

fact sheet - academic year 2016-2017.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Website for international students	https://international.mci.edu/en/
Language of instruction	<p>Courses for exchange students: English</p> <p>If students are fluent in German they may also take courses taught in German.</p>
Language requirements	<p>To ensure students' optimal success, all incoming exchange students* are required to take an online English test during the application process. This test will be provided by MCI and is free of charge. Information on the test and the required minimum score (equivalent to B2 level according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages) will be provided during the application period.</p> <p>Alternatively, if students have already taken a standardized English language test, they may submit the result of that test instead of doing our online English test. We accept the following tests:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL): TOEFL iBT - minimum score 85, TOEFL PBT - minimum score 550 https://www.ets.org/toefl • International English Language Testing System (IELTS): minimum overall band score 6.0. www.ielts.org • Cambridge English Business Vantage (BEC Vantage): A/B in all four skills; alternatively, students may submit a BEC Higher exam result. http://www.cambridgeenglish.org/ • Cambridge English Advanced (CAE): A/B in all four skills; alternatively, students may submit a CPE exam result. http://www.cambridgeenglish.org/ <p>*Students whose native language is English or who are enrolled in a program fully taught in English at their home university are not required to do our online English test or to submit a standardized English language test result when applying to MCI. Neither are French Canadian students.</p>

	<p>If students are fluent in German and wish to take courses taught in German, MCI reserves the right to test their German language skills in a telephone interview.</p>
Application procedure and deadlines	<p>Partner universities are asked to nominate their outgoing students by e-mail (exchange@mci.edu) at least one month prior to the application deadline so that students have enough time to do the online English test and finish their applications by the deadline. The nomination e-mail should contain the following information on nominees:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full name as it appears in passport: given name, middle name (if applicable), surname • Gender • Level (undergraduate/Bachelor or graduate/Master) • Field of study (e.g. business, tourism, engineering, etc.) • E-mail address • Semester student wishes to study at MCI (fall or spring) • Language proficiency test result (TOEFL, IELTS, etc.), if available <p>After MCI has received the nomination e-mail, we will email your students the information on how to apply online approximately one month before the application deadline. They will also get the link to our online English test that they need to complete during the application period (if they have not already taken a TOEFL/IELTS, etc.). Supporting documents needed for applying online:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Official transcript of records in English from home institution • Digital passport photo (optional) • Language proficiency test result (TOEFL, IELTS, etc.) <u>OR</u> online English test provided by MCI <p>Students will select their courses and create their learning agreements when applying online. They then have to have their learning agreements signed by their coordinator and upload their signed agreements to our application website.</p> <p>Application deadlines for exchange students Applications for fall semester: May 15 Applications for spring semester: November 15 Applications received after the deadline will not be considered.</p> <p>Once students have completed their applications and MCI has processed and approved their applications and English test results, students will get an acceptance e-mail after the application deadline. In addition, citizens of countries outside the EU/EEA/Switzerland will get an acceptance letter so that they can apply for an Austrian visa and/or</p>

	<p>residence permit.</p> <p>We kindly ask students to carefully read the information on our website and to check their e-mail regularly.</p>
Visa requirements	<p>Citizens of countries outside the EU/EEA/Switzerland have to apply for an Austrian visa and/or residence permit in their home country prior to coming to Austria. Please see www.oead.at for the latest information on entry and visa regulations.</p>
Health insurance	<p>MCI does not offer university health insurance; students are responsible for obtaining international health insurance valid throughout their stay in Austria/Europe prior to their arrival; MCI reserves the right to demand proof of insurance.</p>
Academic calendar	<p>Fall Semester 2016</p> <p>There are various semester begin dates in the Fall semester. These are subject to the study programs selected.</p> <p>September 2, 2016 - December 23, 2016</p> <p>Bachelor's program "Tourism Business Studies", Master's program "Entrepreneurship & Tourism", Bachelor's program "Mechatronics"</p> <p>September 2, 2016 – February 17, 2017</p> <p>Master's program "Industrial Engineering & Management" Master's program "International Health & Social Management":</p> <p>October 3, 2016 - February 17, 2017</p> <p>For all remaining study programs.</p> <p>Spring semester 2017</p> <p>March 2, 2017 – June 30, 2017:</p> <p>All programs that offer courses for exchange students.</p> <p>The semester dates include the orientation program, classes, and exams (first attempt).</p>
Orientation program	<p>MCI offers an orientation program for exchange students at the beginning of every semester. This orientation program is mandatory.</p>

COURSES

Information on courses for exchange students	<p>https://international.mci.edu/en/students/international-exchange-students/courses-in-english</p>
What courses can students take?	<p>Regular courses</p> <p>Students may choose courses from ONE degree program. They may supplement these courses with courses from our International Program (optional).</p>

	<p>Undergraduate/Bachelor level students cannot take courses from a master's degree program.</p> <p>Language courses</p> <p>MCI's Language Center offers language courses during the semester including a German language course at various levels. These courses are subject to a fee of approximately EUR 100 and are offered if there are enough applicants per level.</p>
Number of ECTS credits exchange students may take per semester	Exchange students may take courses up to 30 ECTS credits per semester (= full course load). Most exchange students take courses up to 15 - 30 ECTS credits per semester.
Grades	<p>In Austria, grades range from 1 to 5; 1 is excellent and 5 is a fail; grade 4 is still a pass.</p> <p>Grade 1: excellent (90% and more points achieved)</p> <p>Grade 2: good (between 80% and 89% of points achieved)</p> <p>Grade 3: satisfactory (between 70% and 79% of points achieved)</p> <p>Grade 4: sufficient (between 60% and 69% of points achieved)</p> <p>Grade 5: Fail (less than 60% of points achieved)</p>

HOUSING

Housing	<p>Most exchange students book a room in a student dorm via the Austrian Exchange Service (OeAD). OeAD arranges rooms in student dorms and students pay their monthly rent accordingly. This is the easiest and most convenient way to find relatively inexpensive housing.</p> <p>MCI cooperates with the student dorm "Internationales Studentenhaus" (ISH). Exchange students can book a room at ISH directly through MCI.</p> <p>Finding private housing in Innsbruck is challenging, especially at the beginning of a new semester. Nevertheless, students who are willing to invest considerable time and effort may be able to find a room in a shared apartment or a studio.</p> <p>For more information on housing, please see https://international.mci.edu/en/students/international-exchange-students/accommodation</p>
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