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VFS Education Services collaborates with Austria's leading Technical Universities to enable Indian students to pursue higher education in engineering and technology

- Engineering students from recognised colleges across India can apply
- Students will be provided one-year post study work permit upon graduation
- Applications being accepted for summer and winter intakes

In a significant boost to India-Austria educational collaboration and mobility, VFS Education Services has signed an agreement with three public Technical Universities (TU) of Austria. Under this agreement, Indian engineering and technology graduates* from recognised colleges under the [ANABIN list](#) will be able to pursue higher education in these institutes.

This landmark public-private partnership aims to support Indo-Austrian mobility for skilled engineering and technology students. It is specifically designed for students from recognised colleges across India, providing them with access to quality higher education in TU Leoben, TU Wien, and TU Graz.

Prof. Peter Moser, Rector, TU Leoben, said, "We are proud to be part of this forward-looking initiative that welcomes outstanding engineering graduates from India to Austria. This programme reflects our strong commitment to academic excellence, international exchange, and global responsibility. It opens doors to cutting-edge master's programmes in specialised fields such as circular engineering, resource efficiency, and sustainable technologies – disciplines that are essential for shaping a more resilient and sustainable future. At our university, we believe that diversity is a driver of innovation. By bringing together students from different cultures and academic backgrounds, we create an environment where bold ideas can thrive, and real-world solutions can emerge. I warmly invite you to become part of our vibrant international academic community and to contribute your knowledge, curiosity, and vision to the challenges and opportunities of tomorrow."

Zubin Karkaria, Founder and CEO, VFS Global Group, said, "We are delighted to be working with the Austrian Universities of Technology to open up higher education opportunities for Indian students. By supporting this cross-border public private initiative, VFS Education Services is playing a critical role in promoting global mobility and strengthening bilateral ties. This initiative not only provides students with world-class and affordable learning opportunities, but also reflects our overarching mission to create better futures and strengthen international cooperation in education."

The programme comprises a two-year Master's degree, entailing theory as well as industry work experience as part of the course component. The Universities will also support on-campus placements and career open day engagements with industry experts. As part of the academic programme, the students will be eligible for a one-year post study visa extension upon graduation, supporting their transition into the international workforce.

To efficiently manage and streamline the workflow for handling applications from Indian students to the three leading Austrian engineering universities, VFS Education Services has also launched a digital admissions portal. This flexible and user-friendly tool, designed for mobile and tablet responsiveness, integrates effortlessly with existing systems, streamlining processes and enabling real-time data capture at scale.

Pursuing a master's degree at a Technical University in Austria offers a truly enriching academic and cultural experience. Known for its historic contributions to art, music, science, and engineering, Austria provides students with a unique blend of tradition and innovation. Cities like Vienna, Graz, and Leoben not only host globally respected technical institutions such as TU Wien, TU Graz, and TU Leoben, but also serve as vibrant cultural hubs.

Students interested in enrolling for the March and October 2026 batches can send their B-Tech degree certificates with marksheets to austria@vfsedu.com. Shortlisted candidates will be notified about the next steps. Please note that students are shortlisted as per their choice of engineering degree and number of seats available. This selection would be based on overall grades, English proficiency, one-to-one assessments and document verifications.

About VFS Education Services

VFS Education Services is a wholly owned subsidiary of VFS Global, a globally recognised leader in trusted technology services, guided by the principles of integrity, transparency, and efficiency—values inherited from our Swiss heritage under the Kuoni Group, a key shareholder of VFS Global from its inception.

For more than two decades, VFS Education Services has helped over 35,000 students and families seeking overseas education and upskilling, through several initiatives, endeavours and customised suite of solutions, across key markets such as Canada, Europe, the United Kingdom, and the United States. Serviced by over 300 staff members, and operating with the same values of integrity, transparency, and operational excellence that positioned VFS Global as a leader in trusted technology services, the company is dedicated to “Serving Students Globally” by simplifying access to international education, ensuring it is safer and more attainable for aspiring students.

This commitment is supported and reinforced by the VFS Global Academy, the training and capability-building division of VFS Global. The Academy aims to develop future talent in the travel, tourism, and hospitality sectors through a learner-centric and industry-aligned curriculum. With operations in India, Saudi Arabia, and the UAE—and plans to expand into China and Sri Lanka—the Academy provides industry-aligned training and fully paid internships with a 95% placement rate.

With an expanding global presence and extensive expertise in cross-border mobility, the company offers comprehensive solutions for both students and educational institutions. These include university admissions and application support, exhaustive student visa assistance, pre-departure briefings, and additional services such as accommodation, insurance, foreign exchange, banking, document verification, translation, apostille services, digital lockers for academic records including DocsWallet, as well as strategic partnerships with universities, agents, and educational platforms.

About VFS Global

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