University of Information Technology and Management in Rzeszow

ERASMUS+ FACTSHEET

UNIVERSITY of INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY and MANAGEMENT in Rzeszow, POLAND
About UITM

The University of Information Technology and Management in Rzeszów was established in 1996. It is the largest and highest-ranked private university in southern-east Poland. Currently, there are four faculties at UITM: Management, Applied Computer Science, Media and Social Communication, Medical Faculty.

We are a forward-thinking University committed to the transformative power of education, research, development and support of our students and staff. In addition to educational activities, we run many research projects and we organize numerous scientific and industry conferences. We have developed a strong relation with businesses and local government that benefits us all. In the last 25 years, over 60 thousand people have studied here, both from Poland and abroad. UITM is home to communities of students and scholars from all over the world.

Ambitious goals laid out in the University Strategy for 2020-2024 are set to increase the international student community to 45%. For many years we have been conducting online classes using professional distance learning and online collaboration tools. Currently, students and teachers can use the Blackboard platform and Cisco Webex. The American Blackboard Learn platform is one of the most comprehensive educational platforms in the world. Students can reach various learning materials using notebooks and smartphones. Cisco Webex is the leading enterprise solution for video conferencing, online meetings, screen share, and webinars. Thanks to these two platforms, students can participate in online classes conducted by professors, do projects, and collaborate with other students using advanced collaboration tools for text, voice, and video communication.
Welcome to UITM

Facts
- Established in 1996
- Faculties: Management, Media and Social Communication, Applied Computer Science, Medical
- 2 Campuses with great social and leisure facilities
- Leader in securing EU funded projects
- Strong Presence in U-Multirank since 2013
- Various scholarships for international students
- Regional Hub for Education and Research

Figures
- Over 50,000 Graduates since 1996
- Over 400 Academic staff
- 6000 students every year
- 1600 international students from over 50 countries
- 8 out of 10 graduates will happily recommend UITM to a friend

Our Campuses in Rzeszow and Kielnarowa

Our campuses provide you with everything you need

University Shuttle Bus
(.free transport for UITM students)
It takes about 30 minutes to get to Kielnarowa from Rzeszow.
POLAND
Located in the heart of Europe
Population: 38 million people
EU Member since 2004
Part of Schengen Area, Polish visa holders travel freely across Europe
Low cost of living, high quality of life

Rzeszów Airport is located about 13km north of the city centre, about 20 minutes from the University if you travel by car.

Transport links from the airport to the city include:
- Taxi – A taxi from the airport to the city costs approximately 12€.
- Bus – The price of a bus ride to the city centre varies from 0.4–1.5€.

Facts
- Full Member of European
- Home of Aviation Valley
- One of the most dynamically developed labour markets in Poland
- Capital of navigation
- International Airport
- Modern infrastructure
- Popular tourist destination
- Cultural events
- Discounts offered for UITM students

Figures
- 700 years of history
- 180,000 Citizens
- 40,000 Students
- Home to 130 companies connected to the Aviation Industry

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The Region of Podkarpackie

Is a gateway to the European Union, a land of modern economy, with unpolluted natural environment, a wealth of culture, and many opportunities. Here, innovative technologies of aerospace, information technology and automotive industries come side by side with active leisure, mountain adventures, multiculturalism and creativity. An International airport, EU border crossings, East-West motorway, areas designated for investments and resources of well-educated young people are the reasons why global companies bring their business here.

And after work? Anything goes! From the buzzing atmosphere of urban cafes, pubs, restaurants, theatres, concerts, to recreational activities on the ground, on the water and in the air, amidst wildlife, Carpathian landscapes, and legends of Bieszczady and Beskid Niski.

ACADEMIC CALENDAR FOR INCOMING STUDENTS

WINTER SEMESTER: OCTOBER 2021 – FEBRUARY 2022
- Nomination Deadline: 31.05.2021
- Application Deadline: 30.06.2021
- Learning Agreement Deadline: 20.07.2021

SPRING SEMESTER: FEBRUARY 2022 – JUNE 2022
- Nomination Deadline: 15.11.2021
- Application Deadline: 20.12.2021
- Learning Agreement Deadline: 10.01.2022
VISA AND RESIDENCE PERMIT (FOR NON-EU CITIZENS)

Non-EU students who are planning to study in Poland are required to apply for a visa in their home country in a Polish embassy or a consulate. The visa should be issued for the whole period of stay. It is not possible to extend the visa in Poland.

For more information about obtaining your visa, please contact the Polish diplomatic post in your country.

If your visa expires before the end of your stay in Poland, you should apply for a temporary residence permit. It is mandatory to do it at least 45 days before your visa expires. For more information, please contact:

DEPARTMENT FOR FOREIGNERS OF THE VOIVODSHIP OFFICE:
Urząd Wojewódzki – Wydział Spraw Obywatelskich I Cudzoziemskich
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APPLICATION PROCESS

NOMINATIONS SHOULD BE SENT BY ERASMUS+ COORDINATORS AT PARTNER UNIVERSITIES. THEY SHALL INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

- First name and surname
- Gender
- Email Address
- Course of studies

APPLICATION DOCUMENTS:

- Learning Agreement,
- Scan of ID/passport,
- Motivation Letter (in English),
- Transcript of Records
- ID format picture for student ID,
- Signed consents (image, photos, story).
We offer accommodation in one of the dormitories in Rzeszow:

**ADDRESS:** Dom Studencki FILON, ul. Cicha 4, 35-326 Rzeszów, Poland

**ROOMS:** a studio: 2 double rooms with a bathroom. Access to the Internet.

**DESCRIPTION:** The building is equipped with modern sanitary facilities, including the Internet and TV sets. It is also suitable for the disabled. On each floor, we can find an open kitchen. We can also find a laundry room, a study room, a photocopying machine, and a grocery shop. In the vicinity of the building there is a student nightclub “Under the Palm Tree”, a café, a gym, a sports field, a doctor’s office and the “Under the Palm Tree” canteen which offers pre-paid lunches. Public transport - very good.

**A MONTHLY FEE:** 400 PLN per one person per month.

Please note that students are obliged to pay for 2 months in advance, plus a deposit 400 PLN. This totals to 1,200 PLN.

Each student signs an accommodation contract and receives an individual account for payments.

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**COST OF LIVING**

Rzeszow is an affordable place to live and very popular with Polish and International students. You will live in a safe and clean city with well organised public transport and its own International Airport. You will benefit from student discounts on goods, services, fashion and entertainment.

Average cost of services and goods:
- Food (cooking at home) 200 €
- Meal at the restaurant 10 €
- Kebab 1,5 €
- Bus ticket 0,4 €
- Cinema ticket 4 €
- Cellular 7 €
- Gym membership 15 €
- Scooter/bicycle rental 5 €/month

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INSURANCE

All international students are obliged to take out health insurance for the period they will spend in their destination country. It can be either a private insurance policy obtained in their country of origin or in Poland or a voluntary health insurance in the Polish National Health Fund.

STUDENTS FROM THE EU/EFTA COUNTRIES

Students from the EU/EFTA countries who hold valid medical insurance in the national insurance system of their country should acquire the European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) before coming to Poland. It should be valid for the entire period of stay in Poland. EHIC entitles its holder to use healthcare services financed from public funds in Poland.

Students from the EU/EFTA countries who do NOT hold valid medical insurance in the national insurance system of their country should follow the guidelines for the students from outside the EU/EFTA.

Additionally, it is also recommended that the students buy accident insurance.

STUDENTS FROM OUTSIDE THE EU/EFTA

Students from non-EU/EFTA countries should purchase health insurance prior to their arrival in Poland. It should be valid for the entire stay. The insurance policy may be issued by any insurance company. Additionally, it is also recommended that the students buy accident insurance.

Otherwise, the students are required to conclude an agreement for voluntary health insurance in the National Health Fund immediately after the beginning of the studies.

GRADING SYSTEM AND ECTS

The Polish grading system in higher education is based on the 2–5 scale, where 2 is the lowest and 5 is the highest mark.

Moreover, students can also receive additional signs of ‘+’ and ‘−’. Each of them equals half a point: + means 0.5 higher mark. Some courses, however, are not evaluated on such a marking scheme and for these courses students may simply obtain ‘zal’. or ‘zaliczeni’, which means that their workload was satisfactory and they have passed the course.

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As there are many different grading systems in Europe, the ECTS grading scale has been developed to help institutions translate the grades awarded by host institutions to ECTS grades. This provides additional information on the student’s performance to that provided by the institution’s grade but does not replace the local grade.

In general, ECTS (European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System) helps facilitate the recognition of periods of study abroad and enhances the quality and volume of student mobility in Europe.