

Info 4: Austrian Academic Degrees

Academic degrees ...

... are awarded to persons who have completed degree programmes at a university (bachelor, master, diploma or doctoral programmes) or a university of applied sciences (bachelor, master or diploma programmes). In certain cases an academic degree is also awarded upon completion of a further education course.

What is their wording?

The academic degrees appear in a German or English, in many cases also in a Latin long version, and an abbreviation. All versions are mentioned in the notice of award. The holder of a degree can use one of these forms.

In case that it is linguistically required, there exists a masculine and a feminine form. For private purposes, there may be added a suffix indicating the sex of the holder (e.g. „Dr.ⁱⁿ“).

For an exemplary list of the most important Austrian academic degrees with all permissible forms see the reverse of this information sheet.

Multiple degrees?

If a student meets the requirements for the multiple acquisition of an academic degree such degree will be awarded several times. However, an awarding ceremony takes place only when the degree is awarded for the first time. The same academic degree can be used, however, only once.

Example: A student who completed a master's programme in Physics has acquired the academic degree of "Master of Science". She embarks upon a master's programme in chemistry as her second studies and thus acquires the aca-

dem degree of "Master of Science" for a second time. After her second studies she may call herself „ N.N., MSc MSc“.

Translations?

The notices of award issued in German and in English. The academic degrees, however, are not translated.

A degree holder may have the notice of award translated into another language. It is recommended to contact an sworn translator.

Annexe:

Exemplary list of Austrian academic degrees

Bachelor degrees	
Bachelor of Arts	BA or B.A.
Bachelor of Engineering	BEng or B.Eng.
Bachelor of Science	BSc or B.Sc.
Master and diploma degrees	
Diplom-Ingenieur / Diplom-Ingenieurin	DI or Dipl.-Ing.
Diplom-Tierarzt / Diplom-Tierärztin	Mag. med. vet.
Doktor / Doktorin der gesamten Heilkunde	Dr. med. univ.
Doktor / Doktorin der Zahnheilkunde	Dr. med. dent.
Magister / Magistra der Naturwissenschaften	Mag. rer. nat.
Magister / Magistra der Pharmazie	Mag. pharm.
Magister / Magistra der Philosophie	Mag. phil.
Magister / Magistra der Rechtswissenschaften	Mag. iur.
Magister / Magistra der Sozial- und Wirtschaftswissenschaften	Mag. rer. soc. oec.
Magister / Magistra der Theologie	Mag. theol.
Master of Advanced International Studies	M.A.I.S
Master of Arts	MA or M.A.
Master of Laws	LLM or LL.M.
Master of Science	MSc or M.Sc.
Doctoral degrees	
Doctor of Philosophy	PhD
Doktor / Doktorin der Bodenkultur	Dr. nat. techn.
Doktor / Doktorin der gesamten Heilkunde und der medizinischen Wissenschaft et scient. med.	Dr. med. univ.
Doktor / Doktorin der medizinischen Wissenschaft	Dr. scient. med.
Doktor / Doktorin der montanistischen Wissenschaften	Dr. mont.
Doktor / Doktorin der Naturwissenschaften	Dr. rer. nat.
Doktor / Doktorin der Philosophie	Dr. phil.

Doktor / Doktorin der Philosophie einer Katholisch-Theologischen Fakultät	Dr. phil. fac. theol.
Doktor / Doktorin der Rechtswissenschaften	Dr. iur.
Doktor / Doktorin der Sozial- und Wirtschaftswissenschaften	Dr. rer. soc. oec.
Doktor / Doktorin der technischen Wissenschaften	Dr. techn.
Doktor / Doktorin der Theologie	Dr. theol.
Doktor / Doktorin der Veterinärmedizin	Dr. med. vet.
Doktor / Doktorin der Zahnmedizin und der medizinischen Wissenschaft med.	Dr. med. dent. et scient. med.
Master degrees in further education	
Master in European Studies	M.E.S
Master of Advanced Studies	MAS
Master of Arts	MA
Master of Business Administration	MBA
Master of Business Law	M.B.L.
Master of International Business	MIB
Master of Laws	LL.M.
Master in Psychoanalytic Observational Studies	MPOS
Master of Public Health	MP
Master of Science	MSc