



Universities in the Tyrol

The best perspectives
for education and science



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Foreword

Tyrolean universities and colleges



Günther Platter
Governor of Tyrol

Our universities and colleges are crucial centres of education policies; hence, they are decisive in meeting future social and economic challenges. Science and education are two supporting pillars of an efficient and successful business sector. In the Tyrol, research at the universities is currently developing very positively, consistently giving our economy innovative incentives. The cooperation between science and business and industry, i.e. between the local universities/colleges and Tyrolean business and industry, is the magic formula that creates jobs – after all, innovation is a means for job creation.

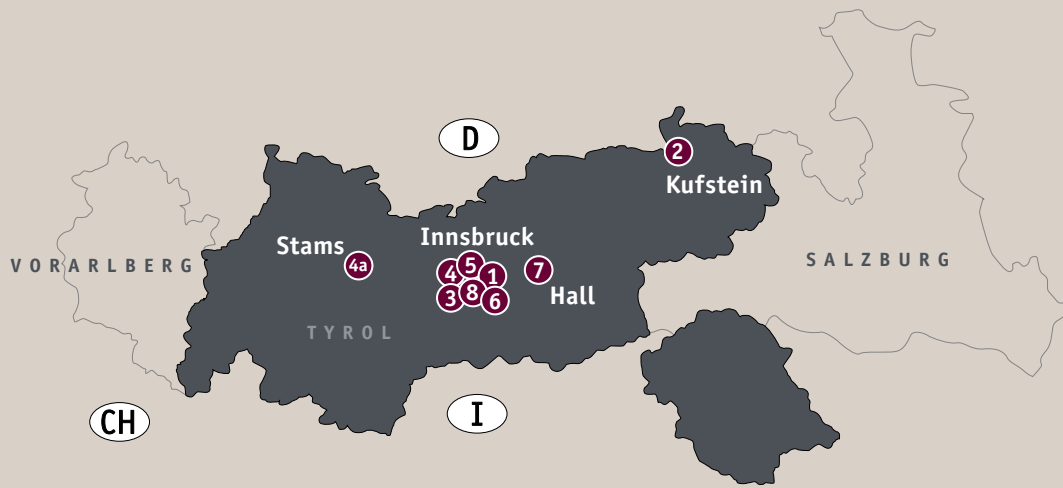
At the same time, we are also putting emphasis on offering an educational pathway that gives everybody the opportunity to start with an apprenticeship and finish with a doctorate. The people need opportunities to grow and develop; nowadays, many people who are trained in a certain profession will not work in the same occupation their whole life. We have to offer forward-looking and attractive education choices to provide young Tyroleans with the opportunity to specialize in a profession that the economy desperately needs. In particular, Universities of Applied Sciences, which are tailored to suit the market need, are an important gain for the Austrian system of higher education. Custom-made tertiary education offers great opportunities for all Tyroleans!

And, Tyrolean universities and colleges as education and research institutions help to maintain and enhance the Tyrol as a business hub by providing industry with qualified workers in a timely manner. It is the goal of this government to offer our young generation the best opportunities to be able to make a good start into their life. This encompasses pre-school education, maintaining our de-centralized school system, new models of secondary schools, apprenticeship training, apprenticeship finishing with a university-entrance diploma, and universities and colleges described in the following. Our guiding principles are diversity and quality – see for yourself and start an academic career at our higher education institutions!

Yours sincerely,

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Guenther Platter
Governor of the Tyrol



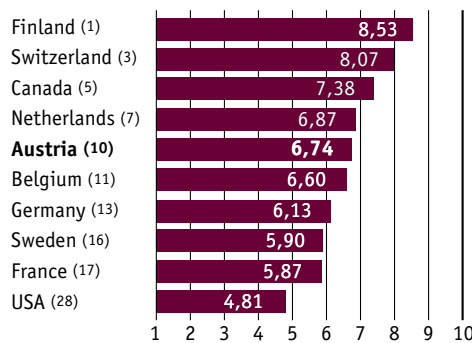
Diversity and Competence

The Tyrol offers more – (Tertiary) education at the highest level

The first typewriter was designed in the Tyrol in 1897, the first sewing machine in 1814 and the currently best hearing aids (cochlea implants) are developed and produced in the Tyrol. The province of the Tyrol is not only a major tourism destination but also a renowned centre for education and research in Central Europe, owing to the country's first-rate educational institutions. For example, in 2009 the Austrian education system was ranked among the best ten systems internationally.

Education System

(Ranking according to points, max. points 10)



Source: IMD World Competitiveness Yearbook; May 2009
The numbers in parenthesis refer to place in ranking

The Tyrol has a broad network of higher education institutions: This encompasses the University of Innsbruck, the Medical University Innsbruck, the Management Center Innsbruck, the UMIT – the Health and Life Sciences University Hall/Tyrol, two Universities of Applied Sciences (Kufstein University of Applied Sciences and the University of Applied Sciences Tyrol) and two teacher training colleges. These institutions provide high-quality and diverse

scientific education and training, ranging from the field of medicine, business and economy to humanities, natural sciences and engineering, with currently a total of 30,000 students enrolled (Source: Statistics Austria). It is this excellent environment of Universities and Universities of Applied Sciences that enables continuous first class research performance in the Tyrol.

Founded in 1669, the Leopold-Franzens University of Innsbruck provided the basis for today's education and research environment and ever since its establishment the University of Innsbruck has attracted first rate scientists and researchers – for example, the economist Eugen von Böhm-Bawerk and Wittgenstein awardees Peter Zoller and Rudolf Grimm, the latter two currently teaching and researching at the Institute for Quantum Optics and Quantum Information. Today the Tyrol captivates through its excellent and diverse higher education institutions. In 2008, 15.8 % of Austrian publications originated in the Tyrol. The University of Innsbruck ranks second place behind the University of Vienna with regard to the numbers of publications in High Impact journals (source: unidata); this again demonstrates the strength of basic research in this province.

Since Austria is part of the European Higher Education and Research Area, also Tyrolean education institutions are currently adopting and implementing the new system in accordance with the Bologna process initiated by the European Union in 1999. The Bologna process aims to provide a higher education

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Teacher Training Colleges

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 - 4a KPH – Edith Stein, Location Stams (Stiftshof 1, Stams, Austria)
(Other locations in Salzburg and Vorarlberg, Austria)
- 5 Teacher Training College Tyrol (Pastorstraße 7, Innsbruck, Austria)

Universities

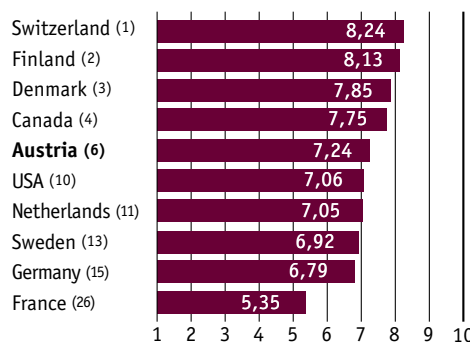
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- 8 University of Innsbruck (Christoph-Probst-Platz, Innrain 52, Innsbruck, Austria)

area where member states can make better use of existing knowledge and know-how and to establish a sustainable choice of programs based on a European-wide system of comparable degrees. Successfully implementing the Bologna process is a precondition for achieving the aim, which was formulated in March 2000, of making the European Union „the most dynamic and competitive knowledge-based economy in the world by 2010“.

Education plays a key role in the development and for the success of today’s knowledge based economy and society. To strengthen the European and Tyrolean Education Area, we also have to focus on learning from each other and on international collaborations. The latter has already been implemented intensely, for example, in the framework of exchange programs with partner universities. In 2008, for example, more than 1,800 Tyrolean students took advantage of the opportunity to complete a part of their program in another country (source: unidata). Another example is collaboration in the field of research. Each university covers a broad range of main research topics; some of them have their own research and translational research centres to facilitate efficient and effective collaboration with the industry. While the size of the province of the Tyrol - only 12 % of the total area of 12,648 km² is habitable – sets limits, it also offers advantages. It goes without saying that the universities, research institutions and business and industry collaborate closely in the Tyrol – a situation sought for in many places.

The relatively close proximity of the higher education institutions, with their knowledge excellence, and collaboration with business partners enable a diverse and interdisciplinary cooperation, which in turn facilitates advantageous synergies and innovative potentials. The Tyrolean education and research area meets the high standards required by business and industry and the science sector and this also provides graduates with the best qualification to successfully enter professional life.

Higher Education for Business and Industry
(Ranking according to points, max. points 10)



Source: IMD World Competitiveness Yearbook: May 2009
The numbers in parenthesis refer to place in ranking

The high quality of life is another unique feature of the Tyrol as a centre for higher education, following the slogan: “Working and studying where others go on holiday“. Being on snow covered mountain peaks, lush Alpine meadows or jumping into crystal-clear mountain lakes gives new impressions and make it so much easier to motivate yourself for maximum performance at work or for studying.



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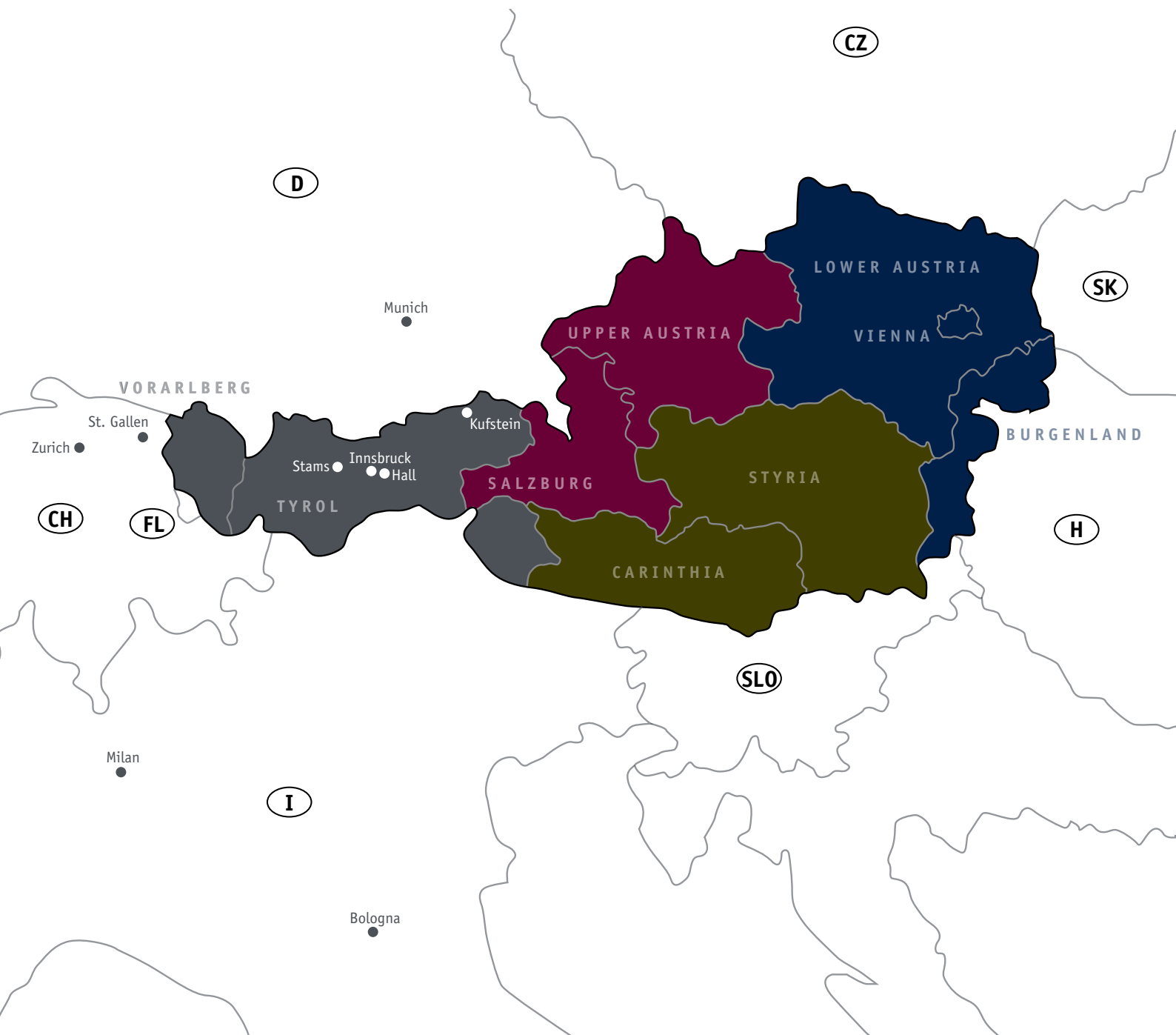
Tyrolean Conference for Higher Education

Creating the future together

The conditions in the Tyrol as a place to study, research and gain knowledge are very encouraging. To coordinate these activities and further refine the development of this region, the three Universities of Applied Sciences, the two Teacher Training Colleges and three Universities have joined forces in the framework of the Tyrolean Higher Education Conference. In light of a fiercer and ever increasing competitiveness in the various educational regions in Austria, this step has gained an even greater importance. Currently four centres of education, research and innovation are emerging: Vienna/Lower Austria/Burgenland, Styria/Carinthia, Upper Austria/Salzburg and Tyrol/Vorarlberg.

Each one of these four clusters will try to attract the best and brightest minds among students, scientists, and high-potential businesses and to increase its amount of national and international funding. The same holds true for Austria's neighboring regions Southern Germany, Northern Italy and Switzerland. Since in a post industrialized knowledge society economic policy essentially relies on education and research policy, successful regional development will depend on the ability to connect and develop potentials.

It is the aim of the working group Tyrolean Higher Education Conference to plan proactively, identify common grounds and to uncover and implement necessary steps for development. Thus, the Tyrolean Conference for Higher Education assumes the role as a competent partner for policymakers and leaders in society and economy towards the common goal of successfully further developing the European region of the Tyrol.





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We educate the future



The main health care institutions in the Tyrol are the Tyrolean Provincial Hospital Ltd., the Medical University of Innsbruck und The Health and Life Sciences University Hall. The University of Applied Sciences Tyrol, established by the Provincial Government of the Tyrol in 2006, is the third institution that offers practice-oriented academic training and education in the health care sector and it has easily become an integral part of the Tyrolean education area. The relatively new college offers bachelor programs in biomedical science, dietetics, occupational therapy, logopedics, physiotherapy, radiological technology and midwifery each with a duration of three years. For continuing education and professional specialization, the college offers master programs, for example Quality and Process Management in the Health Care Sector, Educational Theory for Health Professions and Osteopathy.

We educate the future

A team of experienced, highly motivated and competent teachers and scientists trains the students in becoming highly qualified professionals in the health care sector. In the framework of the well-founded higher education programs, the students are taught all practical, scientific, social and personal skills needed in health care professions, preparing them for the requirements of these occupations. In comparison to other bachelor programs at Universities for Applied Sciences, courses in health care have a high proportion

of practical training. The majority of these practical training sessions are conducted at hospitals and private practices. Knowledge and skills acquired in classes are consistently applied, practiced and deepened in these environments.

Long-standing partner in the health care sector

The University of Applied Sciences Tyrol evolved from the Educational Centre West for Allied Health Professions (AZW) and still collaborates closely with it. This cooperation has had great advantages: The students of the University of Applied Sciences Tyrol enrolled in the newly established programs can take full advantage of the experience and knowledge gained at the AZW over the last few decades. In addition, the number of students admitted annually is coordinated with the demand on the job market, guaranteeing excellent career prospects. The college's close proximity to and connection with the Tyrolean Provincial Hospital Ltd. and the University Hospital of Innsbruck is another success factor for a comprehensive theoretical and practical education at the highest academic level.

Experienced and committed lecturers, who are well acquainted with the special challenges of health care professions, teach at the University of Applied Sciences Tyrol. Numerous internships as well as qualified and motivated mentors facilitate well-founded practical training in health care professions.



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Participation in European exchange programs

Numerous partner institutions in various European countries guarantee that students are able to gain good insights into other health care and education systems. The University of Applied Sciences Tyrol is committed to promoting the mobility of its students; the International Relations Office supports students to participate in exchange programs, such as the Erasmus program of the European Union.

Research

The University of Applied Sciences Tyrol pays special attention to research, which is a relatively new subject at universities of applied sciences. Embedded in an excellent environment of health care and research institutions, the University of Applied Sciences Tyrol applies high standards for research work undertaken at its institution. In each course, teachers well trained in research work help and mentor students in carrying out Bachelor and Master thesis projects. In addition, the students have an extensive infrastructure at their disposal. Laboratories, therapy rooms, special research hardware and software as well as a library with online access to numerous data banks and journals are standard at the University of Applied Sciences Tyrol.

We are all about quality

An application-oriented research project is being carried out in the framework of the master program Quality and Process Management in the Health Care Sector. In this project teachers and researchers working in the field closely collaborate with the Tyrolean Provincial Hospital Ltd. to analyze and evaluate procedures and processes to improve surgery planning. Needless to say, that the results of this research project will directly be transferred to classroom teaching.

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Students	460
Faculty and staff	43
Part time faculty	500

Bachelor programs

Biomedical Science
 Dietetics
 Occupational Therapy
 Midwifery
 Logopaedics
 Physiotherapy
 Radiological Technology

Master program

Quality and Process Management
 in the Health Care Sector

Further education courses

Educational Theory for Health
 Professions (MHPE)
 Optometry* (MSc)
 Osteopathy (MSc)
 (Academically Certified)
 Midwife for Perinatal Management
 (Academically Certified)
 Optometrist
 (Academically Certified)
 Respiratory Therapist*

* subject to accreditation/approval by the Council
 for Universities of Applied Sciences



Kufstein University of Applied Sciences Higher level of education



Kufstein University of Applied Sciences (FH Kufstein)

Kufstein University of Applied Sciences offers international bachelor and master programs for future-oriented professions and post-graduate programs in cooperation with partner universities. FH Kufstein stands for innovative programs in the fields of business and industry and engineering – supplemented with international networking. Having fun, sports and culture are part of the student's life in this city, which is known for its fortress, its attractive Campus and beautiful surroundings.

International experience und excellent job qualifications

International faculty and academic programs acknowledged throughout Europe guarantee a high quality of vocational training. Studying abroad is mandatory for full-time students (at least one semester at a partner institution), providing students with valuable experience. Also students of part-time programs spend some weeks abroad, where they can acquire international experience. Student projects in collaboration with partners from business and industry provide training with practical relevance, and this is complemented with Real Life Business Cases. Our experience shows: Graduates of the FH Kufstein are sought after at the job market. Many students receive job offers even before graduating.

Bachelor programs

The **European Energy Industry** (full-time) program imparts professional knowledge on extracting energy sources and the usage of energy sources by the consumer. It qualifies graduates to work for regional and international energy providers, energy agencies, public authorities and research institutions. **Facility and Real Estate Management** can be chosen as a full-time or part-time program. This broad academic program in the fields of business, engineering and management, with the opportunity for individual in-depth focus, guarantees the best qualification on the job market. The **International Business & Management** (full-time or part-time) program offers high-quality education in business analysis and process management; a multilingual and a multicultural focus further enhance career opportunities. The new part-time program **Marketing & Communication Management** teaches broad knowledge in marketing & communication, language and linguistics as well as regional and international press relations, providing an excellent foundation for careers in marketing and public relations, product management or advertising agencies. The **Sport, Culture & Event Management** program (full-time or part-time) is a practice-oriented business administration program, offering superb qualifications for jobs in the fields of sport, culture and event management. The **Corporate Management** (full-time) program offers sound business management studies catering to junior



executive managers. It teaches strategic, process-oriented and market-oriented corporate management. Students are trained for self-employment and executive positions. The **Web-Business & Technology** (full time) program focuses on the practical conceptual design of web-based solutions. Core competencies about web-based business models, applications and technologies, Web 2.0 technology and IT security are taught. Practice-oriented projects and semesters abroad further increase career opportunities. The **Business Engineering** (full-time) program connects sound technical training with business know-how. Graduates are trained for careers in product management, design & development, production management, control and logistics as well as information management.

Master programs

The **ERP Systems & Business Process Management** program (part-time) offers excellent career opportunities by providing thorough training in business management, analysis, and designing and implementing IT-based business processes. The **Facility and Real Estate Management** program (part-time) provides individual deepening of existing knowledge in the fields of facility and real-estate management; the involvement of international experts (business networking) further enhances career opportunities. The master program in **International Business Studies** (language

of instruction: English) is an international program in finance, marketing and strategic management. Students can choose from a wide range of classes. The **Crisis & Restructuring Management** program (part-time) offers sound legal and business know-how focusing on crisis management and corporate restructuring. The **Sport, Culture & Event Management** (part-time) program teaches strategic management focusing on sport, culture and event management and leadership skills. The **Transport & Production Logistics** program (full-time) teaches a wide range of analytical methods and tools. International experience and language courses support internationalisation and enhance career opportunities. The new part-time program **European Energy Industry** caters to people working in the energy industry and in energy purchasing departments of private companies or public authorities.

Post-graduate programs

The Global 7 European MBA is a Multiple Degree program including partner institutions in seven countries. The degree is awarded by the FH Kufstein AND all partner institutions. The degree International Real Estate & Facility Professional MBA offers courses in the US, the Netherlands and Austria providing the graduates with excellent career opportunities through global networking. The PhD program in business administration of the University of Latvia, Riga offered at the FH Kufstein is a new program.

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Students	1,400
Incomings	150
Outgoings	200
Alumni Club members	over 400
External faculty	200
Internal faculty and staff	100
Partner colleges	150
International business partners	300

Locational advantage of Kufstein

Highway: 3 Min.
Railway Station: 7 Min.
Airport Innsbruck: 80 km
Airport Munich: 130 km
Kufstein, city with flair:
Historical centre, fortress,
shops, restaurants, bars, ...

Admission and enrolment

Applicants find guidelines, can request information material and apply online at www.fh-kufstein.ac.at. Admission criteria and academics are described in detail.



MCI Management Center Innsbruck – Bridging University & Business®

We enable motivated people



International programs at MCI

Founded in the mid 1990s, MCI Management Center Innsbruck has acquired an excellent reputation in the European higher education area, offering practice-oriented courses at graduate, non-graduate and post-graduate level. 2,500 students from all over the world have come to appreciate MCI and its motivating environment. They are enthusiastic about the internationality, professionalism, support, special atmosphere of the Campus, and last but not least, about the atmosphere of the city of Innsbruck and the high recreational value of the Tyrol. The neighbourly cooperation with the venerable University of Innsbruck, the powerful architecture of the location, the proximity to the lively Innsbruck Old Town and its central location in the heart of the Alps provide an attractive environment with numerous job opportunities. We are closely collaborating with business and industry and this makes MCI graduates sought after at the labour market. The continuous excellent results in surveys and rankings demonstrate that MCI is the right choice for motivated people.

Strong ties with business and industry

Some of the special features at MCI are the practice-oriented curricula, over 600 scientific and entrepreneurial faculty members, project-oriented classes taught in small groups, limited admissions, an optional semester abroad and internships in renowned companies.

Global network

Studying and working in an international environment and communicating with people from other cultures are part of MCI's philosophy. MCI has over 120 partner universities, where the students get the opportunity to study for a semester or enroll in specific modules to acquire international experience and intercultural skills.

High rankings among alumni

- 93 % of alumni agreed to recommend MCI “definitely” or “likely” – in retrospect, 94 % opted for having made the right choice for their study “definitely” or “likely”
 - in retrospect, 79 % said that the requirements of the elected course was “high” or “very high”
 - in retrospect, 87 % judged the MCI program as “very good” or “good”
- Survey: Anonymous survey among graduates in 2008; 860 questionnaires, 49 % returned

High-quality Executive education

MCI offers flexible choices for part-time career development. The module structured Executive Master programs are unique in the German speaking countries, allowing an intelligent combination of compact management courses and internationally acknowledged master degrees MBA and MSc.



All Executive Master programs at MCI are internationally accredited and are certified by the quality accreditation agency FIBAA located in Bonn and Zurich.

Internationally acknowledged

Numerous international awards and memberships in renowned associations guarantee quality and acknowledgement in society, business and industry and among the scientific community.

– Ranked #1 Universum Student Survey 2009

This survey ranks the satisfaction of the students regarding the quality of the university; 4.000 Students enrolled in Austrian Universities and Universities of Applied Sciences were surveyed

– Two European Awards 2009: ECTS Label and Diploma Supplement

This is a label issued by the European Commission in 2009; only 10 universities of the 27 member states of the E.U. have been awarded this certificate

– Top rankings for MCI courses 2002-2009

Rankings of the business journal “Industriemagazin” based on a survey among human resources managers throughout Austria.

– Member of Campus of Excellence (CoE)

International Excellence Project with the main goal to bring together companies with young high potentials.

– Member of the European Foundation for Management Development (EFMD)

This is the most important quality forum for research, development, innovation and networking in the field of management in Europe.

– Member of the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business International (AACSB)

An association of educational institutions, businesses, and other organizations devoted to the advancement of higher education in management education.

– Member of the Association of Private Universities (VPH)

The association represents private universities’ interests in German speaking countries in the field of politics, administration and economy.

– EurasiaPacific UniNet member

A network which aims at establishing contacts and scientific partnerships between Austrian universities, universities of applied sciences, other research institutions and member institutions in East Asia, Central Asia, South Asia and the Pacific region.

– American Chamber of Commerce in Austria

The main objective of this organization is to promote economic and scientific relations between Austria and the United States of America.

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Programs

Bachelor	10
Master	9
Executive Master	3
Executive programs	20
Customized training courses	

Facts

Foundation	1995/96
Team and faculty	200
Part time faculty	800
Students	2,500
International students	25 %
Partner universities	120
Dual Degree	5
Companies founded	4
Student exchange and internships	international
Business cooperation	international



Teacher Training College (KPH) – Edith Stein

Turning teaching into a profession



Die Teacher Training College (KPH) – Edith Stein is a federally accredited private teacher training college under the University Act 2005. The legal entity is the foundation “Teacher Training College – Edith Stein of the Diocese of Innsbruck”. Its partners are the Diocese of Feldkirch and Archdiocese of Salzburg. KPH – Edith Stein is located in the cities and towns of Feldkirch, Innsbruck, Salzburg and Stams.

Education

Education is a highly valued asset within society, which should not be governed by a philosophy of utilitarian market logic only. A teacher training institution governed by a religious organization has an obligation to offer comprehensive education, which focuses on the importance of religious dimensions of being human. In this regard KPH – Edith Stein fosters self reflection and the ability for critical thinking in a pluralistic society. As a federally accredited private teacher training college, KPH offers an alternative in the field of higher education.

Programs

KPH – Edith Stein offers bachelor programs in primary and secondary education (in all subject areas), in special needs education (integration) and courses in Catholic religious studies in the compulsory education system. All courses last a minimum of 6 semesters and finish with the academic degree Bachelor of Education (BEEd). Continuing education programs for other educational and social professions complement the academic program. The degree programs are organized in modules, which means that subjects are offered in an individual encapsulated form (mandatory and elective modules). Theory and practice are always closely combined, and profession-oriented inquisitive learning is a major part of all classes. KPH – Edith Stein cooperates with numerous universities and colleges throughout Europe and all students have the opportunity to study and take exams at these partner institutions.



Life-long learning – part-time continuing education

Following the philosophy of lifelong learning (LLL), the colleges offer courses for continuing education for teachers, as well as for educators in nursery schools, social and after school care institutions. The colleges offer courses dealing with topics such as theology, religious education and education. In addition, KPH puts emphasis on further enhancing the quality of education, teaching and character building.

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Teacher Training College Tyrol (PHT)



About the College

It is the mission of PHT to develop and implement scientifically sound training programs for initial and continuing education in teaching professions or other pedagogic professions. To meet the requirements of a teaching profession, the PHT provides education with a subject-specialty focus and in human scientific skills, subject-oriented teaching skills, pedagogy and applied teaching skills in real classes. The PHT runs its own schools where students can apply and practice their teaching knowledge. PHT also caters to the 11,000 Tyrolean teachers who have already work experience in private and public schools by offering continuing education courses. It is in the interest of the PHT to further professionalize Tyrolean teachers so that they can meet social challenges and carry out teaching and educational tasks in the best possible way.

The Teacher Training College Tyrol offers eight bachelor programs and teacher qualification programs:

- Bachelor program for Primary Education
- Bachelor program for Secondary Education
- Bachelor program for Special Needs Education
- Bachelor program for Polytechnic School Education (last compulsory school year option, Austria-specific)

- Program for Vocational Teacher Training Teaching Qualification for Vocational Training Schools
- Program for Technical-commercial Education – Teaching Qualification for technical-commercial subjects at BMHS (schools providing vocational secondary education; 1, 3 or 5 years)
- Program for Nutrition Education – Teaching Qualification for the subject of Nutrition at BMHS
- Program for Information and Communication Education – Teaching Qualification for the subjects Information and Communication at BMHS

PHT is a regional teacher training centre located in the Alps and embedded in the European Education and Research Area. It is the aim of the Teacher Training College Tyrol to ensure that Austrian teachers are enabled to deliver the best teaching quality, which is guaranteed by teaching them sound and scientifically state-of-the-art expert knowledge and comprehensive teaching skills.

Admission and enrolment

It is mandatory for applicants to take an aptitude test (two dates – spring and fall) to be able to enroll for the teacher training programs for primary, secondary, special needs education, and for Polytechnic Schools, nutrition education, and information and communication education. You can enroll for the aptitude test at the institution's website at www.ph-tirol.ac.at.



Our philosophy

Our guiding principle in educating future teachers is the respect for the singularity of the individual. PHT is a regional and international competence centre teaching regional identity and active citizenship. Thus, the main focus of the teaching, learning and research activities is put on questions relating to the identity of the individual in his/her social, economic, cultural and political environment, on political and civic education, as well as the European dimension of and in education. In all its programs, the PHT puts special emphasis on social and intercultural learning and on holistically creative education. Its location in the Heart of the Alps is a clear mandate for the PHT to cooperate with other education institution; in addition, the Alpine environment shapes the focus of the Physical Education qualification, the basis for health promotion. With regard to the holistic approach to education, the PHT offers special courses in musical-creative and cultural education. The Teacher Training College Tyrol supports European and international cooperation in the field of teaching and research by collaborating and participating in Austrian, European and international education and research programs. PHT combines teaching and thorough profession-oriented research and development, thus creating a research-oriented professional education. Moreover, the PHT is a competence centre for information and communication technology and media, dealing

with topics related to media pedagogy and e-learning, which is also an important part of each program. The courses offered by the PHT are geared to meet the demands of the education sector in the Tyrol, Austria and in Europe.

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Academics

Bachelor programs

Facts

Foundation:	1 October 2007
Merging of three teacher training institutions (Teacher Training Academy, Teacher Training Institute, Vocational Teacher Training Academy)	
Faculty	270
Staff	45
Students	600
Tyrolean teachers participating in continuing education	11,000
Courses	8
Institutes	5
Service points	5

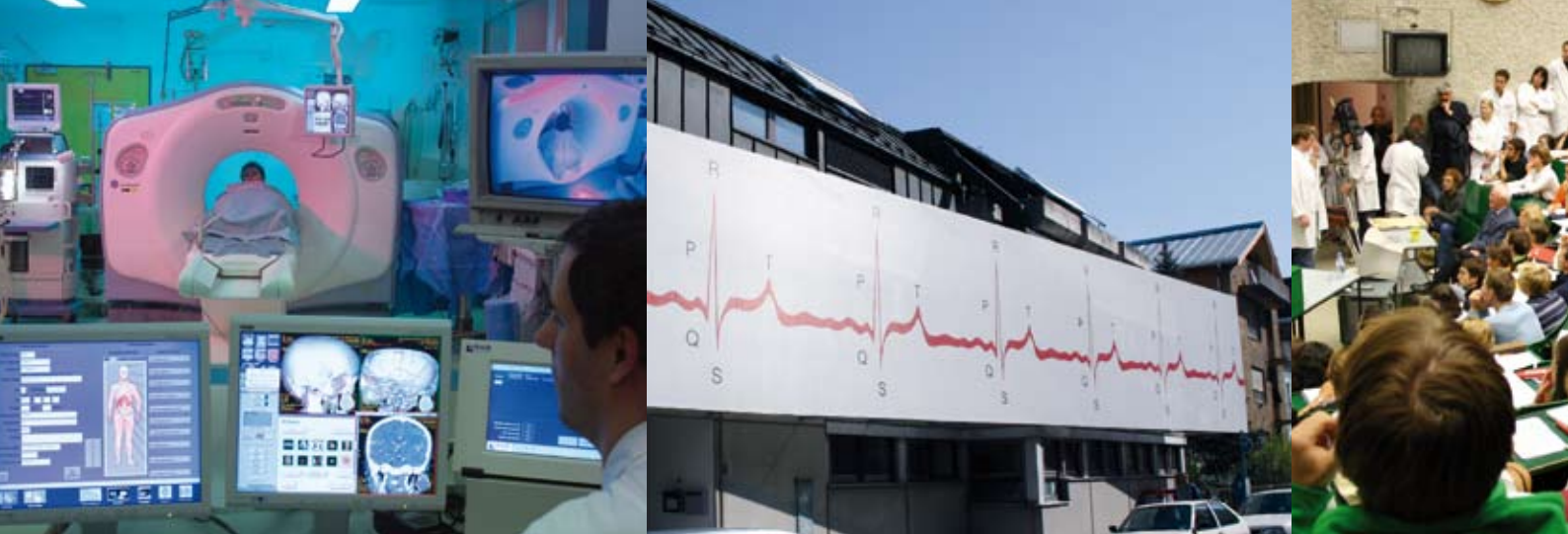
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Primary and Secondary School for Practical Training

Centre for Subject-oriented Didactics in Natural Sciences West

Degree

Bachelor of Education (BEd)



Medical University Innsbruck (MUI) Teaching and researching at the highest Level



Originally, the Medical University Innsbruck was one of the founding faculties of the University of Innsbruck in 1669. Since 2004 it is a University in its own right, whose successful history is illustrated by three Nobel laureates in the field of medical chemistry – Prof. Fritz Pregl (1923), Prof. Adolf Windaus (1928) und Prof. Hans Fischer (1930) –, who taught and carried out research at the MUI. Medical University Innsbruck, comprising of approx. 1,700 staff members and faculty and about 3,000 students, and the University of Innsbruck are the biggest education and research institutions in western Austria and they act as the main regional university for the Austrian provinces of the Tyrol and Vorarlberg, for Southern Tyrol (Italy) and Liechtenstein.

In order to actively participate in shaping the remarkable scientific progress made in the fields of medicine and Life Sciences in the last couple of years and to be able to play in the upper league in the European Research Area, the MUI strives to offer research, education and patient care at the highest level. Thus, the main goals are to further enhance its position as a „Center of Excellence“ in medical research, and to undertake necessary measures to be a high-quality educational institution, meeting the international standards expected for medical doctors and scientists in the field of biomedical research and to further develop a centre of highly advanced medical technologies at university level. The strengths and

research focus of the MUI are the following:

- Oncoscience
- Neurosciences
- Molecular and Functional Imaging
- Infectiology and Immunity
- Sports Medicine

Strong interrelation between theoretical science and clinical departments

The strong interrelation between theory and the hospital sector is an important feature of the Medical University Innsbruck with its six departments and three institutes in the medical-theoretical sector, and ten departments in the clinical sector (consisting of 38 University Hospitals). The success of many research projects in the field of Life Sciences can be attributed to high scientific standards. For example, in 1992 the Medical University Innsbruck was first in Austria to be granted a ‘Special Research Area’ (SFB); in 2003 the SFB “Cell Proliferation and Cell Death in Tumors“ was established, and important research centres have been founded such as the Tyrolean Cancer Research Institute, the Proteomic Platform and the new Centre of Excellency for cancer research Oncotyrol (Center for Personalized Cancer Medicine in Tirol). The MUI has been very successful in scientific research not only nationally but also internationally, which results in high research funding and a high publication output in this highly competitive field.



Practical relevance and research-oriented knowledge

In addition to research and patient care, it is one of the most important tasks of the Medical University Innsbruck to educate and train students. Three programs are offered: The master programs Human Medicine and Dental Medicine are the basis for an academic medical training - after having passed a qualifying examination, 360 and 40 new students, respectively, are accepted. A new curriculum for the master programs (duration: 12 semesters) was developed to successfully meet the demands of the rapidly growing knowledge, technological progress and growing needs of patients. Emphasis is put on the practical proximity to the patient, which runs like a thread through the entire program. The third program, the PhD program, aims to deepen scientific practice. It offers nine interdisciplinary programs, each with a minimum duration of six semesters. Renowned teams of researchers, who are closely tied to clinical practice, offer the opportunity to immerse into the adventure research. These are ideal conditions for students who want to pursue a career in the field of science and research. The Medical University Innsbruck provides the students with a modern learning centre, helping them to successfully finish their studies. Over 100 digital learning programs covering all fields of study, reference books, reading and teaching rooms, internet access and facilities for media supported group work create an ideal environment for studying and working.

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Facts

Founding year	2004
Students	3,000
Staff and faculty	1,700
Programs	3
Research focuses	5
Partner universities	84

Medical-theoretical branch

Bio Centre	1
Departments	5
Institutes	3

Clinical branch

Departments	10
University hospitals	38
Common facilities	2



UMIT – The Health and Life Sciences University Hall / Tyrol



The Tyrolean provincial university UMIT in Hall in the Tyrol is an accredited university focusing on innovative and future-oriented topics such as mechatronics, medical and bio informatics, health sciences, nutrition sciences, psychology, nursing sciences and other related subjects. The UMIT offers academic research and education at the highest level. In research, the various departments of the UMIT cooperate with research institutions worldwide, and the programs finish with internationally acknowledged academic titles. International networking is ensured through international partner universities, which is an important feature of the UMIT.

History

While the UMIT is relatively new in the field of higher education, progress made in the last couple of years clearly indicates that it has gained remarkable international reputation. The establishment of the UMIT is based on the University Accreditation Act (UniAkkG, Federal Law Gazette I Nr. 168/1999), passed by the Austrian Parliament in 1999. At the beginning of 2001 an accreditation application was submitted and after international review, it was granted the status of a university. In the winter semester of 2001/02 the first courses started with 19 students enrolled. In the following years the number of courses offered increased consistently. In 2003 and 2005 the programs Health Sciences and Nursing Sciences, respectively, were

implemented. In September 2004 the UMIT moved to its new location at the Eduard-Wallnöfer Centre for Medical Innovation (EWZ) in Hall in the Tyrol. In 2006, after international review, the Austrian Accreditation Council granted re-accreditation of the UMIT in the branches of research, education, administration and organization until 2011. In the winter semester of 2009/2010, 1,300 students were enrolled at the UMIT.

Studying at the UMIT

The UMIT puts a lot of emphasis on intensive education and close personal communication with students and teachers. Accordingly, the UMIT provides the best conditions for successful education with individual service. Small and easily manageable study groups guarantee the highest teaching quality. The campus of the Eduard Wallnöfer Centre for Medical Innovation in Hall in the Tyrol offers an outstanding learning environment. The high-quality management of all courses and programs guarantees exceptional support during the whole study period, making it easy for the UMIT students to completely concentrate on their studies. This positive framework offered at UMIT is demonstrated by the fact that over 90 per cent of the students enrolled at the UMIT finish their studies and 90 per cent of these students finish it within the minimum required time period. Thus, the students of the UMIT can be found at top rankings with regard to student retention and completion rate.



Research at the UMIT

Despite its young history, the UMIT has already acquired excellent research competence. In the course of evaluation processes, international cutting-edge research undertaken at the UMIT is independently peer-reviewed at regular intervals. Well-known faculty members coming from the fields of health sciences, biomedical informatics and engineering, public health and nursing sciences undertake research and teaching at the highest level at the UMIT. Each year numerous publications are the result of the UMIT's research projects. The students of the UMIT benefit largely from this international competence.

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Founding year	2002
Students	1.300
Staff members (teaching and research)	180
External teachers	approx. 100

Departments

Biomedical Sciences and Engineering
 Human/Economic Sciences
 Department of Public Health,
 Information Systems and
 Health Technology Assessment
 Nursing Sciences and Gerontology
 Medical Sciences

Research Divisions

Research Division for eHealth &
 Telemedicine
 Centre for Crisis and
 Catastrophe Research
 Research Division for Mental Health
 Institute for Management and
 Economy in the Health Sector

Bachelor programs

Business Administration in the
 Health Sector
 Biomedical Information Technology
 Nursing Sciences
 Combined Course Nursing & Nursing
 Science
 Psychology
 Mechatronics

Master programs

Nutrition Sciences
 Health Sciences
 Health Information Technology
 Biomedical Information Technology
 Nursing Sciences
 Gerontology*
 Public Health
 (international program)*

PhD programs

Health Sciences
 Biomedical Information Technology
 Nursing Sciences

Qualification programs

Psychosocial and Socio-economic
 Crisis and Catastrophe Management
 Integrative Health Protection
 and Promotion (M.Sc.)
 Orthopedic Physiotherapy (M.Sc.)
 Functional Physiotherapy -
 Klein-Vogelbach (M.Sc., in planning)
 Reconstructive-prosthetic
 Odontology (M.Sc.)

* Subject to approval by
 the Austrian Accreditation Council



University of Innsbruck

Value added education



The University of Innsbruck was founded in 1669 and is the biggest and most important research and education institution in western Austria, today comprised of almost 26,000 enrolled students and more than 4,000 staff and faculty members. It is also the main regional university for the Tyrol, Vorarlberg, Southern Tyrol (Italy) and Liechtenstein. At the 15 faculties, scientists teach and research in the diverse scientific fields of architecture, structural engineering sciences, humanities, natural sciences, law, social sciences and economics, as well as theology. The University offers a very broad spectrum of programs and comprehensive continuing education courses and employs excellent scientists – training and education at the highest level. The students especially benefit from the excellent knowledge and expertise of the faculty members. Since the University of Innsbruck offers all fields of study, it provides the advantage of collaboration between the diverse disciplines, resulting in comprehensive course choices.

Research-driven teaching

The University of Innsbruck is one of the most research-intensive universities in Austria. According to current rankings, the number of publications produced by the Innsbruck scientists is above average and their findings are highly cited in the scientific community. Pursuing cutting-edge research - for example, in the fields of physics and chemistry, molecular biology and pharmaceuticals as well as climate research, environmental hazard management, experimental economics, linguistics, literature, archeology, and historical research – the scientists at the University of Innsbruck have left their marks in the international research community. This fact is illustrated by many rankings: Innsbruck is the second most important research institution in Austria and can easily compete with renowned European universities. This is important because research-driven teaching is an important mandate of a university. Many teachers are also active researchers and they transfer their findings directly to their teaching. Thereby, they not only teach students state-of-the-art knowledge but also encourage them to ask questions and find new solutions. It is the goal of every academic educational institution to spark the student's interest in scientific thinking and research and directly integrate them in projects.



Broad course choices – international networks

The University of Innsbruck sets high value on classical well-trying fields of study as well as on programs meeting current requirements. For example, the University has been successfully reorganizing the academic program structure according to the Bologna declaration. The teaching branch is well positioned, offering 100 studies and a broad choice in all scientific disciplines and focusing on international cooperation. Proposed international master programs are a distinctive feature, such as “Linguistic and literary varieties in the francophone world” in collaboration with the Université Paris Descartes or “Media, Communication and European Public Relations” in collaboration with the Free University of Bolzano and a “European Master in Classical Culture”. The newly introduced 27 research-oriented PhD programs, with a simply structured curriculum, all meet the international standards of a PhD program. In this regard, the University of Innsbruck offers ideal opportunities for gathering international experience. Contracts have been signed with over 300 universities and these agreements foster the exchange of students and scientists alike, making the University the leading institution for studying abroad. Apart from initial studies, students also have the opportunity to acquire additional skills and qualifications, which are of benefit in professions in science and business and industry.

Thus, in the field of academic continuing education the University is further developing specialized courses, for example in soft skills, following the principle of life-long learning.

High value for everybody

The University of Innsbruck is also a cultural meeting point. Numerous public lectures, exhibitions, readings, and events for the broad public such as the “Long Night of Research”, the “Young Uni” or “uni.com” offer a varied and comprehensive program which can be enjoyed by everybody. The University of Innsbruck provides highly qualified, attractive and crisis-proof jobs, which makes it one of the biggest employers in the region. Thus, it considerably adds value to the City of Innsbruck and the Province of the Tyrol.

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Founding year	1669
Students	25,670
Staff members	4,000
Faculties	15
Partner universities	over 300

Programs

Bachelor programs	30
Master programs	40
PhD programs	27
Teacher education programs	17

Research

Research majors	3
Research platforms	7
Research centres	35

