

## Erste Bank now hiring apprentices

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Erste Bank is looking for 30 new apprentices. The branches in Vienna and Lower Austria are looking for young people who would like to start a banking career in 2012. The dual apprenticeship as a bank clerk and office clerk lasts three years. As Erste Group is an international concern, an apprenticeship offers many different career opportunities. Erste Group also supports apprentices that want additional education. *“If an apprentice wants to complete upper secondary school education, we actively help them,”* explained Birgit Payer, Apprenticeship Officer at Erste Bank. The apprentices



change their workplace every half year to different internal departments and to different branches to give them an opportunity to learn how a bank works in all areas. Apart from receiving training in banking matters, great importance is given to personal further education. Among other things, special courses on social behavior are offered as well as courses for improving communications skills. But we also cover themes such as help for smokers to quit smoking and advice on nutrition. To apply, applicants must, among other things, have completed mandatory general school education, have excellent language skills in German and enjoy working with people. Applications for the apprenticeship year 2012 can be submitted immediately at: [www.erstebank.at/lehre](http://www.erstebank.at/lehre).