

# Brexit

## Information and Useful Resources

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## Updates from the European Union

Information page with updates on what has been agreed between the European Union and the UK: [Relations with the United Kingdom](#)

## In Salzburg or travelling to Salzburg

### Staff and degree seeking students in Salzburg before the 1<sup>st</sup> January 2021

#### Residency in Austria

Information from the Austrian Federal Ministry of Internal Affairs on [residency and access to the labour market](#) for British citizens who arrived and registered in Austria before the 1<sup>st</sup> January 2021:

**“From 1 January 2021 onwards, it will be necessary to apply for a residence permit "Article 50 TEU" as a British citizen or as a (third-country) family member...**

**German skills will not be necessary** for a continued legal stay.

Applications can be submitted from 1 January 2021 for 12 months until the end of December 2021. It is therefore **not necessary to submit an application at the beginning of the year**. There is sufficient time for the application.

You will receive a residence permit "Article 50 TEU" in credit card format. This is **valid for 5 years**. If you have **already acquired a permanent right of residence**, the residence title is **valid for 10 years**”<sup>1</sup>

The official application form and guidance on how to fill out the form has also been published online:

- [Application form \(PDF\)](#) – only available in German
- [Application form \(Word\)](#) – only available in German
- [Guidance for filling out the form \(in German\)](#) – Source: Federal Ministry of Internal Affairs
- [Guidance for filling out the form \(in English\)](#) – Source: Federal Ministry of Internal Affairs

#### Update from [British in Austria Network](#) – 21.12.2020

“Fremdenbehörde in Salzburg (city) **will not be taking appointments before the end of the January lockdown** (ie. until after 24.01.2021)”<sup>2</sup>

#### Important sources

- The UK Government’s “[Living in Austria](#)” page is frequently updated to inform British citizens about developments in important topics such as residency, healthcare etc.
- The Austrian Federal Ministry of Internal Affairs has a useful information page and FAQs on the topic of Brexit in both [English](#) and [German](#).
- [FAQs](#) collated by the British in Austria Network.
- [Brexit information and FAQs](#) on the Austrian Exchange Service (OeAD) website.

<sup>1</sup> Accessed 04 Jan. 21

<sup>2</sup> <https://www.britishinaustria.net/article-50-card/> (Accessed 04 Jan. 21)

## Healthcare and insurance

### Staff

Information from the UK Government website on [healthcare for UK nationals living in Austria](#):

“If you live in Austria or move there before the end of 2020, **your rights to access healthcare in Austria will stay the same from 1 January 2021** for as long as you remain resident.

This means you’ll:

- continue to get state healthcare in Austria on the same basis as an Austrian resident
- still be entitled to an Austrian EHIC for travel, including visits to the UK”<sup>3</sup>

### Degree seeking students

Information from the UK Government website on healthcare for UK nationals living in Austria, taken from the section titled “Studying in Austria”:

“If you’re in Austria on 31 December 2020 because you study there, and your course continues beyond 2020, you need to [apply for a new UK-issued EHIC](#) [information from linked NHS website: “You do not need to apply for a GHIC if you already have an EHIC. Your EHIC remains valid in the EU until it expires”<sup>4</sup>]

Your EHIC entitles you to medically necessary healthcare until the end of your study period in Austria.

From 1 January 2021, your EHIC will only be valid in Austria. Make sure you have travel insurance to cover the duration of your course.

You can also choose to register for state health insurance and pay the student rate. You’ll need to [register as a resident first](#).”

### Further information:

- See more information from the European Union on [how to use the European Health Insurance Card \(EHIC\) in Austria](#)
- If relevant, apply for student health insurance in Salzburg – [information in German](#)

### Tuition

Information for students from the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, UK:

“UK students who are enrolled on a course of study in the EU and move to their country of study **before the end of the transition period** are protected by the Withdrawal Agreement **for the duration of their studies...**

...if you move to your country of study before the end of the transition period, you are entitled to reside in your country of study but may need to **register or apply for a new residence status**”

**Next steps:** see information for the residence permit [above](#).

### Tuition fees

Information from the Austrian Federal Ministry of Internal Affairs:

“...students **do not have to pay higher tuition fees** as long as they **finish their studies in the study period**

<sup>3</sup> Accessed on 04 Jan. 21

<sup>4</sup> [Apply for a free European Health Insurance Card \(EHIC\) - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](#) (Accessed 04 Jan. 21)

officially foreseen plus period of tolerance. Afterwards a tuition fee of Euro 363,36 per semester needs to be paid”<sup>5</sup>

## Staff, degree-seeking or exchange students arriving in Salzburg after the 1<sup>st</sup> January 2021

### General information

Information from the UK Government website for [visiting Europe from the 1<sup>st</sup> January 2021](#) which provides up-to-date information on passports, healthcare, visas, roaming charges etc.

### Entry requirements

Information for the UK Government website “[Foreign travel advice: Austria](#)”.

#### “British Citizen passport holders...

...will be able to travel to countries in the Schengen area for **up to 90 days in any 180-day period without a visa** as a tourist, to visit family or friends, to attend business meetings, cultural or sports events, or for short-term studies or training.

**To stay for longer**, to work or study, for business or for other reasons, [they] will need to **meet the entry requirements set out by Austria**. This could mean **applying for a visa and/or work permit**”.<sup>6</sup>

### Important sources

- The Austrian Embassy in the UK provides information on how and where to apply for a visa (stays of 91 days or more) on its website “[Entry Requirements, Visa and Immigration](#)”
- See “Frequent Topics” in the right-hand menu of the OeAD website “[Information about Entry and Residence for Students and Researchers](#)” for detailed advice on working, health insurance etc.
- [Brexit information and FAQs](#) on the Austrian Exchange Service (OeAD) website.

### Students

Information from the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, UK:

“Students moving to the EU to study **after the 31 December 2020** will have to apply through relevant immigration routes for **third-country nationals...**”

The OeAD has published information on visas and resident permits as well as other important information for third-country nationals on its [website](#).

- [Information on Visa D for students](#) (for stays between 91 days and 6 months)
- [Information on residence permits for students](#) (for stays of more than 6 months)

### Exchange students

**Winter semester 2020/21:** “The 90-day limit for visa-free travel will begin on 1 January 2021. Any days you stay in Austria or other Schengen countries before 1 January 2021 will not count towards the 90-day limit”<sup>7</sup>

**Summer semester 2021:** See information on Visa D [above](#).

<sup>5</sup> [Education, Studying, Youth mobility and research - Federal Chancellery of Austria \(bundeskanzleramt.gov.at\)](#) (Accessed on 04 Jan. 21)

<sup>6</sup> <https://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice/austria/entry-requirements> (Accessed 04 Jan. 21)

<sup>7</sup> [Entry requirements - Austria travel advice - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#) (Accessed 31 Dec. 20)

## Research, training and working in Austria

[Information on Visa D for researchers for gainful employment](#) (for stays between 91 days and 6 months)

See “Frequent Topics” in the right-hand menu of the OeAD website “[Information about Entry and Residence for Students and Researchers](#)”

See information from the UK Government website for [working in Austria](#).

## Healthcare and insurance

Information from the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, UK:

“To study in the EU you are required to hold comprehensive sickness insurance. The Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office also recommends taking out travel insurance”

### European Health Insurance Card (EHIC)

Information from the UK Government about [healthcare for UK nationals living in Austria](#):

“If you already have an EHIC it will still be valid as long as it remains in date. A GHIC or EHIC gives you the right to access emergency state-provided healthcare during a temporary stay in those countries”<sup>8</sup>

Read more information from the European Union on [how to use the European Health Insurance Card \(EHIC\) in Austria](#).

### Austrian self-insurance

The ÖGK [website for self-insurance](#) – in German

- Information on [self-insurance with statutory health insurance](#) (not for students) – in English
- Information on [voluntary student health insurance](#) (in English) – [website in German](#)

**Important:** Erasmus+ trainees are registered at the PLUS as a student and can therefore also apply for the voluntary student health insurance

## Travelling to the UK after the 1<sup>st</sup> January 2021

### Entry requirements

See the UK Government’s website for [visiting the UK from 1 January 2021](#), which covers necessary documents for entry, mobile roaming charges, driving in the UK etc.

The [Visas and immigration page](#) on the UK Government website provides an essential guide to ensuring all steps have been completed in applying for visas etc.

[Information from the Austrian Embassy in London](#) on Brexit and entering the UK – page is in German.

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<sup>8</sup> [Foreign travel insurance - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#) (Accessed 30 Dec. 20)

## Studying

### Stays for 6 months or less

Result from [UK Government visa check](#) for Austrian citizens ([read more](#)):

“You can stay in the UK as a student for **up to 6 months** without a visa”

### Stays longer than 6 months

See the UK Government website on the [study in the UK on a Student visa](#) for information on requirements, restrictions, application and fees.

## Work, academic visit or business

**Note:** this concerns people wishing to “come to the UK for a short time for **work experience** or to do training, an Overseas Government Language Programme, **research** or a fellowship through an approved government authorised exchange scheme”.<sup>9</sup>

### Stays for 6 months or less

Result from [UK Government visa check](#) for Austrian citizens ([read more](#)):

You may be able to come to the UK **without a visa** if you’re either...

...invited as an expert in your profession for a ‘Permitted Paid Engagement’

...visiting for certain business or academic activities, but not working in the UK

### Stays longer than 6 months

Result from [UK Government visa check](#) for Austrian citizens ([read more](#)):

You’ll need a visa to work or do business or academic research in the UK

## Healthcare and insurance

- Information from the NHS on [receiving healthcare in the UK](#)
- Information from the European Union on [how to use the European Health Insurance Card in the UK](#)

## Erasmus+ and Brexit

### Updates

On the 24<sup>th</sup> December 2020, it was announced that **the UK will no longer be participating** in the **Erasmus+ programme**. Instead, the UK will create a “scheme for students to go around the world, and it will be called the Turing Scheme”, the Prime Minister stated. Watch the video or read the full transcript of the Q&A [here](#).

The Austrian Exchange Service (OeAD) has created an [informational portal for Brexit](#) and its effect on mobility programmes and European projects, such as Erasmus+.

### Statement from the OeAD, 10. Dezember 2020:

“...for individuals and organisations in Austria:

- All approved Erasmus+ projects (including the application round 2020) that involve a UK organisation will be able continue to deliver their activities as normal for the full duration of their project (even after 31 December 2020).
- Erasmus+ mobility to and from the United Kingdom will still be funded within approved projects.”<sup>10</sup>

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<sup>9</sup> [Temporary Worker - Government Authorised Exchange visa \(T5\) - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#) (Accessed 04 Jan. 21)

<sup>10</sup> [Artikel | Österreichische Austauschdienst \(OeAD\)](#) (Accessed on 04 Jan. 21)

See information from Universities UK on [Brexite and UK Universities](#)

Changes for EU students in the UK | FAQs on fees, immigration, Erasmus+ (information accurate as of 10 November 2020):

“The UK will continue to participate fully in Erasmus+ until the end of the current programme. This means that **EU students can study or work in the UK as part of the current Erasmus+ programme up until the end of 2020-21 academic year**”<sup>11</sup>

This means that students from the EU will be able to receive funding to complete an Erasmus+ traineeship or study stay in the UK until September 2021, provided they meet nomination deadlines set by the PLUS.

## Horizon 2020 projects

Information from the UK Research Office (UKRO), last updated on the 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2020:

“UK participants will continue to receive EU grant funding for the lifetime of individual Horizon 2020 projects, including projects finishing after the transition period ends at the end of 2020.

UK scientists, researchers and businesses can continue to participate in and lead Horizon 2020 projects and apply for Horizon 2020 grant funding”

Read more in the factsheet for [BREXIT and Continued UK Participation in EU Programmes for Research, Innovation and Higher Education](#).

- See updates from the Austrian Research Promotion Agency (FFG) on their [website](#).

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<sup>11</sup> [eu-student-faq.pdf \(universitiesuk.ac.uk\)](#) (Accessed 04 Jan. 21)

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