



Institution of Higher Education for Tourism (HLT)

- Hotel management with IT
- International tourism management
- Tourism and equine industry

College for Tourism (TK)





Welcome to the Carinthian School of Tourism!

I am delighted that you and your child are interested in vocational training at the Carinthian School of Tourism (KTS). The KTS offers young people concise and promising training that opens the doors to the world's largest sector.

For 50 years, the KTS has been providing outstanding higher education and has earned itself an excellent international reputation. We place particular emphasis on personal development, business etiquette and overall appearance.

Students have a choice of school-autonomous specialisations to promote their individual strengths and interests, and the wide range of languages that we offer (English, Italian, French, Spanish) results in a high level of foreign language competence. Expert practitioners from the tourism industry teach the tourism and business-related subjects. The practical experience that winds its way through the entire course is not neglected here either. Our students benefit from various hands-on projects that prepare them for professional life and make them sought-after candidates on the job market.

We are one of Carinthia's leading schools within information technology and offer all students up-to-date training in computer science and hotel reservations.

Students can put their acquired knowledge into practice in our well-equipped practice areas or gain authentic experience in our dinner restaurant. Further important components of the course are the mandatory internship, which is predominantly completed after each school level over summer, and the acquisition of practical certificates such as the "Young Sommelier", "Cheese Expert" and "Young Barkeeper". It goes without saying that all subject teachers come from successful careers within the industry.

If you feel this could be the right training for your child and would like further information, do not hesitate to get in touch and arrange a face-to-face meeting. Your child is also welcome to spend a "taster day" at our school to help make your decision.

I look forward to welcoming you and your child at our school soon.

Mag. Dr. Gerfried Pirker
Director

HLT - your stepping stone for an international career

Top-level tourism training in the Alpine-Adriatic region

Institution of Higher Education for Tourism with three specialisations

- Hotel management with IT
- International tourism management
- Tourism and equine industry

Private school in the Federal Province of Carinthia with boarding

Duration 5 years

Mandatory internship 32 weeks

Qualification School leaving and diploma exams

Perfect foundation for setting up a successful business or obtaining a degree

A business licence for gastronomy / the hotel industry is gained upon graduation and a travel agent's licence after 1.5 years of work experience

Professional title

Tourism professional or tourism professional and skilled worker in the equine industry

Professional fields include gastronomy, the hotel industry, travel agencies and tourism organisations, event management

KTS stands for internationality

Lessons and curriculum are supplemented with additional modules that prepare students for an international career.

- Language and culture trips to exciting destinations
- International trade fair visits (e.g. ITB Berlin)
- Access to the EU's Erasmus+ programme, support with finding work experience abroad
- Optional Spanish
- Participation in international competitions





HLT - three specialisations à la carte

Hotel management with IT

For all those who aspire towards a career in management: focus on leadership, teamwork, setting up your own business, practice-oriented and IT-supported development of business concepts, international study trips and participation in competitions.

International tourism management

For all those who aspire towards an international career and enjoy learning languages: English, Italian or Spanish and French as a third modern foreign language, study trips abroad, language competitions, English as a working language in some subjects, Alpine-Adriatic school partnerships.

Tourism and equine industry

For all those who love horses and would like to expand their career opportunities with this unique combination: specialisation is gained at the LFS Stiegerhof, additional professional title as a skilled worker in the equine industry, various horse-related extra modules.

KTS stands for practical competence

Each specialisation offers a wide range of additional certificates and modules.

- “Certified Cheese Expert” in co-operation with Agrarmarkt Austria/Kärntnermilch
- “Young Sommelier Austria” supported by the Austrian wine industry, wine study trips, own vineyard
- “Young Barkeeper” and “Barista”
- Booking and reservation systems
- Dedicated training restaurant
- Participation in international competitions

TK - College for Tourism

for graduates

Solid tourism management training at an international level

The two-year College for Tourism - "Destination and hotel management" - prepares graduates for their career start within a short space of time. More than 900 of our graduates are currently working successfully around the world. The combination of practical and theoretical training is an excellent foundation for a career within the world's largest industry.

Bachelor's degree

The course is recognised at Austrian and international partner universities. Students require just 1 to 2 years at a partner institution to obtain their bachelor's degree.

The path to your own business

Gastronomy/hotel industry

Business licence upon graduation

Travel agency

Travel agent's licence after 1.5 years of work experience

KTS stands for internationality

Lessons and curriculum are supplemented with additional modules that prepare students for an international career.

- Language and culture trips to exciting destinations
- Talks by successful practitioners and graduates
- Access to the EU's Erasmus+ programme, support with finding work experience abroad

Duration 4 semesters

Entrance requirements

Graduation from a higher education institution or secondary school

Good knowledge of German and English

Specialisation

Destination and hotel management

Languages Spanish, French or Italian

Teaching languages German and English

Qualification Diploma exam

Mandatory internship 3 months

Professional title Tourism professional

Professional fields within management

Gastronomy, the hotel industry, reception, catering, F&B, travel agencies and tourist offices, tourism institutions and organisations





Boarding school and training hotel "Das Atrium"

Live, learn and enjoy ample leisure opportunities with peers

KTS is located in Villach Warmbad, in immediate proximity to the Kärnten Therme spa and a wide range of leisure and sports facilities. Students also enjoy the amenities of our boarding school with a dedicated fitness area. They are accommodated in double rooms equipped with TV, fridge and safe. Our boarding school staff see themselves as a link between students, school and parents. They organise a number of creative, music- and sports-related activities and offer learning support as well as help with self-directed study.

Landwirtschaftliche Fachschule Stiegerhof in the neighbouring municipality of Finkenstein is located on a beautiful plateau. From its large riding grounds you have delightful views of Villach. Fachschule Stiegerhof is known and rated as a school and training centre far beyond its borders. Values, tradition and innovation are lived and conveyed here. All 5 Austrian horse breeds (Noriker, Haflinger, Austrian Warmblood, Lipizzan, Shagya Arabian) accompany you on your journey to becoming a skilled worker in the equine industry.



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