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Austrian Universities in Global Comparison
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U-Multirank is a unique, multidimensional and international ranking of higher education institutions. It compares university performance across teaching and learning, research, knowledge transfer, international orientation and regional engagement.

It is the largest and most inclusive ranking showcasing the diversity in higher education around the world. It is not a league table and does not use composite indicators, nor reputation weights. Therefore, there is no one best university in U-Multirank. The performance of a university is presented with individual scores – graded from ‘A’ (very good) to ‘E’ (weak) across the different areas.

U-Multirank’s 2022 edition presents data on 26 Austrian higher education institutions. For the full list of all universities from Austria included in U-Multirank, please visit our website.

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• 26 Higher education institutions from Austria are included in the 2022 edition of U-Multirank, 17 universities and 9 universities of applied sciences.

• In U-Multirank, Austrian institutions perform strong in the dimension International Orientation, with 84% of all indicator scores ranked above average (group ‘A’ or ‘B’).

• Eight Austrian universities score ten or more ‘A’ scores; among them with the highest numbers are Graz University of Technology (16 top scores), Management Center Innsbruck (MCI; 16), Central European University (which moved to Austria from Hungary; 13), Johannes Kepler University Linz (12) and University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences, Vienna (BOKU; 12).

• Most of these institutions have ‘A’s scores in each of the five dimensions, incl. Graz University of Technology, which at the same time scores five of its top positions in Knowledge Transfer. Central European University performs particularly strong in International Orientation (6 out of its 13 top positions).
WHICH ARE THE TOP PERFORMING UNIVERSITIES IN AUSTRIA?

Graz University of Technology and Management Center Innsbruck (MCI) received the highest number of ‘A’ (very good) scores on the institutional level for Austria in 2022.

In this section we highlight the universities receiving the highest number of ‘A’ (very good) scores on the institutional level for the respective country. Although the number of ‘A’ scores shows top performance for the respective university, it does not imply one university is the ‘best’ in the country, as each university profile highlights different strengths.

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The list includes different profiles of institutions: comprehensive universities, as well as business schools and technical universities.
WHAT ARE THE PERFORMANCE PROFILES OF AUSTRIA'S TOP SCORING UNIVERSITIES?

Using our unique sunburst chart, a clear picture is shown of the university’s overall performance (the longer the bar, the higher the score).

*For a list of definitions and calculations of indicators, see our Indicator Book.*
Austrian higher education institutions perform strongest in U-Multirank’s International Orientation dimension.

Above or below average?

In this section we highlight the overall performance of Austrian universities on the institutional level per U-Multirank dimension.

The below table shows the national breakdown of Austrian universities and how they stand across the spectrum of above average (receiving a score of ‘A’ (very good) or ‘B’ (good)), or below average (receiving a score of ‘D’ (below average) or ‘E’ (weak)). In doing so, U-Multirank offers a clear picture on the countries strengths, and areas for improvement.
If you want to analyse further the performance of the universities in your country you can click the following links.

The below links lead directly to the national results pages where we pre-filtered the universities in your country into one list (for the university as a whole and for the subject areas included in U-Multirank so far). You can use the table to produce national rankings (see image below), or for personalised interactive analyses with the data.

If you’re interested in tailor-made tables (institutional level, subject level, or with a specific focus in mind, such as internationalisation), please contact us, at info@umultirank.org. These links are also accessible via your country’s ‘Study in’ page.
U-Multirank is a multidimensional, user-driven approach to international ranking of higher education institutions. It compares the performances of higher education institutions – in short: universities – in the five dimensions of university activity:

(1) teaching and learning, (2) research, (3) knowledge transfer, (4) international orientation and (5) regional engagement.

The U-Multirank web tool enables comparisons at the level of the university as a whole and at the level of specific study programmes. Based on empirical data, U-Multirank compares institutions with similar institutional profiles (‘like-with-like’) and allows users to develop their own personalised rankings by selecting indicators in terms of their own preferences.

Based on the results of a feasibility study covering 150 universities which was carried out in 2010/11, the European Commission decided to fund the implementation of U-Multirank. This roll out is carried out by a consortium led by Professor Frans van Vught of the Center for Higher Education Policy Studies (CHEPS), University of Twente in the Netherlands and Professor Frank Ziegele of the Centre for Higher Education (CHE) in Germany as well as the Centre for Science and Technology Studies (CWTS) from Leiden University and Fundacion CYD. U-Multirank is funded by the European Commission, the Bertelsmann Foundation and Banco Santander. The consortium also works closely with a range of national ranking partners and stakeholder organisations.

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