

The University of Innsbruck

The University of Innsbruck, founded in 1669, has a long and successful story. Today, it is divided into 16 faculties and 79 institutes and is therefore considered a full university. At the four inner-city sites and the various outposts (Dornbirn, Landeck, Lienz, Mondsee, Obergurgel, etc.) more than 26,000 students and over 4,000 employees conduct work. The advantages of multiple campi are: 1) close spatial contact between the fields of study and research next to the resulting interdisciplinarity, and 2) the opportunity of direct personal communication amongst students and professors alike. This exchange is additionally furthered by transparent program and course description, available via the university's website, as well as the application of modern e-learning technology. The academic year is split into a winter term (beginning of October until beginning of February) and a summer term (beginning of March until beginning of July).

All of this and a lot more renders the University of Innsbruck the most important research and education institution in western Austria. The close border-proximity draws in students and employees not only from the Tyrol area but also from Vorarlberg, South-Tyrol, Liechtenstein and Bavaria, among others.

Student life at the University of Innsbruck

Due to numerous options offered by the University of Innsbruck students can deepen their knowledge within various fields of study and beyond their own subject. In addition, there are many offers for leisure time activities and career planning as well as an active student representation.

University and State Library of Tyrol

The University and State Library of Tyrol (ULBT), which runs exceptionally long opening hours, contains not only general and subject-specific literature but also study and computer workspaces. Students have access to all seven major library locations as well as to an extensive free database for journals, newspapers and magazines. More than 6 million media are easily accessible online.

<https://www.uibk.ac.at/ulb/>

Event calendar

In the online event calendar (Veranstaltungskalender) of the university all events are recorded allowing students to choose amongst public guest lectures, discussions, lecture series and cultural events which are taking place almost daily.

<https://www.uibk.ac.at/events/>

International Language Centre of the University of Innsbruck

The International Language Centre (isi) not only offers courses in German as a foreign language during the semester and intensive courses in the summer months. In addition, reasonably priced courses in more than 20 languages are offered. Furthermore, in order to improve language skills, a tandem language partner program is available, which links interested people with native speakers.

<https://www.uibk.ac.at/isi/>

Career-Service

The Career-Service office answers questions about post-graduate applications, provides information on job-fairs, and organizes lectures on job-entry.

<https://community2.uibk.ac.at/web/career-service/>

Wellbeing

Students have the opportunity to have lunch for only 4-8 € per menu in one of the canteens at 9 different university locations. The offers vary and are complemented by breakfast at some locations.

<https://www.uibk.ac.at/universitaet/mensa/>

University Sports Institute

At the University Sports Institute (USI) around 1,000 classes are offered each year, ranging from mountaineering and trampolining to football team practice. Prices start at only 15 € per course for students. Volleyball and tennis courts can also be booked for private use.

<https://usi.uibk.ac.at/usi/page?id=0> (Website only available in German)

University Choir and University Orchestra

For many years, the University Choir and the University Orchestra have been a part of life at the University of Innsbruck. Students and staff from all faculties sing and play together and represent the university at cultural events.

<https://www.uibk.ac.at/unichor/> (Website only available in German)

<https://www.uibk.ac.at/uniorchester/> (Website only available in German)

Psychological Counseling Service

The Psychological Counseling Service is free of charge and offers help choosing a degree, and coping exam anxiety, as well as conducting group meetings for students about to graduate and one-on-one sessions with professional psychologists. Parts of this offer are also available in English upon request.

<http://www.studentenberatung.at/de/standorte/innsbruck/ueberblick/> (only part of the website is available in English)

Office for the Disabled

Special needs students are supported by the Office for the Disabled. The available assistance includes modified exams, adapted teaching materials and individual advice for all questions regarding your studies in Innsbruck.

<https://www.uibk.ac.at/behindertenbeauftragte/index.html.en>

Students' Union

Every registered student is automatically a member of the Students' Union (ÖH). Their offers include an online job and housing platform, legal advice for tenancy problems, and introductory and informational sessions at the beginning of your studies.

<http://www.oehweb.at/> (Website only available in German)

City of Innsbruck

Innsbruck – the alpine-urban student city

Innsbruck, the capital of Tyrol, offers a special mixture of urban flair and impressive nature thanks to its geographical location. The city is situated in the middle of the Alps and attracts its inhabitants (Tyrol: approx. 740,000, Innsbruck: approx. 133,000, students: approx. 35,000) with a breath taking panorama and a wide range of different activities.

Innsbruck – enjoy and experience

The capital of Tyrol provides a high quality of life and invites you to feel good and relax. Innsbruck is where city and nature as well as tradition and modernity meet. Innsbruck shows its urban character in many different ways: from a first-class transportation network, numerous cultural activities, entertainment possibilities and shopping facilities, to traditional or alternative restaurants and bars.

Nature lovers and sports enthusiasts have countless possibilities as well. Innsbruck and its surroundings – i.e. parks, forests, lakes and mountains – invite you to go hiking, climbing and skiing. Every season has its own special charm and offers a wide variety of sporting activities. Innsbruck has also been the venue for countless international sports events.

Innsbruck – a good place to kick off from

In Innsbruck distances are short; many places in Innsbruck are within 20 minute walking distance or a 10 minute bike ride.

Due to the good transport connections (by bus, train or airplane) and the proximity to the neighboring countries Italy, Germany and Switzerland, not only Austrian cities such as Vienna and Salzburg, but also other cities like Munich, Zurich or Venice can be reached in a very short time.

Further Links

<https://www.innsbruck.info/>

<https://www.innsbruck.gv.at/page.cfm?vpath=index>