

# Grant of the Province of Styria in Cooperation with the University of Graz for Students from South-Eastern Europe – GO STYRIA



**Winter semester 2010/11**

## General Information

In cooperation with the University of Graz, the Province of Styria offers a new grant for outstanding students from South-Eastern European countries – “Go Styria!”. In the academic year 2010/2011 a total of 56 scholarship months can be awarded.

More information on fields of study offered at the University of Graz available at [www.uni-graz.at/en/verawww\\_studienangebot.htm](http://www.uni-graz.at/en/verawww_studienangebot.htm).

The Department for Scientific Affairs of the Province of Styria takes a very strong interest in the process of South-Eastern European integration and sets a course in those countries who are not – or not yet – members of the European Union. Styria, as a link between the EU and Eastern/South-Eastern Europe, adopts an active role in the scientific and cultural exchange between the countries and has the necessary preconditions to integrate the research competences and to utilize the available synergetic opportunities.

Against the background of a long standing, varied and intensive cooperation with the regions of South-Eastern Europe, the University of Graz was the first university in the German-speaking world to set a university-wide focus on “South-Eastern Europe” as the profile-setting core of its university development concept. Thanks to its expertise and acquaintance with both the needs as well as the potentials for cooperation of the South-Eastern European region, the University of Graz has been an important forerunner within the EU for the realization of the vision of European-wide integration for a long time. As part of an extensive circle of partnerships, the university takes these historically developed and in many areas important connections into consideration.

## Application Requirements

Those entitled to financial aid are students from the countries of South-Eastern Europe (Slovenia, Croatia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Serbia, Kosovo, Montenegro, the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia) (F.Y.R.O.M.), Albania, Greece, Cyprus, Turkey, Hungary, Romania, Bulgaria and Moldova) who at the beginning of their stay abroad are at least in the 7<sup>th</sup> semester of a diploma programme or at least in the 2<sup>nd</sup> semester of a master's programme of a field of studies relevant to their stay abroad, or those who are already writing their master's or doctoral thesis. The selection of the grant holders takes place in a joint process of the Province of Styria and the University of Graz. The academic quality of the applicant is decisive for the success of the application. Depending upon the intended aim of the studies or research, proof of the command of German and/or English is to be provided.

The maximum length of time of financial aid for “Go Styria” is five months. Grant awards for shorter research stays are occasionally possible.

Making use of „Go Styria“ and other scholarship programs for the same duration of study at the University of Graz is not admissible!

## Submission Deadline

Application deadline – **26 March 2010 (receiving deadline)**.

Only those applications that are complete and reach the Office of International Relations on time (on 26 March 2010 the latest) will be considered! Faxed, emailed or incomplete applications will not be accepted!

## Application Documents

- Filled-in application form (download available on website) – please fill it in on the computer or use block letters!
- Study Confirmation, i.e. a confirmation by your home university about which course of study you're enrolled in and at what level.
- List of certificates (details see application pack)
- Curriculum vitae (German or English)
- Description of intended aim of studies and/or research (German or English)
- 2 letters of recommendation (German or English)
- Copy of passport

## Amount of Grant

“Go Styria” includes the following benefits:

- Grant in the amount of EUR 600 per month
- Waiver of tuition fees at the University of Graz

## After the Stay Abroad

Every grant holder has to submit a report about his or her stay in Graz to the Office of International Relations within three months after the end of her/his scholarship period.

The report should give an overall impression of the stay abroad, providing information both on professional benefits as well as general experiences. The reports will be made public on the homepage and thus made available to new applicants.

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