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# *INTRODUCTION*



*WELCOME*



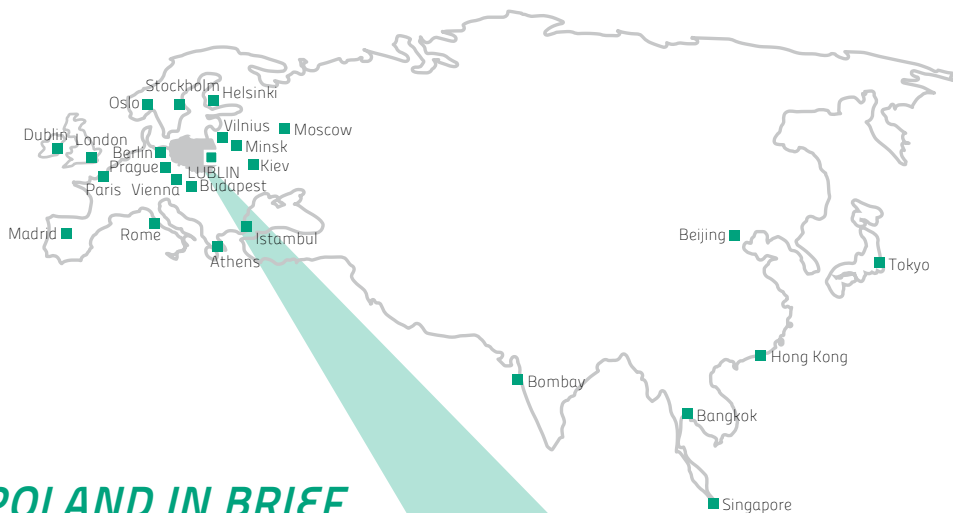
We are pleased to welcome you to Maria Curie-Skłodowska University and hope that you will enjoy your stay and studies here.

Arriving in a new country to live and study is always a big challenge. The purpose of this guide is to help students wishing to study at UMCS with various administrative and educational formalities awaiting them before and after their arrival. On the following pages, you will find a general description of our university and its campuses, some practical advice for before leaving your own country, information concerning your arrival in Lublin, accommodation, Polish language courses, libraries and other university services.

We hope that this information will be helpful to you. We would like you to know that we are always at your service to help you and make your participation in our intense academic life easier.

 *Erasmus Team*





## POLAND IN BRIEF

**Official name:** The Republic of Poland

(in Polish: *Rzeczpospolita Polska*)

**Short name:** Poland (in Polish: *Polska*)

**National flag:** Colour: top – white, bottom – red

**Language:** Polish

**Capital:** Warsaw

**Population:** 38 million

**Area:** 312 685 km<sup>2</sup> Poland is the 9<sup>th</sup> biggest country in Europe, and 69<sup>th</sup> in the world.

**Border countries:** Russia, Lithuania, Belarus, Ukraine, Slovakia, Czech Republic, Germany

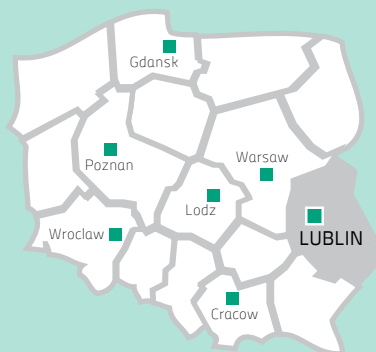
**Religion:** Roman Catholic (about 93%), Eastern Orthodox, Protestant and others

**Currency:** 1 zloty (PLN) = 100 grosz (EUR 1 = approx. PLN 4)

**Climate:** Continental; moderate, changeable weather. We strongly recommend taking warm clothes as in winter temperature may reach -25°C! However, in summer the average temperature is 20°C.

**Local time:** GMT + 1 hr

**Electricity:** 230 V/50 Hz (European plug)



**Calling code to Poland:** +48

**Calling code to Lublin:** +81

**Emergency telephone numbers in Poland:**

999 – Ambulance

997 – Police

998 – Fire Department

**112 – European emergency number, to be used in the event of: fire, traffic accident, burglary, theft, violence, etc.**

# CITY OF LUBLIN

[www.lublin.eu/en](http://www.lublin.eu/en) (available in English)

The City of Lublin is the capital city of the Lubelskie Voivodeship (Lublin Province – *Województwo Lubelskie*). With the population of about 350 000 inhabitants, it's the largest city in the region and, at the same time, the biggest academic centre (during the academic year, more than 100 000 students are added) in the eastern part of Poland. Its rich history that made the city a multi-cultural melting pot defines its character and unique values. They have been particularly well reflected in its architecture, topography and social and cultural development of the city. Not too many cities in Poland have such picturesque old towns as the one in Lublin. Its original, medieval layout of richly decorated tenement houses and narrow lanes makes it a charming place, where architectural monuments from various epochs can be admired.

Lublin enchants with its rich history that spans seven centuries. The proud history and traditions of the city are to this day hidden among the old walls and alleys. Authentic historic buildings create an incomparable and magic atmosphere of the city, where cultures and religions of many nations have inextricably intertwined over centuries. All these qualities add to the unique local diversity of the city and make it exceptionally attractive not only to tourists, but also to filmmakers who find here a rich source of inspiration. Its geographical location on the eastern border of the EU makes it an important centre of cooperation between Eastern and Western Europe.

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☞ *Lublin is a city where the past mingles with the present, with the city's rich history affecting everyday life of its citizens.*





*ABOUT UMCS*



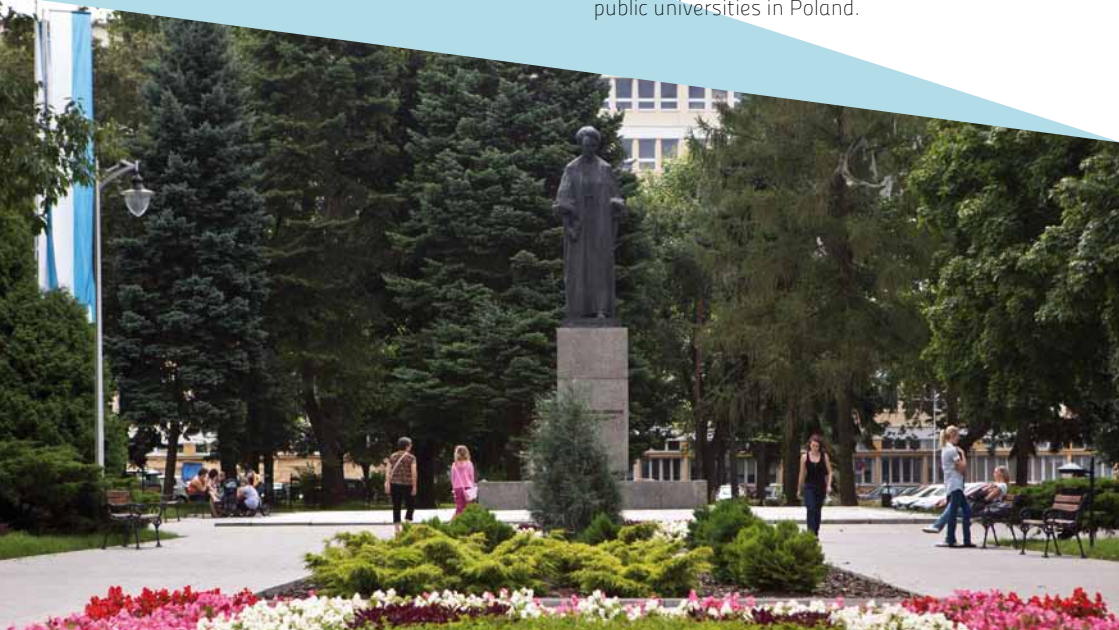
## WHY UMCS?



Maria Curie-Skłodowska University was established in 1944 and today is the biggest public university in eastern Poland. The university is situated in Lublin – an academic city of different cultures and traditions. The unique character of UMCS's educational offer is achieved through its versatility manifested by 11 faculties where students obtain their education. UMCS has an established position in teaching science: natural sciences, mathematics or information technology have been enjoying wide interest for years. But liberal arts, modern languages and journalism are also strong at UMCS, making it stand out not only in Lublin, but also on the national level. We are educating as varied professions as lawyers, economists, and artists.

Student life is centred around the Academic Culture Centre "Chatka Żaka", offering different kinds of events like performances, exhibitions, concerts. The university runs its own radio station – Akademickie Radio Centrum. Students who prefer physical exercises are welcome in the facilities of Physical Culture Centre, including a modern full-size swimming pool, weight lifting rooms, gymnasiums, sports fields, and tennis courts.

An undisputed strength of Maria Curie-Skłodowska University is its campus – a nationally unique complex of educational buildings, student residence halls, clubs, and cultural and sports facilities located in the city centre and surrounded by greenery. Education at Maria Curie-Skłodowska University gives you the benefit of a particularly rich offer from an organization that is one of the biggest public universities in Poland.



# ACADEMIC CALENDAR



*The university runs a two-semester system. Erasmus students can study at UMCS for one semester or for a full academic year.*

**The 1st semester starts at the beginning of October and finishes by the end of January.**

There is a Christmas break in December.

The examination session takes place at the end of January and lasts two weeks.

**The 2nd semester starts in the middle of February and finishes in June** with a break for Easter. The examination session starts in June and lasts about three weeks.

There are also resit examination periods (in Polish: *sesje poprawkowe*) for those who did not pass their exams. A student who fails an exam during the first examination period after the winter semester has an opportunity to resit it in March (at the beginning of the second semester), but a student who did not pass an exam after the second semester may not retake it until September. Your teachers will inform you about the form of examinations at the beginning of the courses. Be prepared to pass oral or written examinations.

*You should know that sometimes some teachers enable volunteer students to take an exam earlier than it is planned within an examination period. In Polish, it is called *zerówka* and is held before the official examination period begins.*

## DAYS OFF IN POLAND

1st January
6th January
March or April
1st May
3rd May
A Thursday in June
1st November
11th November
25th December
26th December

New Year's Day
Epiphany
Easter Sunday and Easter Monday
Labour Day
Constitution Day
movable Corpus Christi
All Saints Day
National Independence Day
Christmas
Boxing Day

# EDUCATION SYSTEM

After having implemented the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS) and the Diploma Supplement according to the principles of the Bologna Process, Maria Curie-Skłodowska University offers education in a three-cycle system:

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☞ *Some faculties also run a number of postgraduate programmes (non-degree programmes), whose students receive postgraduate certificates after completion.*

## FIRST-CYCLE STUDIES

3-year duration, having completed this type of studies students receive the title of *licencjat* (the Bachelor's degree) and can continue their education at master's degree studies

## SECOND-CYCLE STUDIES

1.5 to 2 years and are available for graduates of first-cycle studies; having completed this type of studies students receive the title of *magister* (the Master's degree)

## THIRD-CYCLE STUDIES

Doctoral degree programmes – usually last from 3 to 4 years and are available for graduates of Master's degree studies; having completed this type of studies, students receive the title of *doktor* (the PhD degree)

## LONG-CYCLE STUDIES

uniform Master's degree studies – of 5 to 6-year duration; having completed this type of studies students receive the title of *magister* (the Master's degree) and can continue their education at doctoral studies



# ASSESSMENT

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Maria Curie-Skłodowska University uses the standard grading system for Polish higher education institutions. The grading scale is from 5, being the highest, to 2, being the lowest, failing grade. The lowest passing grade is 3. Often the marks “+” and “-” are added to the principal grades.

The courses have various forms: lectures, practical classes, workshops, seminars, laboratory classes and practical placements. Depending on the study programme and type of course you will meet various assessment methods. You will probably be given marks for presentations, essays, dissertations, project works, active involvement and participation in classes during the semester as well as for examinations at the end of the semester or academic year. Some courses, especially those which do not end with examinations, but which require compulsory attendance and a certain number of completed exercises and tasks, may be graded as pass (in Polish: *zaliczony*) or fail (in Polish: *niezaliczony*).



## GRADES

Local grade	Grade description in Polish	
5	bardzo dobry	<i>bdb</i>
4+	dobry plus	<i>db+</i>
4	dobry	<i>db</i>
3+	dostateczny plus	<i>dst+</i>
3	dostateczny	<i>dst</i>
2	niedostateczny	<i>ndst</i>

Grade description in English	
very good	: -D
good plus	: -)
good	: -)
satisfactory plus	: -]
satisfactory	: -
unsatisfactory/failing	: -(

# FACULTIES AND OTHER UNIVERSITY UNITS



Presently UMCS has 11 faculties offering study programmes in diverse academic disciplines. The faculties run about 50 study programmes and over 200 specializations. We enlarge our offer each year by introducing new programmes to meet the educational market demands better. We deliver full-time, extramural, evening and external courses.

Among them, the full-time courses are most popular. UMCS offers also full study programmes – paid – with all individual courses and classes held in English. These include: Mathematics (undergraduate programme), Computer Science (undergraduate programme), Chemistry (graduate programme), Graphic Arts (graduate programme).

## FACULTIES

### FACULTY OF ARTS

- Institute of Fine Arts
- Institute of Music

## MAJOR STUDY PROGRAMMES

- Artistic Education in Fine Arts
- Graphic Arts
- Painting
- Artistic Education in Musical Art
- Jazz and Popular Music

### FACULTY OF BIOLOGY AND BIOTECHNOLOGY

- Institute of Biology and Biochemistry
- Institute of Microbiology and Biotechnology

- Biology
- Biotechnology

### FACULTY OF CHEMISTRY

- Department of Inorganic Chemistry
- Department of General and Coordination Chemistry
- Department of Analytical Chemistry and Instrumental Analysis
- Chair of Physical Chemistry (includes four departments)
- Department of Chromatographic Methods
- Department of Theoretical Chemistry
- Department of Chemical Technology
- Department of Organic Chemistry

- Chemistry
- Environmental Protection

- Department of Radiochemistry and Colloid Chemistry
- Department of Polymer Chemistry
- Department of Crystallography
- Department of Chemical Education
- Laboratory of Optical Fibre Technology
- Department of Environmental Chemistry
- Department for the Modelling of Physicochemical Processes
- Analytical Laboratory

- Chemistry
- Environmental Protection

## FACULTY OF ECONOMICS

- Institute of Economics and Finance
- Institute of Management

- Economics
- Finance and Accounting
- Management

## FACULTY OF PHILOSOPHY AND SOCIOLOGY

- Institute of Philosophy
- Institute of Sociology

- Philosophy
- Philosophical-Historical Studies
- Interdisciplinary Religious Studies
- Cognitive Sciences
- European Studies
- Sociology

## FACULTY OF HUMANITIES

- Institute of Polish Studies
- Institute of English Studies
- Institute of Slavonic Studies
- Institute of Romance Studies
- Institute of German Studies
- Institute of History
- Institute of Archaeology
- Institute of Library and Information Science
- Institute of Cultural Studies
- Department of Logopedics and Applied Linguistics

- Polish Philology
- English Philology (with two profiles: General English Studies and American Course)
- Russian Philology
- Ukrainian Philology
- Russian Studies
- Slavic Studies
- Romance Philology
- Iberian Philology
- German Philology
- History
- Archaeology
- Library and Information Science
- Cultural Studies
- Ethnology
- Speech Therapy with Audiology

## FACULTY OF MATHEMATICS, PHYSICS AND COMPUTER SCIENCE

- Institute of Mathematics
- Institute of Physics
- Institute of Computer Science

- Mathematics
- Physics
- Technical Physics
- Computer Science

## FACULTY OF EARTH SCIENCES AND SPATIAL MANAGEMENT

- Laboratory of Geography Teaching
- Laboratory of Geoinformation
- Field Research Station in Guciów
- Department of Social and Economic Geography
- Department of Geoecology and Palaeogeography
- Department of Regional Geography and Tourism
- Department of Geology and Lithosphere Protection
- Department of Geomorphology
- Department of Pedology and Soil Protection
- Department of Hydrology
- Department of Cartography and Geomatics
- Department of Meteorology and Climatology
- Department of Spatial Policy and Planning
- Department of Environmental Protection

- Geography
- Spatial Management
- Tourism and Recreation

## FACULTY OF LAW AND ADMINISTRATION

- Institute of Administration and Public Law
- Institute of Civil Law
- Institute of Criminal Law
- Institute of History and Theory of State and Law

- Law
- Administration
- Internal Security

## FACULTY OF PEDAGOGY AND PSYCHOLOGY

- Institute of Pedagogy
- Institute of Psychology

- Psychology
- Pedagogy
- Special Education
- Social Work
- Culture Animation

## FACULTY OF POLITICAL SCIENCE

- Department of International Relations
- Department of Political Thought (of the 19th and 20th centuries)
- Department of Political Systems
- Department of Journalism
- Department of Ethnic Studies
- Department of Local Government and Policies
- Department of Philosophy and Sociology of Politics
- Department of Theory and Methods in Political Science
- Department of Human Rights
- Department of Political Movements

- Political Science
- Journalism and Social Communication
- International Relations
- East European Studies

Apart from the above mentioned faculties, within the university's structure there are specialized centres of education and other units supporting them in cultural, scientific and teaching activities, such as:

### *Polish Language and Culture Centre for Polish People from Abroad and Foreigners*

<http://www.cjkg.umcs.lublin.pl/>  
(available in Polish and English)

### *Foreign Languages Teaching and Certification Centre*

<http://www.cnc.umcs.lublin.pl/>  
(available in Polish and English)

### *British Centre*

<http://lublin.librarynet.pl> (available in Polish)

### *Camões Institute Portuguese Language Centre*

<http://www.camoes.umcs.lublin.pl/>  
(available in Polish and Portuguese)

### *Russian Language and Culture Centre*

<http://www.umcs.lublin.pl/cjkr>  
(available in Polish)

### *Academic Cultural Centre "Chatka Żaka"*

<http://www.ack.lublin.pl/> (available in Polish)

### *Physical Culture Centre*

<http://www.ckf.umcs.lublin.pl/>  
(available in Polish)

### *Botanical Garden*

<http://www.garden.umcs.lublin.pl>  
(available in Polish)



UMCS also has the Information and Consultation Point for Disabled Students (in Polish: *Punkt Informacyjno-Konsultacyjny dla Studentów Niepełnosprawnych*). Its goal is to provide information and assistance for students who have special learning needs or who require support as a result of injury or illness. It is located in Amor student residence hall.

### **INFORMATION AND CONSULTATION POINT FOR DISABLED STUDENTS**

Amor student residence hall  
ul. Radziszewskiego 18  
20-036 Lublin  
tel.: (+48) 81 537 58 90

*All exchange students with disabilities interested in coming to our university are advised to contact the International Cooperation Section first and inform about their type of disability as soon as possible, preferably when sending their application forms.*



# DEAN'S OFFICES AT THE FACULTIES

## FACULTY OF ARTS

Al. Kraśnicka 2b  
20-718 Lublin  
Rooms: 106, 107  
<http://art.umcs.lublin.pl>

## FACULTY OF BIOLOGY AND BIOTECHNOLOGY

ul. Akademicka 19  
20-033 Lublin  
Rooms: 57 B, 59 B, 61 B  
<http://www.biolbiot.umcs.lublin.pl>

## FACULTY OF CHEMISTRY

Pl. Marii Curie-Skłodowskiej 2  
20-031 Lublin  
Mała Chemia building, ground floor rooms: 1, 2,  
3, 4, 16, 16A; 1st floor room 28,  
<http://www.umcs.lublin.pl/chemia>

## FACULTY OF ECONOMICS

Pl. Marii Curie-Skłodowskiej 5  
20-031 Lublin  
Rektorat building, 2nd floor rooms: 201, 207,  
209, 3rd floor rooms: 302, 303, 304, 305  
<http://www.umcs.lublin.pl/ekonomia>

## FACULTY OF PHILOSOPHY AND SOCIOLOGY

Pl. Marii Curie-Skłodowskiej 4  
20-031 Lublin  
Rooms: 8, 28, 30, 32  
<http://wfjs.umcs.lublin.pl>

## FACULTY OF HUMANITIES

Pl. Marii Curie-Skłodowskiej 4A  
20-031 Lublin  
New Humanities building, basement level  
Rooms: 028, 029, 030, 031, 034, 035, 036, 037  
<http://www.umcs.lublin.pl/humanistyczny>



**FACULTY OF MATHEMATICS, PHYSICS  
AND COMPUTER SCIENCE**

Pl. Marii Curie-Skłodowskiej 5  
20-031 Lublin  
Rektorat building, 3rd floor  
Rooms: 307, 308, 309, 310  
<http://mfi.umcs.lublin.pl>

**FACULTY OF EARTH SCIENCES  
AND SPATIAL MANAGEMENT**

Al. Kraśnicka 2cd  
20-718 Lublin  
Rooms: 6, 7, 8, 10  
<http://www.geografia.umcs.lublin.pl>

**FACULTY OF LAW AND ADMINISTRATION**

Pl. Marii Curie-Skłodowskiej 5  
20-031 Lublin  
Rooms: 204, 206, 207, 212, 213  
<http://www.umcs.lublin.pl/prawo>

**FACULTY OF PEDAGOGY AND PSYCHOLOGY**

ul. Narutowicza 12  
20-004 Lublin  
Rooms: 60B, 60, 62  
<http://umcs.lublin.pl/pip>

**FACULTY OF POLITICAL SCIENCE**

Pl. Litewski 3  
20-080 Lublin  
Rooms: 016, 027, 028  
<http://politologia.umcs.lublin.pl>

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*Please note that the dean's offices  
of all faculties have the reception hours  
from Monday to Friday between 11:00 am  
and 2:00 pm. In each faculty there is a day  
closed for students. It may be a different day  
at each faculty, so please check that at  
the faculty webpage.*





Most of the faculty buildings and other university units such as the Rektorat building, the Main Library, Academic Cultural Centre "Chatka Żaka", Polish Language and Culture Centre for Polish People from Abroad and Foreigners as well as the student residence halls and Physical Culture Centre are located on the main university campus, around or near Maria Curie-Skłodowska Square.

The Faculty of Political Science, its dean's office and the Institute of Psychology are situated in the heart of Lublin – they are adjacent to Litewski Square, which is the main city square.

The building of the Faculty of Pedagogy and Psychology, or more exactly its dean's office and the Institute of Pedagogy, is located at ul. Narutowicza 12, also in the centre of the city.

There is another small university campus in the western part of the city at Al. Kraśnicka. It is home to the Faculty of Arts and the Faculty of Earth Sciences and Spatial Management.

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*Our university has also branch colleges in the following towns: Radom, Biała Podlaska and Biłgoraj.*



## ERASMUS OFFICE AT UMCS

Rektorat Building, 13th floor room 1306  
Pl. Marii Curie-Skłodowskiej 5  
20-031 Lublin  
[http://umcs.lublin.pl/dwz\\_eng](http://umcs.lublin.pl/dwz_eng)  
Monday to Friday 8:00 am – 3:00 pm

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Erasmus Code: PL LUBLIN01

Erasmus University Charter:  
53428 IC-1-2007-1-PL-ERASMUS-EUC-1



## ERASMUS STUDENT NETWORK (ESN)

Erasmus Student Network is an international student organization present in over 30 European countries. ESN supports the Erasmus international student exchange with the MENTOR Program. The MENTOR Program helps international students to settle into university life and to adjust to university culture – also in Lublin. In the program, each foreign student is assigned to a Polish student who provides them with practical information about the host university and living in Poland, and introduces them to other students and student life in general. ESN Lublin makes occasional thematic parties that familiarize the foreigners with Polish traditions and culture.



### ERASMUS STUDENT NETWORK (ESN)

Ikar student residence hall  
Room no. 2  
ul. Czwartaków 15  
20-035 Lublin

tel.: (+48) 886 183 595  
e-mail: president.umcs@esn.pl



*BEFORE ARRIVAL*

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# HOW TO APPLY?

## ■ REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

1



**Application Form** – typed, printed and signed by the Erasmus coordinator (handwritten forms will not be accepted)

2



A photocopy of the applicant's passport or ID

3



Two passport-size photographs

4



**Learning Agreement** – information on courses can be obtained from faculty coordinators or downloaded from faculty websites



All required documents should be sent by post to the Erasmus Office (at the International Cooperation Section, the address is given below) of Maria Curie-Skłodowska University by 31st May for the 1st semester or full year or by 31st October for the 2nd semester.

### INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION SECTION

Maria Curie-Skłodowska University  
pl. M. Curie-Skłodowskiej 5, p. 1306  
20-031 Lublin  
POLAND

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*Once we receive your application form, it will be sent to the relevant departmental coordinator for approval. If your application is successful, you will receive a Letter of Acceptance sent to your home address specified in your application form. In case of any questions or problems, do not hesitate to contact us.*

## VISA

*Citizens from countries other than the European Union member states are obliged to obtain a visa before their arrival to Poland.*

The visa application should be submitted to the Polish Consulate or Polish Embassy in the candidate's country.

Letters of Acceptance from UMCS, which are necessary for the visa application procedure, will be sent to applicants' home addresses or universities after the application documents are processed by coordinators at our university.

## HEALTH INSURANCE

*Incoming students are obliged to have a full health insurance for the entire period of their stay in Poland.*

### **EU/EEA citizens**

Citizens of EU/EEA are entitled to the European Health Insurance Card (EHIC), which is honoured in Poland.

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☞ *See also the Health Care section on page 36.*

### **Non-EU citizens**

The students from non-EU/EEA countries should purchase health insurance in their home countries before departure.

## LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

Studying in Lublin may be very different from studying in other countries. Teaching may take place in small groups (tutorials and seminars) as well as in large groups (lectures). The classes are normally held in Polish, but for Erasmus students – in English. Incoming students need to be able to participate actively in class discussions, follow lectures, write essays and interact socially with other students.

*That is why incoming students **MUST** have adequate English language proficiency prior to coming to Lublin.*

There is no official English language requirement for the ERASMUS programme, however, students who do not have an adequate command of English (at least at the B2 level) will experience great difficulty in understanding lectures, producing written work and sitting examinations, as well as integrating into the life of Lublin.



# ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation at UMCS is arranged in UMCS's student residence halls by the Erasmus Team. It is assigned on a first come, first served basis. Students are housed in double-occupancy rooms. Single rooms are not available. Accommodation is provided for the period corresponding to a student's study stay at UMCS. Students are notified of the details of accommodation in the Letter of Acceptance.

Currently, incoming students can find their accommodation in one of three available student residence halls (described below). The student residence halls are located near the university's educational buildings, in the city centre. Every student residence hall offers its dwellers a club room, a TV room, and "quiet study" rooms.



## FEMINA STUDENT RESIDENCE HALL ul. Langiewicza 20, 20-035 Lublin

Type of room	Description	Internet access	Price per month (as of 2012)
double	In segments containing two rooms, a kitchen (equipped with an electric cooker with oven, a refrigerator, a sink) and a bathroom (equipped with a shower, a washbasin, an automatic washing machine), a toilet.	In the room, included in the price.	PLN 465 per person

## JOWISZ STUDENT RESIDENCE HALL ul. Langiewicza 5, 20-035 Lublin

Type of room	Description	Internet access	Price per month (as of 2012)
double	In segments containing two rooms, a kitchen (equipped with an electric cooker with oven, a refrigerator, a sink) and a bathroom (equipped with a shower, a washbasin, a toilet).	In the room, included in the price.	PLN 440 per person

## HELIOS STUDENT RESIDENCE HALL ul. Czwartaków 13, 20-045 Lublin

Type of room	Description	Internet access	Price per month (as of 2012)
double	In segments containing two rooms, a bathroom (equipped with a shower, a washbasin, a toilet). There is a shared kitchen on every floor.	In the room, included in the price.	PLN 395 per person



*ARRIVAL*

# GETTING TO LUBLIN



*Lublin can be easily reached by train, bus and car or plane.*

Lublin has its own airport in Świdnik. There is a direct connection from the airport to Lublin city centre (Lublin Central Railway Station) by a light train. The drive takes about 15 minutes. For more information, please visit:  
<http://www.airport.lublin.pl>

If there is no direct connection to Lublin, the best way is to travel to Chopin Airport in Warsaw, the nearest international airport to Lublin.

Information in English on the Warsaw Chopin Airport can be found on the following website:  
<http://www.lotnisko-chopina.pl/en>

## DIRECTLY FROM THE WARSAW CHOPIN AIRPORT TO LUBLIN

There is a private line of mini buses that go directly from the airport to the main bus station in Lublin (cost: approx. PLN 50.00; travel time: 3 hours), but they are not very frequent.

## FROM THE AIRPORT TO WARSAW CITY CENTRE



**by train**

There is a direct train connection from the Warsaw Chopin Airport to the city centre (to the Warsaw Central Railway Station). The trains run approx. every 15 minutes and the ride takes 25 minutes. Tickets are sold at the ticket machines at the station or on the train.



**by bus**

You should take a line 175 bus (running daily 3 times an hour during the week and once an hour on weekends) or an N 32 night bus (running daily) to reach the Central Railway Station in Warsaw (in Polish: *Dworzec Centralny*). The bus terminal is located in front of the south pier on the arrivals level. The fare is about PLN 4.00. A bus ticket can be bought in a newsagent's on the base floor in the arrival zone of the airport or from the vehicle driver, or in a ticket machine in a bus (if available). You should get off at *Dworzec Centralny* bus stop after about 30 min.

The cost of a taxi for the same route is approximately PLN 50.00.

For more information on public transport in Warsaw, see: <http://www.ztm.waw.pl/index.php?c=126&l=2&l=2>

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*Foreign visitors should be aware that in Poland regarding the municipal means of transportation, tickets must be validated immediately upon boarding the bus.*

## FROM WARSAW CITY CENTRE TO LUBLIN



by train

After you get off the line 175 bus you should go to the main train station on the basement level. There, at a station's ticket office (in Polish: *KASA*), you should buy a direct train ticket to Lublin. There are several trains daily and they go approx. every two hours until 8:00 pm. The journey takes two and a half hours until you arrive at the railway station in Lublin.

From there, we recommend to take a taxi to go directly to the UMCS campus or to go by a line 150 trolleybus in the direction of Węglin and to get off at Al. Raławickie, bus stop no. 5903 – KUL03.



by bus

The mini buses depart either every 30 minutes or every hour, depending on the time of the day. One mini bus line departs from Plac Defilad in Warsaw, near ul. Marszałkowska, which is a 7 min. walk from the bus stop. The other minibus line leaves from ul. Nowogrodzka, which is also nearby, next to the Mariott Hotel. You should buy your ticket from a bus driver. When you reach the Lublin bus station at ul. Ruska, you may take a 5, 10, 31, or 57 line bus from Al. Tysiąclecia, bus stop no. 1902 – Dworzec Gł. PKS 02, and then get off at Al. Raławickie, bus stop no. 5903 – KUL03. Nearby, within a 5-minute walk, there is the university campus. You should just cross the street and go down ul. Sowińskiego to reach student residence halls on your right or Plac Marii Curie-Skłodowskiej on your left.

For more information on public transport in Lublin, see: <http://mpk.lublin.pl/en/>

**Polish Rail** (in Polish: *PKP, Polskie Koleje Państwowe*) schedule: <http://rozkład-pkp.pl/?q=en/node/143>





## ORIENTATION DAYS

The Orientation Days take place before the start of the semester and are designed to help new international students go through the formalities and settle into living in Lublin.

It is highly recommended for all newcomers to participate in this event. The program of Orientation Days aims to make the incoming students' start at the university easier and to familiarize them with new surroundings.

There, the formalities such as health insurance, applying for a residence permit, registration, etc. are all dealt with and assistance is given in selecting courses. In addition, guided tours of the university and its campus including the sport centre are organized.

The Orientation Days program includes also a Lublin city tour to acquaint students with the city's most prominent sights.

## STUDENT ID CARD

Student IDs are issued by the faculty administration (Dean's office) where all student records are kept. Upon arrival, the students need to submit one photograph and pay an administrative fee.

The ID entitles students (up to the age of 26) to discounts on fares in public transport and should be shown on request at inspections.

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*When you finish your ERASMUS program, please do not forget to bring the card back to the Dean's Office.*



## POLISH LANGUAGE COURSE FOR ERASMUS STUDENTS

Erasmus students coming to UMCS may participate in a Polish language course prepared especially for them. Courses are free for Erasmus students and last one semester, taking 4-5 hours per week. There is a variety of groups and levels and, when it is possible, the course hours are adjusted to the students' timetables. Successful completion of the course is worth 4 ECTS credits.

### THE POLISH LANGUAGE AND CULTURE CENTRE FOR POLISH PEOPLE FROM ABROAD AND FOREIGNERS UMCS

(in Polish: *Centrum Języka i Kultury Polskiej dla Polonii i Cudzoziemców, CJKPPC*)

ul. Weteranów 18

20-038 Lublin

tel.: 81 533 27 86; 81 537 54 25

fax: 81 537 56 15; 81 537 28 76

<http://www.cjkkp.umcs.lublin.pl/eng/>

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*☞ The Centre also organizes EILC Polish language courses which are held before the beginning of the academic year. For current availability and participation conditions, please see the website on the right.*

## UNIVERSITY CANTEENS

On the campus there are several canteens where you can have a meal in a friendly atmosphere. There are the following student canteens on the campus:

**BAZYLIA** *basement level in the new Humanities building*

open: Mon. – Fri.: 9:00 am – 5:00 pm  
Sat. – Sun.: 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

**IURIS CLUB** *in the Faculty of Law building*

open: Mon. – Sat.: 9:00 am – 5:00 pm  
Sun.: 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

**CHILLI** *in the Rektorat building*

open: Mon. – Thu.: 8:00 am – 5:00 pm  
Fri. – Sun.: 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

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*☞ There are many other lunch bars located throughout and around university campuses. The prices of a set lunch oscillate between EUR 2.5 and EUR 4.*

## SPORTS

The Physical Culture Centre (in Polish: *Centrum Kultury Fizycznej*) complex includes three gymnasiums, a swimming pool, two weight lifting rooms, a fitness room, a climbing wall, and a spinning room.

Outside, there is a multifunctional sports field with synthetic surface and lighting, and two sand courts for beach volleyball.

**PHYSICAL CULTURE CENTRE**

ul. Langiewicza 22, 20-032 Lublin  
tel.: 81 533 71 99

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*☞ At Maria Curie-Skłodowska University, students can participate in activities of over 20 sports units, which makes it the widest offer among the universities in the region.*



# LIBRARY



The library and information system of Maria Curie-Skłodowska University comprises the Main Library and around 20 specialist libraries, which are spread over different buildings of the university institutes, faculties and other units such as: Polish Language and Culture Centre for Polish People from Abroad and Foreigners, European Documentation Centre, Foreign Languages Teaching and Examination Centre and Botanical Garden.

The Main Library holds over 1.5 million volumes, whereas the whole resources of the informational-library system include over 2.5 million volumes/units.

Most books published after 1989 have been catalogued in an integrated on-line system. All readers who want to place orders for books to be borrowed or taken to the reading rooms can use the computers in the catalogue hall or their own computers with Internet access. Older publications can be found either in the on-line catalogue, or – if they are not available on-line – in the card catalogue. In the case of the card catalogue, students should place traditional orders (by means of order slips).

However, if you cannot find the items that you need in our library, you may also make use of an interlibrary loan, but keep in mind that this service is charged. Each specialist library offers books and other materials available in-house in the reading rooms or for checking out as overnight or weekend loans.

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*☞ The Main Library building is situated in the centre of the university campus, at ul. Radziszewskiego 11.*

## ■ HOW TO REGISTER?

If an exchange student wants to borrow books from the Main Library, they should ask for issuing a library card at the Circulation Desk (tel. 81 537 58 02), which is located in the hall on the ground floor, vis-à-vis the main entrance.

To register with the library and obtain your library card you should present the following documents:

- passport or personal ID
- valid student ID
- completed and signed  
"Library Registration Form"

Those foreign students who have an electronic student ID may use it as a library card after registering in the library system.

There are several reading rooms in the Main Library. The reading rooms are open on  
Monday: 11:00 am – 8:00 pm,  
Tuesday – Friday: 9:00 am – 8:00 pm,  
Saturday: 9:00 am – 2:00 pm.

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*☞ For the opening hours and lending regulations of the Main Library, please visit the website: [http://bg.umcs.lublin.pl/nowa/index\\_en.php](http://bg.umcs.lublin.pl/nowa/index_en.php) (available in English).*



# RESIDENCE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENT

*Within four days of entry to Poland and moving into a place of residence in Lublin (it could be a student residence hall or a private flat) foreign students have to register at the City Office.*

## ■ REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

- Registration Form** (it should be completed and signed by the student and then by the director of the student residence hall. If a room or a flat is rented instead, the rental agreement is required as well)
- valid ID card or passport**
- document authorizing you to legally stay in Poland** (a visa, a residence permit card, a decision of residence permit for a specified period of time)

Sometimes a student may be asked for other additional documents (a certificate of the student status at UMCS or a birth certificate).

## ■ PLACE OF REGISTRATION

**RESIDENTS AFFAIRS BUREAU**  
(in Polish: *Biuro Obsługi Mieszkańców*)  
ul. Wieniawska 17 (1st floor)  
20-071 Lublin  
tel.: 81 466 10 02; 81 466 35 00;  
81 466 35 62; 81 466 35 41.

Office hours:  
Monday, Tuesday: 7:45 am – 4:45 pm  
Wednesday–Friday: 7:45 am – 3:15 pm

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*☞ After having presented these documents, foreign students will receive a printed confirmation, which is a proof of accommodation in Lublin, necessary to apply for the registration of residence in the case of EU/EEA citizens or for a temporary residence permit in the case of non-EU citizens.*



# LEGALIZATION OF STAY

Citizens of EU/EEA countries do not need to apply for a visa to enter Poland. They may cross the border on the basis of a valid travel document: an ID card or a passport. If they are going to stay less than three months, they do not need to register their stay as foreigners but they do have to do it if their stay exceeds three months. Students from non-EU/EEA member countries should apply for a visa for educational purposes through the Polish consulate or embassy in their home country.

■ Citizens of the European Union (EU), of the European Economic Area (EEA) countries or from Switzerland planning to study and stay in Poland for a period exceeding 3 months must register their stay within the first three months of their stay in Poland.

■ Citizens of non-EU/EEA countries must register their stay at least 45 days before the expiration of their present visa/residence permit.

## ■ WHERE TO APPLY?

VOIVOD'S OFFICE OF LUBELSKIE,  
CITIZENS' AFFAIRS AND FOREIGNERS  
DEPARTMENT, FOREIGNERS' AFFAIRS UNIT  
(in Polish: *Lubelski Urząd Wojewódzki,  
Wydział Spraw Obywatelskich i Cudzoziemców,  
Oddział ds. Cudzoziemców*)

20-914 Lublin  
ul. Spokojna 4  
tel.: 81 742 45 59

Office hours:

Mondays, Thursdays: 7:30 am – 3:00 pm

Tuesdays: 7:30 am – 3:30 pm

Wednesdays: 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

Fridays: 7:30 am – 2:30 pm



## REQUIRED DOCUMENTS TO REGISTER THE STAY BY CITIZENS OF EU/EEA MEMBER COUNTRIES

- Application for registering the residence** filled out in Polish (1 original + 3 photocopies)
- Photocopy of a valid travel document** (e.g. an ID card or a passport) + original document to show for verification
- 5 current colour photographs** sized 4.5 cm x 3.5 cm
- Confirmation of registration for temporary residence** from Lublin City Office
- Certificate from UMCS** confirming that you are studying at UMCS
- Proof of medical insurance** (e.g. European Health Insurance Card – EHIC or other)
- Proof of sufficient financial funds to live in Poland** (it may be a certification from the university of origin about the Erasmus grant, a bank statement or your written declaration of the sufficient funds for the stay in Lublin)

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*All documents submitted in foreign languages should be translated into Polish by a sworn translator. After the registration the EU/EEA citizens will be given a certificate of registration of residence.*

## REQUIRED DOCUMENTS TO LEGALIZE THE STAY BY CITIZENS OF NON-EU/EEA MEMBER COUNTRIES

- Application Form** filled out in Polish (1 original + 3 photocopies)
- 3 photocopies of a valid travel document** (e.g. a passport) + original document to show for verification
- 4 current colour photographs** sized 4.5 cm x 3.5 cm
- Confirmation of registration for temporary residence** from Lublin City Office
- Proof of legal title to the apartment** (if applicable)
- Proof of sufficient financial funds** to cover the costs of living and studying in Poland and return to the country of origin (it may be a certification from the university of origin about the Erasmus grant, a current bank statement certifying regular bank transfers to your account)
- Certificate confirming the admission to or continuing the studies issued by UMCS** (available at our office)
- Proof of health insurance** or confirmation of covering health treatment costs on the territory of Poland by the insurer
- Original receipt of the payment** of PLN 340 for granting a residence permit and then after being granted a residence permit you will be obligated to pay PLN 50 for the issuance of a residence card

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*All documents submitted in foreign languages should be translated into Polish by a sworn translator. After being granted a residence permit you will be issued a residence card. You should keep the residence card with you at all times.*



*LIVING IN LUBLIN*

# COST OF LIVING IN LUBLIN



Foreign students who plan their budget for their stay in Lublin may need a general idea on the average cost of living. The information given here should be helpful. Although, be aware that it is only an estimate and the real expenses depend on your lifestyle, personal needs and especially the type of accommodation you choose, so they can be lower or higher as those specified as monthly expenses.

## AVERAGE COST OF LIVING

Accommodation	EUR 120
Food	EUR 150
Entertainment	EUR 40
Books	EUR 30
Clothing	EUR 40
Other expenses	EUR 20
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<b>Total (per month):</b>	<b>EUR 400</b>

## SHOPPING

In the main campus area there are a few small stationery and grocery stores. There are also bakeries and post offices. Grocery stores are open from 7:00 am until 7:00 pm, whereas supermarkets are usually open from 9:00 am to 9:00 pm, Monday through Friday, while on Saturday until 8:00 pm. On Sundays, the grocery stores and supermarkets open later and close earlier than on weekdays, provided that they work at all.

There are many supermarkets and shopping centres in Lublin that offer a wide variety of goods at competitive prices. There are also several discount store chains such as Biedronka, Stokrotka, Aldi and Lidl.

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*If you are interested in purchasing souvenirs, you should go to the Old Town district or to ul. Krakowskie Przedmieście where there are a lot of small souvenir shops.*

**LECLERC**, ul. Tomaszka Zana 19  
Mon. – Sat. 9:00 am – 10:00 pm  
Sun. 10:00 am – 9:00 pm  
bus lines: 11, 14, 19, 28, 37, 39, 42, 54, 78  
trolleybus lines: 152, 155, 158

**CHR LUBLIN PLAZA**, ul. Lipowa 13  
Open all days 9:00 am – 9:00 pm  
bus lines: 8, 15, 20, 32, 40, 44  
trolleybus lines: 150, 151, 155, 158

**TESCO**, ul. Orkana 4  
Open 24/7  
bus lines: 10, 26, 28, 45, 57  
trolleybus lines: 151, 153, 157

**GALERIA OLIMP**, Aleja Spółdzielczości Pracy 34  
Mon. – Sat. 10:00 am – 9:00 pm  
Sun. 10:00 am – 8:00 pm  
bus lines: 17, 18, 24, 31

**GALERIA ORKANA**, ul. Orkana 6  
Mon. – Sat. 10:00 am – 9:00 pm  
Sun. 10:00 am – 8:00 pm  
bus lines: 10, 26, 28, 45, 57  
trolleybus lines: 151, 153, 157

**DECATHLON** (sports clothes and equipment),  
Aleja Spółdzielczości Pracy 28  
Mon. – Sat. 10:00 am – 9:00 pm  
Sun. 10:00 am – 8:00 pm  
bus lines: 17, 18, 24, 31

**MEDIA MARKT** (electronic equipment),  
ul. Tomaszka Zana 31  
Mon. – Sat. 9:00 am – 9:00 pm  
Sun. 10:00 am – 7:00 pm  
bus lines: 14, 19, 28, 37, 39, 42  
trolleybus lines: 150, 152, 155, 158



*Students from EU/EEA member countries who have valid national health insurance in their home countries are required to bring with them the European Health Insurance Card (EHIC).*

With this card they can get medical help in a state medical centre which has a contract with the **National Health Fund (NHF)** free of charge for the medical service.

*In Poland, everyone has the right to choose their primary healthcare physician.*

Accordingly, with EHIC you can register for an appointment with a doctor of your choice at any health centre which signed a contract with the National Health Fund. The nearest health centre is situated in the university campus:

## STATE ACADEMIC MEDICAL CENTRE

*(in Polish: Samodzielny Publiczny Akademicki Zakład Opieki Zdrowotnej)*

ul. Langiewicza 6 a

20-032 Lublin,

tel.: 81 524 78 20

<http://www.zozakademicki.woi.lublin.pl/>

open: 7:30 am – 6:00 pm

## ■ SPECIALIST PHYSICIANS

If you need to make an appointment with a specialist physician, to undergo a medical examination or to go to the hospital for regular treatment, you should ask your primary healthcare physician for issuing a referral. There are few specialists who do not require a referral: dentists, dermatologists, gynaecologists, oncologists, oculists, psychiatrists.

Remember that in the case of an accident, injury, sudden illness or life-threatening

Please, bear in mind that the **centres of primary healthcare** are usually open from Monday to Friday between 8:00 am and 6:00 pm. During nights, Saturdays, Sundays and other legal holidays you should go directly to a point of night and holiday healthcare or to a local hospital. The information on the locations of such points, as well as on services available for EHIC holders within the state healthcare scheme, is available in Primary Health Centres and directly in the NHF or on the NHF website (*The ABC's of Healthcare* section).

## NATIONAL HEALTH FUND (NHF)

*(in Polish: Narodowy Fundusz Zdrowia, NFZ)*

ul. Szkolna 16, 20-124 Lublin

tel.: 81 53 10 500 through to 502

<http://www.nfz-lublin.pl/>

or

ul. Koryznowej 2d, 20-137 Lublin

tel.: 81 748 36 57

Health centre on duty (in 2012):

## Przychodnia LUNA MED

ul. Nałęczowska 27; tel.: 519 058 952 or

Al. Raclawickie 23; tel.: 81 718 32 25

sudden deterioration of health condition, you will be provided with rescue services and ambulance transportation without a referral. In such cases, please either call the **emergency number 112, the ambulance service 999**, or go directly to the hospital.

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*☞ There is a great number of private health centres in Poland where medical services are payable. The cost of a standard visit is about EUR 25 (PLN 100).*

*Students from non-EU/EEA member countries are obliged to purchase in their home countries a private health care and accident insurance for the period of their stay in Poland.*

You should be aware that in the case of illness or immediate medical assistance, the lack of health insurance may result in high costs of your treatment. Based on the state bilateral agreements you can be provided with help free of charge only in cases of emergency, e.g. after a car accident. *We strongly recommend that you sign an insurance policy in English.* Make sure that you are aware of the exact conditions of your insurance policy.

In most cases the students from non-EU/EEA countries first have to cover the cost of all medical services and medicines themselves, and only later they are entitled to apply for a reimbursement from their insurance company after having presented the bills.

Anyone who does not have any health insurance may conclude an agreement for *voluntary health insurance with the National Health Fund (NHF)*. In order to do it, you have to visit the NHF branch appropriate for your place of residence, fill there in an application form and present the following documents/information:

- identification document** (passport, temporary residency card, ID card)
- PESEL** – Personal Identification Number (if already obtained)
- document confirming the place of residence in Poland**
- certificate confirming that you are enrolled in the university**

Within 7 days from the date of signing the agreement, you must visit the ZUS (Social Security Office) in order to submit the application for health insurance.

The monthly fee for a voluntary health insurance for students is approximately PLN 46.80 (about EUR 12, as of 2012) and should be paid to the ZUS account.

*Having registered for the insurance, you gain entitlement to free of charge health services. For more detailed information, please check the Voluntary health insurance section on the NHF website: <http://www.nfz-lublin.pl/> or visit the NHF.*

## ■ PHARMACIES

In Poland, most of medicines are sold in pharmacies, though some of them only on the basis of a prescription issued by a doctor. Certain medicines can be bought with a discount and for others you will have to pay their full price. It is also worth noting that you have limited time to purchase pharmaceuticals on prescription. It is usually 30 days counting from the day when the prescription is issued, but in the case of a prescription for antibiotics and for medicines of immediate assistance it is valid only for 7 days from the issue date.

There are plenty of pharmacies in Lublin. They are open on weekdays from 8:00 am to 6:00 pm and on Saturdays from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm; longer in the city centre. On the door of each pharmacy there is a notice with the name and address of the nearest pharmacy which is open in urgent cases. You can also get a list of pharmacies on duty from NHF or find it in a local newspaper.

Pharmacies on duty (as of 2012): ul. Hempla 3, ul. Wallenroda 2 E, ul. Obywatelska 9, ul. Zana 27

*If a student requires either special medication or a prescription, we strongly recommend them to bring it altogether with medical instructions from their doctor in the home country.*

# TRANSPORT IN LUBLIN

The city transport system relies on trolleybuses and buses. Tickets are sold in street Kiosks or newsagent's stands, ticket vending machines, or directly from the driver (the last option carries a small price increase).

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☞ Detailed timetables and fares are available at: <http://mpk.lublin.pl/en/>

TYPE OF TICKET	STANDARD PRICE (as of 20 June 2012)	DISCOUNT PRICE - WITH A VALID UMCS STUDENT ID CARD (as of 20 June 2012)
Single ticket – entitles to a journey on one public transport vehicle with no option to change to another vehicle	<b>PLN 2.80</b>	<b>PLN 1.40</b>
Single night ticket – entitles to a journey on a night line on one public transport vehicle with no option to change to another vehicle	<b>PLN 5.00</b>	<b>PLN 2.50</b>
<b>TIME LIMITED TICKETS</b>		
30-minute ticket – valid for 30 minutes from validation with an option to change to other public transport vehicles, or valid for a journey on one public transport vehicle on the whole route, i.e. till the final stop, irrespective of the time of the journey	<b>PLN 2.40</b>	<b>PLN 1.20</b>
90-minute night ticket – valid for 90 minutes from validation with an option to change to other public transport vehicles, or valid for a journey on one public transport vehicle on the whole route, i.e. till the final stop, irrespective of the time of the journey	<b>PLN 7.00</b>	<b>PLN 3.50</b>



# CULTURE AND ENTERTAINMENT



*UMCS boasts its own Academic Cultural Centre "Chatka Żaka", located at the campus.*

## ACADEMIC CULTURAL CENTRE "CHATKA ŻAKA"

(in Polish: *Akademickie Centrum Kultury „Chatka Żaka” – ACK*)

ul. Radziszewskiego 16

20-031 Lublin

tel.: 81 533 32 01

<http://ack.lublin.pl/>

"Chatka Żaka" plays an essential role in creating and promoting student culture, not only in student environment, but also among all Lublin inhabitants. It houses many cultural organizations and groups, for example: *Studio Cinema, St. Nicholas Orchestra, University's Academic Choir, Academic Media Group* altogether with the *Academic*

*Radio "Centrum", "KONT" Art Gallery, Artistic Workshops, "Impetus" Ballroom Dance Group, UMCS Folk Dance Group, "Widzenie" Theatre, "Scene 21" Theatre, Art and Photography Club.* During the year, the Centre runs a lot of cultural and artistic initiatives, such as: the *International Folk Music Festival "Mikołajki Folkowe", Student Film Festival, Poetic Fight Club, National Student Theatre Festival "Kontestacje", the UMCS Festival of Young People, Artistic Workshop Festival*, as well as the weekly *"Ad Hoc Scene"* concerts.

This centre also organizes many other events such as: exhibitions, performances, lectures, talks, workshops, entertainment shows. The folk magazine *"Gadki z Chatki"* is published here.





## STUDENT CULTURAL DAYS

Apart from the very broad activity of the Academic Cultural Centre there are many other student organizations acting at the level of each faculty and at the general level of the university. It is necessary to mention the UMCS Student Government, which, in cooperation with the Student Governments of other Lublin universities organizes the "Student Cultural Days" held each May. UMCS prepares its part called "Kozienniala". For further information on cultural events



on the campus, please check the "A4" paper, edited by the Academic Media Group (to get for free at the Babilon residence hall, room 4) or visit the portal: [www.student.lublin.eu](http://www.student.lublin.eu), administered by the Lublin City Office.

## BICYCLE PATHS & ARTIFICIAL LAKE

*Lublin has an extensive network of bicycle paths. The most frequented are those leading to and going around Zalew Zemborzycki.*

Zalew Zemborzycki is an artificial lake situated in the southern outskirts of Lublin. Those who like cycling and resting in an active way can rent bicycles for a short time near

the Zemborzycki lake or from the Tourist Information Centre (in the Old Town of Lublin). Zalew Zemborzycki itself is also a place worthy of recommendation. In spring, summer and autumn, you can go there fishing, sailing, kayaking, jogging, as well as water-skiing. In winter, Zalew Zemborzycki is a perfect venue for skiing or walking.

## ■ BOTANICAL GARDEN UMCS

If you like walking and spending your free time outdoors you should really visit the UMCS Botanical Garden or the Open Air Village Museum in Lublin. When purchasing the entrance tickets to these places, students should present the ID card, which entitles them to a discount.

Being both the base for teachers and researchers of the university and other regional institutions as well as one of the favourite places to walk, the Botanical Garden truly enchants its visitors. *In a 21.25 ha area of its beautiful gardens and greenhouses you can discover about 6,700 plant species from all over the world.*

### **BOTANICAL GARDEN UMCS**

(in Polish: *Ogród Botaniczny UMCS*)

ul. Sławinkowska 3

20-810 Lublin

<http://www.garden.umcs.lublin.pl>

bus lines: 5, 18

## ■ OPEN AIR VILLAGE MUSEUM

Another wonderful place to explore on foot is the Open Air Village Museum in Lublin which *protects and presents the cultural and folklore heritage of the traditional villages of the region.* Its total area is divided into seven sectors which reflect geographic regions of the former Lublin Voivodeship. The museum holds permanent exhibitions of little rural buildings, old households and agricultural tools among the natural green landscape. The museum also offers presentations arranged throughout the year which are connected with village farming and ritual events (haymaking, harvesting, potato picking), patriotic events, displays of disappearing crafts, educational workshops (baking bread, pottery, weaving, basketry, blacksmithing) and many other cultural activities.

### **OPEN AIR VILLAGE MUSEUM IN LUBLIN**

(in Polish: *Muzeum Wsi Lubelskiej – Skansen*)

Al. Warszawska 96

20-824 Lublin

<http://www.skansen.lublin.pl/en>

bus lines: 5, 18, 20



## MUSEUMS



There are many other museums in and around the city of Lublin, among which at least three are worth mentioning:

### STATE MUSEUM AT MAJDANEK

(the former Nazi death camp)

(in Polish: *Państwowe Muzeum na Majdanku*)

ul. Droga Męczenników Majdanka 67

<http://www.majdanek.eu>

bus lines: 23, 28

trolleybus lines: 158, 156

### THE LUBLIN PROVINCE MUSEUM WITH THE HOLY TRINITY CHAPEL

(in Polish: *Muzeum Lubelskie z Kaplicą św. Trójcy*)

ul. Zamkowa 9 (city centre)

<http://eng.zamek.lublin.pl>

### THE ARCHDIOCESAN MUSEUM OF RELIGIOUS ART IN LUBLIN – THE TRYNITARSKA TOWER

Cathedral Square (city centre)

<http://www.kuria.lublin.pl/muzeum/>

(available in Polish)

## THEATRES



For students who are keen on watching dramas and dance or on listening to classical music and opera Lublin offers its theatres and the philharmonic, e.g.:

### JULIUSZ OSTERWA THEATRE

ul. Narutowicza 17 (city centre)

<http://www.teatrosterwy.pl>

### MUSICAL THEATRE IN LUBLIN

ul. Skłodowskiej 5 (city centre)

<http://www.teatrmuzyczny.eu>

### H. CH. ANDERSEN THEATRE

(Theatre of actors and puppets)

ul. Dominikańska 1 (old town)

<http://teatrandersena.pl>

### HENRYK WIENIAWSKI LUBLIN PHILHARMONIC

ul. Skłodowskiej 5 (city centre)

<http://www.filharmonialubelska.pl>

### THE "GRODZKA GATE – NN THEATRE" CENTRE

ul. Grodzka 21 (old town)

[www.tnn.lublin.pl](http://www.tnn.lublin.pl)

## CINEMAS



And those who prefer watching movies can go to one of the following cinemas:

### CINEMA CITY

ul. Lipowa 13 (CHR Plaza)

[www.cinema.city.pl](http://www.cinema.city.pl)

### KINO STUDYJNE "CHATKA ŻAKA"

ul. Radziszewskiego 16

<http://chatkazaka.kina.lublin.pl>

### BAJKA

ul. Radziszewskiego 8

<http://kinobajka.nazwa.pl>

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*The average ticket to the cinema costs about PLN 15-20 (EUR 4-5) with a discount for students. The current cinemas' programmes can be found in all local newspapers or on the webpages of the cinemas.*

## PUBS & RESTAURANTS

There is a **wide range of cafés, pubs, bars, restaurants and clubs in both the Old Town and the centre of Lublin** which have a friendly and unforgettable atmosphere, especially with their beer gardens set up for spring and summer evenings. There you can have a good cup of coffee or savour some delicious dishes from cuisines ranging from Polish through Chinese, Mexican, Greek, Turkish, Spanish, Italian, to vegetarian.

The guests who prefer to eat at reasonable prices can go to fast-food restaurants:

### McDonald's

ul. Krakowskie Przedmieście 52 *or*  
ul. Puławska 40

### KFC/Pizza Hut

Al. Raclawickie 2a

## TOURIST INFORMATION

For more information about such places in Lublin, as well as culture, artistic and entertainment events, please visit the **Tourist Information Centre in Lublin** or the institution's webpage. In the Centre, you can get a free copy of "Zoom", which is Lublin's cultural magazine published monthly by the Centre for Culture.

### TOURIST INFORMATION CENTRE IN LUBLIN

(in Polish: *Lubelski Ośrodek Informacji Turystycznej i Kulturalnej – LOITiK*)

ul. Jezuicka 1/3

tel.: 81 532 44 12

<http://www.loitik.eu>

### THE CENTRE FOR CULTURE IN LUBLIN

(in Polish: *Centrum Kultury w Lublinie*)

ul. Peowiaków 12

tel.: 81 536 03 11

<http://www.ck.lublin.pl>



# LUBLIN REGION

The Lubelskie Region is a region of clean, unpolluted nature, vivid country traditions and crafts, delicious regional cuisine as well as magnificent monuments of the past, not to be found elsewhere.

## ■ KAZIMIERZ DOLNY

Kazimierz Dolny, located within a 50 km distance from Lublin, is a town beloved both by artists and tourists. Known for its unique harmony of landscapes, nature and valuable architecture, the town is one of the pearls of the Polish Renaissance. The historic urban layout of the town includes a tower, a castle,

Below you can find short information about the most interesting places to visit in the Lubelskie Region.

a parish church, main and small market squares, tenement houses, and granaries on the bank of Vistula. Tourist attractions range from Vistula river cruises, through a ferry crossing to Janowiec, to a network of tourist routes and trails.



## ■ NAŁĘCZÓW

Nałęczów is a health resort located in a tranquil valley of the Bystra river among loess hills and ravines. It is a green and quiet oasis of favourable microclimate. Nałęczów houses a vast palace-spa park and the Małachowskich palace. Near the park, there are historic wooden villas in Swiss style and a wooden chapel in highland style.

## ■ KOZŁÓWKA

Situated 30 km from Lublin, Kozłówka boasts one the most magnificent aristocratic residences in Poland. It is a baroque-classical palace with particularly well preserved stylish

interior furnishings, surrounded by a set of outhouses, a chapel and a teatralnia building. The palace complex is hidden in the middle of a spacious park designed in French and English style.

## ■ ZAMOŚĆ

The city of Zamość is called the Padova of the North due to its exceptional architectural features. Zamość is a perfect embodiment of the Renaissance concept of an ideal city. This unique urban design, listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site, was created in the 16th century by an Italian architect Bernardo Morando commissioned by Jan Zamoyski, Grand Hetman and Chancellor of the Crown.





*DEPARTURE*



# TO DO LIST



Before leaving Lublin, at the end of the study stay an Erasmus Student should not forget about a few important things. This checklist will help you to arrange all important matters.

DO NOT FORGET	THINGS TO DO	DONE ✓
"Working" Transcript of Records	Collect all your grades and signatures from teachers.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Transcript of Records	After you collect all signatures on the "working" Transcript of Records, bring it to the Dean's Office. Based on this document, you will be given the official Transcript of Records.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Student ID	The Student ID must be returned to the Dean's Office.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Certificate of Attendance	To get this document you should come to the Erasmus Office either with the "working" Transcript of Records (with all the signatures) or with the official Transcript of Records. The Transcript of Records – either "working" or official – is necessary to obtain the Certificate of Attendance. The Certificate of Attendance is issued not earlier than two days before the end of your studies.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hall of Residence	To move out from the Hall of Residence you must make an appointment with the Administrator who will check your room. Prior to getting the signature of the Administrator, the payments must be settled, and the room must be cleaned and left in good condition. If anything is broken, you will have to pay for the damage.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Library	Return all books to the Main Library and to the faculty libraries.	<input type="checkbox"/>

# BASIC POLISH VOCABULARY

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Good morning/Good day – **Dzień dobry**

Hello, Hi – **Cześć**

How's it going? – **Jak leci?**

I'm doing well – **Dobrze**

It's bad – **Źle**

So, so – **Tak sobie**

Good evening – **Dobry wieczór**

Good bye/Bye – **Do widzenia/Cześć**

Good night – **Dobranoc**

See you later – **Do zobaczenia później**

I'm sorry – **Przepraszam**

Thank you – **Dziękuję**

Pardon? – **Słucham?**

What? – **Co?**

I understand – **Rozumiem**

I don't understand – **Nie rozumiem**

I would like... – **Chcę...**

How much/How many...? – **Ile...?**

How much does it cost? – **Ile to kosztuje?**

Student residence hall – **Akademik, dom studencki**

Faculty – **Wydział**

Dean's Office – **Dziekanat**

Student ID – **Legitymacja studencka**

Library – **Biblioteka**

Book – **Książka**

Ticket – **Bilet**

Newsagent's – **Kiosk**

Post Office – **Poczta**

Exchange office – **Kantor**

ATM/Cash dispenser – **Bankomat**

Money – **Pieniądze**

## USEFUL WEBSITES IN ENGLISH

### ABOUT POLAND

<http://www.poland.pl>

### ABOUT LUBLIN

<http://www.lublin.eu/en>

### ABOUT THE LUBELSKIE REGION

<http://www.lubelskie.pl/>

### ABOUT CULTURAL EVENTS IN LUBLIN

<http://kultura.lublin.eu/>

### ABOUT PLACES TO SEE IN POLAND

<http://en.poland.gov.pl>

<http://www.poland.travel/en>

### ABOUT STAYING IN POLAND

<http://www.staypoland.com>

### ABOUT ERASMUS STUDENT NETWORK

<http://www.esn.pl>

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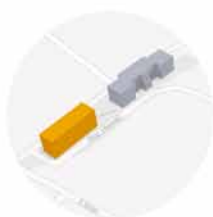
### GENERAL INFORMATION FOR ALL ERASMUS INCOMING STUDENTS

<http://www.erasmus.org.pl>
















(section: *Information for foreign students*)

### INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS INTERESTED IN ENGLISH STUDY PROGRAMMES IN POLAND (OUTSIDE OF THE ERASMUS PROGRAMME)

<http://www.studyingpoland.pl>



-  FACULTY OF LAW AND ADMINISTRATION
-  FACULTY OF HUMANITIES
-  FACULTY OF PHILOSOPHY AND SOCIOLOGY  
Institute of Sociology
-  FACULTY OF MATHEMATICS, PHYSICS  
AND COMPUTER SCIENCE
-  FACULTY OF BIOLOGY AND BIOTECHNOLOGY
-  FACULTY OF CHEMISTRY  
Department of Organic Chemistry
-  FACULTY OF ECONOMICS
-  REKTORAT BUILDING
-  FACULTY OF ARTS
-  FACULTY OF EARTH SCIENCES  
AND SPATIAL MANAGEMENT
-  FACULTY OF PEDAGOGY AND PSYCHOLOGY  
Institute of Psychology
-  FACULTY OF POLITICAL SCIENCE

-  Main Library
-  Academic Cultural Centre "Chatka Żaka"
-  Careers Office
-  Physical Culture Centre
-  Polish Language and Culture Centre
-  Babilon Student Residence Hall
-  Amor Student Residence Hall
-  Jowisz Student Residence Hall
-  Femina Student Residence Hall
-  Grześ Student Residence Hall
-  Helios Student Residence Hall
-  Ikar Student Residence Hall
-  Echo-Tech Complex (under construction)
-  Kronos Student Residence Hall (previously External Students' Dormitory)
-  Zana Student Residence Hall





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