

U-MULTIRANK 2020

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.

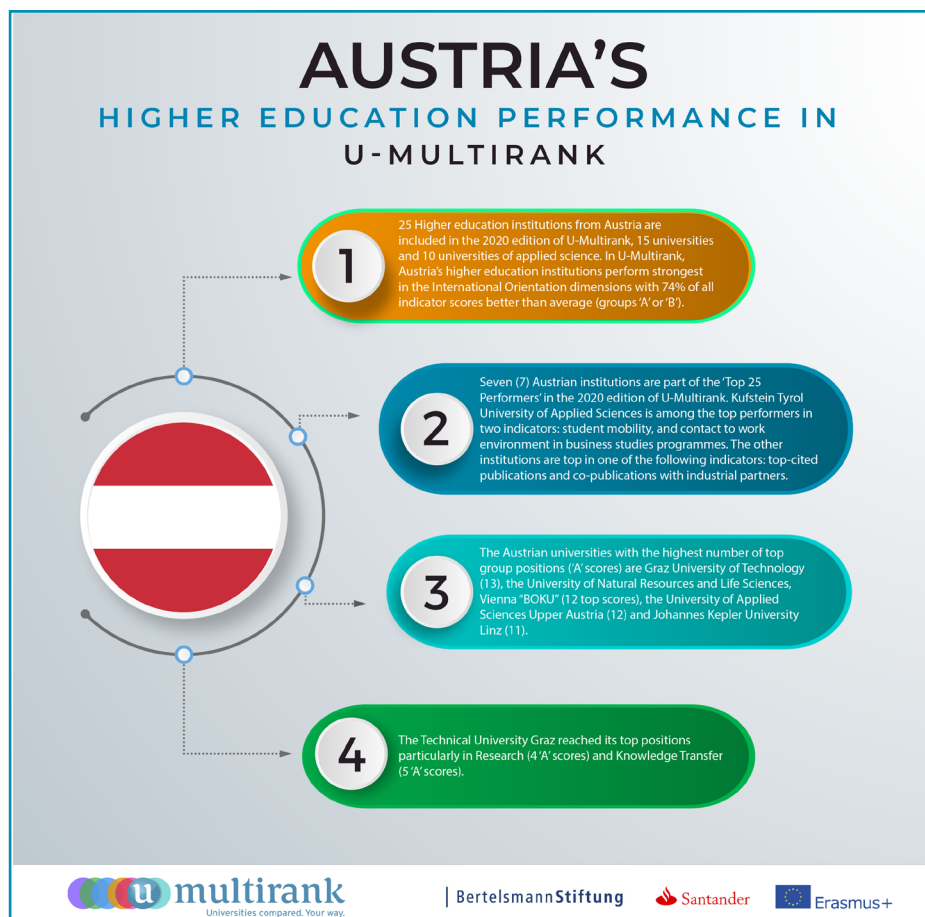
U-Multirank's 2020 edition presents data on 25 Austrian higher education institutions. For the full list of all universities from Austria included in U-Multirank, please visit our [website](#).

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AT A GLANCE: HOW DO AUSTRIAN UNIVERSITIES FARE IN U-MULTIRANK?

- 25 Higher education institutions from Austria are included in the 2020 edition of U-Multirank, 15 universities and 10 universities of applied science. In U-Multirank, Austria's higher education institutions perform strongest in the International Orientation dimensions with 74% of all indicator scores better than average (groups 'A' or 'B').
- Seven (7) Austrian institutions are part of the 'Top 25 Performers' in the 2020 edition of U-Multirank. Kufstein Tyrol University of Applied Sciences is among the top performers in two indicators: student mobility, and contact to work environment in business studies programmes. The other institutions are top in one of the following indicators: top-cited publications and co-publications with industrial partners.
- The Austrian universities with the highest number of top group positions ('A' scores) are Graz University of Technology (13), the University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences, Vienna "BOKU" (12 top scores), the University of Applied Sciences Upper Austria (12) and Johannes Kepler University Linz (11).
- The Technical University Graz reached its top positions particularly in Research (4 'A' scores) and Knowledge Transfer (5 'A' scores).



WHICH ARE THE TOP PERFORMING UNIVERSITIES IN AUSTRIA?

Graz University of Technology received the highest number of 'A' (very good) scores on the institutional level for Austria in 2020.

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.

Austrian universities with the highest number of overall top scores in 2020	Total 'A' scores 2020	Total 'A' scores 2019
Graz University of Technology	13 ↑	11
University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences, Vienna (BOKU)	12 =	12
University of Applied Sciences Upper Austria	12 ↑	1
Johannes Kepler University Linz	11 ↑	9
WU Vienna University of Economics and Business	9 ↓	11
Universität Innsbruck	9 =	9
Medical University of Vienna	9 ↓	10
University of Klagenfurt	9 ↑	7

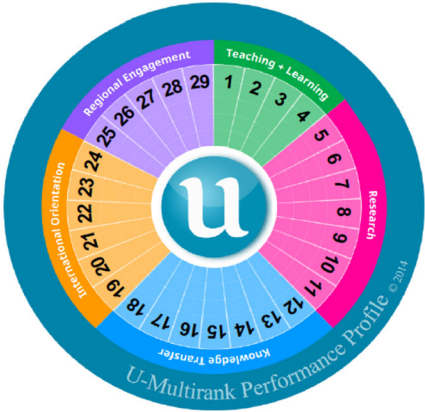
The list includes different profiles of institutions: comprehensive universities, as well as business schools and technical universities.

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).



U-MULTIRANK PRESENTS SUNBURSTS



PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

TEACHING & LEARNING	1 Bachelor graduation rate 2 Masters graduation rate 3 Graduating on time (Bachelors) 4 Graduating on time (Masters)
RESEARCH	5 External research income 6 Research publications (size-normalized) 7 Art related output 8 Citation rate 9 Topiced publications 10 Interdisciplinary publications 11 Post-doc positions
KNOWLEDGE TRANSFER	12 Income from private sources 13 Co-publications with industrial partners 14 Patents awarded (size-normalized) 15 Industry co-patents 16 Spin-offs 17 Publications cited in patents 18 Income from continuous professional development
INTERNATIONAL ORIENTATION	19 Foreign language bachelor programmes 20 Foreign language master programmes 21 Student mobility 22 International academic staff 23 International doctorate degrees 24 International joint publications
REGIONAL ENGAGEMENT	25 Bachelor graduates working in the region 26 Student internships in the region 27 Regional joint publications 28 Income from regional sources 29 Master graduates working in the region

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*For a list of definitions and calculations of indicators, see our [Indicator Book](#).

WHAT DO AUSTRIAN UNIVERSITIES DO BEST?

6 Austrian universities have achieved a global Top 25 score in
2020

TOP 25 PERFORMING UNIVERSITIES IN CONTACT TO WORK ENVIRONMENT

By U-Multirank



In this list we present the U-Multirank 2020 top performers on the indicator 'orientation to work environment orientation of master programmes.' Taking into account the inclusion of mandatory internships, the percentage of students actually doing an internship, and teaching by external practitioners, this indicator shows how strongly institutions include work experience into their degree programmes.

Europe

23

Africa

1

Asia

1

- Carlos III University of Madrid (Spain)
- Autonomous University of Barcelona (Spain)
- University of Navarra (Spain)
- University of Latvia (Latvia)
- Reutlingen University of Applied Science (Germany)
- University of Murcia (Spain)
- Kauno Kolegija/ University of Applied Sciences (Lithuania)
- Sofia University St. Kliment Ohridski (Bulgaria)
- University of La Laguna (Spain)
- Bremen University of Applied Sciences (Germany)
- Universidad Nebrija (Spain)
- Simon Kuznets Kharkiv National University of Economics (Ukraine)
- Kufstein Tyrol University of Applied Sciences (Austria)
- Southwest State University (Russian Federation)
- Frankfurt School of Finance & Management (Germany)
- accadis Hochschule Bad Homburg, University of Applied Sciences (Germany)
- German University in Cairo (Egypt)
- Srinakharinwirot University (Thailand)
- Macromedia University of Applied Sciences (Germany)
- International School of Management (ISM) (Germany)
- Osnabrück University of Applied Sciences (Germany)
- Management Center Innsbruck (MCI) (Austria)
- FH Wien der WKW - University of Applied Sciences for Management & Communication (Austria)
- Zhytomyr Polytechnic State University (Ukraine)
- Rey Juan Carlos (Spain)

*The list is sorted by indicator scores in descending order; possible ties are not marked.



Globally Top Performing Austrian Universities

In this section, U-Multirank presents the global Top 25 performers in a set of 10 indicators measuring different dimensions of performance. These lists highlight the 25 top-performing universities from around the world with the highest scores.

Austrian universities that have achieved a global Top 25 score are listed under the respective categories:

Contact to work environment

- [FH Wien der WKW - University of Applied Sciences for Management & Communication](#)
- [Kufstein Tyrol University of Applied Sciences](#)
- [Management Center Innsbruck \(MCI\)](#)

Co-publications with industrial partners

- [Vorarlberg University of Applied Sciences](#)
- [Montanuniversität Leoben](#)

Student mobility

- [Kufstein Tyrol University of Applied Sciences](#)

Top cited publications

- [MODUL University Vienna](#)

**For the full lists of all global Top 25 performers, please visit our [website](#).*

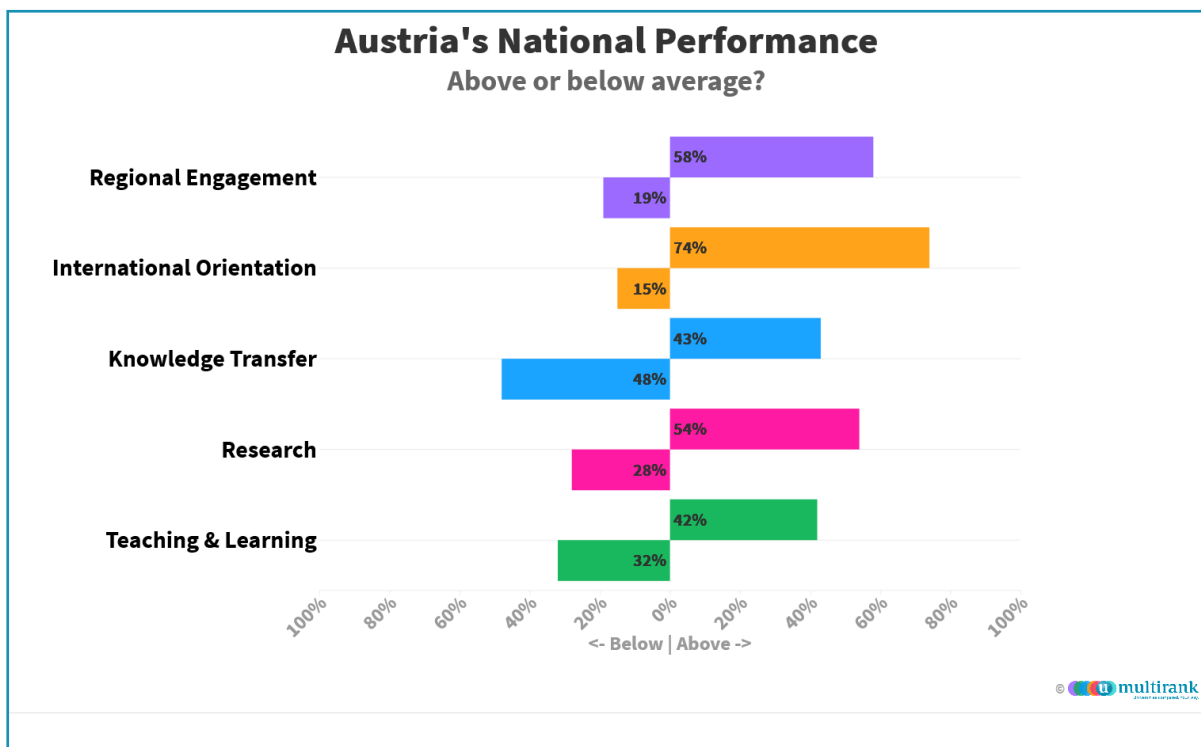
HOW DO AUSTRIAN UNIVERSITIES PERFORM GLOBALLY?

Austrian higher education institutions perform strongest in U-Multirank's International Orientation and Regional Engagement dimensions.

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.



APPENDIX

DETAILED RESULTS

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.

University		Your selection: 25 universities									
22.5.2020 dev.umultirank.org		Teaching & Learning		Research		Knowledge Transfer		International Orientation		Regional Engagement	
Level of study: bachelor, master Regions: Austria		Bachelor graduation rate	Graduating on time (masters)	Citation rate	Research publications (size-normalised)	Co-publications with industrial partners	Patents awarded (size-normalised)	Student mobility	International joint publications	Bachelor graduates working in the region	Regional joint publications
Medizinische Universität Wien	AT	-	-	A	A	A	A	-	A	-	A
TU Graz	AT	C	C	B	A	A	A	B	A	-	A
BOKU Wien	AT	D	D	B	A	A	D	B	A	B	A
Johannes Kepler University	AT	B	D	C	B	A	D	A	A	A	C
Montanuniversität Leoben	AT	D	C	B	A	A	E	B	A	-	A
Medical University Graz	AT	-	-	B	A	A	A	-	A	-	B
Universität Klagenfurt	AT	D	D	B	C	A	E	A	A	A	D
Medizinische Universität Innsbruck	AT	C	-	B	A	A	D	A	A	-	D
FH Oberösterreich	AT	C	B	C	D	A	E	A	B	A	B
Vorarlberg University of Applied Sciences	AT	B	A	C	D	A	E	A	B	B	C
TU Wien	AT	-	-	B	B	A	A	-	A	-	B
University of Salzburg	AT	D	D	B	B	A	E	A	A	C	D
University of Innsbruck	AT	C	D	B	A	A	D	B	A	-	D

U-Multirank's National University Rankings 2020-2021 – Austria

- [Institutional Rankings](#)

- [Linguistics Rankings \(new\)](#)
- [Political Science Rankings \(updated\)](#)
- [Social Geography Rankings \(new\)](#)
- [Sociology Rankings \(updated\)](#)

U-Multirank's Subject Rankings 2020-2021 – Austria

- [Business Studies Rankings \(updated\)](#)
- [Earth Sciences/ Geology Rankings \(new\)](#)
- [Economics Rankings \(updated\)](#)
- [Education Rankings \(updated\)](#)
- [History Rankings \(updated\)](#)
- [International Law Rankings \(new\)](#)

Press materials:

- [Advanced press release \(includes graphics and tables for download in Appendix\)](#)
- [FAQ](#)
- [Overview Infographic 2020](#)



WHAT IS U-MULTIRANK?

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, Fundacion CYD and Folge 3. 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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