

Grant of the Province of Styria in Cooperation with the University of Graz for Students from South-Eastern Europe – GO STYRIA



Winter semester 2008/09

General Information

In cooperation with the University of Graz, the Province of Styria offers a new grant for outstanding students from South-Eastern European countries starting in the winter semester – “Go Styria!”. **In the first year of its existence already 50 scholarships were awarded to students of master or doctoral programmes.**

The Department for Scientific Affairs of the Province of Styria takes a very strong interest in the process of South-Eastern European integration and sets a course in those countries who are not – or not yet – members of the European Union. Styria, as a link between the EU and Eastern/South-Eastern Europe, adopts an active role in the scientific and cultural exchange between the countries and has the necessary preconditions to integrate the research competences and to utilise the available synergetic opportunities.

Against the background of a long standing, varied and intensive cooperation with the regions of South-Eastern Europe, the University of Graz was the first university in the German-speaking world to set a university-wide focus on “South-Eastern Europe” as the profile-setting core of its university development concept. Thanks to its expertise and acquaintance with both the needs as well as the potentials for cooperation of the South-Eastern European region, the University of Graz has been an important forerunner within the EU for the realisation of the vision of European-wide integration for a long time. As part of an extensive circle of partnerships, the university takes these historically developed and in many areas important connections into consideration.

Application Requirements

Those entitled to financial aid are students from universities of South-Eastern Europe (Slovenia, Croatia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Serbia, Montenegro, Macedonia, Kosovo, Albania, Greece, Cyprus, Turkey, Hungary, Romania, Bulgaria and Moldova). Applicants should be at least in the 7th semester of a diploma programme or at least in the 2nd semester of a master’s programme, or already write their master’s or doctoral thesis **and must be enrolled at one of the above mentioned universities.** The selection of the grant holders takes place in a joint process of the Province of Styria and the University of Graz. The academic quality of the applicant is decisive for the success of the application. Depending upon the intended aim of the studies or research, proof of the command of German and/or English is to be provided.

The maximum length of time of financial aid for go styria! is five months. Grant awards for shorter research stays are occasionally possible.

Submission Deadline

Applications have to be received by the Office of International Relations of the University of Graz no later than Tuesday, **April 15, 2008**. Only those applications that are complete and received on time will be considered! We cannot accept faxed or emailed applications!

Application Documents

- Filled-in [“Application for Admission to Studies”](#) form – please fill it in by computer or use block letters!
- Confirmation of registration for studies (part of the application form)
- List of certificates
- Curriculum vitae (German or English)
- Description of intended aim of studies and/or research (German or English)
- 2 **academic** letters of recommendation (German or English)
- Copy of passport

Amount of Grant

“go styria” includes the following benefits:

- Grant in the amount of EUR 600 per month
- Waiver of tuition fees at the University of Graz

After the Stay Abroad

Every grant holder has to submit a report about his or her stay in Graz to the Office of International Relations within three months after the end of her/his stay abroad:

The report should give an overall impression of the stay abroad, providing information both on professional benefits as well as general experiences there. The reports will be made public on the homepage and thus made available to new applicants.

Contact person in the Office of International Relations

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