

Start of semester 2022

A new academic year ahead: Tips for starting your studies by Studo

Maribor/DATE. About 15,000 first-semester students in Slovenia are about to enter their studies. The new semester starts in October and just in time, Studo, the most widely used student app in Slovenia, Austria and Germany, shares its most important organizational tips for a successful start at university.

The winter semester is approaching quickly for the 15,000 first-year students in Slovenia. Some start this new phase of life directly after school, others after a few years of work. However, one question that most first-year students are currently asking themselves is: How does studying actually work and what is the best way to get started in university life?

Studo – The app for your studies

Studo has the answer to this question: the organization app is used by over 400,000 students every day and has been accompanying students and universities for over six years. *"When is my next lecture? Where is this lecture hall? Everyone probably knows these little uncertainties at the beginning of their studies,"* says **Andraž Hajdenkumer**, Managing Director of Studo, *"In recent years, there has also been an increasing focus on socializing: first-year students want to know how they can get to know other students and meet people."* With a timetable, emails, chat and many other features, Studo is one of the first points of contact for first-year students.

Five tips for a successful start to your studies

1. **Planning is everything:** registering for your studies, registering for courses – you should definitely take care of these formalities in good time before the start of the academic year.
2. **Get insights:** You can get advice and tips from students in higher semesters via various platforms. They will give you an insight into actual student life. Contact points for this are, for example, Studo with its wiki and chat with fellow students.
3. **Participate in functions your university offers:** Whether it's "Welcome Days" or "Introductory Events" - almost every university offers events for first-year students. At these events, university systems, contact persons and services are presented. The student unions also organize many events at the start of the semester - just check the respective websites for all the dates.
4. **Stay on top of things:** Beginning your studies always means a flood of new information. You can keep track of everything with apps like Studo or - more analogously - with a well-structured calendar. And don't worry: even if the first few

weeks are a bit challenging, you'll soon have a good overview of your studies! Remember, we were all at the beginning once and we all made it through.

5. **Enjoy:** Studying is a new, extremely exciting phase of life in which you gain a lot of experience and meet new people in a very short time. Do research, make friends, discover who you are, take on new challenges and enjoy every moment of it!

Digital innovations in Slovenia – made by Studo

With the new academic year, Studo is also expanding its cooperation with Slovenian universities. With existing partners as well as new cooperation partners, such as University of Primorska and Faculty of biotechnology and Faculty for social work at University of Ljubljana, Studo is now the official campus app at six higher education institutions in Slovenia. Together with University of Primorska, Studo sets new standards in the digitalisation of higher education and presents the first digital student ID cards in Slovenia. “We are very proud that universities have recognised the potential and the need for digitalisation and that we can enter this new era together with them. Together, we are working on a digital transformation that will make studying more efficient, sustainable and modern for students and university administration,” says **Andraž Hajdenkumer**.

Studo:

Studo is an educational technology company based in Graz (AT), Cologne (DE) and Maribor (SI), and is engaged in digitization solutions for students and universities. Since 2016 Studo offers an organization app for students. The app is currently used by over 350,000 active users in Germany and Austria, most of whom are students, but also university employees. 40 universities in Germany, Austria, Slovenia and Switzerland are already cooperation partners of Studo. The app organizes courses, timetables and mails and offers with the integrated chat and newsfeed a platform for students at the respective universities.

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If you have any further questions, interview or photo requests for Studo, please feel free to contact me. Best wishes and a successful start into the new academic year,

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