

#### **PAN-EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY**

## ERASMUS PRACTICAL GUIDE

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### EXCHANGE PARTNER INFORMATION

NAME OF THE INSTITUTION

PAN-EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY

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LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION SLOVAK, ENGLISH, GERMAN



### ACADEMIC CALENDAR INFORMATION

THE ACADEMIC YEAR IS DIVIDED INTO 2 SEMESTERS - FALL AND SPRING

#### EXCHANGE APPLICATION DEADLINE FALL SEMESTER

15TH JULY SPRING SEMESTER: 30TH NOVEMBER

#### **ESTIMATED START - WELCOME WEEK**

25.9.2023 -29.09.2023 12.02.2024 - 16.02.2024

#### **BEGINNING & END OF SEMESTERS**

2.10.2023 - 18.12.2023 (FALL) 19.02.2024 - 13.05.2024 (SPRING)

**EXAMINATION PERIOD** 

04. 01. 2024 - 10. 02. 2024 20. 05. 2024 - 30. 06. 2024

#### **PUBLIC HOLIDAYS**

1 SEP, 15 SEP, 1 NOV, 17 NOV, 24.-26. DEC, 1 JAN, 6 JAN, 7 APR, 10 APR, 1 MAY, 8 MAY, 5 JULY, 29 AUG

#### COMPULSORY LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

We require the minimum of B2 English level. Students with a good command of Slovak or Czech language are not required to study in English.

For an easier and more consistent understanding of the language requirements, use of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) is recommended, see http://europass.cedefop.europa.eu/en/reso urces/european-language- levels-cefr

# HOWTOAPPLY

#### 2 LEARNING AGREEMENT (LA)

The list of courses will be sent to the each accepted student. The Learning Agreement is prepared via the online tool Online Learning Agreement (OLA) or accepted in the paper/scan version.

For OLA Tool, please register in OLA and follow all required steps. Your home coordinator must approve it and then PEU proceeds with its approval as well.

#### **1 ONLINE APPLICATION**

<u>The first step is to be nominated</u> <u>by your home university via email.</u> <u>Then students must fill out the</u> <u>Online Application Form</u>

#### **3 ACCOMMODATION**

For the offer of our room please check: https://www.accommod8bratislava.eu/

#### 4 ISIC CARD

<u>Check in this info sheet the information</u> <u>about the ISIC and its benefit.</u> <u>Request the card prior to your arrival so it</u> <u>will be ready to use once you reach</u> <u>Bratislava.</u>

### 5 STAY TUNED

Wait for a detailed program of the Welcome Week. Book your accommodation, insurance and send your ETA (flight details if applicable) to the host coordinator. Ask for a pickup if needed.

#### **6 FINAL COUNTDOWN**

Pack your stuff and get ready for the craziest months of your life 😂

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION Only applicants nominated by the official representative of the sending institution will be accepted.

## PAN-EUROPEAN COURSE GRADE

A 94-100 (%) 1 (points) Excellent – outstanding performance with only minor errors

B 86–93 (%) 1.5 (points) VERY GOOD – above the average standard but with some errors

C 76-85 (%) 2 (points) GOOD – generally sound work with a number of notable errors

D 66-75 (%) 2.5 (points) SATISFACTORY – fair but with significant shortcomings

E 56-65 (%) 3 (points) SUFFICIENT – performance meets the minimum criteria

> F/FX 0-55 (%) 4 (points) FAIL – considerable further work is required



### LIVING IN BRATISLAVA

#### **COST OF LIVING**

The average costs of living in Bratislava is 400-500 €/month but it all depends on the standard you will set.

#### TRAVELS

Bratislava, with its location, is considered attractive destination in regards of travel option. In less than 1 hour you can reach Vienna, by 2 hours Budapest and in only 3 hours Prague.

#### SHOPPING

Plenty of shopping malls can be found near the university - Avion and Central being the closest ones. Another option not too far from the uni is Eurovea which prides itself with a beautiful promenade by the riverside of Danube

#### TAXI

The most common is to use Bolt, Uber, Taxify, Hopin, Liftago. You can also use Bikeshare (SlovnaftBajk) and Shared Scooters (Bolt or Mint).

#### **MEALS**

One meal in the university canteen costs about 4€. There are plenty of restaurants serving all types of couisines, various street food spots and fast food places. Bratislava is also quite famous for its Beer Pubs.



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## LOOKING FOR A PLACE TO LIVE?

If you are looking for a student residence, you can find many options with us as we offer Private Accommodation.

#### **PRIVATE ACCOMODATION**

All rooms are in apartments. Rooms offer single or double beds, wardrobe, table, internet. Bathroom and kitchen are shared in every apartment. Studio apartments are living units providing superb privacy and extra services – weekly cleaning service free of charge. These types of apartments are available for students and non-students. Accommodations are located around the main campus at Tomasikova 20 (location). WIFI internet, electricity, water are included.

Each apartment contains: washing machine, microwave oven, oven, stove, dishes, cooking pots, dinner set. Moreover, pillows, blankets and bed linen are provided as well.

For more information please visit the website: http://www.accommod8bratislava.eu/

On the other hand, if you prefer to arrange your own accommodation, we advise you to stay in a hostel or guest-house upon your arrival and then find permanent housing. For this, you can rely on Facebook groups where you can find room rentals and flatsharing options.

## HOW TO GET AROUND

#### TRANSPORTATION

Getting around Bratislava is pretty easy and fast. You can either catch a bus, a tram or walk around the city center as everything is within reach. The public transport pretty much covers the entire city with frequent lines.

At almost every stop you can get a single-ride ticket that includes all types of transport starting from 0,90 cents for a 30-minute trip. Some machines accept contactless bank cards. You will need to activate them inside the transport.

Please note that you cannot get a ticket inside the transport! Another thing you should be aware of is that the frequency of the public transport varies with majority of the main lines starting around 4 AM, but ending around midnight. Usually there is a substitute that will cover the distance, however, those arrive with lower frequency and more stops are usually added along the way. Also, we advise you to get the permanent ticket!

For 3 months, for students under the age of 26, that costs around 40 euros.

To know which line you should catch you can use the app: imhd.sk! Turn your location on and write where you want to go. It will tell you the best and fastest way to get there and where to catch it.

Another good app for this is the UBIAN! There you can also get your electronic ticket or charge your transport card.

And finally, another way to get around would be by Bolt, a fast and affordable mobility company. You get a ride in minutes, either by car or by scooter at any time and place!









## ISIC CARD

The International Student Identity Card is an internationally accepted proof of bona fide student status. This identification verifies students and gives them access to a diverse selection of benefits and discounts around the world. ISIC offers both virtual and plastic cards.

With this card, you can travel by train for free within Slovakia. ISIC can also serve as a transport card, instead of a permanent ticket and you can also charge it on the UBIAN app. ISIC INTERNATIONAL STUDENT IDENTITY CARD

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> You can request an ISIC Card to the Department of International affairs at Pan-European University. It costs 40€.

Why get an ISIC Card?

- Prove your student status where ever you go
- Access over 150,000 student discounts and offers in around 130 countries/territories
- Save money every day both at home and abroad
- Access student services and facilities internationally

When applying you will need your student identity card or a signed and dated letter on official university stationery stating you are studying there full time, and proof of your date of birth, and a recent passport-sized photograph of yourself.

Finally, to activate your card you can do it at the University's terminal or online.

## POPULAR ROUTES

At every stop, you will find timetables with line information informing of all the stops and distance/time between them. They are also divided into three parts:

- **Pracovné dni:** working days from Monday to Friday (except national and school holidays).
- Školské prázdniny: buses during the school holidays (don't include the national holidays).
- **Sobota-nedel'a-sviatok:** weekends and the national holidays.

#### **ARRIVING IN BRATISLAVA BY PLANE**

Bus line 61 takes you from the Bratislava Airport (Letisko) to the Central Railway Station (Hlavná Stanica) from 5 AM am to 11 PM (11 pm), every 10 minutes (busiest hours) or 20 minutes, and it takes about 25 minutes to get there.

#### FROM VIENNA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

To get to Bratislava you can buy a bus ticket online with companies such as Flixbus, Regio Jet, Omio, etc, and you can also use the cp.hnonline.sk website to find multiple routes' options. It takes you directly from the airport to Bratislava in about 50 minutes.

#### **IMPORTANT STOPS**

Where you can change lines:

- Central Railway Station (Hlavna Stanica)
- NIVY Bus station (Autobusova stanica Mlynske nivy) – direct trolleybus nr.210 to Hlavana Stanica
- Centrál (Trnavske myto)
- Tomášikova right by the main university campus
- Šintavská/Znievska other university campus (where the studios are located)

#### Others:

- Centrum Námestie SNP next to Main square (tram 4)
- Kapucínska- next to Michael's gate
- Šafárikovo námestie next to the river Danube and National Museum
- Nové SND Eurovea shopping centre (bus 78; 40)
- Aupark shopping center in Petržalka, on the other side of the river (bus 50)



**BRATISLAVA LETISKO AIRPORT** 



**HLAVNA STANICA** 



#### **MLYNSKE NIVY**

## HOW TO APPLY FOR A RESIDENCE PERMIT IN SLOVAKIA

#### IMPORTANT

All documents submitted must not exceed 90 days.

Every document issued abroad must be certified and translated into Slovak by an official translator certified by the Ministry of Justice of the Slovak Republic.

The applicant must enter the territory of Slovakia within 180 days after obtaining the right of temporary residence.

Within 3 working days after arriving in Slovakia, the person must report the start of their residence to the foreign police, and within 3 working days after receiving the residence card, they must register for health insurance.

Within 30 days after obtaining the residence card, it is also necessary to submit Slovak health insurance documents and a medical report not exceeding 30 days to the foreign police to confirm that the person does not suffer from any diseases that may endanger public health.





The application for temporary residence must be submitted in person to the embassy of the Slovak Republic recognized by the country that issued the passport or its country of residence or at the Foreign Police Department.

Applicants must submit the following documents:

- Completed application form
- Two identical colour photos (3 x 3.5 cm)
- Proof of payment of the administrative fee (as required for the relevant type of residence)
- Valid travel document (passport)
- Document proving the purpose of residence
- Document proving a clear criminal record
- Confirmation of accommodation
- Proof of financial coverage

LEARN MORE https://www.mic.iom.sk/en/residence/temp orary-residence/233-application-fortemporary-residence.html



Health Comprehensive for Insurance Foreigners

Designed for foreigners living in the Slovak Republic, who need comprehensive health Comprehensive healthcare insurance. is provided by healthcare facilities.

- The total coverage limit is 60,000€.
- insurances satisfy the conditions • The established by Act No. 404/2011 Coll. on the Residence of Aliens and Amendments and Supplements to Certain Laws of the Slovak Republic.
- The insurance covers the cost of comprehensive Slovak healthcare in healthcare facilities.



For a safe stay during your studies in Slovakia you will need an insurance which covers an elementary care. For EU citizen the urgent healthcare is covered but there is a recommendation to have an extra accident insurance.

For non-EU citizen there is a comprehensive health insurance needed. You can book it online:

- https://www.pojistovnamaxima.sk/en? gclid=EAlalQobChMlovLwbX14QIV0UPTCh1T4grcEAAYASAAEgIY2fD\_B wΕ
- https://www.erapo.sk/en/



Insurance for Necessary Urgent and Healthcare

The insurance is designed for foreigners living in the Slovak Republic for whom standard health insurance is enough. It covers the costs of acute medical interventions.

- The insurance covers the costs of acute medical procedures as part of necessary or urgent care.
- The total coverage limit is 60,000€
- The insurance satisfies the conditions established by Act No. 404/2011 Coll. on the Residence of Aliens and Amendments and Supplements to Certain Laws of the Slovak Republic.



## WAR IN UKRAINE

#### IS SLOVAKIA SAFE? IS THERE A THREAT OF WAR IN SLOVAKIA?

The current situation in Ukraine raises many questions about Slovakia's security.

War in Slovakia, an attack on the Slovak territory, or a Russian invasion of Slovakia are not immediate threats. Even though this war is very close to Slovak borders, Slovakia is safe right now.

#### NATO MEMBER:

Slovakia is a part of NATO the strongest defense pact in the world. The country security is guaranteed based on Article 5 of the North Atlantic Treaty, which states that all member states guarantee each others' security. An attack against one NATO member means an attack against the whole alliance.



It is important that people do not panic and keep informed! The Slovak, European and NATO units are monitoring the situation.

For updated information on the matter you can check the following website: (spectator.sme.sk)





#### HOW CAN TO SUPPORT UKRAINE:

Erasmus Student Network Slovakia has collected all the links to volunteering, humanitarian, IT and local initiatives, across the world, plus protests and info pints. find this You can information on: https://linktr.ee/ESNUkraine? fbclid=IwAR3hKYK3YunLX4unguJta7fxX7SrNds71DyPOslAcRdWZ-0eHMZcvm4nTA#

You can find more information on how to support young Ukrainian refuges here: https://education.ec.europa.eu/news/measur es-in-support-of-pupils-and-educationalstaff-fleeing-ukraine-following-the-russianinvasion

https://www.schooleducationgateway.eu/en/ pub/latest/news/education-support-uarefugees.htm? fbclid=IwAR0pQEptOaO1hsq4coCM8OUcDQZp 2G8JVxymcf9wttmj2Elud9uEOMHzCZI

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