# INFORMATION FOR INCOMING STUDENTS

### > GENERAL INFORMATION

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### > ACADEMIC CALENDAR

Winter semester: early October - late January

Final exams : February

Christmas holidays: December 23 - January 6

Summer semester: late February - late June

Final exams: June, July

Summer holidays: mid July - late August

Autumn examination period: late August - late September

National Holidays		
January 1	New Year's Day	
January 6	Epiphany	
April 20, 21	Easter Sunday and Monday	
May 1	Labour Day	
June 22	Anti-Fascist Resistance Day	
June 25	Croatia Statehood Day	
August 5	Victory and Homeland Thanksgiving Day	
August 15	Assumption of Mary	
October 8	Independence Day	
November 1	All Saints Day	
December 25	Christmas	
December 26	St. Stephen's Day	

# **Academic calendar**

#### > APPLICATION DEADLINES

Deadlines for Erasmus exchange:

15 June - winter semester and full year

1 December - summer semeser

### > APPLICATION PROCEDURE

For Application procedure go to: <a href="http://www.zvu.hr/erasmus/english-incoming-erasmus-students/">http://www.zvu.hr/erasmus/english-incoming-erasmus-students/</a>

#### > STUDY PROGRAMMES

### **UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMMES:**

- Nursing
- Physiotherapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Environmental Health Engineering
- Laboratory Medical Diagnostics
- Radiological Technology

### **SPECIALIST GRADUATE PROGRAMMES:**

- Clinical Nursing
- Psychiatric Nursing
- Public Health
- Management in Nursing
- Physiotherapy
- Environmental Health Engineering

### > LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

Since the language of instruction at the University is Croatian, the University advises taking some of the Croatian language courses offered in various foreign language schools in Zagreb and help can be offered in enrolling them into existing language courses. The University can provide linguistic support to incoming mobile participants by assigning a person which might provide assistance in overcoming language barriers, e.g. language translation during the lectures or practical classes.

#### COURSES IN ENGLISH

Momentarily all the courses are held in Croatian language, and foreign students can opt for private consultations with professors of the chosen subjects. Likewise, it is possible to prepare shorter seminar papers which can be evaluated, or to perform a smaller research work that could help you in preparing your final work.

#### > GRADING SYSTEM

The Croatian national grading scale consists of five grades with numerical equivalents

5 = excellent - izvrstan (highest grade)

4 = very good - vrlo dobar

3 = good - dobar

2 = sufficient - dovoljan (minimun pass grade)

1 = fail/insufficient - nedovoljan

90 -100%	Excellent	(5)
80 - 89%	Very good	(4)
70 - 79%	Good	(3)
60 - 69%	Sufficient	(2)
0 - 59%	Insufficient	(1)

### STUDENT TRANSCRIPT BOOK - "INDEKS"

Upon enrolment students get their own student transcript book - in Croatian "indeks". It contains a list of courses taken, grades awarded and ECTS achieved.

It is useful to carry it during the last four weeks of the semester when professors with their signature certify attendance at the courses.

When the student passes the exam the professor will write down the grade the student g

#### > TRANSCRIPT OF RECORDS

All incoming students are provided with the Transcript of Records with full and accurate record of their achievements at the end of their mobility period.

# > STUDENT IDENTITY CARD - THE X CARD

Exchange students are entitled to hold a student identity card, so called the X Card. It is a sort of a pre-paid card used in students' cafeterias and restaurants. It is not only a "licence to eat", but also a card that proves your student status, so you can get some tickets and services at a reduced price.

#### > VISA AND RESIDENCE PERMIT

EU/EEA citizens can enter Croatia with just a valid ID card (or passport) and then need to register at the Central police station <u>if staying for more than 3 months to regulate the residence permit</u>. Citizens of the USA, Australia, Canada, etc. (for full list see <u>Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs</u>) can enter Croatia with a valid passport and then apply for the residence permit in Zagreb. Check with the Croatian embassy in your country of residence which documentation you will need for your application in Zagreb and make sure you take it along when coming to Zagreb.

NON-EU/EEA citizens coming from a country that has a visa-regime with the Republic Croatia need to apply for a visa via the Croatian embassy in their home country before departing for Croatia. (The list of countries whose nationals need a visa to enter Croatia can be found at the pages of the Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs).

Visas CANNOT be applied for or extended in Croatia! Please contact the Croatian embassy in your country of residence for more information.

In order to regulate the residence permit students need to submit the following documents:

- 1. Form 1a, http://www.mup.hr/UserDocsImages/obr1A.pdf
- 2. Acceptance letter from UAHS stating the study purpose of your stay (in Croatian)
- 3. 1 photo in colour (35x45mm)
- 4. copy of the passport (page with photo) / or ID card

- 5. proof of sufficient means of subsistence (statement of bank account, scholarship confirmation or similar) 1000HRK (approx. 120EUR min./moth)
- 6. proof of secured accommodation the copy of the form from the student residence with your personal data OR in case of private accommodation a rental contract and a proof of ownership (to be submitted within 72 hours upon your arrival)
- 7. proof of health insurance not for EU citizens.

COST OF THE PERMIT (administrative fee): Erasmus student need to pay 240HRK. All other categories of exchange students pay the fee of 740HRK.

Students living in the student hall of residence can regulate the permit 30 days after the arrival in Zagreb, students in private accommodation should do it within 3 days upon arrival.

Documents need to be submitted at the Central Police Station in Petrinjska 30, HR-10000 Zagreb.

For more information visit:

http://www.mvep.hr/en/consular-information/stay-of-aliens/granting-stay-in-croatia-/

Students that need entry visa to the Republic of Croatia need to regulate their residence permit before coming to Zagreb at the nearest Croatian embassy. The list of countries whose nationals need a visa to enter Croatia can be found at:

http://www.mvep.hr/en/consular-information/visas/visa-requirements-overview/

#### > HEALTH INSURANCE

All exchange students need to have health insurance during their stay in Croatia. Regulated health insurance is the prerequisite for being granted temporary residence.

All EU/EAA students need to bring their European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) in order to qualify for the services provided by the Croatian Health Service.

The EHIC card must be requested from your home country's health service before you leave. This card will entitle you to free medical assistance, i.e. day hospital care, hospital treatment and prescriptions.

All non-EU/EAA exchange students are required to register for Croatian health insurance upon arrival. Croatian health insurance is offered for currently approx. 400HRK/month (approx. 54EUR) and entitles the user to full healthcare coverage. This insurance will not cover your

journey to Zagreb including medical evacuation and repatriation - please make sure you purchase travel insurance accordingly.

#### Accident insurance

Erasmus students are recommended to be supplied with insurance coverage against accidents and civil liability during their whole stay in Croatia. The policy should also cover any accidents that may occur during educational activities. Insurance cover may be taken out with a private insurance company.

In either case, you should produce evidence of this insurance when enrolling.

All non-EU exchange students are required to register for Croatian health insurance upon arrival. Croatian health insurance is offered for currently approx. 400HRK/month (approx. 54EUR) and entitles the user to full healthcare coverage. This insurance will not cover your journey to Zagreb including medical evacuation and repatriation - please make sure you purchase travel insurance accordingly.

For more information visit:

http://www.hzzo-net.hr/03\_03\_05\_eng.php

### > ACCOMMODATION

University of Applied Health Studies <u>does not guarantee</u> accommodation but will offer assistance in finding suitable accommodation.

#### Student dormitories

Students that want to live in a student hall of residence need to apply for accommodation. The housing request form is a part of the general online application form for exchange students.

If you want to live outside the university dorms, you may also check the premises of the Logistic Youth Centre that has 10 rooms with 25 beds (price per moth/person is 1500HRK/approx. 200EUR). Check their facebook pages <a href="http://www.facebook.com/logistickicentar.mladih">http://www.facebook.com/logistickicentar.mladih</a>

### Private accommodation

International students will have to organize accommodation on their own, i.e. look for private rental accommodation. Rents vary greatly depending on the location, room size, facility etc. Overhead expenses are sometimes included in the price, and sometimes are paid by the consumer. Payment is usually expected at the beginning of the month, while some landlords request payment for several months in advance. There are two ways to rent a room/flat:

1. Look for/run an advert in a newspaper or in the classified ads

(e.g.www.oglasnik.hr and www.njuskalo.hr).

Examples of prices:

Single room with shared kitchen and toilet: 100-200 EUR per month;

Studio apartment: 300 EUR per month.

#### Youth hostels

If you prefer private accommodation and would like to live in a rented flat, before choosing a nice one, you might want to spend some time in a hostel. Therefore, we suggest youth hostels.

http://www.hostelbookers.com/hostels/croatia/zagreb/

http://www.hostelsclub.com/city-hr-809-Zagreb.html?scat=8

#### > LIVING EXPENSES

Average monthly living expenses in Croatia are estimated to be between 400 and 600 EUR depending on the type of accommodation, student needs and lifestyle. These amounts should be enough to cover food, accommodation, utilities, books, transportation and miscellaneous expenses.

### > WELCOME DAY

Welcome Day will be organized by the International Team with the aim to welcome incoming international students and give them essential information about registration, enrolment to courses and services provided by the University.

The students will also be introduced to their mentors and representatives of the Institution's Student Organization.

### > STUDENT ASSEMBLY

Student Assembly will provide additional support to international students. They will help incoming students to get to know Zagreb and Croatian students, and will support them in finding information about the University and accommodation.

Students will assist you during your stay in Zagreb, and will help you to accommodate after arrival. Therefore, it is advisable that you plan your arrival during daytime.

http://studentski-zbor.zvu.hr/news.php

### > STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

Students with disabilities can contact the International Team and discuss their special needs and requirements in order to get adequate support during their study at our University.

#### > AFTER YOUR ARRIVAL

If you are an Erasmus student, you should enrol within 2 days of arriving: to do this, hand the following documents in the International Relations Office:

- copy of the passport or any other identification;
- 2 passport-size photographs;
- your University's certificate testifying to your Erasmus Student status;
- Accident Insurance certificate (valid abroad) if you have any;
- EHIC (European Health Insurance Card) for medical assistance.

The office will issue the student book and a document certifying your registration.

#### > CROATIAN LANGUAGE COURSES

Croatian language courses are not being organized at the University of Applied Health Studies. Foreign students can apply to a Croatian language course organized in Croaticum - Center for Croatian as a Second and Foreign Language at the Zagreb University Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences.

More information at <a href="http://croaticum.ffzg.unizg.hr/eng/novosti.html">http://croaticum.ffzg.unizg.hr/eng/novosti.html</a>

For more information about studying and living in Croatia visit Study in Croatia.

# **USEFUL WEBSITES**

Study in Croatia (www.studyincroatia.hr)

<u>Croatian National Tourist Board (www.croatia.hr)</u>

Zagreb County Tourist Board (www.tzzz.hr/en)

Zagreb Tourist Info (www.zagreb-touristinfo.hr)

<u>Croatian Airlines (www.croatiaairlines.com)</u>

<u>Trains in Croatia (http://www.hzpp.hr/Default.aspx?sec=282)</u>