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YOU ARE OUR NUMBER ONE!
At the University of Klagenfurt, the
average number of students per professor
is 38. In other words, you are not a mere
number here, instead you are individually
known, challenged and supported by our
teaching staff.

THE PERFECT PROGRAMME
FOR YOU!
The range of degrees offered includes
20 Bachelor’s programmes, 29 Master’s
programmes, 14 teaching subjects and
5 doctoral programmes. In addition, we
have a wide range of supplementary
options. This means we have exactly
what you need.

REASONS TO
STUDY IN
KLagenfurt

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OUR STUNNING CAMPUS!
The campus covers 10 hectares and comes with ample parking, in close proximity to Lake Wörthersee. The infrastructure offers everything you need for your perfect time at university: short distances, modern buildings, a large library, and fantastic leisure and cultural opportunities. The Lakeside Science & Technology Park with its many high-tech companies is right next door. It only takes 15 minutes to reach the city centre by bike.

SPRINGBOARD FOR YOUR CAREER!
The university maintains close ties with companies in the region and all around the world. You will gain an early foothold in a network of industry experts who will support you on your way to a successful professional career through various career programmes.

NO UNIVERSITY FEES!
As a state university in Austria, the University of Klagenfurt can offer your study programme free of charge. If you complete your studies promptly, there are no costs for you as an EU citizen (except the ÖH student union fee of around EUR 20 per semester).

AFFORDABLE LIVING!
Klagenfurt is one of the major cities in Austria where living costs are still manageable. Rooms in student residences or shared flats as well as small studio apartments can be had for around EUR 200 to EUR 500. Certain programmes offer scholarships you can apply for.

THE WORLD COMES TO YOU AND YOU HEAD OUT INTO THE WORLD!
Around 2,000 of our 12,000 students hail from close to 100 countries around the world. The university cooperates with 440 universities worldwide, so you can easily spend semesters abroad, complete internships and attend summer schools.

THE UNIVERSITY OF KLAGENFURT BELONGS TO THE TOP 2 %
of the best universities in the world!
It has achieved excellent results in many rankings - including the THE Young University Rankings. Numerous researchers are international luminaries in their fields and actively shape the development of future technologies.
Bachelor’s degree programmes last 6 semesters and comprise 180 ECTS credits. The four-semester Master’s programmes stipulate 120 ECTS credits. German language skills (B2) are a prerequisite for most programmes. Some programmes are offered in English.
# Master’s Programmes

## Management & Economics
- Business Administration MSc
- Business & Law MSc
- Information & Communications Engineering Dipl.-Ing.
- Information Management MSc
- International Management MSc
- Management, Economics, & Data Science MSc
- Media & Convergence Management MSc

## Law
- Business Law LLM

## Technical Sciences
- Artificial Intelligence & Cybersecurity MSc
- Game Studies & Engineering MSc or MA
- Informatics Dipl.-Ing.
- Information & Communications Engineering Dipl.-Ing.
- Information Management MSc
- Mathematics Dipl.-Ing.
- Media & Convergence Management MSc
- Science, Technology & Society Studies MA

## Cultural Sciences
- Applied Cultural Analysis & Transcultural Studies MA
- Cross-Border Studies MA
- History MA
- Media, Communications & Culture MA
- Philosophy MA
- Visual Culture MA

## Social Sciences & Humanities
- Cross-Border Studies MA
- Diversity Education in School and Society MA
- Adult Learning & Education & Vocational Education and Training MA
- Game Studies & Engineering MSc or MA
- Geography & Regional Studies: Regional Transformations MSc
- History MA
- Media and Convergence Management MSc
- Media, Communications & Culture MA
- Psychology MSc
- Science, Technology & Society Studies MA
- Social Pedagogy and Social Inclusion MA

## Languages & Literature Studies
- Cross-Border Studies MA
- English & American Studies MA
- German Studies MA
- German Studies in an Intercultural Context MA, Dott. mag./Dott.ssa mag.
- Romance Studies MA

## Teacher Training
- Computer Science
- English
- Ethics *(Bachelor only at the moment)*
- French
- Geography & Economics
- German
- History, Social Studies & Political Education
- Italian
- Mathematics
- Movement & Sports
- Music Education – Instruments *(at the Teacher Training College Carinthia)*
- Music Education *(at the Teacher Training College Carinthia)*
- Slovenian
- Spanish

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**These Programmes Have a Special Admission Procedure**
BECOME
PART OF OUR
COMMUNITY
CHANTAL BAMGBALA

“My really enjoy the field of cultural management – the courses had a solid practical relevance and I gained valuable insights into the cultural scene in Klagenfurt and across the entire Alps-Adriatic region.”

PATRICK WEXLER

“This programme focuses on economics as well as business administration. Gaining new knowledge about these two topics in an international context broadens my horizons and also creates many opportunities for my future. This is why I opted for this degree programme.”

BA APPLIED CULTURAL STUDIES

Culture is so much more than just opera or gallery. Culture is a central phenomenon that shapes people and society: We pose at Insta hotspots, we couch-surf around the world and we stand up for causes like Fridays for Future and Black Lives Matter. We strive to understand our culture(s), to reflect on them and to render them comprehensible to as many people as possible. Applied Cultural Studies introduces you to intercultural forms of cultural management and marketing in addition to teaching you the theoretical basics.

BA INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS

There are no limits to your professional career: In this age of digitalisation and globalisation, we need worldly-wise managers who can track down market opportunities. They are equipped with tools that can be used universally: accounting, controlling, marketing, human resources management, logistics, information systems… The English language Bachelor’s programme in International Business and Economics will qualify you as an all-round talent who can be deployed anywhere in the world. Please note: We only allocate 50 university places per year following a selection procedure.

BA MEDIA AND COMMUNICATIONS

Communication happens everywhere: via smartphones, social media such as Facebook, Instagram and YouTube, or media such as television, podcasts and newspapers. Nowadays, influencers are highly successful advertisers and shapers of opinions. Journalism and PR are changing. The degree programme in Media and Communications provides you with theoretical AND practical knowledge: editing videos, writing blogs, creating graphics, organising events – you can try your hand at all these things when you complete 300 hours of work experience!
BA INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS ENGINEERING

When data is processed in a world of the “Internet of Things” in cars, in watches, in smart home applications, in robots or even in clothing, this gives rise to new opportunities for innovative products. Information engineering lies at the interface between software and hardware. Advancing new technologies simultaneously boosts the economy! This requires technical expertise and sound economic judgement. You will learn from international research luminaries who undertake hands-on research with industry partners.

BA TECHNICAL MATHEMATICS

For many, it is the most elegant language in the world, because it is unambiguous: mathematics. It helps us to describe and solve our day-to-day problems. Today, mathematics is a key technology and an indispensable basis for the development of technical innovations. The degree programme in Technical Mathematics is undertaken by clever minds who are good at detecting patterns and structures in apparent chaos and who enjoy tackling tricky issues! What we can offer you: You will be encouraged and challenged by the very best, studying and learning from top scholars in a friendly and relaxed atmosphere.

MA INTERNATIONAL MANAGEMENT

Highly qualified for your international career! The programme covers the entire spectrum of management: marketing, innovation management, entrepreneurship, financing and accounting, operations management, international law and logistics in global contexts. By setting your own course priorities, you choose the area of management you wish to enter and thrive in. Please note: There are only 35 university places per year!

MA MANAGEMENT, ECONOMICS, AND DATA SCIENCE

Data represent the most important currency of our time. But only very few people know how to get the best out of data. We train these people. The Master’s degree programme in Management, Economics, and Data Science can transform you into a highly sought-after Big Data expert equipped with innovative and powerful tools for extracting maximum knowledge from vast data pools. In this programme, you decide: Choose between the majors “International Business & Economics” and “Business Analytics”!
MA GAME STUDIES & ENGINEERING

Are you passionate about games – both in digital and analogue form? Are you interested in learning about games and their development from different perspectives? You can take up this Master’s programme if you have a Bachelor’s degree in computer science or in the humanities. Your fellow students are very diverse: They hail from a variety of subjects and many different countries. The English language degree programme has a special admission procedure and also offers a lot of hands-on experience, including a project semester.

MA CROSS-BORDER STUDIES

Are you interested in transcending the boundaries of individual languages and cultures and growing personally in the process? The Master’s degree programme in Cross-Border Studies offers you freedom of movement, both mentally and physically: Broaden your language skills and your insights into culture and society! Venture out of the university, head into the real world and find out what you’re capable of! And use your semester abroad to test yourself in a foreign culture!

MA ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE & CYBERSECURITY

Artificial intelligence and IT security do not just pose technical challenges; you also have to consider social, ethical and legal aspects if you want to build systems that are as smart and secure as possible. The English language Master’s degree programme, which includes a special admission procedure, will bring you up to the “state of the art”. We cooperate with the Università degli studi di Udine: Students can attend lectures (online) here and there and collaborate on projects!

MA MEDIA & CONVERGENCE MANAGEMENT

Tomorrow’s media experts need more than one leg to stand on: This degree programme offers you three solid supports. We will sharpen your cultural-scientific view of media phenomena, equip you for the economics behind the media world and whip your technical tools into shape. You can be deployed wherever media and content coalesce. Please note: There are only 35 highly sought-after university places per year, and these are allocated following a special admission procedure!

ALL OUR PROGRAMMES:
www.aau.at/en/degree-programmes

SUSANNE BEHRENS

“The MCM degree programme gained my enthusiasm owing to its interdisciplinarity and the international atmosphere, which makes me feel as if I am studying all over the world while I am sitting in the lecture hall in Klagenfurt.”

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We meet Hannes in his room in the student dorm. He studies media and communications at the University of Klagenfurt and relocated to this city to pursue his degree. While we take a peek at his colourful and snug room, he explains that he came to the University of Klagenfurt because the wide range of courses on offer here appealed to him. When he first started his degree, a flat share or living in a flat by himself were not an option for him.

"IN THE STUDENT DORM, GETTING OFF TO A GOOD START IS PRETTY EASY"

Many do what Hannes is doing. First-year students in particular often take a room in a student dorm. Where else can you get a bunch of new friends in addition to your own space? All your neighbours are guaranteed to be students, too.

For those moving to a new area, city or even country, finding a place to live is just as important as making new friends. You get both at once at the student dorm. “I wanted to move into a student dorm because I felt that I would be closer to university life and would be able to socialise more easily.” His premonition was confirmed, as Hannes informs us during our visit. “Common rooms and chance encounters in the corridors help you to get to know people quickly.”
In addition, student halls of residence usually represent a cheaper alternative to expensive flats. You pay a flat rate: Electricity, heating and internet are usually included in the price. And one of the best things about having your own space for the first time: The furniture is already in place! “A flat of my own and having to furnish it first, would have put too great a strain on my financial situation”, Hannes confides.

SEARCHING FOR A NEW “HOME”
When we ask him if it took long to find a student dorm, Hannes shakes his head decisively. “No, all it took was a quick search to find the Nautilusheim right next to the university, which offered adequate value for money!”

However, you can’t afford to be slow off the mark. Hannes points out that he lives in a very popular student dorm. The sooner you apply, the better your chances, as many student dorms fill up quickly. “At the time, I was lucky enough to secure the last available room. It was May, and my degree programme didn’t start until October.”

HANNES LEADS A COMPACT LIFE
Hannes shares his room with a fellow student. It contains two beds, two wardrobes, and two desks. In addition, they have a large balcony they can enjoy. Together, they live on 25 square metres. “The need for privacy has to take a back seat. This is something you have to be aware of in advance”, Hannes explains. He never saw this as a problem. The kitchen and common rooms are shared with the other residents on the same floor. In the kitchen, each room has a designated fridge, everything else is settled by agreement.

FROM STRANGERS TO FRIENDS
Many people can’t imagine sharing a room with a stranger. But Hannes had already experienced this kind of situation at boarding school and in the army. “I’ve never had a problem sharing a room. If the harmony fits, living together is no problem at all and holds great potential for friendships.” There have also never been any quarrels with his roommate, they got along right away. “We never established any ground rules, we just talk to each other and find a compromise.”

He can well imagine staying in the student dorm for the duration of his studies. “Of course, I wouldn’t rule out sharing a flat with others, and I’ve already had conversations with some of my fellow students. But then the idea lost a bit of steam.” One thing is certain, however: He doesn’t want to move into his own flat until after he graduates. For now, he is really enjoying not living alone. “And if I ever decide to move into a shared flat or a different flat, then the process of moving out is really straightforward. I won’t need to take any furniture with me or worry about finding a new tenant to take over.”

THE LOCATION SPEAKS FOR ITSELF
Most student dorms are located very close to the university. In fact, the one Hannes lives in is just a stone’s throw away. There is no need for a car, no waiting for a bus. You can be flexible, and you do not have to rely on any means of transport. “For me, the best part is sleeping in, as I don’t have far to commute to the university. It means I can drop into parties or study sessions on the spur of the moment.”

When we hear the word “party”, we ask if the student dorm is “party central”. Hannes gives us a cheeky smile. “There’s always something going on here, it never gets boring,” he replies with a wink.
RESIDENTIAL ACCOMMODATION FOR STUDENTS IN KLAGENFURT

**NAUTILUSWEG A**

**Address**
Nautilusweg 11 | 9020 Klagenfurt

**Prices**
- Double room
  from EUR 250 | month | person
- Single room
  from EUR 348 | month

**Bookings**
The rooms can be booked from 1 October until 30 June.

**More at**
www.home4students.at

**NAUTILUSWEG B**

**Address**
Nautilusweg 11 | 9020 Klagenfurt

**Prices**
- Single room
  from EUR 340 | month

**Bookings**
The rooms can be booked from 1 October until 30 September.

**More at**
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**STUDENTENHEIM CONCORDIA**

**Address**  
Hubertusstraße 5 | 9020 Klagenfurt

**Prices**  
*Single apartment*
from EUR 366 | month

**Bookings**  
The rooms can be booked from 1 October until 30 June.

**More at**  
www.studentenheim.at/wohnheime/concordia-klagenfurt

**STUDENTENDORF KLAGENFURT**

**Address**  
Universitätsstraße 68 | 9020 Klagenfurt

**Prices**  
*Studio flat for one*
from EUR 362 | month

**Bookings**  
The rooms can be booked all year round.

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www.akademikerhilfe.at

**MOZARTHEIM**

**Address**  
Mozartstraße 61 | 9020 Klagenfurt

**Prices**  
*Studio flat for one*
from EUR 337 | month  
*Two-room studio flat*
from EUR 229 | month | person

**Bookings**  
The rooms can be booked all year round.

**More at**  
www.akademikerhilfe.at

Foreign students looking for a room in a student dorm can submit a request for a room in Klagenfurt via the OeAD student housing website.

www.oeadstudenthousing.at/en/accommodation/klagenfurt/
places in carinthia
that will fill you with wonder

Carinthia / Kärnten / Koroška has lots to offer and a little bit more besides: wanting to live, work and study right at the heart of a breath-taking natural environment, in the cultural melting pot between the Alps and Adriatic and in innovative, open surroundings, more and more young people are discovering the southernmost state in Austria, home to around 560,000 people. Here we introduce you to some of the hotspots waiting to be explored in Carinthia.
NATURE AT ITS BEST: LESACHTAL VALLEY

For everyone who likes to slow things down and take a relaxed approach to life. Lesachtal is the valley in Europe most untouched by man. Here in the south-west of Carinthia at the border with Italy heading towards East Tyrol, stressed minds can unwind and find peace and quiet while gazing over the impressive peaks, lush meadows, and tiny villages. Only around 1,300 people live in this remote community. The part of the Lesachtal that lies in East Tyrol became known the world over when a three-minute sequence of the James Bond film “Spectre” featuring Daniel Craig was shot in Obertilliach in 2015.

RELAX: ROMAN THERMAL BATHS IN BAD KLEINKIRCHHEIM

Sit back in the bubbling whirlpool and watch the skiers wind their way down the mountain from the warm thermal springs in Bad Kleinkirchheim, which cover an area of 12,000 square metres. The baths with their impressive architecture are split into two areas. While the thermal springs provide various bathing opportunities, including a large out-door pool for all ages and anyone who doesn’t mind a bit of noise, the peaceful sauna area has over 10 saunas and steam baths as well as three kinds of pools.

The admission charges are reasonable, and the baths stay open until 10 pm in the winter.

ROLLING HILLS: NOCKBERGE MOUNTAINS

The Nockalmstrasse toll road snakes through the Nockberge Mountains, covering 35 kilometres and passing 52 hair pin bends. It runs from Innerkrems to Reichenau and offers unrivalled views that are sure to wow your Instagram followers. The highest points are the Eisentallahöhe (2,049 m) and the Schiestelscharte (2,027 m). The road is open from May to October. At all other times the only road users are marmots, ibexes and co. Karlbad, one of the last remaining farmers’ bath houses in the eastern Alps, also lies along the Nockalmstrasse. From the second half of the 17th century onwards, Karlbad served as a spa and convalescence resort for farmers, hunters, and lumberjacks.

CRYSTAL-CLEAR: LAKE WEISSENSEE

Many people consider it the most beautiful and most pristine of all the many beautiful and pristine lakes in Carinthia: Lake Weissensee. The lake, which looks like a fjord and remains pleasantly refreshing even in the summer, is a great destination for swimming, ice-skating, diving, surfing, sailing … The crystal-clear turquoise water, where you can see all the way to the bottom in some places, leaves no-one cold.

If you enjoy festivals, every July, the idyllic village of Stockenboi on the eastern shore of the lake is home to the cult “Woodstockenboi” music festival. The stunning natural arena plays host to hip-hop, rock, pop and electronic sounds.
ENERGY STORAGE: KÖLNBREIN DAM

Austria’s highest dam, the Kölnbrein Dam, is at the end of the Malta Hochalmstrasse which stretches over 14.4 kilometres. The “Airwalk” viewing platform, with its breath-taking views of the valley and 200 metres down the wall, is only for those with a good head for heights. There are also guided tours, where you can learn all about the construction of the storage reservoir – one of Austria’s largest energy stores – and see how it works.

SMALL, SILENT, STRONG: BONSAI MUSEUM

Europe’s largest bonsai museum can be found in the small market town of Seeboden by Lake Millstätter See. The owners of the private museum have dedicated themselves to the Asian art of bonsai and Japanese garden design since 1976. Visitors can wander through the 15,000 square metres of exhibition space and marvel at the bonsai, some of which are more than 100 years old. Günther Klösch and his family regularly join forces with other experts to run Japanese workshops.

GURK CATHEDRAL

The 12th century Romanesque Basilica is one of the most impressive buildings in Carinthia. The main features include the crypt under the church with its 100 pillars and the Lenten cloth dating back to 1458. The Gurk Cathedral treasury houses more than 300 precious objects. Ten exhibition rooms give visitors an insight into religious art of times gone by.

INSPIRING CREATIVE MINDS: GMÜND – THE ARTISTS’ TOWN

These days, all trendy towns have an artistic and creative district, but Carinthia has an entire artists’ town. Gmünd received town privileges in 1346 and after Friesach it is the second oldest medieval town in Carinthia. Lots of small workshops and businesses can be found in the idyllic, narrow lanes and on the main square of Gmünd. Here you can buy beautiful handmade products straight from the creators themselves. Every year, art lovers come to the town for an exhibition of internationally renowned artists in Gmünd’s town tower. This small town with a population of 2,500 has yet another surprise up its sleeve: Ferdinand Porsche moved his production facilities to Gmünd between 1945 and 1950; a fact commemorated by the small, yet fascinating Porsche Museum.
EERIE IMAGES: METNITZ’S DANCE OF DEATH MUSEUM

People have always been fascinated with death. The tradition of the dance of death started in the 14th century. Artists depicted the influence and power of death, especially in allegoric images. One impressive example of this is the Metnitz Dance of Death, which is on display to the public. The only remaining frescoes in Austria of a dance of death from the 15th century and other medieval images of the dance of death can also be seen. The small museum in the quaint town of Metnitz is stylishly arranged and allows you to step back into another time.

AN ARTIST’S IMPRESSION OF RURAL LIFE: WERNER BERG MUSEUM

For 50 years, from 1931 until his death in 1981, the artist Werner Berg, who originally hailed from Wuppertal, lived in Lower Carinthia. The Bleiburg/Pliberk community on the border with Slovenia have dedicated a museum to him. This houses a permanent exhibition of more than 150 oil paintings, woodcuts and drawings. Every year it also welcomes special exhibitions of renowned international artists. Many people consider Bleiburg/Pliberk a hidden gem for cultural events in Carinthia. For example, concerts are regularly held at the Breznik guest house, which also brews its own beer.

STARGAZING: PLANETARIUM KLAGENFURT

Just a 5-minute walk from the main entrance to the university is a great place that may make for an unforgettable date. In the Minimundus miniature park, you can stroll under the Eiffel Tower (smaller than the original one but all the same) without having to fork out the airfare or ramp up your carbon footprint. And in the Klagenfurt Planetarium, you can gaze romantically towards the heavens and even go stargazing during the day. The Planetarium puts on various shows, explaining the origins of the universe. Even though the building and vestibule may appear slightly dated; the planetarium’s technology, which projects images onto a huge dome, certainly isn’t.

GREAT ART FROM AROUND THE WORLD: MUSEUM LIAUNIG

Museum Liaunig could easily be in Vienna, Paris or New York. Yet the private art museum of the industrialist Herbert Liaunig is located on Carinthia’s border with Slovenia in Neuhaus/Suha. An extensive collection of Austrian art from 1945 onwards, supplemented by leading representatives of classic modern art and exemplary work by international artists, is on display to the public in a changing programme of exhibitions. The historic collections of the Liaunig family serve as a contrast to the contemporary art. It isn’t just the contents of the art museum which are inspiring, but the building itself: An impressive piece of architecture in its own right, the building’s interior covers 4,400 square metres, most of which is hidden under a grassy knoll.

BY THE WAY: The joint ticket option usually gains you entry to the Happ Reptile Zoo next door.
KINGS OF THE SKIES: EAGLE ARENA AT CASTLE LANDSKRON

The privately-run eagle arena at Castle Landskron near Villach is home to various birds of prey. In a 45-minute show, visitors get to experience for themselves how the animals hunt and live. Experienced falconers work in the eagle arena, enabling the birds of prey and owls to live as is appropriate for their species. They are also committed to preserving the diversity of these animals in the region.

GET THE FULL PICTURE: PYRAMIDENKOGEL TOWER

Berlin has the TV Tower on Alexanderplatz. New York has the Empire State Building. Paris has the Eiffel Tower. All of these offer breathtaking views of vibrant cities. Carinthia’s most important tower, on the Pyramidenkogel, isn’t going to be outdone. At a height of 920 m – the world’s tallest wooden viewing tower, this is an architectonic masterpiece – from the top, you have a 360-degree view of Carinthia and its impressive landscape of lakes around Lake Wörthersee and Keutschach. One of the most state-of-the-art panoramic lifts in Europe will whisk you to the top (access by stairs is also provided) and a slide installed inside the tower can be used for a joyful quick descent.

BY THE WAY:
The falconry is included in the UNESCO list of world heritage sites.

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JUST LIKE THE MIDDLE AGES:
FRIESACH CASTLE CONSTRUCTION SITE

Friesach is the oldest town in Carinthia. The panorama of the medieval town is dominated by three castles. To find out how these castles were constructed many centuries ago, a new castle is being built in Friesach using old tools and methods – so there are no engines or electricity, it’s all being done with the power of humans and animals. Only natural building materials, which would have been available at that time, are being used, so that’s timber, stone, lime and water. Anyone interested in the Middle Ages will find this a fascinating construction site and the public are welcome to visit.

FOR ADRENALINE JUNKIES:
RAFTING AND CANYONING

The rafting and canyoning opportunities on offer in Carinthia, including those in Mölltal in Flattach or in Obervellach, provide thrilling experiences for anyone who likes their water sports on the wild side. The hard-core outdoor sport has existed here for more than 30 years, and vast experience has been gained in that time.

IN AMONGST THE MOUNTAINS: TSCHEPASCHLUCHT GORGE

The narrow Loibl Valley (which has some very sad episodes in its history) connects Carinthia to Slovenia. At the start of the pass in Lower Loibl you will come across the gateway to the Tschepaschlucht, which promises a walk in a stunningly beautiful natural environment. It passes waterfalls and rope bridges – the most daring of which is the Teufelsbrücke or Devil’s Bridge. The path uses ladders and steps so walking boots are recommended. Children and dogs should be steady on their feet. Once you reach the end of the walk, a shuttle bus will take you back to your starting point.

DRIP, DRIP, DRIP:
OBIR DRIPTSTONE CAVES

Around 150 years ago, miners searching for lead and zinc came upon the Obir Dripstone Caves. Near Bad Eisenkappel in Lower Carinthia, a bus takes you deep into the caves, where you join a 1.5-hour long tour along an 800 m underground route with plenty to see on the way round, including incredible natural works of art, which have taken 200 million years to form. The caves are at an altitude of more than 1,000 m above sea level. A visit to the Dripstone Caves is a great idea if you are not a fan of hot summer temperatures: In both summer and winter the caves remain around 8 degrees Celsius.

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BY THE WAY:
The project is supervised by historians from the University of Klagenfurt.
A LITTLE GEM ON THE RIVER DRAVA: LAKE LINSENDORFERSEE

Imagine that it’s August. It’s 32 degrees Celsius. Carinthia is teeming with life (including lots of tourists). The car parks around the lakes are full. And you are looking for that coveted “secluded spot” where you can find some peace and quiet. The place you are looking for is in Lower Carinthia, close to Grafenstein. Just head to Lake Linsendorfersee next to the River Drava. It is fed by running water, so it is cooler than Carinthia’s other lakes. Situated on the flanks of a mountain, there is a lovely sunbathing area, a small kiosk that sells chips, ice cream and beer, and you will find more swans here than people.

HOME-BREW: CARINTHIA’S CRAFT BEER BREWERIES

Fifteen years ago, Klaus Feistritzer and Alois Planner started to brew beer in their grandma’s stock pot in Kötschach-Mauthen, at the end of the Gailtal valley. Loncium beer is now considered one of the superior craft beers in Austria. Loncium, the old Celtic name of the Mauthen district, is available in various guises: from the “normal” classic beer to variants with unusual flavours, the choice is huge. And if you fancy a go yourself, the brewery also runs in-house brewery seminars. The Wimitz brewery in Wimitz, with its unrivalled landscape, is just as successful. This brewery also uses local products.

CARINTHIA IS ALSO HOME TO QUALITY WINE: GLANEGG CASTLE

The vineyard run by Franz and Alexander Lassnig lies at the foot of Glanegg Castle. It produces Sauvignon Blanc, Chardonnay, Weissburgunder, Zweigelt, Donauriesling and Blütenmuskateller. Quality products are often closer to home than you think. Excellent banquets are held in the vineyard’s wine tavern in the summer, where you can sample home-made products, including the local Mangalitza Speck (a bacon speciality) with its excellent and unique flavour.
ON THE SHORES OF THE RIVER DRAVA: VILLACH

The second largest town in Carinthia has always been a crossroads. It is the place where motorways and trains travelling north, south, east and west diverge. The townscape itself is dominated by the River Drava, which meanders through the heart of the town. You will find an inviting selection of small, quality eateries along its banks. There are two major events on Villach’s annual calendar: in February, Villach is consumed by the hustle and bustle of Fasching (carnival) while in August, thousands of people visit the town on the Drava for Kirchtag week. Many of the visitors come from nearby Italy to enjoy huge quantities of the comparatively cheaper beer on sale this side of the border. But Villach has much more to offer: an international festival of street art; the small, yet wonderful neuebuehnevillach with its sophisticated theatre performances; or the rocktastic Straight Ahead Festival.

THE SOUND OF SILENCE: ST. PAUL’S ABBEY

St. Paul’s Abbey in the Lavanttal Valley has a history dating back over 900 years, making it one of the oldest Benedictine monasteries in Austria. The complex comprises a Romanesque church at the centre, the Abbey Museum (home to one of the most important private collections in Austria) and the Abbey Grammar School with more than 600 pupils. The Abbey Library is particularly imposing and holds around 70,000 books. It contains around 3,000 manuscripts dating from the 5th century and 800 incunabula, making St. Paul’s inventory the most important collection of books in Austria after the National Library. During the summer and autumn, visitors can also enjoy expertly curated exhibitions.

DEALING WITH THE HORRORS OF HISTORY: PERŠMANHOF

Peršmanhof is located in Bad Eisenkappel. The farm was a base for partisans during the Second World War. Towards the end of the war, around 150 partisans were camped around the farm, waiting for the war to end. Just before that happened, on 25 April 1945, a horrendous massacre was carried out by an SS police regiment and eleven civilians were murdered. People today are still shocked that the war crimes have not been punished by the courts set up after the war. A museum dedicated to the stories and resistance of Carinthia’s Slovenes during the period of national socialism continues to commemorate these events.

GISELA HOPFMÜLLER AND FRANZ HLAVAC HAVE COMPILED 111 TIPS FOR PLACES TO VISIT IN CARINTHIA.

Take a short trip to a village that looks like it’s in Norway, find out about the (Carinthian) inventor of the light bulb, or get tips on where to find eateries that are off the beaten track!

111 Orte in Kärnten, die man gesehen haben muss (published by emons Verlag, available in bookshops priced around €17.50)
IT IS A MAGNET FOR VISITORS FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD: LAKE WÖRTHERSEE.
IT IS THE CENTRE FOR CULINARY DELIGHTS, JOIE DE VIVRE AND CULTURE, ESPECIALLY IN THE SUMMER. PLENTY OF HIGHLIGHTS AWAITS YOU A MERE 900 STEPS FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF KLagenFurt.

TRAMWAY
At the mouth of the Lendkanal, a small piece of Klagenfurt’s tram history has been preserved in the shape of a converted old tram that is now a fixture in Klagenfurt. For years, it has provided holidaymakers and aficionados of uncomplicated cuisine with wonderful snacks, tempting them to linger and enjoy the relaxed atmosphere. The Bernerwürstel hot dog is a popular favourite. Salads, burgers and cold drinks are also on the menu.

LORETTO LIDO
Klagenfurt has three public lidos. The largest lido is Strandbad Klagenfurt, where up to 10,000 visitors come to cool off on hot summer days. But for many, the Loretto lido is a welcome, more tranquil alternative. Especially on the western-most jetty, students (and faculty members) love to enjoy the sunset after an intensive day at the university.

LAKESIDE REIFNITZ
It's THE place to be in the summer: Smartly dressed, enjoying a sundowner or an Asian bowl, this is where you can enjoy life to the fullest. You will definitely need to make a reservation here. If you have something to celebrate, such as passing an exam or even graduating from university, then Lakeside is the perfect place for you.
LABSALERIE
Admittedly, it’s not directly on the lake, but the Labsalerie offers a wonderful view of the water. “We are anything but ordinary”, is the motto of the owners. Instead of the traditional bunch of juniper branches hanging at the entrance, visitors will find a disco ball. From June to September, Elena and Thomas offer regional snacks in an authentic natural setting, far from the tourist trail of Lake Wörthersee – a green oasis that is second to none.

CAR(E)-FREE DAY AT THE LAKE
One of the best ways to explore Lake Wörthersee is by bike. You can, of course, do this every day, but there is one day every year when all the roads around the lake are closed to motorists. This gives you free rein to go around the lake, be it on an e-bike, roller skates or even an ancient folding bike.

FREE ACCESS TO THE LAKE
You don’t necessarily have to go to a lido to cool off with a quick dip in the lake. There are several places around Lake Wörthersee that are freely accessible.
For instance, between Klagenfurt and Krumpendorf, next to Schamandra’s boat rental, you can unwind on a small sunbathing lawn complete with jetty. Similar idyllic spots are also found in Pritschitz and Sallach in Pörtschach.
The freely accessible Sallach lido has a small jetty, toilet facilities, and a relaxed bar, perfect for a sundowner after a swim.

STROLLING AROUND VELDEN
Velden am Wörthersee is a tourist hotspot that has recently enjoyed a splendid revival. In the summer, you can watch the gathering of the rich (and those who like to pretend) on the forecourt of the Schlosshotel. Take a seat on one of the park benches, treat yourself to an ice cream and enjoy the flashy, elegant, sometimes quirky hustle and bustle on the lakeside promenade.
Until 1514, the small town of Klagenfurt was virtually unheard of, then—more than 500 years ago—a devastating fire reduced the town to ashes, and this proved to be something of a godsend. The town was owned by Emperor Maximilian I, who was also the Archduke of Carinthia. To spare himself the cost of rebuilding the town, he gifted it to the Carinthian Provincial Estates in 1518. Klagenfurt then gained the status of a provincial town and was also made the new capital of Carinthia. The estates didn’t hesitate to splash out: By rebuilding Klagenfurt, they created the only ideal Renaissance city in modern-day Austria.

Ideal cities were an idea prevalent among 16th century city planners, but the concept itself had been around in architectural theory since ancient times. It then became more widespread during the Renaissance period, when Alberti or Filarete wrote a treatise on the aesthetics and utopia of ideal cities. All approaches typically called for city plans laid out symmetrically. Avoiding organic growth at any cost, the utopians were looking for the “master stroke”. However, very few of these ideal cities were ever actually built and Klagenfurt is one of a small number of examples.

Inspired by Northern Italian fortification techniques and following the plans of the master builder Domenico dell’Allio (de Latio) from Lugano, work started in 1527 to
build a sophisticated fortification and city designed on a drawing board. Firstly, the Lendkanal canal was dug to connect the city to Lake Wörthersee. This canal provided the water for the city moat that was then dug – this was 7 m deep and between 34 and 38 m wide. The material produced from digging out the moat was used to bank up the city wall, which was reinforced on the outside by a 15 m high rubblework wall.

The city fortification took the form of a regular rhombus with a lateral length of around 700 m. From the mid-16th century, the four corners of the structure were fortified with bastions. Similar bastion-like constructions protected the four central city gates, which were adorned with figurative, three-dimensional crests. Wooden bridges led over the moat to the city gates whose names are still remembered today in the names of the current city’s ring roads: St.-Veiter-Ring, Völkermarkter Ring, Viktringer Ring and Villacher Ring.

Once the defences had been built at great financial cost between 1527 and 1591, more and more construction work got underway inside the city walls from the 1570s onwards. The three major projects of the time were the Landhaus (the site for political gatherings and the representative office of the estates), the Bürgerspital (a kind of hospital) and the Collegium sapientiae et pietatis, which was a humanist educational institution and the precursor to today’s university. Churches were built, such as the Protestant Holy Trinity Church (today’s Catholic Klagenfurt Cathedral), and the Jesuits later founded an abbey here during the Counter-Reformation. Increasing numbers of nobility and townsmen and women moved into the city, needing places to live and work. Next to the Old Town, the so-called New Town was born. It was seven times the size of the old one. Its streets were planned on the drawing board following a uniform grid system and it still exists in today’s city. At the heart of the New Town was the Neuer Platz with its Lindwurm fountain, which was produced from a huge block of chlorite schist from Kreuzbergl hill at the end of the 16th century by an unknown master and became the symbol of the city of Klagenfurt.

These days, you will only find isolated remains of the former city fortifications, mainly near the Villacher Ring. The inner ring road around the inner city still follows the course of the former city wall. Like in so many other places, when the French occupied the state capital in 1809, they destroyed all the walls, bastions and gates of the defensive fortifications. The only remaining gate, the Völkermarkter Tor, fell victim to a pickaxe in 1867.

The squares and grand buildings of the inner city lend Klagenfurt an enchanting flair. With their Baroque, Rococo and Art Nouveau façades, they flank the Alter Platz and the Kramergasse, Austria’s first pedestrian zone (1961), and invite you to wander and while away the hours in shops and cafés.

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SUSTAINABLE MOBILITY: CYCLING

Don’t feel like walking, but also can’t be bothered to hunt for a parking space? No worries. You can now explore Klagenfurt am Wörthersee by bike without a hassle. The Nextbike bike rental system is easy to use, cheap and flexible. And here’s how it works: The bikes can be rented via app (Nextbike), BikeComputer, station terminal or by calling the hotline. A total of 270 bicycles are available for hire across 50 Nextbike rental stations in the Klagenfurt area. Simply register, book a bike, and hit the pedals. You can return the bike at any rental station of your choice.

For further information please visit www.nextbike.at

SUSTAINABLE TRIPS WITH E-SCOOTERS

Environmentally friendly short trips around town are easily accomplished on an e-scooter. Since June 2019, by agreement with the city administration, two companies have been offering e-scooters for hire in Klagenfurt. All you need is the respective app (Tier or Scoota), which can be downloaded to your mobile phone. You log on to the scooter via QR scan and you’re ready to go. Don’t forget to sign off at the end of the journey, or else you will keep on paying. Billing is based on time.

Up-to-date information on rates can be found in the app.
SUSTAINABLE FOOD: FOOD SHARING AT TOGETHER POINT
At Together Point, private individuals and commercial companies and producers can donate, exchange and recycle surplus food. Goods that can no longer be sold or recycled in a private household can be saved from the dustbin in this way. 8 (soon to be 10) distribution points, the Together Points, have been established throughout Carinthia, where food can be dropped off and distributed; no proof of financial hardship is necessary, everyone is free to pick up groceries and the like. So-called “food savers” collect the food and bring it to the distribution points, where it can be collected free of charge.

SUSTAINABLE FASHION
Using roughly 200 used textile containers, Soziale Betriebe Kärnten collect more than 1,000 tonnes of used textiles per year in Klagenfurt, Villach, Fürnitz, St. Veit/Glan, Diex and Techelsberg. The loveliest items are put on sale in second soul shops, the rest is recycled so that only very small quantities are discarded. There is something for everyone here: stylish fashion, hardly worn and up to date; basic wear for next to nothing; designer bargains for the fashionistas. Here you can find a wide range of clothing in all sizes, as well as shoes and accessories.

SUSTAINABLE SHOPPING: KLEINE FREIHEIT
The non-packaging store at Radetzkystraße 1 in Klagenfurt is a small grocery store with a big heart, offering a carefully selected assortment of high-quality food - with virtually no disposable packaging. Ideally, you should bring your own container, which you can fill as you please. Payment is made at the scales. The shop is open daily from 10 am. In addition, Kleine Freiheit sees itself as a platform for conscious and sustainable consumption. It also offers workshops, lectures and advice for associations, schools, public institutions and companies on the topics of circular economy, resource efficiency and avoiding waste.

SUSTAINABLE SHOPPING: FLEA MARKETS IN KLAGENFURT
For those who wish to find a new home for their belongings, or who are looking for antiques, second-hand books and all kinds of other everyday objects, a visit to one of the many flea markets in Klagenfurt and the surrounding area is highly recommended. The Metro car park hosts a flea market every Sunday; you can visit the indoor flea market in the Siriusstraße every Saturday, Sunday and public holiday from 8.30 am to 3 pm, and every first Saturday of the month all kinds of second-hand goods are offered in front of the Obi DIY store in the Völkermarkter Straße.

The Lendhafen also transforms into a flea market several times each year. The flea market in Viktring is a particular highlight. It takes place twice a year, attracting visitors from near and far.

CARLA
Great bargains can also be found in the CARLA shops run by Caritas Carinthia. In addition to fashion, you will also find small items of furniture, books, tableware and decorative items.

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TIP!
FLAVOURS OF THE SOUTH

DO YOU FANCY A CULINARY EXPEDITION THROUGH KLagenfurt? WE HAVE SAMPLED THE LOCAL DELIGHTS AND CAN SHARE A FEW OF OUR MOST DELICIOUS TIPS WITH YOU.

WHERE TO SHOP AND WHERE TO DINE OUT?

Klagenfurt’s finest and largest “grocery shop” is the Benedictine Market. Dozens of stalls offer the very best produce from Carinthia’s farms and market gardens in its fresh natural state – and much of it in organic quality. The culinary outlets on and around the square transform the fresh produce into hearty or light dishes and create wonderful delicacies to suit all tastes: from regional traditional fare to gourmet cuisine. A special spirit infuses the market on the principal market days: Thursdays and Saturdays. On these days, it is not only the Carinthian farmers who sell vegetables, fruit and meat products, but numerous vendors from Slovenia, Croatia and Italy and even as far as Sicily offer everything from Pršut to gilthead sea bream, from sauerkraut to artichokes. The aroma, the visual feast, the murmur and bustle create an atmosphere for visitors to the market that far exceeds merely doing one’s grocery shopping. Why not stop off for lunch at Rudi’s, where you can find the famous Kärntner Kasnudeln that are suitable for vegetarians and also come in variations featuring spinach or meat.

Immediately opposite in the market hall, the Kochwerkstatt offers the Italian version, tortellini, and much more in the way of the finest gourmet dishes.

Located near the centre of Klagenfurt, in the Feschnig district, shoppers will find a family-run organic farm shop offering a variety of delicacies produced by Carinthian farmers. More than 30 Carinthian farmers deliver their organic products to the delightful Hofladen Feschnig farm shop, which has been designed with lots of charm. You can buy fresh eggs from “Thalhof”, a range of bacon and sausages from “Waldhauser”, farmhouse bread, delicious products made from sheep’s or goat’s milk by “Höfer”, farmhouse ice cream from Krappfeld, the excellent local Glundner cheese and much more besides. The shop is open daily from 8 am to 6 pm and closes at 1 pm on Saturdays. The farm shop also features a 24h self-service point.

SHOPPING TIPS

TYPICALLY CARINTHIAN

You will find them on virtually every menu, and they are as integral to the southernmost province as Lake Wörthersee is to Klagenfurt: Kärntner Kasnudeln. One might compare these dumplings filled with potatoes, curd cheese and Carinthian mint with the Italian pasta ravioli. They are a must for anyone visiting Carinthia!

MMM – YUM!!
CULINARY QUESTIONS FOR CATRIN FERRARI-BRUNNENFELD
FOOD BLOGGER AND EDITOR OF COOKINGCATRIN.AT

Dear Catrin, your blog features recipes from all over the world, but also includes many Carinthian dishes. What defines Carinthian cuisine in your view?

A certain lightness – keyword sunny south as well as fresh fish from the many Carinthian lakes – is a must. The closeness to Italy and Slovenia characterises the Carinthian cuisine. I also find that there are many traditional classics, such as frigga, the typical Kasnudeln and, of course, the sweet treats.

What are the latest trends in Carinthian cuisine?

There is a lot going on here – personally, I like putting a new twist on different classics. For me, this involves light and leisurely cooking, low-sugar baking and crossovers combining local ingredients and international dishes. In other words: mix & match!

Which dish is an absolute must when visiting Klagenfurt or Carinthia?

Carinthian Kasnudeln, of course. I also think you absolutely have to visit Klagenfurt’s Benedictine Market and sample the regional delicacies on offer there.

And which recipe can you come up with for a quick, affordable student meal?

I recommend Carinthian Kasnudeln for the lazy: This consists of tagliatelle with crumbled curd cheese, finely chopped mint, a little lemon juice and melted butter. Voilà!

WHERE TO EAT

magdas: THE RESTAURANT WITH A WORLDLY FLAVOUR

magdas LOKAL arguably offers the most internationality: The people who work here come from 10 nations and speak up to 7 languages. The menu in the arts, literature and feel-good restaurant initiated by Caritas is equally colourful. Oriental mezze mingle with tasty burgers, Indian curries and Mediterranean fish and pasta dishes. In the morning, you can choose from a range of international breakfast dishes, and at lunchtime you can select from two set menus. magdas is open Mondays from 11 am to 2:30 pm, Tuesdays to Fridays, from 11 am to 11 pm.

AUSTRIAN CUISINE AT ITS FINEST AT "AUGUSTIN"

At the centre of the old town, right on Pfarrplatz, the Bierhaus zum Augustin, with its hearty Austrian dishes and speciality beers, is a first-class beer pub. The outdoor dining area in the courtyard is just one of many cosy and hidden courtyards that can be discovered scattered across Klagenfurt’s old town. Anyone looking for regional and tasty Austrian cuisine will certainly find what they are looking for here. Augustin is open from Monday to Saturday, from 11 am to 11 pm.
In the summer, an outdoor seating area beckons, offering a little more space and fresh air. For those who like to sample as much as they can, we recommend the Fusion Plate for Two. Ricardo Bistro is open from Monday to Saturday, from 6 pm to 11:30 pm, and additionally from Thursday to Saturday, from 12 noon to 2 pm. You will need a reservation for the evenings.

**FOOD FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD AT “DOMINO”**

The concept of the “Domino”, located in Lidmantsky-gasse, is rather unusual in many ways. To create this restaurant, a traditional Klagenfurt inn (which was clearly getting on in years) was “gently” upgraded; when perusing the menu one might ask whether what is being offered is still old-fashioned or already super-hip. Culinary delights from all over the world are on offer. A particularly delicious dish is the glass noodle or rice bowl, including different components that taste amazing when combined in a single bowl. Domino also serves local dishes such as Kaiserschmarrn, which is extremely popular. The restaurant is open Mondays to Thursdays from 11 am to 10 pm, and Fridays from 11 am to 3 pm. The prices are moderate, and the prosecco is to die for.

**OFF TO McMULLENS FOR A GUINNESS**

As soon as you enter McMullens, the traditional Irish pub flair envelops you and you feel right at home in the cozy atmosphere. Connoisseurs of Guinness, Kilkenny and whiskey will find everything they need for a perfect pub evening here. In addition to classics like Guinness and Kilkenny, Irish whiskey and cider, the pub also serves traditional food including burgers, wings, fish and chips, and a good selection of wraps. The pub gets particularly crowded on quiz nights or when there’s live music – reservations are recommended. McMullens’ doors are open Wednesday to Sunday from 5 pm to 1 am.
IN THE WIDER KLAGENFURT AREA

BUSCHENSCHENKE WINE TAVERNS – ENJOYMENT THE CARINTHIAN WAY

If you prefer something more rustic, you should visit one of the many Carinthian wine taverns on warm summer evenings. These so-called Buschenschanken are small taverns, mostly run by farmers, serving only home-produced products – beverages and cold dishes. The “Brettljause” caters to all savoury desires, as it covers the entire range of home-produced delicacies: cured bacon, ham, spiced sausage, sausage spread, curd cheese, cheese, butter and bread. To finish off on a sweet note, there are pastries such as Carinthian Reindling, doughnuts or Buchteln. Food and drinks are mainly served outdoors, so don’t forget to bring a jacket or jumper, even in summer! You can tell if a Buschenschken is open by the “Buschen” (traditionally tied juniper branches), which is usually displayed over the entrance or gateway.

OUTDOOR DINING AT “FORELLENHOF JORDE”

Just a 10-minute drive from the University of Klagenfurt, a special highlight awaits all fish lovers. At Forellenhof Jorde, dining turns into a real experience: Fish roasted on spits over an open fire, a picnic by the adjacent pond Polsterteich or a glamping night complete with campfire ensure hours of fun and variety. With every bite you can taste the quality of the fish produced with sustainable and organic methods, and the shop sells a wide range of products that you can take home with you. The Forellenhof is open from Thursday to Saturday, from 10 am to 5 pm, and Sunday from 10 am to 4 pm.
WHERE TODAY MEETS YESTERDAY:

CITY BREAKS IN THE ALPS–ADRIATIC REGION

YOU’VE ALREADY SEEN BARCELONA, PARIS AND LONDON? THESE ALPS–ADRIATIC CITIES ARE MUCH CLOSER THAN YOU THINK AND BOAST TRENDY CITY CENTRES THAT ARE PERFECT FOR LEISURELY STROLLS. WE’VE CHECKED OUT THE COOLEST CITIES IN THE REGION FOR YOU.
It takes just over two hours to get from Klagenfurt to the Gulf of Trieste. A city that appears to be a pared-down version of Vienna at first glance: grandiose and magnificent, cosmopolitan, just a touch melancholic. But Trieste has one advantage over the much larger Vienna: It lies by the sea. This beautiful city appears to have been poured into the landscape, tucked between the steeply rising foothills of the Karst mountains and the Adriatic. Even the Adriatic has a bewitching charm here: Between the white canvases of the sailing ships that put to sea on fine days, vast ocean liners lie at anchor, waiting to be discharged of their cargo in the port of Trieste. What is it about this city of some 200,000 inhabitants that makes it so vibrant and splendid? The city has a lively history: a melting pot of cultures and people, its past closely interwoven with its future, its location as a border town both a curse and a blessing. As well as the Italian “buon giorno”, you will also hear the Slovenian “dober dan”. For over 500 years, Trieste was part of the Habsburg Empire and Austria’s most important port. But those days are ancient history. Today, the magnificent architecture, first and foremost the Piazza Unità d’Italia, serves to remind us of past glory. The Italian region of Trieste hugs the sea in a narrow strip just below Slovenia. As if this were entirely its due, it confidently and cheekily pilfers the Slovenian coast. Historically Austrian, geographically Slovenian, one is left to wonder: Is Trieste actually an Italian city? And yet, sitting by the sea, enjoying the pleasant glow of the evening sun and sipping an espresso — called “nero”, the black one, in Triestine — this is the moment when Trieste truly reveals its Italian soul. Most of the sights within the compact historic centre can be reached on foot, which is why Trieste is ideal for a (long) weekend.

**Teatro romano di Trieste**
The amphitheatre was constructed in the first century AD and seated up to 6,000 spectators. The theatre is nestled at the foot of the Colle di San Giusto hill. Right there, where the old town climbs up the hill, visitors can wander through the narrow medieval alleys. Having reached the top of the hill, you can visit the castle and the Cathedral of San Giusto, dedicated to the patron saint of Trieste.

**The Canal Grande**
The grand canal stretches from the sea right into the city, all the way to the imposing Serbian Orthodox Church. While not quite as grandiose as its namesake in Venice, a stroll along the Canal Grande is delightful, nonetheless. Small boats bob in the water, while above them, you can enjoy a relaxed aperitivo in one of the many cafés that line the water’s edge.

**Browsing through the antique and second-hand shops**
The old Jewish quarter of the city is home to a number of second-hand shops and antiquarians. There is also a major flea market here every third Sunday of the month.

**Sunset on the Molo Audace**
It’s something of a tradition in Trieste: To enjoy the sunset, you head for the Molo Audace. The pier juts out 200 metres into the Gulf of Trieste.

**Escape to a fairy-tale castle**
Trieste is home to a fairy-tale castle, the Castello di Miramare. This gorgeous white castle was built in 1860 at the behest of a brother of the Austrian emperor and it perches high above the sea, surrounded by a pretty park.

**A refreshing dip in the sea**
Trieste is not a traditional seaside resort, but it does offer plenty of spots where you can cool off in the sea. During the summer, the beach promenade in the Barcola district is always the first choice. The tree-lined avenue is dotted with bars. Between them, there is a lively summer atmosphere. Alternatively, you can take the Delfino Verde taxi boat to the pretty fishing village of Muggia and enjoy a delicious meal in one of the small restaurants in the harbour.

**Italian shopping**
The Borgo Theresiano, the pedestrian zone, is home to a large number of shops, including big retail chains and smaller independent shops.

**Turning night into day**
In Via Torino, night becomes day in Trieste. This is THE hotspot for partying. Trieste is a student city, and you can tell, especially on Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights! From Via Torino it is only a few metres to the San Giusto pier. Here, overlooking the sea, you will find one of the best rooftop bars, “Pier The Roof”.

**OSMIZE**
The Karst mountains above Trieste are home to a large number of traditional wine taverns, known as Osmize. Many of these little gems, often run by members of the Slovenian-speaking minority, enjoy spectacular views of the sea. The Osmize may only sell what they have produced themselves.

www.osmize.com
Croatia’s state capital, Zagreb, is only about two hours’ drive from Klagenfurt. Cobblestone, winding lanes and historic buildings make Zagreb a great tourist destination off the beaten track. The best place to start a tour of Zagreb is from Ban Jelačić Square. The Habsburgs played a part in history here too, as Ban Josip Jelačić was once the commander of the Habsburg troops in Croatia. This square surrounded by the city’s pedestrian zone is a popular meeting place for many locals. Shopping is best around the streets Ilica and Tkalčićeva. Here you’ll find everything your heart desires in addition to the offerings of up-and-coming young Croatian designers. Traditional handicraft can be found around Radičeva Street. If you have a sweet tooth, you definitely need to visit the “sweet street”, Stara Vlaška, an absolute paradise for all lovers of sweets.

The Upper Town
Zagreb’s Upper Town is a maze of countless narrow lanes sandwiched between two hills, Kaptol and Gradec. Here you will find the Stone Gate, St. Mark’s Square and the Croatian Parliament, and the Dolac market, a wonderful market with regional and authentic offerings. By the way, it’s worth going to the market very early to watch the hustle and bustle. Zagreb’s Gothic cathedral is also located in the Upper Town. The Museum of Broken Relationships, in the Upper Town, a museum that is not only interesting for the lovelorn, can also be found here. In addition to the known attractions, the city has many stylish cafés where you can relax and unwind. Coffee served with syrup and milk is very typical for Zagreb, and you should definitely give it a try.

A stroll in the park …
Don’t miss a visit to Maksimir, the oldest park in Croatia. You can reach the park very easily by taking tram number 11 or 12 from Ban Jelačić Square.

Thrilling nightlife in Zagreb
Concerts are held regularly in the “culture factory”, Tvornica kulture. Next to the main hall, there is also a smaller hall, the Mali Pogon, which doubles as a café during the day. Alternative music can be heard at Club Močvara. This venue offers live music, theatre performances and art exhibitions. The Aquarius is another popular party venue. Things are a little more tranquil in the Swanky Monkey Garden. You will find the best cocktails in town here.

Festivals in Zagreb
The Music Biennale Zagreb and the Zagreb Film Festival are two absolute highlights not to be missed.

OUTDOOR ADVENTURES
on the Kupa and Mrežnica rivers. Although Zagreb is located inland, you can experience the ultimate adrenaline rush on the Kupa and Mrežnica rivers: rafting, kayak tours and canoeing are on offer here.

INSIDER’S TIP
It’s the Rialto Bridge, the Grand Canal, St Mark’s Square and the Doge’s Palace. However, while you are in Venice, you should not only visit the traditional sights mentioned above, but also make sure to go to one of the islands off the coast: Murano (famous for its glass art), Torcello and Burano. The Venice Biennale is definitely a must-see. And a visit to the Peggy Guggenheim Collection is always rewarding.

**What’s the best way to explore Venice?**
From Piazzale Roma onwards, all cars and bicycles as well as trains are banned in the historic centre. From here on in, visitors have to rely on footpaths and waterways. Venice lends itself to being explored on foot, but beware: There are roughly 400 bridges with steps! Various vaporetti (regular boats) and some private boats operate on the water. Watch out for the extremely pricey taxi boats! Vaporetto lines 1 and 2 run from Piazzale Roma via the railway station (Ferrovia) and Rialto Bridge to St Mark’s Square.

**The honest truth?**
Of course, Venice is a tourist city – if not THE tourist city. Nevertheless, it really is worth a visit. Venice is simply stunning. There’s even something to be said for a gondola ride – though some of the narrower canals can make you feel like you’re in a traffic jam on a gondola highway. Also: Even Venice gets a little quieter outside of the tourist season.

**Spending the night in Venice**
Accommodation is expensive and hard to come by. Try to avoid staying on the ground floor in hotels or apartments, as they can be quite dark and damp. The Lido di Venezia, which separates the lagoon from the open Adriatic, is a good place to stay off-season – and a wonderful place to take a walk. Be sure to compare the prices that are offered on the booking platforms – and always read between the lines when it comes to the information provided by the operators.

**Getting there and parking**
Travel by bus or train if possible. The bus terminal is called Tronqueto. Buses depart from Villach several times a day. The journey from Carinthia by train is also very convenient.
Ljubljana is a very romantic city, due in part to the Ljubljanica River, which flows through its centre. The modern part of the city lies to the west of the Ljubljanica, while the old town with its narrow winding alleys and impressive castle is located on the eastern side.

Ljubljana is the capital of Slovenia, but it is compact and well laid out and therefore very easy to explore on foot. The city’s bus network is very efficient. You definitely shouldn’t miss out on visiting Ljubljana Castle. You can choose the sporty approach and walk up from the old town. Alternatively, weary travellers can take the funicular, which can carry 33 passengers and covers the 70-metre altitude difference in a single minute.

Tivoli Castle, located at the heart of Tivoli Park, also deserves a visit. Nowadays, the building houses the International Graphics Centre. Be sure to visit the market and its colonnades, where the fish market is located. This market is one of the most authentic and largest far and wide and is absolutely worth a visit with its blaze of colour and variety. On Sundays you will find an arts and crafts market between the Cevljarski Bridge (Cobbler’s Bridge) and the three inner-city bridges spanning the Ljubljanica.

**Museums**
Ljubljana boasts a number of good museums, including the National Museum of Slovenia, the Museum of Modern Art and the City Museum. For those looking for something a little more unusual, we can also recommend the Union Brewery Beer Museum.

**Nightlife**
Ljubljana is a lively and pleasant city with a large university. The nightlife is varied and buzzing. Start your evening in one of the many small cafés and bars and then just let yourself drift.

**Getting there**
You can reach Ljubljana comfortably by Flixbus.
Rijeka is one of Croatia’s most important seaports. The city’s somewhat earthy charm might not be immediately apparent, but if you give Rijeka a little time, you are guaranteed to fall in love with this authentic city that remains relatively neglected by the bulk of tourists.

The city’s history is complex, but Rijeka’s most important role – and this also applies to the Habsburg period (yes, the Austrians really did go everywhere!) – is that of a major trading centre. Sumptuous villas constructed in the 19th century in the architectural style of the Baroque and Renaissance periods, bear witness to the former wealth of this port city. The Modello Palace and the Ploech Palace are especially noteworthy. Points of interest, especially at night, include the two old harbour cranes dating from 1948 and 1957, which are symbolic of Rijeka’s industrial heritage.

A visit to the Trsat fortress, on the other hand, is a medieval experience. The fort lies at 148 metres above sea level and dominates the cityscape most impressively. Trsat is one of the oldest fortresses in Croatia. The Korzo is the longest pedestrian avenue in the city, and anyone who enjoys shopping will be in their element here. The market square and the municipal tower are the busiest areas. Here you can watch the hustle and bustle of the market, and connoisseurs of regional, fresh and sustainably produced goods are in the right place. A visit to the fish hall is also recommended. Then, in the evening, as the sun sinks into the Kvarner Bay, there is an enormous range of traditional Croatian konobas to choose from. The menus are dominated by seafood, fish and regional vegetables. A hot tip is to try something prepared in a peka, a bell made of clay or cast iron that is covered with hot embers. If you want to try this Croatian delicacy, you should order ahead, as this traditional method of cooking over the fire does take some time.

**Festivals in Rijeka**

Rijeka is a city with many festivals, most notably the Rijeka Carnival, the International Jazz Time Festival and Rijeka Summer Nights, a cabaret festival that takes place in the streets, courtyards and terraces of Rijeka. Find out more at visitrijeka.hr/en/.

**Island Paradise**

Lots of the wonderful Croatian islands can be reached by ferry from Rijeka. In other words, Rijeka is not only perfect for a city break, but also as a stopover on the way to one of the nearby islands.

For ferry connections please visit www.jadrolinija.hr.
MONEY TALK

ROOMS IN SHARED FLATS OR STUDENT DORMS, FOOD AND DRINK, CLOTHES, BOOKS AND COURSE MATERIAL, HOBBIES – STUDYING COSTS MONEY. EVEN IF YOU ARE ONE OF THE LUCKY ONES WITH FINANCIAL SUPPORT FROM YOUR PARENTS – BEING ABLE TO EARN A BIT OF EXTRA MONEY WILL OFFER YOU MORE FREEDOM. AND THERE IS A LOT YOU CAN DO.

Part-time jobs pay off: Many students at the University of Klagenfurt have jobs alongside their studies. This requires good time management and flexibility. But having a job doesn’t just earn you money, it’s also a bonus when you enter the professional world. Whether it’s ticket sales, experience in the hospitality industry, childcare, or working in a call centre – any practical experience is an asset, contributing to your personal development and helping you to progress in your career. After all, HR managers are always happy to see part-time jobs on your CV. Ideally, the job will have a connection to your degree programme and will add a fresh dose of practical experience to the occasionally dull studying sessions.

If you are still searching, you can get help from the university’s career service team. They offer support with application documents and interviews, organise networking events and workshops, and you can check out the latest job advertisements in the weekly job newsletter. Persuasive application documents and a good first impression at the job interview are just as important when looking for your perfect part-time job.

www.aau.at/en/alumni-career
SUPPORT FROM THE AUSTRIAN STUDENT UNION

The Austrian Student Union (ÖH) is the statutory body representing the students. A specific fee is collected each semester, which currently stands at 20.70 Euro. In return, you can benefit from a range of services and advice. Right now you can borrow a laptop, battery or tools for free from the ÖH at the University of Klagenfurt and go stand-up paddling free of charge at the lido in Klagenfurt. The ÖH has set up a fund for social hardship cases, among other things, which provides financial support to students (offered without legal claim). This assistance consists of a one-off payment per calendar year. The requirements and general conditions for receiving support from the Social Fund are set out in the guidelines.

www.oeh.ac.at/sozialfonds

STATE SUBSIDIES AND GRANTS AS ADDITIONAL SOURCE OF FUNDS

Have you checked out possible grants and subsidies yet? Investing a bit of time into research can definitely pay off. Family and student allowances are widely known. However, it’s useful to know that there are many more ways to increase one’s financial buffer. The welfare office at the ÖH is an excellent contact point in this regard. Contact them for information about your options for getting your university fees reimbursed, applying for housing assistance, or applying for a self-employment or degree-completion scholarship.

www.oeh.ac.at/scholarships

THE COSTS OF YOUR STUDENT LIFE IN KLAGENFURT

ROUGH CALCULATION:

EUR 200 to 500 for accommodation

EUR 300 for groceries

EUR 300 for books, public transport, entertainment and sports

As EU citizen you do not pay university fees, provided you complete your studies in the non-fee period.

After that point, fees are EUR 384.56 per semester. Non-EU/EEA citizens pay EUR 747.92 per semester.
ADNAN BROJANIN
studies Informatics

“Studying in Klagenfurt is a wonderful experience that has turned out to be one of the best decisions I ever made.”

DAY-TO-DAY SAVINGS MADE EASY

Use your student card to get the best rate at the University Sports Institute and stay fit at the same time. The Mensa at the University of Klagenfurt offers delicious meals at a low price. Plus, you can enjoy discounts at numerous leisure facilities (sports, museums, cinemas, theatres, etc.), at the municipal services and the ÖBB (Austrian Federal Railways) and thus save money in your day-to-day life. Besides, you can now get favourable conditions from many companies (e.g. for technical devices) when you show your student ID card. In general, it’s worth comparing prices and doing some research. It’s easy to find the best price online and save money that way. You can get the latest news and information about campus events from the ÖH newsletter and the university’s social media channels (Facebook, Instagram, LinkedIn, Twitter).

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMMES AT THE UNIVERSITY OF KLAGENFURT

The University of Klagenfurt has established various scholarship programmes. Not only do they support you when it comes to financing your Master’s degree, they also put you in touch with Carinthian business owners and help you to gain a foothold in the working world at an early stage. If you are at the final stage of your Bachelor’s degree and you would like to gain work experience in connection with your future Master’s degree programme, our scholarship programmes can help!
KLAGENFURT SCHOLARSHIP

The scholarship is aimed at Master’s students from the fields of technology, economics and culture. This programme rewards academic achievements and social commitment and links you with interesting employers from the region. Internship, project work, Master’s thesis, future job: it’s up to you! Secure one of our highly coveted scholarship places.

www.aau.at/klagenfurt-scholarship

TECHNOLOGY SCHOLARSHIP

The scholarship supports international Master’s students from the field of information and communications technology. Students connect with business owners and secure a paid internship to help finance their studies. These contacts also benefit graduates once they have completed their studies.

www.aau.at/en/technology-scholarships

MELISA MIĐZAN
studies Business Administration and Information and Communications Engineering

“The scholarship has given me a unique opportunity: It allows me to help shape Carinthia’s tech industry of the future.”
YOUR FIRST STEPS INTO UNIVERSITY LIFE

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Counselling is provided individually or in groups and lasts for an agreed period of time. The services are provided free of charge, confidentially and, if desired, anonymously.

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MICHAEL GANZER

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NEW STARTER CHECKLIST

FOR ALL THOSE WHO HAVE ALREADY DECIDED TO START A DEGREE PROGRAMME, HERE IS OUR CHECKLIST FOR GETTING STARTED WITH STEP-BY-STEP INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW TO TAKE UP A DEGREE PROGRAMME AT THE UNIVERSITY OF KLAGENFURT.

www.aau.at/en/study/studying-at-aau/new-starter-checklists/

ÖH INFO DAYS
The Info Days organised by the Austrian Student Union (ÖH) Klagenfurt take place in the weeks before and around the start of the semester. New students can get advice from the respective student representatives and discover all they need to know about starting their studies.

www.oeh-klagenfurt.at

WELCOME DAYS
The Welcome Days provide first-semester students with key information about starting their studies. Over the course of these days, the University of Klagenfurt shows all new students how to study efficiently, purposefully and with a sense of enjoyment, and introduces the university’s fantastic service facilities. In addition to the events and workshops on offer, you will also receive tips and advice from the Austrian Student Union (ÖH). Plus, it’s a great way to meet people and get to know campus life.

www.aau.at/en/welcome-days
“I took part in a competition at the Alturos Destinations booth and got talking to the boss. A few days later I found out that I had won. The presentation of the prize turned into a job interview. To my surprise, I made a good impression and my boss offered me a job straight away, connect was my ticket to getting a job as a Professional Service Engineer at Alturos Destinations.”

SARAH EBENWALDNER, Alturos Destinations

“The panel discussion Karrierewege offers a unique opportunity to connect with interesting alumni and learn from their experiences. In order to facilitate this helpful learning experience for students, I am fully committed to this cause and am happy to be part of the organising team.”

MARKUS BAURECHT, ÖH Klagenfurt/Celovec

“The initiative is a wonderful opportunity to get a taste of practical life and forge important relationships. Job shadowing has had a very positive impact on my professional life.”

INA MIKLAU

“Real-life experience
The “Karrierewege” (career paths) panel discussion focuses on a different profession each semester and is an important platform for our students and graduates to share experiences and expand their networks:
www.aau.at/karrierewege

In a relaxed setting, successful graduates talk about starting their careers, offer important insights and discuss current topics and trends from the world of work. Markus Baurecht is studying to be a teacher and has chaired the event on several occasions as a member of the ÖH.

Job shadowing
The job shadowing initiative gives our students the opportunity to spend a day visiting experienced graduates at their workplace:
www.aau.at/jobshadowing

As a job shadower you gain initial insights into practical work, make valuable contacts and find out about career prospects. Once a semester, we present all our mentors to you on our website and on social media. If all goes well, your job shadowing day will be the starting point of a successful future collaboration. This was certainly true for Ina Miklau. She was studying Applied Business Administration and Economics & Law when she had the opportunity to meet our graduate Alessia Sasina and observe her field of work at the Chamber of Commerce while job shadowing. It was an opportunity for

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Ina Miklau to shine. Her job shadowing day opened doors to further valuable work experience. During the two summer holidays that followed, Ina worked as an intern at the WKK, and even completed her compulsory internship there.

3 MINUTES TO FIND THE PERFECT INTERNSHIP

The internship event #NEXT connects students with Carinthian SMEs on the lookout for interns:
www.aau.at/next

Small regional companies present themselves and their internships in three-minute presentations, after which you can convince them of your skills in a “speed dating” session. The event offers you the ideal chance to start your career in Carinthia.

Anna Zury is one of the people who took advantage of this opportunity. As a student of Media & Communications, she applied for an internship at WB Production, and was accepted.

CREATE POWERFUL NETWORKS WITH INTERACTIVE!

The interactive! careers programme links students to innovative companies while they are still at university:
www.aau.at/interactive

Participants in interactive! benefit from workshops on soft skills and specialist knowledge, take part in company days and work directly with companies on practical issues in the innovation incubator. This career programme can serve as a door opener for your entry into professional life. Vanessa Elpe studied Business & Economics and used the programme to plan her career.

FIND YOUR DREAM JOB WITH THE KLAGENFURT SCHOLARSHIP

The Klagenfurt Scholarship supports outstanding Master’s students whose excellent progress so far promises further top achievements, both in their studies and in their professional careers:
www.aau.at/klagenfurt-scholarship

Scholarship holders receive monetary support as well as the opportunity to build a broad professional network with top companies while still studying. This gives students the opportunity to find their dream job while they are at university. Philip Steinkellner was one of the first scholarship holders. He studied Information Management and was supported personally and financially by Alturos Destinations. He has since graduated and started his dream job at Alturos.

ANNA ZURY, WB Production

“I found out about the event via Instagram and was amazed at the number of internship opportunities I had as an MC student. #NEXT introduced me to WB Production. Here I get to work on organising the World Bodypainting Festival and I get hands-on experience in marketing, event management and artist communications.”

VANESSA ELPE, Infineon Technologies

“As a result of taking part in interactive!, I met the head of the talent network at Infineon Austria. Together we worked on their use case and swapped ideas about international careers and entry opportunities. I have now been with Infineon for just under 4 years, in different roles and countries, and I highly recommend interactive! to all students.”

PHILIP STEINKELLNER, Alturos Destinations

“I quickly gained valuable insights into the professional world, gathered useful practical experience and also landed my current job. I am very grateful to have been given this opportunity.”
DANIEL ZAWARCZYNSKI
Deputy Trade Commissioner
Austrian Trade Commission New York, USA
Applied Business Administration

My degree programme in 3 words:
friends, discoveries, knowledge.

When I think of the University of Klagenfurt,
I immediately think of …
… my graduation and the sense that a special period of my life was drawing to a close.

My ultimate tip for today’s students:
Think globally and don’t be put off by borders and distances!

My motto in life:
Everything happens for a reason.

My favourite spot in Klagenfurt:
Predigtstuhl in Ebenthal – it has the best view over all of Klagenfurt.

Why I headed out into the world:
To keep encountering new cultures, people and their perspectives, and so to keep growing.

ISABELL PROSCHAK
Marketing Campaign Manager
ebay, London, UK
Media, Communications and Culture

My degree programme in 3 words:
experience, opportunities, friendship.

When I think of the University of Klagenfurt,
I immediately think of …
… my amazing fellow students and flatmates: the best I’ve ever had.

My ultimate tip for today’s students:
Time management is incredibly important! I was an expert procrastinator! I don’t recommend having to write two term papers overnight to anyone.

My motto in life:
I don’t really have a motto in life, I just always try my best and strive to look ahead.

My favourite spot in Klagenfurt:
Lake Wörthersee! We often drove to Krumpendorf in the evening and took a dip in the lake at a quiet spot. I still miss these moments today.

Why I headed out into the world:
Moving to Austria made me more open-minded and wanted to challenge myself even further.
CORINNA KUTTNIGG
Radio presenter, Antenne Kärnten
Klagenfurt, Austria
Journalism and Communication Studies

My degree programme in 3 words:
lecture hall, beach volleyball court, Lake Wörthersee.

When I think of the University of Klagenfurt,
I immediately think of …
… a friendly environment, cozy writing
nights in the library and great friendships.

My ultimate tip for today’s students:
Check out the Erasmus offers, pack your
suitcase and go abroad.

My motto in life:
Sometimes you have to take a step back to
get a running start!

My favourite spot in Klagenfurt:
The lakeside benches between Lido and
Schamandra – with a pizza to go.

Why I stayed in Carinthia:
Because there is so much you can get out
of a day. It’s only in Carinthia that you can
surf into the sunset after a long day at work.
The best place to do this, by the way, is
“Charly’s Water Ski School” in Maria Wörth
– insider’s tip!

THOMAS SCHAGER
Head of Product for SME Customers
JobCloud AG, Zürich, Switzerland
Applied Informatics

My degree programme in 3 words:
computer science, Lake Wörthersee, great times.

When I think of the University of Klagenfurt,
I immediately think of …
… superb opportunities for studying,
combined with an impressive location.

My ultimate tip for today’s students:
Be curious, enjoy your studies, and get as
much out of the experience as possible.
When in doubt, consult the Carinthian
common sense.

My motto in life:
Don’t settle for mediocrity.

My favourite spot in Klagenfurt:
The Alte Platz is simply beautiful in the
summer.

Why I headed out into the world:
Love!
8 REASONS

to study

BEST PLACE TO LIVE:
Klagenfurt and the
Alps-Adriatic Region

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