

Ss. CYRIL AND METHODIUS UNIVERSITY



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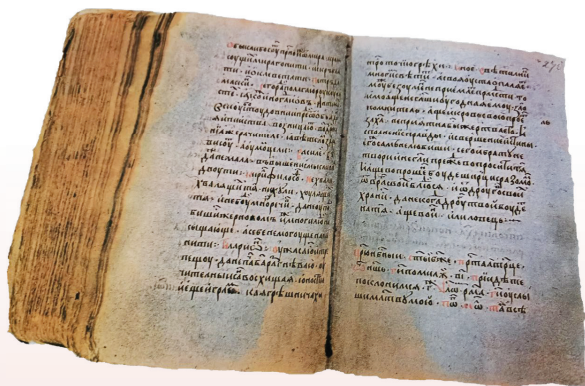
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Rector's welcome

Dear students,

Dear colleagues,

International cooperation and internationalization is one of the top priorities and strategic determinations of the Ss. Cyril and Methodius University in Skopje, Republic of North Macedonia. The establishment, nurturing and development of international cooperation with renowned universities abroad and international organizations in the field of higher education remains our permanent commitment, as witnessed by more than 380 bilateral agreements with highly ranked foreign universities on all continents, membership in international university networks and other organizations of relevance for the development of education, science and culture. The findings gained through the long-term cooperation have determined the directions of a strategic planning and the necessary reforms of the University in accordance with European integration and globalization processes that will enable our international recognition and reputation in the academic community.



The Ss. Cyril and Methodius University with great enthusiasm is implementing the Erasmus+ program in order to enable its students and academic staff to gain international experience at EU universities. At the university level, exceptional results are noticeable, i.e. the process of expanding the network of partner institutions and intensive cooperation, significantly contributes to the process of internationalization, whereby the University acquires its recognizable place on the global map and improves its international visibility, competitiveness, initiation of new cooperation, attracting a larger number of foreign students and professors, and strengthening international exchanges. The Erasmus+ program embedded a significant European dimension in the educational processes of the University, through the incoming and outgoing mobility of students and teaching staff.

We are very welcoming and proud of all our in-coming Erasmus+ students and staff, doing our best to make their studies and teaching most profitable and valuable for their future careers and life. I hope your experience at the Ss. Cyril and Methodius University will be both happy and intellectually fulfilling. It is my wish that all students and staff look back on the time spent in Skopje with a sense of joy and satisfaction.

Prof. Dr Nikola Jankulovski
Rector

IRO's welcome

Dear students,

On behalf of the Ss. Cyril and Methodius University and the City of Skopje, we would like to welcome you and thank you for considering our University as a host for your student exchange. You have made an important decision in choosing to add an international aspect to your academic career by spending a semester or a year at the Ss. Cyril and Methodius University. Taking part of your degree in a different academic and cultural environment will broaden your academic, social and cultural horizons.

This Guide has been especially designed for foreign students who intend to study at Ss. Cyril and Methodius University in Skopje. Here you will find some necessary and practical information that will help you prepare for the study period abroad and will be useful to you during your first days in Skopje.

We hope you will have a rewarding and successful stay in Skopje and the Republic of N. Macedonia.

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REPUBLIC OF NORTH MACEDONIA AND THE CITY OF SKOPJE

Area	25,713 km ²
Area Population	2,103,721
Capital	Skopje, 700 000 population
Official Language	Macedonian language is the official language while the Albanian language is used in the official correspondence with the Governmental institutions in the country
Religion	Orthodox Christian (The minority groups in the country are Muslim, Roman Catholic and Protestants)
Political system	Multi-party parliamentary democracy
Climate	Mildly continental climate, with relatively cold and humid winters and warm and dry summers.
Currency	Denar, MKD (1 EUR is approx. 61.80 MKD). Money can be easily exchanged in the banks and in the official exchange bureaus





Republic of North Macedonia is a country in the Balkan Peninsula in Southeast Europe with over two million inhabitants. The majority of the residents are ethnic Macedonians. Albanians form a significant minority at around 25%, followed by Turks, Roma and Serbs. A landlocked country with an area of 25,713 km, it is bordered by Serbia, Kosovo, Bulgaria, Greece and Albania.

The earliest imprints in the territory of North Macedonia originate from the Paleolithic era with over 4.500 archeological sites are registered from this era. At a crossroads between the East and the West, it is a treasure chest of historical monuments, centuries old cultural tradition and natural wonders. The cultural and historical heritage of Macedonia, inextricably bound to the roots of the Ss. Cyril and Methodius University, is more than one millennium old. The magnificent Literary School of St. Clement in Ohrid, and the first Slavic University on the Balkans, legacy of the Holy Brothers Cyril and Methodius, attracted scholarship from throughout Macedonia and the Balkans, as early as the 9th century.



The cultural values and literacy traditions of these scholars are still nurtured and in the field of enlightenment, education and science, have lived through to the present day. The Literary School in Ohrid, with its 3,500 students, gave a strong impetus to the development of other centres of knowledge and enlightenment throughout Macedonia and the region. In these centres of learning, the scholars created a recognizably distinctive literary legacy which constitutes the Macedonian distinctive cultural heritage, firmly rooted and carried out in the vernacular, Macedonian language. It was precisely this vault of “literary treasures” that formed the nucleus of Macedonian enlightenment. At this time, Macedonia

was exposed to the beliefs and values radiating from two great cultural systems, the Byzantium and the Ottoman empires, respectively. Even though Macedonia’s existence was straddled between these two powerful empires, it became a safe haven and a home to new ideas which strove forward towards incorporating the universal values and achievements of the democratic societies of the West.

Ohrid is a city-museum and a cultural treasury of the Republic of N. Macedonia and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. It is the most renowned spiritual center of the region. Once home to over 300 churches and monasteries, it still holds the largest part of the rich Macedonian cultural heritage. Ohrid represents a center of Christianity for all Slavs and remains a center of archaeological sites and discoveries. The Lake Ohrid is known as one of the world's deepest (321 m.) and clearest lakes.



St. Jovan Kaneo Church was built in the honor of St. John the Theologian. The church St. Kaneo with its sublime atmosphere and views of the lake below, remains an inspiring place for spiritual contemplation. The church was built at the end of the 13th century and is one of the most beautiful churches in the Balkans as well as the most photographed place in N.Macedonia.



The **Ancient megalithic observatory "Kokino"** is a Bronze Age archaeological site in the Republic of North Macedonia, approximately 60 km from Skopje. It has seven markers that were once used for following the Sun and the Moon. Three of the marker cuttings were intended to mark the rising of the Sun during the summer solstice, the autumn and the spring equinox and the winter solstice.

Cultural events in Republic of N. Macedonia



Ohrid Summer Festival of Classical Music and Drama is one of the most prestigious cultural events in the Republic of N.Macedonia, traditionally organized in July and August, the Ohrid Summer Festival features a rich artistic program with concerts, theatre plays, art exhibitions and poetry readings. Held in the spiritual capital of Macedonia, the Ohrid Summer Festival provides an unforgettable experience.

Starting at the end of August, **Struga Poetry Evenings** crowns the Macedonian cultural scene for the summer. Established back in 1961, it is perhaps the oldest international poetry festival. Over the years, the festival grew to one of the most important poetic gatherings, hosting more than 5000 poets, publishers, book reviewers, theoreticians, and literary promoters.



Situated in the postcard-perfect mountain village of Galičnik in Northwestern North Macedonia, the **Galičnik Wedding** is a combination of tradition, local custom and heritage. It takes place once a year over a two day period in July. In the beginning of the 20th century, many of the village's younger inhabitants had to move to larger cities in search of employment. Thus, it was set that every year on the Saturday closest to St. Peter's Day, those who had moved from the village would return. Many engaged couples would choose to get married on this day. Today, locals honour this custom by marrying one couple in the traditional Galičnik fashion, by

dressing up in traditional costume, and by following a series of rituals which include playing instruments, singing, and dancing.

Set in the city of Bitola, **The Manaki Brothers Film Festival** is proudly one of the oldest film festivals on the Balkans, celebrating the work of cinematographers from around the globe. Established in 1979, this exciting event was inspired by the Manaki brothers, the Macedonians who pioneered 20th century filmmaking in the Balkans with their documentaries and photographic art, some of which was made as early as 1904. Premiering films from a plethora of genres, from short film to animation, the festival is a celebration of all things film, and aims to showcase the creative works of cinematographers both young and old, local and international.



THE CITY OF SKOPJE

Skopje is the capital of the Republic of North Macedonia with a population of over 700 000. Skopje dates back to the pre-historic period. The city is an administrative, economic, cultural, and educational centre, a home to the oldest and largest university in the country - the Ss Cyril and Methodius University. Skopje, the capital of the Republic, is an excellent place to study because of its cultural diversity, tradition and history.

The city breaths in its own distinguished rhythm, the urban dynamic life, the cultural heritage which reflects a mix of the old and the new. After the catastrophic earthquake in 1963, most of the city was rebuilt according to the comprehensive architectural project of Kenzo Tange, a world renowned Japanese architect.

Skopje is a wonderful host to all those who wish to spend part of their lives there, albeit only in passing. They will have the opportunity to reside in one of the many small and large hotels of all categories, to taste the Macedonian cuisine and relax in some of the numerous restaurants, cafés, clubs or other places of entertainment; to take time to visit a large number of neolithic, antique or medieval sites, to admire the wonderful masterpieces from medieval and contemporary painters and sculptors, and to unwind in the tranquillity and serenity of ancient churches and monasteries; to learn about the people and the country they are visiting through exhibitions in museums, cultural centres, galleries and libraries; to walk along the back of history by crossing the Stone Bridge, that, together with the other bridges, connects the North and the South parts of the city; to get in touch with educational institutions, to get together and share experiences with modest and hospitable people; to meet the European and the oriental culture in one place, connected in a unique spectrum of values, languages and monuments, and to take home memorabilia which can be found in big shopping malls or in small handicraft shops in the Old Skopje Bazaar.



The Old Town, over the Stone Bridge on the left side of Vardar, is home to one of the largest and most preserved bazaars in Europe, the Old Skopje Bazaar, which dates back to the 12th century. It represents a diverse and rich breeding ground for culture and art and is a part of the city with various and rich history, tradition, culture and architecture. There

are a large number of well preserved and functional objects from the Ottoman period, as well as newly built objects as a feature of the modern period. The Old Bazaar is a monument from the past and a place where old crafts still defy the devastating power of time and contemporary production.



The **Fortress Kale** dates back to the period of the Emperor Justinianus Primus in the 6th century A.D. The Fortress Kale is one of the most attractive and complex archaeological localities in Skopje. Kale's archeological findings date back from the Pre-historic period through Ancient and Medieval times to the Ottoman period and the stormy 20th century.

The **Stone Bridge** over the River Vardar is one of the country's most well-known monuments, built in the first half of the 15th century. The bridge connects the old part of the city to the new one.



The **Memorial House and the Monument of Mother Theresa** (1910-1997) are located on the street Macedonia, in the centre of the city of Skopje. They are dedicated to the great humanist Agnesa Gonxha Bojaxhiu - Mother Theresa, born in Skopje, a winner of the Nobel Peace Prize in 1979.





Vodno is a mountain above Skopje, which is 1.061 meters in altitude. It is where the famous Millennium Cross can be found. Also, tucked inside the hills of Vodno is the monastery complex of St. Panteleimon from the 12th century. Vodno is also famous for its park- forest with fine tracks and wide panorama views. From the top you can see approximately the whole of the Skopje valley and the city of Skopje.



The Lamentation of Christ, St. Panteleimon church, 12 century

The Canyon Matka is a complex of a deeply engraved canyon with caves, which hosts a complex of monasteries, a mountain hostel, restaurants and a mountaineering training centre. It is situated on the Treska river which is known for wild water rafting, as well as the breath-taking scenery of rich flora and fauna.



Culture and Entertainment in Skopje

The city and its vicinity have plenty of cultural and historical monuments which attract the attention of every visitor. Young people also have plenty of opportunities for entertainment in Skopje. There are many discos, pubs and restaurants. The nightlife in Skopje can easily accommodate almost every taste. It includes a combination of fancy bars, nightclubs, restaurants and coffee shops.

More info:

<https://www.discoveringmacedonia.com>

<https://skopjeonline.com.mk>

www.exploringmacedonia.com

www.visitmacedonia.com.mk

MUSEUMS

Museum of the Republic of North Macedonia

www.museum.org.mk

This is the largest museum in Skopje and one of the oldest. The Museum of the Republic of N.Macedonia was created by joining three museums into one (the archaeological, historical and ethnological museums). The Museum gathers, keeps, conserves and presents the Macedonian national historical and cultural heritage.



Archaeological Museum

www.amm.org.mk

The Archaeological Museum in Skopje presents the authentic history and culture of the Macedonians. There are more than 6,000 artifacts on display and thanks to the sophisticated 3D technologies, specific light and ambient music, the visitors can truly enjoy the history and culture of the Macedonian people.



Museum of the Macedonian Struggle

www.mmb.org.mk

The Museum of the Macedonian Struggle, being a specialized museum of historical exhibitions, aims to present the historical, cultural and revolutionary traditions of the Macedonian people in their centuries old struggle to create a national state on the Balkans. The Museum's collection provides a



documented, contemporary and objective information tool for the most important events and processes in the recent history of North Macedonia.

Museum of the City of Skopje

www.mgs.org.mk

The museum was founded in 1949 and owns a fund of 21,950 museum objects arranged in four sections: archeology, history, ethnology and art history.



Museum of Contemporary Art

www.msu.mk/home

The museum was built in the aftermath of the Skopje devastating earthquake of 1963. Artists and museums from around the world donated works of art to form a museum collection that includes Picasso, Léger, Hockney, Meret Oppenheim and Bridget Riley.



FESTIVALS IN SKOPJE

Since the first **Skopje Jazz Festival** in 1982, the event has become one of the leading music festivals in North Macedonia, drawing international attention from jazz fans all over the world, and featuring performances from jazz performers of all genres. The aim behind the festival is to exhibit some of the world's best jazz, from daring contemporary artists pushing the boundaries of the genre, to world-renowned musicians. Taking place in Skopje, the festival is a wonderful place to dance, drink and socialise with other jazz enthusiasts.



The **Skopje Film Festival**, with its rich and diverse program, consisting of the latest European and global cinematographic releases, is a meeting point for the traditional achievements of eminent film authors on one hand, and a sharp consuming audience, on the other. This festival is one of the most frequented cultural events in Skopje. Each year the audience shows a great interest in following the programs of short films, musicals, documentary films as well as the regional program which presents the most significant cinematic achievements in the region.



The **May Opera Evenings** have been one of the most visited events in Skopje. Over the years, the stage of the Macedonian Opera and Ballet has hosted a number of ballet performances, operas, and many concerts. This event represents a true professional challenge for the artists and a wonderful musical experience for the audience. The program consists of opera performances, ballet performances, concerts with opera arias and symphonic music. The ensembles of the Macedonian Opera and Ballet, as well as popular opera and ballet artists from the neighboring countries and the world, are regular participants at the May Opera Evenings.



GENERAL INFORMATION ON Ss. CYRIL AND METHODIUS UNIVERSITY

The Ss. Cyril and Methodius University is the oldest university in Republic of N. Macedonia, well known for its tradition and quality of education which last for more than 70 years. It was founded in 1949 and today it consists of 23 different faculties and 5 research institutes. The language of instruction is Macedonian, however some courses are taught in the minority languages and in English for some postgraduate courses. The University organizes postgraduate studies in over 160 disciplines with around 40.000 enrolled students in all cycles of studies. The University is actively involved in the processes of internationalization by taking an active part in the integration of the European higher education system. Activities include promotion of student and academic mobility, joint research projects, recognition of diplomas and studies, providing competitiveness and compatibility with the European labor market. The University is part of the academic networks of UNICA, EUA, IAU, EAIE, AUF, CEEPUS, ERA, etc. The bilateral cooperation that is realized within the framework of the 180 cooperation agreements includes academic and student mobility, joint scientific projects, double diplomas, workshops and seminars. Special emphasis is placed on academic mobility with top European universities within the framework of Erasmus + program, with over 500 signed Erasmus+ partnership agreements.

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Faculty of Mechanical Engineering
Faculty of Medicine
Faculty of Music
Faculty of Natural Sciences and Mathematics
Faculty of Pedagogy “St. Clement of Ohrid”
Faculty of Pharmacy
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Faculty of Philosophy
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Faculty of Technology and Metallurgy
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RESEARCH INSTITUTES

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ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Levels of study and programs offered

- B.A. - three years, 180 credits or four years, 240 credits
- M.A. - two years/one year
- Ph.D. - three years, including 180 credits.

Grading scale

10 (A)	Excellent
9 (B)	Exceptionally good
8 (C)	Very good
7 (D)	good
6 (E)	Sufficient
5 (F)	Fail

1 ECTS credit is equivalent to approximately 30 working hours. The year workload is 60 ECTS credits

Academic calendar

Official start of the academic year	1 October
Autumn semester	1 October - 11 January
Spring semester	18 February - 31 May
Exam sessions	14 January - 15 February 3 June - 28 June 24 August - 25 September

Students are expected to arrive in Skopje at least two weeks before the start of the semester.

Macedonian language course

Macedonian language is the official language of instruction at the Ss. Cyril and Methodius University in Skopje and the majority of the courses are taught in Macedonian, however some courses are thought in English. For incoming students the University organizes Macedonian language classes that are free of charge and last from 3 to 6 months (this is a non-credit program).

Public holidays

January 1	New Year
January 6	Christmas Eve
January 7	Christmas
January 19	Twelfth Day (Baptism of Jesus)
April/May	Holy Friday (*depends on the calendar)
April/May	Easter (*depends on the calendar)
May 1	Labour Day
May 24	Saints Cyril and Methodius Day
May	Ramazan Bajram (*depends on the calendar)
August 2	Republic Day
August 28	Ascension of the Virgin Mary
September 8	Independence Day
October 11	Day of the People's Uprising Against Fascism
October 23	Day of the Macedonian Revolutionary Struggle
December 8	St. Clement of Ohrid Day

PRE-DEPARTURE ARRANGEMENTS

Prior to the arrival, you need to prepare your Learning agreement with the Erasmus+ coordinator at your home institution. The IRO officer and/or the Erasmus+ coordinator at the host faculty of the Ss. Cyril and Methodius University in Skopje will help you with the enrolment procedure once you arrive.

After the nomination of your University, you will have to prepare the following application documents and send them via e-mail to our office:

- Student application form
- Learning agreement
- CV Europass model
- Transcript of records (issued by your home university)
- Language certificate (English – Minimum recommended level – B1)
- Recommendation letter (optional)

Visa procedure

Prior to arrival in Skopje, the students should apply for a visa at the nearest Macedonian Embassy or Consular mission in their home country. For more information, contact the Macedonian Embassy in your country of residence.

Useful links:

- Ministry of Foreign Affairs:
<http://www.mfa.gov.mk>
- Diplomatic representations of the Republic of North Macedonia in Europe:
<http://www.mfa.gov.mk/index.php/en/diplomatic-network>

Visa required documents	
●	Valid travel document, the expiry date of which exceeds the intended mobility period in the Republic of North Macedonia by at least three months; Passport size photo;
●	Letter of Acceptance issued by the Ss. Cyril and Methodius University in Skopje, stating the duration of stay, level of study and financial support;
●	Proof of sufficient means of subsistence (scholarship or similar);
●	Proof of health insurance All foreign students are advised to purchase general insurance prior to the departure to the Republic of North Macedonia. It is recommended to contact the International Relations Office at the home university for more information.
●	Certificate of No Criminal Record issued by a relevant authority in the student's home country;
●	Proof of secured accommodation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Ss. Cyril and Methodius University in Skopje does not provide or guarantee accommodation, however the university accommodation capacities can provide a limited accommodation for foreign students upon request. • We suggest to book a private accommodation during your stay in Skopje. You can visit the numerous web-sites that offer private accommodation in Skopje at affordable prices. www.airbnb.com www.realestate.com.mk www.pazar3.mk/en

Important note: All documents need to be translated into Macedonian language and certified by an authorized court translator and submitted to the Embassy of the Republic of North Macedonia, alongside with the official application form.

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UPON ARRIVAL ARRANGEMENTS

Residence permit

Prior to arrival in Skopje, the student should apply for a visa at the nearest Embassy or Consulate of the Republic of North Macedonia. After receiving the official document (visa), upon arrival the student should apply for a temporary residence permit at the Ministry of Interior of the Republic of North Macedonia in Skopje.

The required documents for residence permit are the following:

- Application form (obtained at the registry section of the Ministry of Interior)
- Valid travel document - passport.
- Visa certificate issued by the Embassy of the Republic of North Macedonia in your country
- Copy of your visa (from the passport)
- Letter of Acceptance issued by Ss. Cyril and Methodius University in Skopje
- Certificate for registration at the local police station (issued upon arrival)
- Proof of secured accommodation in Skopje (notarized Lease Agreement)
- Proof of health insurance - translated and notarized
- Copy of personal bank account or bank card
- Proof of language competence - certificate for English or Macedonian language
- Residence permit application fee

Registration at the local police station

Within 24 hours of your arrival you are obliged to register at the nearest police station by presenting your passport.

IRO meeting

Upon arrival, you are expected to come to the International Relations Office in order to obtain more detailed information regarding your stay in Skopje.

Address:

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USEFUL INFORMATION

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Fire station	193	Skopje airport	(+389 2) 3148 333
Ambulance	194	Main railway station	(+389 2) 3164 255

Airport: The Skopje International Airport is located 27 km away from the city center. Upon your arrival at the Skopje airport, you may choose to:

- take a taxi from the airport to the center of Skopje; taxi fare is about 15 - 25 EUR, or
- take a bus which stops in the center of Skopje. The bus ride takes 30-40 minutes, tickets may be purchased at the counter of the Airport Shuttle Service, inside the terminal, and cost approximately 5 EUR.

More information about the airport and the airport bus timetable:

www.skp.airports.com.mk

Train station Skopje: The train station is around 1.5 km away from the city center. More information on: <https://mzt.mk/kontakt/en>

Tel.: (+389 2) 3164 255

Address: Blvd. Nikola Karev no. 20, 1000 Skopje

Main bus station: The bus station is located under the Main train station, near the city centre. For more information regarding the bus timetable you can visit the following web-site: <http://www.sas.com.mk/en/>

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Public transportation: The most effective means of transportation in the city are the public buses. Taxis are also very frequent in the city.

Pharmacies

Several pharmacies are open 24/7 and are located in the central area of the city.

Bank account

Every foreign citizen is entitled to open a non-resident bank account in a bank in the Republic of North Macedonia. This can be only done personally, with a valid passport.

Drinking water

The water is safe and drinkable throughout the country.

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