Visa - Information

Brazil/Colombia/Mexico/Venezuela

Entry without a Visa
Citizens of Brazil, Colombia or Mexico can take part in a German course for a duration of up to 90 days without a visa. The maximum duration of stay of 90 days within 6 months may not be exceeded.

Entry with Visa D
Issued to students and language course students in Austria for a duration of max. 3 to 6 months. Price (at the embassy): approx. EUR 0 - 100.- depending on the nationality.

Residence Permit – Students (RP)
- For stays exceeding 180 days (approx. 6 months)
- To be issued the „Residence Permit – Students” a conditional admission from one of these institutions is required: University/Technical College/Accredited private university or a college of Education or an accredited private degree programme
- For legal entry into Austria, an application for a national Visa D and for a residence permit is required. This has to be applied for at the Austrian Embassy in the home country or, after visa-free entry, directly at the appropriate authorities in Austria.
- Initial application has to be submitted and issued in the respective home country, before entry into Austria
- The RP has to be picked up in person at the municipal department for immigration & citizenship (MA35) in Vienna. For this, a national Visa D is issued.
- In case no conditional admission can be submitted, only a Visa D for max. 6 months can be issued. After its expiration it is possible to apply for a “Residence Permit – Students” in the home country, provided that the conditional admission can be submitted.

Important!
- You can only apply for a visa from your home country.
- Visa applications should be submitted at least 6–8 weeks, 3 months at the earliest, before departure.
- Residence permits should be applied for at least 2-3 months before departure or as soon as all necessary documents are ready.

Documents required for Visa C and D:
- Complete & signed application form(s)
- Passport photo according to ICAO criteria (colour, 35x45mm)
- Valid passport (at least two empty pages; not older than 10 years; valid for at least another 3 months) as well as a photocopy of the passport
- Letter of invitation: course confirmation Actilingua and Letter of Acceptance (=proof of payment) or study confirmation
- Confirmation of secured accommodation
- Proof for means of travel (reservation or ticket)
- Travel-, health- and accident insurance (min. coverage: EUR 30,000.-)
- Proof of sufficient financial means
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Subject to change. For further information in all visa matters please contact the Austrian Embassy in your country, which provides up-to-date information. (January 2019)