are generally promoted by the city as the lower-cost option compared with buying on the bus.
- These are the lines and bus stops closest to USTP:
 - Lines 1, 5, or 12: bus stop 'Krankenpflegeschule' (nursing school)
 - Line 3: bus stop 'A. Sedlacek-Gasse'
 - Line 7: bus stop 'Matthias Corvinus-Straße'



VOR AnachB App

Local app for online tickets and route planning.



Bike rental

- Nextbike rental bicycles are available at stations across the city, including the railway station, the city centre, the campus, and the swimming lakes.
- Registration is free of charge but you will be asked to pay 1€ to activate your account. The first 15 minutes per rental are free of charge!



Nextbike App

Local bike rental app for the city of St. Pölten.



GREEN ERASMUS

Blended Intensive Programmes (BIPs) are committed to green travel and sustainability. We encourage students and lecturers to opt for sustainable transportation and services during their time in Austria, whenever possible.



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Accommodation

- Choose and reserve your accommodation independently.
- You may use the recommended options below or investigate alternatives that best fit your needs.
- Mention that you are a university guest when requesting a partner rate.
- For the B&B hotel, please make reservations exclusively via email under st-poelten@hotelbb.com using the reservation code “BIP”.

Cooperating hotels

Hotel Graf***

Bahnhofplatz 7, 3100 St. Pölten

[Visit hotel website](#)

City Hotel Design & Classic

Völkplatz 1, 3100 St. Pölten

[Visit hotel website](#)

B&B HOTEL St. Pölten

Willi-Gruber-Straße 17, 3100 St. Pölten

[Visit hotel website](#)

Hotel Metropol

Schillerplatz 1, 3100 St. Pölten

[Visit hotel website](#)

Hostels

Jugendherberge St. Pölten

Bahnhofplatz 1a/4, 3100 St. Pölten

[Visit hostel website](#)

Further options

Aparthotel Mariazellerhof

Stephan-Burger-Gasse 2, 3100 St. Pölten

[Visit hotel website](#)

Bildungshaus St. Hippolyt

Eybnerstrasse 5, 3100 St. Pölten

[Visit hotel website](#)

IMPORTANT

Students and lecturers must organise and book their accommodation themselves. The university is not involved in the booking process and is not allowed to cover BIP accommodation costs.



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Food

St. Pölten offers cafés, restaurants and casual meeting places in the centre and near the campus. Always check current opening hours and dietary information directly with the venue.

Breakfast & cafés

Café Pusch

Domgasse 8

Café Schubert

Wiener Straße 19

Schauspiel

Rathausgasse 1

Café Emmi

Linzer Straße 1

Drinks & social places

Vino

Wiener Straße 24

Cinema Paradiso

Rathausplatz 14

MacLaren's Pub

Linzer Straße 18

Lunch & dinner

La Dolce Vita

Rathausplatz 5

Pepe Nero

Fuhrmannsgasse 15

Fliegerbräu

Ferstlergasse 9

Landhausstüberl

Landhaus Boulevard 27

Souvlaki-Bar

Wiener Straße 14



USTP Canteen



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Health & emergency information

You are unsure what to do in an emergency situation?

Please contact the BIP organisers or the International Office.

You are having a difficult time and need someone to talk to?

Our trained student volunteers of Peers4You are there for you.

Our advice for your safety in Austria

We highly recommend you to save the emergency numbers below to your mobile phone:

Number	Service
112	European emergency number
122	Fire brigade
133	Police
144	Ambulance
140	Mountain rescue
142	Crisis support hotline

HOSPITAL

Universitätsklinikum St. Pölten
Propst-Führer-Straße 4
Telephone: +43 2742 9004- 0



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On and near campus

BANKS & CASH



Cash machines are available in the city, including one at the entrance to Building A. Card acceptance varies by business.

FIRST AID



Emergency points on campus are located near coffee and drinks machines and include emergency information, a fire extinguisher, first-aid equipment and a defibrillator.

ACCESSIBILITY & INCLUSION



The university buildings provide barrier-free access with lifts. All-gender toilets can be found in Building B (ground floor) and Building A (second floor).

PHARMACIES



Pharmacies use a rota for night and Sunday duty. When closed, a notice normally identifies the nearest open pharmacy.

DRINKING WATER



Tap water in Austria is generally drinkable, unless a notice states otherwise.

SHOPS



Most shops are closed on Sundays and public holidays, although some businesses at major stations and airports may be open.



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Before you travel

QUICK CHECKLIST

- Book accommodation independently and keep your confirmation.
- Check your rail connection and ticket provider.
- Save the International Office contact details.
- Download the travel planning apps which you will be using.
- Keep official photo identification with you when required for digital tickets.
- Save the Austrian emergency numbers to your mobile phone.

Contact:

International Office

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USTP Campus Guide

You can access the [campus map as a PDF](#) or take a [virtual tour of the university](#) from home.



WE LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING YOU TO ST. PÖLTEN SOON!

We wish you a smooth journey and an enjoyable stay!



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