



## Alps-Adriatic Master Scholarships of Alpen-Adria-Universität Klagenfurt

## **General Information**

Located in the Austrian state of Carinthia at the intersection of three cultures, Alpen-Adria-Universität Klagenfurt is a center of knowledge acquisition and transfer for the whole Alps-Adriatic region and beyond. Alpen-Adria-Universität Klagenfurt strives towards increasing cultural diversity and is highly committed to future development on an international level.

The Alps-Adriatic Master Scholarships are awarded to highly qualified graduates from third countries of the extended Alps-Adriatic region<sup>1</sup> who wish to pursue one of the below listed Master's degree programme at Alpen-Adria-Universität Klagenfurt.

Following an international call for applications, the best candidates will be selected in a **multi-stage process** involving a selected scholarship commission of the respective area of expertise.

Alps-Adriatic scholarship holders will:

- Gain access to excellent higher education opportunities in an international study environment;
- Become part of a vibrant international campus;
- Join the international alumni network of Alpen-Adria-Universität Klagenfurt.

## Target group

## Students who

- have completed a Bachelor's degree relevant for one of the Master's degree programmes indicated below
- want to pursue one of the following Master's degree programmes at Alpen-Adria-Universität Klagenfurt and start their studies in summer semester 2020:
  - Master in Science, Technology and Society Studies
  - Master in Applied Business Administration:
    - Branch of Study General Management
    - Branch of Study Energy and Environmental Management
    - Branch of Study Entrepreneurship
  - Master in Applied Cultural Studies
  - Master in Business and Law
  - Master in English and American Studies
  - Master in Adult and Vocational Education
  - Master of Education German
  - Master of Education English
  - Master of Education French
  - Master of Education History, Social Studies and Political Education
  - Master of Education Italian
  - Master of Education Slovene
  - Master of Education Spanish
  - Master in Geography and Regional Research
  - Master in German Studies
  - Master in German Studies in an Intercultural Context (Double-Degree programme)
  - Master in History
  - Master in Information Management
  - Master in Media, Communication and Culture
  - Master in Philosophy
  - Master in Psychology
  - Master in Romance Studies
  - Master in School Education
  - Master in Slavonic Studies
  - Master in Social and Integrative Teaching
  - Master in Visual Culture

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Third countries of the extended Alps-Adriatic region in the EU priority region Western Balkans listed in the <u>current DAC list of developing</u> <u>countries and territories</u> (valid for the reporting years 2018-2020): Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo, Montenegro, North Macedonia, and Serbia





Countries of origin	Applicants must meet the requirements for admission to the selected Master's degree programme at Alpen-Adria-Universität Klagenfurt and must be able to prove that they have either very good German or English language skills <sup>2</sup> (depending on the target study programme). Given a sufficient number of applications, a balanced ratio of both male and female applicants will be considered.  Applicants must be citizens of one of the following third countries of the extended Alps-Adriatic region (in the EU priority region Western Balkans):  Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo, Montenegro, North Macedonia, and Serbia.  The applicants' place of residence at the time of application must be in a country other than Austria.
Target country	Austria
Scholarship	<ul> <li>Monthly scholarship in the amount of EUR 500,- for the first academic year (March to February) and monthly scholarship in the amount of EUR 150,- for the second academic year (March to February)</li> <li>Scholarship period: max. 2 academic years (24 months)</li> <li>One-time lump sum for travel costs: between EUR 135,- and EUR 235,- <sup>3</sup></li> <li>Scholarship holders will be exempted from paying tuition fees for a maximum of 5 semesters in the case of proven academic performance.</li> <li>Scholarship holders will receive assistance by the International Office of Alpen-Adria-Universität Klagenfurt in applying for student health insurance in Austria. They can also attend a German semester course at a reduced fee.</li> </ul>
Authority awarding the scholarship	Alpen-Adria-Universität Klagenfurt in cooperation with sponsors
Closing date for scholarship application	20.10.2019 for scholarship holders starting their studies in the summer semester 2020 <sup>4</sup>

Scholarship application procedure	The application for the scholarship must contain the following documents:  ✓ Convincing letter of application in German or English, depending on the language of instruction of the selected Master's degree programme (cover letter including a letter of motivation)  ✓ Curriculum vitae in German or English, depending on the language of instruction of the selected Master's degree programme  ✓ Completed application form for admission to the selected Master's degree programme at Alpen-Adria-Universität Klagenfurt  ✓ Transcript of records  ✓ Scan of passport (data page with name and photo)  ✓ Two letters of recommendation by university lecturers/professors from the university at which the Bachelor's degree programme is being pursued/was earned with attached translation into German or English (stamped by the faculty/department)  The complete application documents for the scholarship must be submitted electronically to alpenadria.grants@aau.at_by 20.10.2019.
Selection Procedure	Please note that incomplete applications will not be taken into consideration.  The selection procedure consists of the following phases:
	<ul> <li>(1) Verification of formal requirements</li> <li>(2) Evaluation of the applications by a scholarship commission</li> <li>(3) Skype interview</li> <li>(3) Granting of scholarships</li> </ul>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> At least B2 or C1 according to the <u>Common European Framework of Reference for Languages</u> and to the selected study programme. Information on accepted certificates is available <u>here.</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Depending on the country of origin

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Summer semester starts in March 2020





	Please note: The scholarship can be awarded only in combination with the admission to one of the above listed degree programmes at Alpen-Adria-Universität Klagenfurt stated in the Letter of Award and application form for admission. The formal fulfilment of all application requirements does not imply any legal entitlement to financial support. Funding will be awarded on the basis of competition and available funds.
Admission application procedure	The application for the admission to Alpen-Adria-Universität Klagenfurt must contain the following documents <sup>5</sup> :
	<ul> <li>✓ Proof of a completed Bachelor's degree programme (e.g. Bachelor certificate) original documents issued by the attended university with attached certified translation into German or English<sup>6</sup></li> <li>✓ Special university entrance qualification ("eligibility letter") to the selected Master's degree programme issued by a state or state-recognised university in the country of issue of the Bachelor certificate with attached certified translation into German or English<sup>6</sup></li> <li>✓ Proof of language proficiency required for admission: Level B2 or C1 (Common European Framework of Reference for Languages, CEFR) depending on the language of instruction and respective requirements of the selected Master's degree programme at Alpen-Adria-Universität Klagenfurt</li> <li>The complete application documents for admission must be submitted electronically to alpenadria.grants@aau.at by 09.12.2019.</li> </ul>
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Further Information	Scholarship holders can book accommodation in a student residence via the <u>OeAD Housing Office</u> . The monthly costs for a place in a student dormitory in Klagenfurt are <sup>7</sup> approx. EUR 265,- to 365,- Further information about the scholarships is available <u>here</u> .
Contact Information	Alpen-Adria-Universität Klagenfurt International Office alpenadria.grants@aau.at

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 5}$  Documents required for admission may vary depending on the desired study programme.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> For further information about the legalization of documents, please visit the following page of the Austrian Ministry for Education, Science and Research: <a href="www.bmbwf.gv.at">www.bmbwf.gv.at</a> (Legalization of Foreign Documents in Higher Education) or consult the competent national authority in the country of origin.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> As of April 2019, subject to change without notice