

13th Vienna International Numismatic Summer School

“What’s in a Coin?”

The Many Faces of Coins as Historical Documents

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The [Department of Numismatics and Monetary History at the University of Vienna](#) is pleased to announce the 13th Vienna International Numismatic Summer School. The event will take place in Vienna – one of the world centres of academic numismatic teaching, research and collecting – from **3 to 11 September 2026**.

Coinage is one of the crucial sources for history. At the same time, it is most exciting to work with! Within the context of **carefully selected case studies** from different periods, students will engage with various approaches to the numismatic legacy of the past and will be introduced to **a wide range of methods used in numismatics**, including typological and structural analysis, die study, quantification, hoard and site finds analysis and archaeometry. They will also have ample opportunity to **work hands-on with original material**: the Department’s coin collection with over 30.000 objects as well as our [Central Card File](#) (NZK), containing information on and images of over one million coins of all periods, provide a perfect setting for practical exercises.

The programme will be taught by the team of the Department, led by Bernhard Woytek, in partnership with the [Coin Cabinet of the Kunsthistorisches Museum Vienna](#) and the [Research Group Numismatics at the Austrian Archaeological Institute](#), Austrian Academy of Sciences. This year’s visiting scholar will be [Kevin Butcher](#) from the University of Warwick (UK), one of the foremost experts on Roman coinage with a strong research focus on metallurgy and coin finds.

- For attending the Summer School, previous **numismatic knowledge is not required**, and there is **no participation fee**.
- The event is **open to university students of all disciplines of the humanities at all levels** (Bachelor, Master, and PhD students). Sessions will be **taught in English**.
- Participants are expected to take part in the **entire programme**. The number of participants will be limited to 16 in order to ensure an optimal staff-student ratio.
- **Candidates are invited to apply** by sending a letter of motivation (no longer than one page) as well as an academic CV to numismatik@univie.ac.at **by 19 April 2026**.
- Successful applicants will be **reimbursed for their expenses** (travel and accommodation) **up to an amount of € 700,00**.

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