





# Best of South-East Scholarship

### Don't Miss the Application Deadline! December 10<sup>th</sup> 2018 (12 pm MESZ) The online application will close on this day!

**Best of South East** is a scholarship-program initiated by the **Steiermärkische Sparkasse**, in cooperation with **Montanuniversitaet Leoben (MUL)**, University of Graz, University of Music and Performing Arts Graz and TU Graz. It is an advancement and continuing education program for talented and dedicated students from **Slovenia**, **Croatia**, **Bosnia and Herzegovina**, **Serbia**, **Montenegro** and **Macedonia**.

The scholarship program lasts 12 months (from September to the end of August) and includes at *Montanuniversitaet Leoben (MUL):* 

- 1. A scholarship of <u>750€ monthly</u> for an entire year from September until August (sponsored by Steiermärkische Sparkasse)
- 2. A tuition fee waiver for two semesters at Montanuniveristaet Leoben (winter and summer semester)
- 3. A two weeks long intensive English course before the first semester starts
- 4. A two month long trainee program or internship in July and August right after the study year at MUL

The program's aim is to provide scholarship-holders with **international** education, work experience and training opportunities. Scholarship-holders benefit greatly from the BOSE- program in multiple ways:

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- $\rightarrow$  Academic added value from studying at *MUL*
- ightarrow Career facilitation through an international internship
- $\rightarrow$  Enhancement of your chances on the job market through studying and working abroad

During the scholarship program **events** and **informative meetings** ensure that scholarship-holders are integrated into the economic, cultural and scientific life in Styria. On order to improve your language skills German and English language courses can be attended.

### Scholarship Requirements

- Citizenship: Slovenian, Bosnian and Herzegovinian, Croatian, Serbian, Montenegro or the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (F.Y.R.O.M)
- o The applicant must be enrolled as regular student at a foreign university or at MUL
- Language skills in English (minimum level B2) or German (minimum level B2)
- Students have to be at least in their third semesters of their Bachelor program at the time of the application
- o Only applicants that are maximum 27 years old at the time of the application are accepted
- Master students who want to write their Master thesis or PhD students require a letter of confirmation of a supervisor at MUL (our office can help you to find a supervisor at MUL)
- Very good grades, motivation, commitment, good communication skills, adaptability, theoretical knowledge, as well as practical skills

#### →Scholarship holders must complete min. 30 ECTS at MUL in the academic year (15 ECTS per semester)









# **Application Process**

# Step 1: Request the link to the online application platform at MIRO

Send an application request to <u>incoming@unileoben.ac.at</u> and you will receive the link to our MUL online application platform called Mobility Online. You should do step 1 as soon as you know you want to apply, but at the latest until the end of November! This will leave you enough time to fill out your application on the online platform in due time!  $\rightarrow$  The online application platform will close on December 10<sup>th</sup>!

### Make sure to include the following information in the email to get access to the online application platform:

- First and last name (as in your passport)
- Name of your home university in both the native language and in English
- Your academic program (BA, MA, Diploma, Dr. etc.)
- What semester you at the moment attend in your current study program

## Step 2: Apply on the Online Application Platform 'Mobility Online'

- Login data for the platform will be sent to you upon request (step 1). →Request the link before the end of November at the latest and you will have enough time to fill out your application until December 10<sup>th</sup>!
- Fill out all necessary data and upload all required documents

You will need the following documents to apply on our online platform:

1. Learning Agreement  $\rightarrow$ see attached document

= course program to be completed at MUL-<u>only page 1, signatures not yet needed!</u> Search for courses at: https://online.unileoben.ac.at/mu\_online/webnav.ini

If you cannot speak German, click on the courses name and see description to make sure they are in English. NOTE: You <u>are not allowed</u> to take courses that are part of a '<u>Universitätslehrgang'</u> -also check by clicking on the course name at MUonline.

- 2. Confirmation of enrolment from the applicant's home university
- 3. **Motivation letter** in the form of an essay (not exceeding 2 pages); the focus of the essay should be on the applicant's individual interests and motivation
- 4. **Transcript of Records / Diploma Certificate** (if the original is in a language other than English or German, a translation in English or German certified by the home university is necessary):
  - For Master's students: Bachelor's degree certificate and transcript of records from the Bachelor's and Master's degree programmes
  - For PhD students: Bachelor's and Master's degree certificates, as well as the transcript of records from the Bachelor's, Master's, and Doctoral degree programmes
- 5. **2 letters of recommendation**: Both letters of recommendation must be written by teachers who taught or supervised the applicant during his/her degree programme. One of the two letters of recommendation must be issued by an academic.
- 6. Curriculum vitae in tabular form (in English or German)
- 7. Copy of your passport
- 8. Proof of German or English language skills: Language certificates may not be older than one year.
  - German language skills (at least level B2); only official certificates from the ÖSD, Goethe Institute or universities will be accepted
  - English language skills (at least level B2); only official certificates will be accepted









### Interesting Links:

- MUL international office website: <u>http://international.unileoben.ac.at</u>
- BOSE at MUL: <u>http://international.unileoben.ac.at/en/3475/</u>
- Online application platform: <u>https://www.service4mobility.com/mobility/LoginServlet</u>
- MuOnline (check MUL courses): <u>https://online.unileoben.ac.at/mu\_online/</u>
- BOSE-Website of Steiermärkische Sparkasse: <u>https://www.sparkasse.at/steiermaerkische/wir-ueber-uns/gesellschaft/wissenschaft-und-forschung</u>
- BOSE on Facebook: <u>https://www.facebook.com/BestOfSouthEast/</u>

