BASEhabitat | Summer School

FAQ

Application process

How can I apply for the summer school?
 Please fill in the online form on our website.
 wwww.basehabitat.org/summer-school-2025
 Pay attention to the deadlines!

I have submitted my application, what happens now? After submitting your application, you will receive an automated message stating that we have received it. This message will include information on the expected timeline. Please do not reply to this message. If you do not receive an automated reply, please check your spam folder, before getting in touch with us.

- We will review each application and inform applicants about its status, aprox. two weeks after the application period has ended. (Do not submit a second application. This will not speed up the process.)
- As soon as you have received the final confirmation of your participation, please send us a short reply. We require a non-refundable deposit of €250 to confirm your place in the programme. (Please note that there are applicants on a waiting list and we would like to inform them in good time if you do not take up your place).

Scholarships

• How can I apply for a scholarship?

On the application form, you will be asked whether you would like to apply for a scholarship. You will then be asked to briefly explain why you require a scholarship.

To check the eligibility of scholarship applicants, you will be asked to give information on your financial situation and upload a proof of income (three last pay slips, confirmation of enrolment, confirmation of unemployment, etc).

· Who can get a scholarship?

Scholarships will be granted to people who have little income, come from low-income countries or have high travel costs. Support will be given to individuals who present an excellent portfolio that reflects their talent and interest in sustainable architecture, who can show their motivation for joining summer school as well as to individuals who will act as multipliers to apply and spread the knowledge learnt at the Summer School in their future life.

How much of the tuition fee will the scholarship cover?

We have a three-tier-scholarship programme: Small scholarship - course fee: €1825.-Medium scholarship - course fee: €1460.-Large scholarship - course fee: €1095.-

• Are there any other scholarship options??

Neither BASEhabitat nor the University of Arts Linz can provide other kinds of scholarships or financial aid.

What is included in the tution fee?

What does the tuition fee include?

The tuition fee of the BASEhabitat Summer School includes two workshops with esteemed trainers in their field, as well as talks and evening lectures, exchange sessions and a summer school handbook.

The tuition fee also covers accommodation (2-3 bed rooms with private bath room and toilet) and full board (vegetarian, seasonal food) for the duration of the summer school.

What other costs can be expected aside from the tuition fee?

All participants have to cover their travel expenses, visa fees, additional insurance, etc. BASEhabitat will not cover any personal expenses participants might have.

Options for more comfort

• Can I book a double room?

The 2 and 3 bed rooms are randomly assigned. If you want to make sure that you will stay in a double room, we will charge an additional fee of €140. After receiving our confirmation e-mail you can let us know your preference.

· Are there single rooms available

A limited number of single rooms is available for an additional fee of €350. After receiving our confirmation e-mail you can let us know your preference.

Visa questions

• Do I need a visa to come to Austria? What do I have to do?

BASEhabitat is not able to give any legal advice. Check with your local Austrian embassy or consulate whether you need a visa and about their requirements and the duration of the procedure. You should ask for a "Type C-Visa: short-stay visa".

 We advise you to get in touch with the embassy IMMEDIA-TELY since the visa process can take a while. Once you have been formally invited to the BASEhabitat Summer School, we can provide a confirmation letter and a proof of accommodation for the duration of your stay.

Please be advised that BASEhabitat cannot sign any guarantees and legal documents like the Austrian Electronic Liability Declaration.

Workshop selection

• How and when can I select my workshops?

Participants can choose 2 out of 4 workshops. In due time before the summer school starts we will send out a survey asking you for your preferences (1st - 4th choice).

I don't see a Bamboo Workshop in the workshop options, can I still sign up?

No, this year we do not offer a bamboo workshop. Instead of bamboo, we are offering a reed and straw workshop.

About the programme

• What are peer lectures? Can I give a lecture?

During the Summer School we invite participants to present their work or field of research in an evening lecture. In one of the emails you'll receive after you have confirmed your participation, we will ask about your interest in giving a lecture. Please reply to that email when the time comes.

· What happens on the "Day off"

We have learned from the past, that it is very vauable to have a day off in the middle of Summer School. Participants are free to explore the region. There is a wide range of sporting and cultural activities on offer in the surrounding area. The city of Salzburg can be reached in 30 minutes by train. If you prefer, you can also stay in Kuchl. A simple lunch package is provided instead of lunch.

Payment

What does the payment structure look like? Can I pay in installments?

The payment of the tuition fee consists of two installments. First a non-refundable deposit over €250 to secure your place at Summer School. The second installment will be over the remaining amount payable by June 05, 2025.

• I require a formal invoice; how do I get one?

To issue an invoice, we need the correct the billing address (including full name and address of the person paying the invoice, can differ from the participant's name). We must know about your need for an invoice before you make the money transfer. An invoice cannot be issued after the due amount has been received.

To make this easier, we already ask about your billing address in the application form.

How can I transfer the participation fee?

You will receive the University of Arts Linz' bank details in an email. A bank transfer is the only option to pay the participation fee.

Unfortunately, it is not possible to use alternative payment methods like paypal.

Friends, pets and travelling

• Can I bring my partner/a visitor?

Due to the limited number of beds, no visitors can stay overnight at the Summer School. In Kuchl and its neighbouring villages there are several small hotels, bed & breakfasts and campsites.

Visitors have to register and cannot participate in any of the workshops or lectures.

Can I bring my dog/pet?

The Holztechnikum Kuchl has a strict no-pets-policy in all its buildings.

• How do I get to Kuchl?

We will give you more information on how to get to Kuchl in due time. The closest airports are Munich, Salzburg and Vienna. From there you can take a train to Kuchl. It is a 10-15 minute walk from the station to the campus.

Please read all our communications carefully, since they will include important information about the programme, travelling, etc.