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# **1** FACULTY OF CROATIAN STUDIES

# **Mission**

Faculty of Croatian Studies at the University of Zagreb provides interdisciplinary research and training in topics of traditional and contemporary merit within fields of Cultural Studies, Humanities, and Social Sciences, and relating to the Republic of Croatia, Croatian population and diaspora. The topics capture the concepts of culture, politics, intellectual history and contemporary intellectual state; public and personal communication in media, activities of social groups; human experience and behaviour, education and upbringing; language development; relevant political, cultural, social, and demographic issues of national, regional, and European interest.

# <u>Vision</u>

This vision that draws on teaching and research expertise that permeates a common Croatological and cultural component contributes to coherent and distinctive scientific and research focus, unifies the researched fields of science and thus distinguishes the Faculty of Croatian Studies from other components of the University of Zagreb with similar focus.

# **Activities**

The Faculty of Croatian Studies at the University of Zagreb undertakes following activities: STUDENT GUIDE FOR INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGES FACULTY OF CROATIAN STUDIES 1. To organise and undertake University studies, in certain cases professional studies as well, lifelong learning, and other forms of learning, examination, and education at the academic level, pertaining to the fields of humanities and social sciences, and within interdisciplinary field,

2. Scientific research and professional activities within the fields of humanities and social sciences, and within interdisciplinary field, with special emphasis on issues pertaining to croatology, culture, history, philology, philosophy, sociology, information and communication, demography, diaspora, identity, psychology, palliative care, upbringing and education,

3. To design and realise scientific programmes of strategic interest to Croatia;

4. Culture, publishing, libraries, archive, documentation, museums, media, and information affairs,

5. To provide services that include giving lectures, research, documentation, and consulting for drafting, defining, and designing of scientific, expert, and projection studies, elaborates, expert opinion, and strategies,

6. Other activities that may upgrade the fundamental activities.

# **Objective**

The Faculty of Croatian Studies at the University of Zagreb is a higher education institution and scientific organisation with the objective to research and investigate Croatian society, state, space, population, diaspora, culture, Croatian civilisational and cultural heritage within European and global context, to give you an understanding of existing knowledge and new findings, and to cultivate Croatian national and cultural identity.



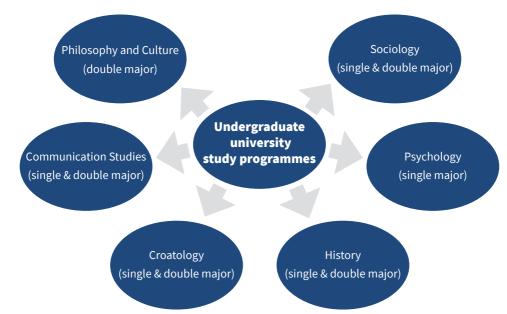
- Department of Communication Studies
- Department of Croatology
- Department of Demography and Croatian Diaspora
- Department of Educational and Teacher Education
- Department of History
- Department of Philosophy and Culture
- Department of Psychology
- Department of Sociology







# 3. 1. Undergraduate study programmes



# 3. 1. 1. Communication Studies (single & double major)

 The undergraduate study programme in Communication Studies is specific in that it provides students with opportunities to acquire both theoretical and practical knowledge in two professions – journalism and public relations – as well as in communication science, a very recent discipline devoted to research on journalism, public relations and the process of mass communication as a whole.

The study programme has been devised to enable students to master not only basic practical skills, but also specific theoretical knowledge in journalism and public relations, as well as research terminology and the foundations of communication science. Throughout the programme students are acquainted with the historical development of journalism and mass communication both in Croatia and worldwide. They acquire understanding of standard mass media (the press, radio and television) and the new media, as well as agencies and public relations - required for the media to operate. Upon opting for one of the science streams on offer, students acquire basic knowledge of their chosen stream, including the methods of reporting typical for that particular stream. Graduates of Communication Studies are qualified for entry-level jobs in a range of media or in the corporate sector (public relations divisions). In addition, students develop the ability to reflect critically on the reality which surrounds them and the way this reality is presented in the media. Elective courses in their field familiarise students with certain periods in the history of journalism and public relations, features of mass communication and particular media, certain journalistic forms and ways of reporting and analysing in the media. The bachelor thesis is written during the sixth semester.

With the completion of studies, students gain the academic title of university bachelor (baccalaureus/baccalaurea) of Communication Studies.

He writes in sand and sows in dust, Who pleases to advise a haughty thug.

Marko Marulić (1450–1524, ″Father" of Croatian literature)



# 3. 1. 2. Croatology (single & double major)

The undergraduate study programme in Croatology is an interdisciplinary study programme dedicated to the study of Croatian cultural and national identity. Apart from studying various achievements that make up an integral body of culture of the Croatian people in the European environment, the study of Croatology is dedicated to the application of such knowledge in different areas of social and cultural life. The programme provides students with skills and knowledge related to the building blocks of Croatian culture, including their respective historical dimensions. During the first year, students are introduced to the study of Croatian culture and to the main features of the Croatian identity in the European context. In addition, students acquire knowledge of the initial periods of Croatian cultural, political and literary history. Studying the development of Croatian culture is continued during the second year and is used as the foundation for further learning of Croatian ethnology and deepening the knowledge of Croatian standard language (with emphasis on syntax). In the third year, basic knowledge of Croatian archaeological heritage, arts, music, theatre, natural sciences and the history of standard language is acquired. The bachelor thesis is written during the sixth semester.

With the completion of studies, students gain the academic title of university bachelor (baccalaureus/baccalaurea) of Croatology.

In our age war broke out with the Turks, and contrary to all expectations, many outstandingly heroic deeds were done.

Ivan Lučić (1604–1679, "Father" of Croatian historiography)



The purpose of the undergraduate study programme in History is to analyse the causal relationships of various historical processes. Over a six-semester period, students will have developed the ability to critically reflect on and analyse the fundamental characteristics of historical periods, historical sources and research papers. Students are required to participate in working groups, whose aim is to apply the concepts in guestion and incorporate these into a seminar paper which must be prepared independently, using recommended sources. Students are thus encouraged to conduct independent research of historical literature and develop the skills of critical reflection and argumentation. During the first year of the programme, students acquire the ability to define fundamental concepts associated with ancient and medieval history, as well as the ability to independently analyse historical texts of the period. During the second year of the undergraduate study programme, students acquire fundamental concepts in early modern and modern history. During the third year of the programme, students deal with fundamental concepts in contemporary history and expand their knowledge of Central European and Mediterranean history. The bachelor thesis is written during the sixth semester.

With the completion of studies, students gain the academic title of university bachelor (baccalaureus/baccalaurea) of History.

DEGREE PROGRAMMES & ENROLMENT

Oro tuas nobis pennas concede parumper, Ipse Scientas donec adibo domus. Janus Pannonius (1434–1472, Croatian poet)

There is no absolute rest in nature.

Josip Ruđer Bošković (1711.-1787., Croatian philosopher)

# 3. 1. 4. Philosophy and Culture (double major)

The purpose of the undergraduate study programme in Philosophy and Culture (double major) is the acquisition of the comprehensive understanding of the world and humans' place in it, particularly focusing on the essence and meaning of culture. It enables students to interpret and critically analyse a wide range of human beliefs, attitudes, actions and theories, as well as to comment and interconnect the major texts and theories relative to culture. The programme provides students with essential knowledge of standard philosophical disciplines and develops their analytical, interpretative and argumentative skills. In the first year, students acquire basic knowledge of standard problems of philosophy and cultural studies, philosophical and cultural anthropology, ancient greek philosophy, one classical (Greek or Latin) and one foreign language, and the norms of the Croatian language in both academic and non-academic discourse. In the second year, students broaden and deepen their knowledge of logic, acquire knowledge of basic metaphysical and ethical theories, philosophy of culture and become familiar with the the middle ages and the renaissance and early modern philosophy. In the third year, students acquire knowledge of basic epistemological and aesthetic theories, as well as the fundamentals of the Enlightenment philosophy and Classical German philosophy, modern philosophy, philosophy of history and social philosophy. The bachelor thesis is written during the sixth semester.

With the completion of studies, students gain the academic title of university bachelor (baccalaureus/baccalaurea) of Philosophy and Culture.

# 3.1.5.Psychology (single major)

The undergraduate university study programme in Psychology familiarises students with a number of different areas of psychology, as well as a range of related scientific disciplines. It is a three-year (6 semesters), full-time study programme of 180 ECTS points, consisting of both required and elective subjects. Required subjects are divided into three categories: theoretical, methodological and general foundation subjects, offering basic knowledge and skills in all the specialities, major theories and techniques in psychology. Elective subjects are aimed at familiarising students with the content of related scientific disciplines. The aim of this programme is to offer introduction to psychologist's skills and a base for conducting research in psychology.

With the completion of studies, students gain the academic title of university bachelor (baccalaureus/baccalaurea) of Psychology.

# 3. 1. 6. Sociology (single & double major)

The undergraduate study programme in Sociology has two qualities; its aim is to provide 1) general sociological knowledge and basic social research methods skills. Besides obligatory courses on basic sociological theory and key concepts that are being thought throughout six semesters, students can choose form broad range of different sociological subjects that are offered through elective courses such as Sociology of Consumption, Society and Sustainability, Sociology of Health, Sociology of Death and Dying, Cultural Aspects of Work, World Citizenship etc. Basic skills in research methodology are also an important part of undergraduate training. Throughout their studies, students are practically acquainted with qualitative and quantitative research design and methods. In addition, they become familiar with the key concepts in Bayesian and inferential statistics and with applying of statistical concepts in quantitative research analyses. At the same time undergraduate program of sociology is 2) strongly oriented toward providing students with the specific knowledge on sociological research carried out in Croatia. Through their undergraduate studies, students become familiar with different topics researched by Croatian sociologists that broadly encompass important sociological questions such as regional development, religiosity, juvenile delinguency and also globalization and its influence on societal development. Studying of those specific topics during Sociology of Croatian Society 1-4 seminars enables undergraduate students to connect broad sociological knowledge and skills with everyday research practice but also to gain an understanding of how social forces influence societal change within broader economic, historical and political context.

With the completion of studies, students gain the academic title of university bachelor (baccalaureaus/baccalaurea) of Sociology.

# 3. 2. Graduate study programmes

Croatology double major (teaching or scince stream) Sociology single major (teaching or science stream)

> Comunication Studies (science stream)

History single and double major (teaching or science stream) Graduate university study programmes

Philosophy, double major (teaching stream)

# 3. 2. 1. Communication Studies (single major, science stream)

The graduate university programme in Communication Studies serves to complement and deepen the scientific and professional competences acquired during the undergraduate study programme. The specific objectives are: the acquisition of abilities and skills required for associate and managerial positions in the communications professions (journalists and editors in the media, associate or managerial positions in the departments and agencies for public relations, associate or managerial positions in departments or agencies for so-called community management, researcher positions in public opinion and market research agencies, assistant positions in research teams at universities or research institutes); acquiring knowledge necessary for independent processing of scientific issues in terms of both content and methods applied; introduction to discursive approach to issues encountered in communication sciences and learning to form independent and founded views when facing multiple scientific theories, methods and teachings; special emphasis is placed on the interdisciplinary approach through the integration of different scientific approaches; deepening the awareness of the ethical responsibility and the knowledge of social, economic and legal framework surrounding communication related activities. The holder of this gualification is entitled to use the academic title of Master in Communication Studies. Careers in communication are vital in a wide range of creative industries in digital media as well as in traditional media. with opportunities to discover the profession where your communication skills are the most needed. Strong written and oral communication and presentation skills are foundation for developing career in marketing, public relation and advertising.

With the completion of studies, students gain the academic title of Master in Communication Sciences.

#### **Student activities**

Students of Communication Studies are gathered in the Association of students of communication studies and journalism *Komuna*, which was



Udruga studenata komunikologije i novinarstva "Komuna"

established in 2008. *Komuna* issues newspaper *Oprez* that deals with different topics but the most common are those about journalism and communication studies.

### 3. 2. 2. Croatian Latinity (double major)

Graduate study programme in Croatian Latinity covers Latin literature of medieval and early modern Europe and particularly Croatia, with its rich heritage written in Latin. Individual courses give overview of various literary periods and introduce major genres and authors. Other courses, such as a beginner and an advanced Greek course, a course on editing Latin texts, and a course on paleography and epigraphy, aim at broadening basic Latinist competences. As a special type of exercise, one course is taught entirely in Latin.

The holder of this qualification is entitled to use the academic title Master of Education in Latin Language and Literature, and Croatian Latinity. They are qualified to teach Latin language at the primary, secondary and grammar school level.

Furthermore, they are qualified to be employed in a wide range of professional and scientific positions in the area of Latin language and literature and Croatian Latinity in scientific research institutions (archives, libraries, institutes), as well as in public and state services and civil society organisations which require skills related to Latin language and literature and Croatian Latinity.

With the completion of studies, students gain the academic title of Master of Education in Latin, Roman Literature and Croatian Latinity.

#### **Student activities**

Students of Latin and Croatian Latinity are gathered in the Association Res Publica.

# 3. 2. 3. Croatology (single and double major, teaching or science stream)

#### Graduate study programme of Croatology is organized as an interdisciplinary programme dedicated to the study of Croatian cultural and national identity.

It is the central interdisciplinary study programme, pivotal for the development of the concept of the Faculty of Croatian Studies. Apart from learning and studying various aspects of Croatian culture in the European context, the study of Croatology is dedicated to the application of such knowledge in different areas of social and cultural life. At the graduate level, students deepen their knowledge and skills acquired at the undergraduate level, with specialized introductions to elements of Croatian culture, including their historical dimension.

With the completion of studies, students gain the academic title of Master in Croatology or Master of Education in Croatology.

#### **Student activities**

Students of Croatology are gathered around the Association of students is called *Cassius.Cassius* holds annual symposia and publishes a magazine of the same name. There is also an amateur theater group operating within the Association and has won a number of university and international awards.



### 3. 2. 4. Demography and the Croatian Diaspora-undergraduate and graduate study programe

The study program of Demography and Croatian diaspora is a novel concept in science and higher education in Croatian universities in terms of subject matter, theoretical approach, methodology employed, multidisciplinary elaboration, and in terms of importance and general interest for researching applied demography and emigration. Study programme is comprised of ten semesters with the duration of five years. It is comprised of 69 courses, 50 are mandatory and 19 are elective (students are obliged to enrol to seven electives) and a graduate thesis. The mandatory courses are executed over 1650 hours, 975 hours of lectures, 510 hours of seminars, and 165 hours of exercises. This study program is founded on the idea that the population is key factor in all subsequent human activities, from children and young people as the carriers of the future development of Croatia, and it also acknowledges the Croatian diaspora as a cultural capital, to the adverse effects of cultural decadence upon the civilization in general, and Croatian in particular (especially since all of the major demographic indicators and trends have turned negative). Following this, the decision to establish this study program in Croatia originates from major academic, social, economic, cultural, and national necessity. This necessity is only compounded by the cumulative adverse effects of negative demographic trends on key government systems of the Republic of Croatia.

Emigration waves in the 20th and early 21st century have resulted in a larger number of ethnic Croats abroad than in the Republic of Croatia, which makes the study of Diaspora not just a key academic field, but also an important contributor to the demographic survival.

By acknowledging the complexity of demography, Diaspora and migration in general, with its natural socio-spatial constraints and the need for a new developmental conception based on Croatian diaspora, a new study program is proposed at the Faculty of Croatian Studies of the University of Zagreb with lecturers coming from the best Croatian scientific institutions. The

knowledge of demography and diaspora issues on national topics, combined with related fields of study, will enable a wider perspective necessary for participating in social, political, scientific, diplomatic, consular and educational activities in Croatian and Croatian representative bodies throughout the world. The integrated study of demographics and Croatian diaspora is particularly important in the social, promotional, diplomatic and similar activities in the Croatian diaspora. Upon graduation, asides from the academic title, the student will be competent to find employment in professional and scientific developmental challenges.

# 3. 2. 5. History (single and double major, teaching or science stream)

The graduate study deepens the knowledge and develops the skills acquired during the under-graduate study program, that is critical thought and independence in work, and mastering research methodology and skills in drawing up and presenting a scientific research. The graduate study in history enables a student to be progressively more focussed, to define and describe the disciplines of contemporary historical sciences, the history of their development and the central problems; use accepted terminology in the historical sciences; apply methods of explaining and interpreting historical processes; interpret and evaluate various historical points of view, including those of Croatian historians, in the context of the science of history. They can be employed in a wide range of teaching and research positions in the area of history and related areas (archives, museums, institutes), as well as in public and state services and civil society organisations.

With the completion of studies, students gain the academic title of Master in History or Master of Education in History.

#### **Student activities**



Students of History are gathered around the Association *Lucius* that issues an eponymous student journal. The Association organizes field classes across Croatia and Europe every year, cooperates with other associations of history students and organizes the well-known student symposium series "Dies historiae", with eminent researches from Croatia and abroad as keynote speakers.

## 3. 2. 6. Philosophy (double major, teaching or science stream)

Graduate study programme in Philosophy focuses on widening and deepening of the knowledge students have acquired in the course of their undergraduate study of philosophy. Graduate students are introduced to the western contemporary philosophy, bioethics, political philosophy, philosophy of law, eastern philosophies and cultures, and philosophy of education. Through a series of elective courses students acquire additional specialist knowledge in other philosophical disciplines such as; logic and artificial intelligence, philosophy of cyber culture, philosophy of globalization, philosophy of game and sport, philosophy of myth and religion, croatian philosophical heritage in the European context etc. Students of the teaching stream acquire basic didactic, pedagogical and methodical knowledge required to teach philosophy, logic, ethics and related subjects at the high school level. Graduate thesis is written during the fourth semester.

#### With the completion of studies, students gain the academic title of Master of Education in Philosophy or Master in Philosophy.

#### **Student activities**

Philosophy students of The Faculty of Croatian Studies are gathered in the Association of students of philosophy *Scopus*. The eponymous student philosophy journal was founded in 1996 and remains one of the oldest student publications in Croatia. Many teachers of philosophy in Croatia made their

first publications in *Scopus*. Students are also organizing various extra-curricular activities, such as student philosophical symposia, workshops and round tables.



# 3. 2. 7. Psychology (single major, science stream)

Graduate study programme in Psychology is a two-year, full-time study programme. Requirement for admission is a completed undergraduate university study programme in Psychology, with minimum grade point average of 3.5 out of 5.0 (minimal second-class grade).

Students enrolled in this graduate study programme expand their knowledge of psychology previously acquired at the undergraduate level. They gain new professional knowledge and practical skills wich essential for those working independently in the field of psychology. The academic title obtained after completing the graduate university study programme is Master of Psychology. During the first year of the graduate study, students may additionally choose to enrol in the Teacher Training module, which allows them to acquire further 60 ECTS points. This programme developed in accordance with the European Diploma in Psychology, makes graduates in psychology fully qualified to compete in the labour market.

With the completion of studies, students gain the academic title of Master in Psychology.



The Association of students of psychology Feniks brings together students of psychology to promote educational and cultural interests of students and contributes to the psychology as a profession. The Association operates on the premises of the Student Union at the Borongaj Campus. The Association publishes the student journal Psyhoactive, organizes student confer-

ences on evolutionary psychology and a conference series Psychology in practice, in cooperation with EFPSA (European Federation of Psychology Associations Student's), research section. Feniks also organizes methodological courses workshops, public speaking and presentation skills workshops and tutoring for freshmen.

# 3. 2. 8. Sociology (single major, teaching or science stream)

The Graduate study programme in Sociology offers students advanced theoretical and methodological coursess to enhance their sociological knowledge and skills. The program consists of compulsory and optional subjects. Compulsory courses serve students to gain sophisticated knowledge of contemporary sociological theories and trends in quantitative, qualitative and mixed social research methodology. Students are also offered a large number of elective courses in various sociological sub-disciplines so they can tailor the program to their own interests and objectives.

With the completion of studies, students gain the academic title of of Master in Sociology or Master of Education in Sociology.

#### Student activities

Students are gathered around the student Association *Anomija* (USSA). They publish the student newspaper *Amalgam*, organize summer schools and are an integral part of the European network of associations of sociology students *ESSA*.

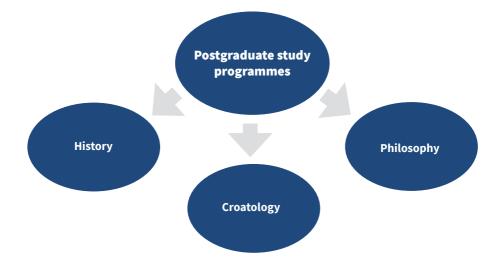


# 3.2.9.Teacher education

All students who complete teacher training are qualified to work in educational institutions as well as within other institutions that promote culture and require pedagogical-psychological-didactic-methodical education. Student workload in this programme is 60 ECTS points, distributed over required subjects (General pedagogy, Didactics, Developmental Psychology, Legal bases and pedagogical documentation, Methodology (of the related subject), as well as practical exercises and Correlation exercises) and elective subjects (more than 20 available) and completing the diploma dissertation. Students who complete teacher training possess the following competencies, knowledge and skills:

- understanding the legal basis of the teaching profession and the ability to interpret the relevant laws concerning the rights and obligations of employees of an educational institution.
- knowledge and active application of pedagogical documentation which refers to teaching and keeping teaching related records as well as other documents pertaining to overall work of the school.
- basic knowledge in general pedagogy such as detecting problems in the field of education and solving problems of pedagogical nature which do not require a high pedagogical and psychological level of knowledge.
- recognizing developmental traits and achieved levels in terms of psycho-motor, intellectual, emotional and social development of individual students.

# 3. 3. Postgraduate (doctoral) study programmes



## 3.3.1.Croatology

With the help of qualified teachers, postgraduate students of Croatology will be prepared to conduct research in various disciplines related to Croatian culture. The programme underlines interdisciplinary approach. The creative collaboration of teachers and postgraduates enables setting, development, testing and mutual balancing of diverse models of interdisciplinarity not prescribing any theoretical approach in advance. There are special conditions and organizational framework for that kind of permanent interdisciplinary work of teachers and students. Through conversatorium and consultations they will build a coherent and purposeful interdisciplinary approach for subject which each of them investigates and processes. That way a new dimension in the interdisciplinary study and interpretation of the phenomenon of the Croatian culture will be achieved right from the start. It is expected to achieve a steady progress with the time, which is needed in the field of humanities.

# 3.3.2.History

The purpose of the PhD programme in History, considering the needs of the labour market, is in the fact that it educates future researchers and university teachers of History who will be employed in research institutes and universities. It is up to these future scholars and university professors to maintain awareness of the nation's past and to represent that past objectively and recognizably to future generations.

Innovativeness of the postgraduate programme in History is primarily in organization that is based on the integration of research and teaching functions of the university, as well as the intergenerational and interdisciplinary collaboration. Due to the dominant research background of the teachers, the study programme is designed according to their profile and competences. Regarding the institution where they work, teachers not only have a lot of theoretical knowledge, but they also have extensive practical experience in the conception and implementation of research tasks. Postgraduate study in History follows the concept and organization of graduate and undergraduate study in History and presents the final phase in the implementation of the idea of intergenerational solidarity and pragmatism in a way that more experienced, older generation helps the younger generation to identify and pass the "traps" of historical researches.

# 3.3.3.Philosophy

The Postgraduate study programme in Philosophy provides organized and systematic education of future scholars capable of understanding and creating new knowledge – within both the classical branches of philosophy and its contemporary interdisciplinary branches tied to various natural and social sciences. Students who complete the doctoral study programme can find employment in humanities and social sciences research institutes and university departments, but also in specialized and vocational schools offering specific philosophical subjects. Many doctoral students of philosophy at The Faculty of Croatian Studies today have permanent or part-time positions in institutions like the Department of Philosophy of the University of Rijeka, Department of Philosophy of the University of Zadar, School of Law of the University of Zagreb, Institute of Philosophy in Zagreb, American College of Management and Technology in Dubrovnik, The Zagreb School of Economics and Management, University of Applied Health Studies in Zagreb, Dof Philosophy – Faculty of Croatian Studies of the University of Zagreb, etc. Postgraduate study of philosophy lasts for three years (six semesters), has a load of 180 ECTS, which includes the fulfillment of all study obligations, completion and defense of the PhD thesis. Upon the completion of studies, students are entitled the academic title of Doctor of Philosophy. Only students who finish Graduate study of philosophy with grade point average of 3.5 or above can enroll in it. Also, the applicants who have not completed graduate studies in philosophy but graduated within other scientific fields or areas, can enroll conditional upon passing a number of exams.

# 3. 4. Enrolment of Croats outside the Republic of Croatia for undergraduate university studies at Faculty of Croatian Studies in the academic year 2022/2023

The University of Zagreb has signed an agreement with the Central State Office for Croats Abroad which stipulates the issuance of enrolment quotas for Croats located outside of Croatia with the aim of returning Croats and Croatian descendants to Croatia as well as taking positive action to assist Croatian youth to stay in Croatia. The aim focuses on positive long-term demographic and economic progress as well as the positive general progress of Croatian society. The signing of this agreement occurred following the III. Plenary Session of the Croatian Government Council for Croats outside Croatia held on 10 December 2016 in Vukovar, which concluded that it was necessary to provide special enrolment quotas for younger generations of Croats outside the Republic of Croatia for their enrolment at universities in the Republic of Croatia and to provide study scholarships for members of Croatian minorities and/or Croatian emigrants. Therefore, the Senate of the University of Zagreb has confirmed a special quota for these candidates, subsequently all faculties will conduct qualification assessments for them in accordance with the special terms of enrolment. The envisaged special enrolment quotas refer to the two categories as defined in Article 2 of the Croatian Interethnic Relations Act (NN 124/11, 16/12): to members of the Croatian minority in European countries (Republic of Austria, Republic of Serbia, Republic of Slovenia, The Slovak Republic, Romania, the Republic of Macedonia, Hungary, the Italian Republic, Montenegro, the Czech Republic, the Republic of Kosovo and the Republic of Bulgaria) and to Croatian immigrants in overseas and European countries and their descendants. At the Faculty of Croatian Studies at the undergraduate level it is possible to study: single major studies in: Communication Studies, Croatology, History, Psychology, Sociology or a combination of two studies (double major) selected from the following: Demography and the Croatian Diaspora, Philosophy and Culture, Communication Studies, Croatology, History and Sociology.

#### More information are avaliable here:

- Information about enrolment of younger generations Croats outside the Republic of Croatia for undergraduate university studies at Croatian Studies at the University of Zagreb: <u>https://www.hrstud.unizg.hr/</u> <u>en/enrolment/enrolment\_of\_croats\_outside\_the\_republic\_of\_croatia</u>
- Application for enrolment of Croats outside the Republic of Croatia for undergraduate university studies at Croatian Studies: <u>http://croaticum.</u> <u>hrstud.hr/upis/index.php?lang=en</u>
- Einschreibung zu Vordiplomstudiengängen an Kroatischen Stu- dien der Universität in Zagreb im akademischen Jahr 2022/2023 für Kroaten außerhalb Kroatiens: <u>https://www.hrstud.unizg.hr/de/</u> <u>einschreibung fur kroaten ausserhalb\_kroatiens</u>
- Online-Portal zur Einschreibung zu Vordiplomstudiengängen an Kroatischen Studien der Universität in Zagreb für Kroaten außerhalb Kroatiens: <u>https://croaticum.hrstud.hr/upis/index.php?lang=de</u>
- Inscripción de croatas que viven fuera de la República de Croacia para realizar estudios universitarios en el año académico 2022-2023 en el Departamento de Estudios Croatas de la Universidad de Zagreb: <u>https://</u> www.hrstud.unizg.hr/es/inscripcion\_de\_croatas

 Aplicación para la inscripción de croatas que viven fuera de la República de Croacia para realizar estudios universitarios de grado en el Departamento de Estudios Croatas de la Universidad de Zagreb: <u>http://croaticum.hrstud.hr/upis/index.php?lang=es</u>





INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS AT THE FACULTY OF CROATIAN STUDIES



# 4.1. International cooperation

International cooperation of the Faculty of Croatian Studies is realized through bilateral and multilateral agreements of the Faculty or of the University of Zagreb as a whole, through the European mobility programme Erasmus+ KA 103, CEEPUS, and through the worldwide mobility programme Erasmus+ KA 107.

Part of the Faculty international cooperation is realized through *ad hoc* short-term visits of foreign scholars to the Faculty and short-term visits of the Faculty to foreign institutions. A list of all visits of foreign scholars to the Faculty and of the Faculty to institutions abroad, can be found at the <u>http://medjunarodna.unizg.hr/</u> of the Office for International Relations of the University of Zagreb.

http://www.unizg.hr/homepage/international-relations/

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#### **Office for International Cooperation**

### 4.2. General information

In December 2013, the European Commission awarded the University of Zagreb with the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education for the whole period of the Erasmus+ programme.

Name of the institution: Sveučilište u Zagrebu (University of Zagreb)

Erasmus code: HR ZAGREB01 ECHE: 255154-EPP-1-2014-1-HR-EPPKA3-1-ECHE Erasmus Policy Statement

Erasmus+ inter-institutional agreements are drafted and signed with a particular unit of the University. University of Zagreb has 31 Faculties

and 3 Academies. Contact list for Erasmus+ inter-institutional agreements at the Faculties/Academies of the University of Zagreb.

### 4.2.1. Academic year

ACADEMIC YEAR 2022/2023	October 1 to September 30	
WINTER SEMESTER	Teaching period	
	October 3 to January 27	
	<i>Winter examination period</i> (no classes)	
	January 30 to February 24	
	Teaching period	
SUMMER SEMESTER	February 27 to June 9 <i>Summer examination period</i> (no classes)	
	June 12 to July 7	

### 4. 2. 2. Credit Transfer System

Upon enrolment, students get their own student transcript book (in Croatian: "index"). It contains basic information on courses taken, grades achieved and ECTS gained.

At the end of the semester, professors put their signature in the index, thereby certifying enrolment and attendance at the courses.

When the student passes the exam, the professor fills the grade and ECTS the student got, signing it again underneath.

1 ECTS credit is the equivalent of approximately 25 working hours. Credits are awarded only when the course has been completed and all required examinations have been successfully taken. 60 ECTS credits represent the workload of a year of study, 30 ECTS credits of a semester.

### 4.2.3. Grading system in Croatia

Students knowledge may be tested and assessed during the course of teaching, preliminary examination, practical assignments artistic performance, artistic teaching production and similar, while the final grade shall be determined at the examination.

The achievement of the student at the examination, other knowledge tests and student's activity is expressed by the following grades:

5 - excellent, 4 - very good, 3 - good, 2 - satisfactory, 1 - fail. Passing grades: 5, 4, 3 and 2 are recorded in the index and student's transcript. The grade unsatisfactory (1) is a fail and shall be recorded only in the students record in

the administration. The numerical system of grading corresponds to the ECTS system of grading as follows:

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5 = excellent - izvrstan (highest grade) - A
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4 = very good - vrlo dobar - B
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3 = good - dobar - C
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2 = sufficient - dovoljan (minimun pass grade) - D, E
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1 = fail - nedovoljan (is not written in index) - F
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http://bit.ly/unizg\_statut\_documents

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### 4. 2. 4. AAI@EduHR system

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Zaporka	
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	orizacijska infrastruktura znanosti i ovanja u Republici Hrvatskoj

AAI@EduHr is the Authentication and Authorisation Infrastructure of science and higher education in Croatia. Thus only institutions listed in the registry of Ministry of Science, Education of Republic of Croatia are eligible to became a member and act as identity providers in AAI@EduHr.

Any member of AAI@EduHr can act as service provider. Each user gets a unique username and password. Users have the right to use the electronic identity in the AAI for the duration of their relation with the host institution in which they got their electronic identity.

http://www.aaiedu.hr/en

### 4. 3. Application dates & procedures

If your home university has nominated you for student exchange at the University of Zagreb, you need to fill in the application form with the University of Zagreb.

All applicants are kindly requested to respect the <u>APPLICATION DEADLINES</u> (to receive your application documents by e-mail) which are as follows:

- 10 May for the 1st/winter semester / academic year
- 10 November for the 2nd/summer semester

Application for an international mobility at the University of Zagreb is only possible by use of the online application form available on this website under "My application".

### **Complete application form**

To apply online you must first create a personal account in which you can make your application, save it and continue to work on it at a later stage if you wish so. Please log in to your personal account, complete the online form and submit your application.

### **Finalise the application**

After the application data has been submitted online, your application will be created as a PDF document which you must print out. If you do not have access to a printer at this stage, you can save the file and print your application later.

The printed application form must be signed by you and the coordinator at your institution, and then sent to our institution. Please note that our office cannot process your application without the required enclosures and signatures.

You will receive confirmation of receipt of your application by email. Your application will be examined when we receive all the required documents. If your application is accepted, a letter of acceptance will be posted to you.

### **Enclose required documents**

The following documents must be enclosed with your Online application form (printed & signed by you and your home university):

- Curriculum Vitae (Croatian or English),
- the Learning Agreement containing your planned course units at the University of Zagreb. To create your Learning Agreement, please check the <u>study programmes/</u> <u>courses at UNIZG</u>. The Learning Agreement may be modified after your arrival and discussion with your academic coordinator. For a detailed information on the courses and all questions relating to your Learning Agreement, please contact your <u>faculty coordinator</u>,
- Official Grade Transcript from home university,
- Certificate of Enrolment from home university,
- Copy of the ID card (both sides) or passport (first page with the photo and personal data).
- Proof of English level B2 level on the <u>Common European Reference for Languages</u> is required (all kinds of language certificates are accepted)

### E-mail for sending the applications

Exchange students need to send their application documents (full application file in .zip or .rar format) to the following e-mail: <u>incoming@unizg.hr</u>.

- Deadlines for application (To receive your application documents by e-mail) 10th May for the 1st (WINTER) semester / academic year
- 10th November for 2nd (SUMMER) semester.

https://unizg.moveonnet.eu/moveonline/incoming

### 4. 4. Courses in foreign languages

The Faculty of Croatian Studies offers 30-40 courses to foreign students each academic year.

Foreign students are advised to bear in mind the unlikely possibility of cancellation of some elective courses on short notice, due to insufficient interest.

Home students are encouraged to enroll in elective courses held in foreign langauges in order to acquire additional competences and to prepare themselves for mobility.

http://bit.ly/hr\_stud\_course

### 4. 5. Preparations before coming to Zagreb

### **VISA AND RESIDENCE PERMIT**

EU/EEA citizens can enter Croatia with valid ID card or passport, and then need to register at the Central police station, if staying for more than 3 months, to have their residence permit issued.

Citizens of the USA, Australia, Canada, etc. (for full list see Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs) can enter Croatia with valid passport and then apply for 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. You will receive an acceptance letter that covers some of the documentation needed for your visa application as soon as your complete application has been approved by the faculty/academy of the University of Zagreb that will host you.

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 UNIZG stating the purpose of your stay (in Croatian)
- 3. 1 photo in colour (35x45mm)
- 4. proof of sufficient means of subsistence (statement of bank account, scholarship confirmation or similar) minimum of 1.000 HRK (approx. 120 EUR) per month
- 5. 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)

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

IMPORTANT: All documents need to be translated into Croatian and certified by a public notary (for example: Lingua-soft, Frankopanska 5A, Phone: + 385 1 4830 401, email: lingua-soft@lingua-soft.hr).

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.

### HEALTH INSURANCE

All exchange students must have health insurance during their stay in Croatia.

- 1. All EU/EAA students need to bring their European health insurance card to that is valid during the entire period spent in Croatia.
- 2. All non-EU/EAA exchange students are required to take out a travel medical insurance that is valid during the entire period spent in Croatia. The ensured cover must be at least 30.000 EUR and include repatriation for medical reasons, urgent medical care and/or emergency treatment in a hospital. Student will need to submit a proof of medical insurance upon arrival to Zagreb, Croatia when applying for the first temporary permit.
- 3. Students coming from Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro and Serbia that have health insurance with their national health insurance provider in the home country may take out a proof of health insurance from the home country so-called "bolesnički list" and exchange it for insurance policy from the Croatian national health insurance provider. Upon arrival to Zagreb students will report to the Croatian Health Insurance Fund (Hrvatski zavod za zdrastveno osiguranje HZZO) and submit the so-called "bolesnički list" at the address: Branimirova 37, Odjel za međunarodnu suradnju / Department for international cooperation. The HZZO will issue a document that enables exchange students to use the health services within the Croatian health system. The document is issued without additional charges.

### MEDICAL HELP

If you don't feel well and need a doctor, this the address where you can turn up or make an appointment:

### **GENERAL PRACTICE**

Ljubica Lazić Vuletić, dr. med., ADDRESS: Martićeva 63 a

Phone 01 4604 145 – doctor

01 4604 140 – nurse

### **WORKING HOURS**

uneven dates - morning: 7am-1.30pm , even dates - afternoon: 1-7.30pm

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### **PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES**

Student counselling services of The Faculty of Croatian Studies offers free psychological assistance to all students at the Faculty.

Coordinator of the Students' Counselling Services Lovorka Brajković, PhD, Assistant Professor Department of Psychology E-mail: <u>savjetovaliste@hrstud.hr</u>

### **DENTAL MEDICINE**

Danijela Klobučar **ADDRESS:** Martićeva 63 a Phone 01 4604 121

### **WORKING HOURS**

even dates - morning: : 7am-1.30pm ; uneven dates - afternoon: 1-7.30pm

If it's a weekend / bank holiday, you should go to the **EMERGENCY MEDICAL AS-SISTANCE INSTITUTE located in Heinzlova 88**. This hospital receives accident victims and patients with sudden, serious illnesses 24-hours a day.

### In case of emergency dial 112!

112 is the emergency number for fire, ambulance and police. You will be asked to explain what is the nature of your emergency, what happened, where and when.

### 4. 6. Career opportunities for exchange students

All full-time students at Croatian higher education institutions can apply for occasional student work. The same applies for international students.

In Croatia the employment of full-time students is handled by the Student Service Centre (*Student servis*) which has subsidiaries in all university towns and elsewhere. International students attending short study programmes (exchange students, guest students) have to check with the higher education institution they are applying to whether or not they are allowed occasional student work via the student service centre and under which conditions.

If an international student is allowed occasional student work through the Student Service Centre, she/he can register by coming in person to the Student Service Centre and filling out a form. This will require the following:

- Student Transcript Book ("Index")
- Certificate of full-time student status in the current academic year (from the university and its unit at which they are enrolled)
- Two photographs
- Identification document or passport
- Certificate of having opened a giro account in a bank in a bank in Croatia

http://www.studyincroatia.hr/living-in-croatia/student-life/employment-information

### 4. 7. Accommodation for exchange students

Due to the limited number of vacancies, only oversees students and students from countries with a visa regime with Croatia will be guaranteed accommodation in student hall of residence. International students do not automatically receive student dormitory accommodation and they have to contact the International Cooperation Office at the higher education institution they are applying to in order to try and ensure housing. The University of Zagreb Student Centre (SC) is the institution that manage all student dormitories according to a system of quotas for available spaces. It is the responsibility of the higher education institution to contact the Student Centre and recommend an international student. In case there are rooms available for the period of student's stay, the international student can get a room in the dormitory.

At the moment, only international students who come to study in Croatia as part of an official exchange programme (ERASMUS, CEEPUS or bilateral programmes of the Ministry of Science, Education and the Agency for Mobility and EU Programmes...) can apply for student dormitory accommodation. The Agency for Mobility and EU Programmes arranges housing for their bilateral programmes and CEEPUS students. Higher education institutions are in charge of helping ERASMUS students with accommodation, however they are not guaranteed a place in a student dormitory. Other international students need to provide for housing themselves.

### 4.7.1. Rooms, facilities and prices

Rooms in student dormitories are usually shared between two people and bathrooms are shared with one or more other students or rooms.

Student dormitories include restaurants, student cafeterias, gyms and many others additional social activities, all at heavily subsidized prices.

The cost of student dormitory accommodation varies, but it tends to be the most affordable accommodation option. Prospective students should contact the International Cooperation Office at the higher education institution they interest for more information.

### These are the student dorms in Zagreb:

Student dormitory	Address	
Stjepan Radić	Jarunska 2	
Cvjetno naselje	Odranska 8	
Dr. Ante Starčević	Zagrebačka avenija 2	
Lašćina	Lašćinska cesta 32	

### http://www.sczg.unizg.hr/smjestaj/foreign-students/dormitory/

Another option with accommodation of exchange students is to rent a flat. Zagreb has a large offer of flats and it is not problem to find a suitable flat according to one`s preferences. It is usual for students to live with roommates as it reduces the price of rent and utilities. It is recommended to find a flat well in advance of the arrival. Be advised that during the beginning of the semester a lot of students are looking for flats and sometimes it takes time to find a suitable one. Here are some of the pages with flat rentals:

- <u>Crozilla.com</u>
- <u>Centar nekretnina</u>
- gohome
- <u>Nekretnine.net</u>
- <u>Oglas.hr</u>
- <u>Njuskalo.hr</u>

### 4.8. Useful information for Exchange students

### **ERASMUS STUDENT NETWORK CROATIA - ESN**



ESN advocates for quality and quantity of mobility in the European Higher Education Area. It is an independent, non-profit, student entity. It represents ESN sections in Croatia: ESN Dubrovnik, ESN Osijek, ESN

Rijeka, ESN Split, ESN Zadar and ESN Zagreb. They spot obstacles and motivations for students to go abroad, try to detect solutions and advocate in Europe to ensure that detrimental factors are reduced and favourable components are increased.

The main focus of ESN is placed on **current exchange students**, who often face problems in their new environments. ESN works to improve the social, practical, and academic integration of international students.

This is mainly done through activities in the local sections:

- cultural and social events such as trips to various places within the country
- **organizing events** like film nights, language projects, international food festivals and last, but not least, parties
- **helping** the international students mainly in academic and practical integration
- **representing** the needs and rights of international students

ESN also provides relevant information and encourages the **future exchange students** to gain the international experience and gain relevant insight to different cultures.

### www.esn.org

### <u>X-card</u>

The identification card for fulltime students in Croatia is the "iksica" (X–card). The card is used as a document testify-



ing one's student status, as required to realise student rights and benefits such as subsidised meals, public transportation, discounts in certain public institutions and so on.

International students in Croatia receive a student card if they fall into one of the following categories:

- Students arriving through the CEEPUS network
- Students in bilateral exchange programmes of the Ministry of Science, Education and Sports and the Agency for Mobility and EU Programmes
- ERASMUS students

Students studying in Croatia privately (free-movers) or as part of a faculty-level exchange programme are not entitled to a student card but only a temporary card which carries a benefit of subsidised meals in student restaurants (*menza*).

### Students can use their X-card in all student restaurants in Zagreb:

Cassandra	Unska 3	
Restaurant "SUPERFAKS"	Pierottijeva 6	
Restaurant of fast food "Bologna"	Horvatovac 102a	
Restaurant "Borongaj" – dining room"Tekstilni"	Pril. Baruna Filipovića 28a	
Restaurant Borongaj	Borongajska cesta	
Restaurant of fast food FSB	Ivana Lučića 5	
Restaurant at Faculty of Forestry	Svetošimunska 25	
Restaurant at Academy of Fine Arts	Ilica 85	
Restaurant at Faculty of Econom- ics and Business	Trg J. F. Kennedyja 6	
Restaurant at Faculty of Medicine	Šalata 3b	
Restaurant at Faculty of Veterinary Medicine	Heinzelova 55	
Restaurant Savska	Savska cesta 25	
Restaurant in student dormitory "Cvjetno naselje"	Odranska 8	
Restaurant in student dormitory "Lašćina"	Lašćinska cesta 32	
Restaurant in student dormitory "Stjepan Radić"	Jarunska 2	
"Odeon"catering B. Babić	A. Kačića-Miošića	
Restaurant "NSK"	Hrvatske Bratske Zajednice 4	



- 1. Restaurant Borongaj
- 3. Restaurant at Faculty of Medicine
- Restaurant in student dormitory Cvjetno
- 7. Restaurant in student dormitory Stjepan Radić (Sava) – fast food
- 9. Restaurant of fast food FSB
- **11.** SC
- **13.** Restaurant in student dormitory Lašćina
- 15. Restaurant at Faculty of Forestry
- 17. Odeon catering
- 19. Restaurant "NSK"

- 2. Restaurant Superfaks
- 4. FER Cassandra
- 6. Restaurant of fast food Bologna (PMF)
- 8. SC fast food
- **10.** Restaurant in student dormitory Stjepan Radić
- **12.** Restaurant at Faculty of Economy and business
- 14. Restaurant at Faculty of Veterinary Medicine
- 16. Restaurant at Academy of Fine Arts
- Restaurant "Borongaj" dining room"Tekstilni"

### Also, students can use their X-card in every student restaurant in Croatia. Here is the list of all student restaurants across Croatia:

http://www.srce.unizg.hr/usluge/issp/popis-restorana

There are a few useful things you should know about the monthly and daily limits on your subsidies amounts and about how to check your X-card balance:

• There is daily/monthly limit on how much subsidies you can use in one day/month

• At the beginning of each month your X-card recharges to the maximum amount available, depending on your student rights level. (More information about the student rights level for government subsidies can be found at www.cap.srce.hr.)

• To check how your daily limit, depending on your student rights level, please visit:

https://www.srce.unizg.hr/en/

### How to check your X-card balance?

• By checking at the bottom of your Student Cafeteria bill

• By visiting <u>https://issp.srce.hr/</u> entering your X–card number, and clicking on the "Nastavi" button. After that click, in the box called "Preostali saldo" you will see the leftover amount of subsidies available for you in the current month.

DESCRIPTION	DAILY SUBVENTION	MAX SUB.	BASE FOR ENTITLEMENT
Foreign residents in international exchange pro- grammes Eras- mus and CEPUS	32,20 kn	64,40 kn	ID card Mobility of an exchange student listed by the faculty

http://www.srce.unizg.hr/usluge/issp/pravo-na-prehranu/razine-prava

### Student discounts:

- Many bus companies are offering discounts with given insight on X-card, some of them are: AUTOTRANS (for persons under 26 years of age) which gives 25% discount on the one way ticket and 40% discount on the two way ticket, also there is a possibility of making their special Autotrans card and get even bigger discount
- APP POŽEGA allows 30% for one way and 40% for two way ticket (X-card)
- CROATIA BUS gives the discount for the two way ticket (X-card)
- SAMOBORČEK gives 10% discount for one way ticket and 30% for two way ticket, etc.
- ALGORITAM PROFIL MOZAIK bookshop offers 10% discount (X-card)
- VARTEKS on Varteks points of sale students can achieve a 15% discount on brand Levi's<sup>®</sup>, Nomadic Denim, Benetton, Soaked in Luxury, Part Two, Cottonfield, In Wear and Jackpot (X-card)
- Museums are also offering dicounts:
- MUSEUM OF BROKEN RELATIONSHIPS gives a discount for students so the price of the ticket is 20 kn (X-card)
- MUSEUM OF ARCHEOLOGY gives the discount for students so the price of the ticket is 10 HRK (X-card)
- MUSEUM OF CONTEMPORARY ART gives 50% discount for students so the ticket costs 15 kn (X-card), etc.

### Theaters:

- ZKM THEATER offers discounts for students / discount depends on the show (X-card)
- VODNIKOVA LANGUAGE SCHOOL gives 10% discount for students (Index small book you will get after the enrollment that contains all the courses and grades)
- NATIONAL AND UNIVERSITY LIBRARY IN ZAGREB gives discount for students (Index)
- Also, students get the "Golden card" every semester with coupons that can be used for discounts for students between 17 30 years. Students can use these coupons for different kind of fun, educational and useful contents like theaters, shopping, restaurants, gyms, beauty treatments and much more. (with X-card)

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### 4.9. International exchange experiences

Students from all over the world are participating in the exchange programmes in the Faculty of Croatian Studies. With the Erasmus programmes and Bilateral & Mulilateral Cooperation combined there are 41 exchange agreements for students. Here are some of their experiences.

"As funny as it sounds post Erasmus syndrome exists. In the end I had to cry out many goodbyes to everybody I got close to and went back to a normal, slow-pace life. Yes, it was a hard cut-off but every good thing has to come to an end. Now I can firmly state – Erasmus was the best time of my life!" Dominykas Graibus/ Vytautas Magnus University

"It's not only about academic purpose, it's about life. It's really a life changing experience."

### Pei-Ting, Huang/National Cheng Kong University

"The myriad of experiences gained, be it attending classes with Croats and other European students on the Erasmus, programme, or planning a short getaway over the weekend to some exotic part of Europe, to sharing stories with your roommate from a different country; all these opened up opportunities to meet new people, make new friends and eventually rooting those emotional strings of attachment where you call this place your second home and where you find your second family."

### Hui Ping Clara Cho /National University of Singapore

Good classes, lovely beverages and amazing travel spot. I bet that they got everything you want as an Erasmus."

### Eun Ji Choi/ National University of Chonnam

"I really enjoyed the group atmosphere together with the many activities like museum, fair or concert visits which the Croaticum organized. Besides grammar, we discussed interesting current topics and read a contemporary novel whose author was the guest of a literary evening at the Croaticum."

Sonja Kralj/University of Klagenfurt

"One semester in Zagreb gave me a lot more than I expected in the beginning. I grew myself as a more confident and motivated person."

### Dominykas Graibus/ Vytautas Magnus University

"My academic experience has been inspiring. I was taught by knowledgeable professors from the Faculty of Croatian Studies, who are passionate about their fields of expertise. Such a personal touch to the way students are tested on their material is something to be lauded."

### Hui Ping Clara Cho/ National University of Singapore

"I went there thinking about the educational and academic aspects, but I came back knowing that, in order to have a good student or a good professor/researcher, we first need to have good people that live in peace with no threats whatsoever. That education is only possible on a humanitarian basis and makes possible *being* human (itarian). I am thankful to the University of Zagreb and the University of Guadalajara for giving me the opportunity to learn from another way of life, and that a peaceful society is possible."

Andrea López Mendoza - Universidad de Guadalajara







### **5** GENERAL INFORMATION

### 5.1.The city of Zagreb

Zagreb is the capital of Croatia. It is on the historic and political threshold between East and West and it illustrates both the continental and Mediterranean spirit of the nation it spearheads. It is the cultural, scientific, economic, political and administrative centre of Croatia, and is home of the Croatian Parliament, Government and President. When it comes to free time, Zagreb is the city that can offer something for everyone, from its rich history and culture, parks and gardens to sports. Popular destinations for outings are all around like Medvednica mountain, park Zrinjevac where people often hang out and just chill, Upper Town where you can enjoy romantic views, the Jarun lake, where you can still find a small patch of virgin nature, the ZOO in the Makisimir park... People in Zagreb are passionate about sports. The football club with most trophies in Croatia, Dinamo, comes from Zagreb. Also, Zagreb is very proud of its sports hall named after the legendary basketball player Dražen Petrović, the home of the Cibona basketball club. At the beginning of every year, Zagreb hosts the Ski World Cup race at Sljeme. With around thirty museums and thirty theaters, restaurants, cafes, outdoor summer concerts, a wide variety of clubs with all kind of music, Ban Jelačić square that always lives, you won't be able to get enough of this charming city. From 2016 until 2018 Zagreb has won the 'Best European Christmas Market' Title, beating the likes of London, Vienna, Berlin, Stockholm, Strasbourg, Brussels, Manchester and Nürnberg by travelers on European Best Destinations.

As an **Erasmus city**, Zagreb took the 52nd place of 250 cities, finding itself ahead of cities such as Florence, Bruxelles, Graz, Amsterdam, Padova, Dublin and many others.

### 5. 2. Costs of living in Zagreb

Food	1000 HRK/month	
Rented room and Utilities (water, electricity, heating, phone)	1500 HRK /month	
Transportation	100 HRK/month	
Books	400 HRK/month	
Miscellaneous	800 HRK/month	
TOTAL	3800 HRK/month (approx. 530EUR)	

### Estimated monthly living expenses

Student living expenses will vary according to individual needs and the ability to budget and manage finances. In particular if you want to travel a lot and take full advantage of the available cultular and social opportunities, expenses will be higher. The estimates below are therefore only a very general guide.

### <u>Currency</u>

Croatian kuna ("HRK" or "kn") is the currency in Croatia. One kuna equals 100 lipas.

There are coins of 1, 2, 5 and 25 kuna and 1, 5, 10, 20, 50 lipas. Banknotes have denominations of 10, 20, 50, 100, 200, 500 and 1.000 kuna.

### **Exchange Rates:**

1 EUR = 7,6 HRK 1 US\$ = 6,7 HRK

**Credit Card Services** 

Mastercard – Eurocard, VISA, Diners Club and American Express are widely accepted in shops, hotels and restaurants. There are many ATMs in the city.

### 5.3. Events in Zagreb

Many cultural and traditional events, theatre shows, sport events, exhibits, fairs and congresses are taking place in Zagreb.

Here are just some of them which are traditionally held every year:

**DrivelN Cinema –** Croatian Student Associatin organizes free cinema every year where you can watch movies under the stars from your car or settled cosy on the grass

**Zagreb's International Comic Festival –** great guests, comics fair, various exhibitions, lectures and debates

Maksimir League - Round 3 Run & Trek - five races for 5 km at different locations in Zagreb

**Summer at the Stross** - carefully selected music programme, art installations embedded in space, unusual and fun activities and competitions, open-air cinema, artists with their canvases and excellent wine

**International Fireworks Festival – s**pectacular fireworks, musical performances, amusement park, stands with food and drink

**InMusic Festival** – music festival is taking place at Jarun lake every year in June, bringing world famous performers and offering rich programme of al kind of fun activities

**Summer at the MSU –** original project in **Museum of Contemporary Art** that combines concerts, art exhibits and movie projections

**INTERLIBER – International Book and Teaching Appliances Fair -** numerous new titles, interviews with authors with book signings, literary workshops, discussions, book presentations, great prices of books and much more

**European Theatre Night** – takes place every year in november and organizes free preformances, panel discussions and preformances between theaters and spreads its programme to international co-production

**Advent in Zagreb –** gives a true Christmas spirit trough music events, performances, variety of events, rich content like ice park, advent food and drinks, Christmas decorations.

**Night of Museums** – takes place every year one day in January from 6 pm till 1 am with free admission to galleries, museums and other cultural institution



### 5.4. Traveling opportunities

Living in Zagreb gives you a lot of opportunities to travel cheaply to the beautiful Croatian coast, to visit cities like Rijeka, Split, Zadar, Dubrovnik, to see Croatian islands and visit neighboring countries like Hungary, Italy, Slovenia, Montenegro...

The best way to travel around Croatia is by bus, especially if you have in mind all the discounts that you can get as a student. To visit foreign countries the best way to travel can be by bus or train, it depends on the country and its connection. During the season there is in opportunity to fly cheaply from Croatia with Ryanair.

### \*always remember to check which documents are needed for the country you would like to visit

### Transport

- Train: <u>http://www.hzpp.hr/en</u>
- Bus: <u>http://voznired.akz.hr/voznired.aspx?lang=en</u>
- Planes: <u>http://www.skyscanner.net/</u>
- List of Ryanair flights from Croatia: <u>http://bit.ly/ryanair\_flights\_from\_croatia</u>

You can find all kinds of accommodation in Croatia. From hotels and apartments to hostels, botels (hostels on boat) like in Rijeka, accommodation in the lighthouses in Istria, Kvarner or Dalmatia. You can visit national parks, parks of nature, see the UNESCO heritage, spend some time in hidden agro - tourism destinations or visit some of the Croatian festivals that are world famous.

Some of the famous **festivals** in Croatia:

- Dimensions Festival Pula
- Outlook Festival Pula
- Sonus Festival Zrće, Pag
- Terraneo Festival Šibenik
- The Garden Festival Tisno
- Ultra Europe Split / Hvar
- Unknown Festival Rovinj

### 5. 5. About Campus Borongaj

Campus Borongaj was officially opened on 12 October 2007. With the opening of the campus, the first phase of renovation of the former garrison barracks in Borongaj was completed. The University of Zagreb took nine military facilities on Borongaj in agreement with the Ministry of Science and Technology for the teaching purposes and adapted them to the needs of three faculties in Zagreb: the Faculty of Croatian Studies, Faculty of Education and Rehabilitation Sciences, and Faculty of Transport and Traffic Scienses.

The Campus has a student restaurant, cafe, bakery, newsstand, decorated environment, modern furnished library, full WiFi coverage, a bus line that drives directly to the campus and a spacious parking lot. The campus covers 92.8 hectares of surface and the desire of the University is to use the potential all the faculties.



### 5. 6. Location of Campus Borongaj

**Faculty of Transport and Traffic Scienses** is located in three objects: object 69, 70 and 71.

**The Faculty of Croatian Studies** is located in six objects. Classrooms and teacher offices are in the main building (object 63). Auditorium is located in the other building (object 67). **Library** is located separately in the third building (object 62). Extra classrooms and offices are located in the fourth building (object 61). Demography and Croatian Diaspora is located in the fifth building (object 77) and King Sejong Institute for Korean culture and language is located in the sixth building (object 78).

Faculty of Economics and Business is located in object 64.

**Faculty of Education and Rehabilitation Sciences** is located in objects 65 and 72. Object 65 is also used by **Centar for rehabilitation of Faculty of Education and Rehabilitation Sciences**.

**Restaurant and SC cafe** are located in object 43.

Restaurant working hours: monday - thursday: 7:30 am – 4:00 pm friday: 7:30 am – 2:00 pm

Breakfast is served till 10:30 am in the left line. Lunch is served in the both, left and right line, till the end of working hours.

Cafe working hours: monday - thursday: 8:00 am - 5:00 pm friday: 8:00 am - 3:00 pm

(smoking is not allowed in the restaurant and cafe)

In the **Library** building (object 62), there is a copy center with working hours: 8:00 am – 6:00 pm.

The premises of **student associations** are located in **object 60**.

The **Newsstand** is on the south side of the parking lot.

### Notes

