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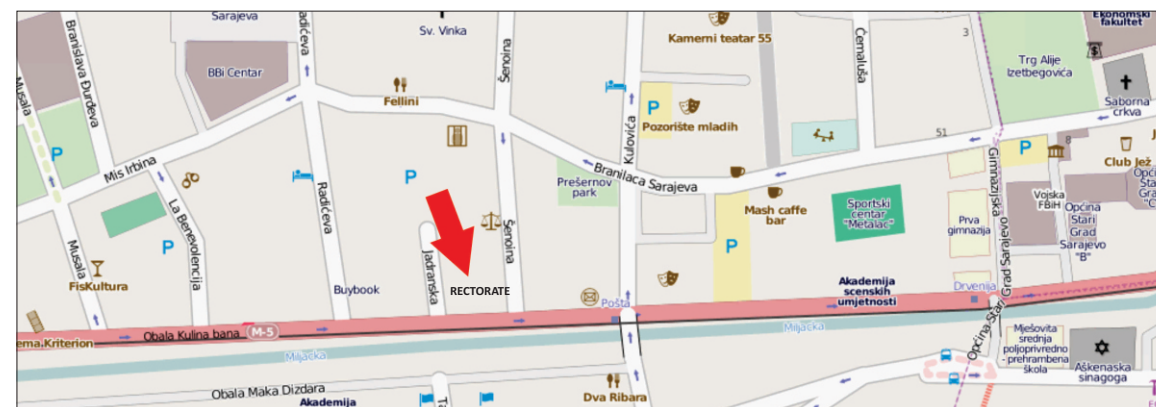
The University of Sarajevo is not a traditional campus university, and if you are used to a campus environment, you may find it very different to study here. The member institutions are spread at different locations across the capital. The UNSA International Relations Office is located in the Rectorate (the central University administration offices, in the same building as the Faculty of Law).

We will assist you with the issues of admission, housing, student counseling, and orientation programs, including various social events, with the aim to help you meet other international students. Living and studying away from home can be challenging experience - particularly in the beginning of your stay. At the International Relations Office you have the opportunity to ask questions in informal surroundings. We will be happy to help you, or to point you in the right direction to where you can get help regardless of whether your questions relate to your study programme, personal problems, or basic practical issues.

The University of Sarajevo is a partner in many academic programs which allows its students and members of staff to be a part of mobility processes and spend certain period on the international partner universities, and also to be a host university to the students and members of staff from international universities. The most popular mobility programs are ERASMUS+, TEMPUS, CEEPUS, Best of South-East-Europe, Višegrad Fund, etc. ERASMUS+ is the frequent program from and to EU. International Relations Office is very active in promoting our University through info days, fairs, promotional materials, e-newsletters and news. The contents can be found on our web site www.unsa.ba (click International Relations).



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UNIVERSITY OF SARAJEVO
 international background

SARAJEVO

A city or a living legend?

THE STORY OF THE CITY

Sarajevo is the capital and the largest city of Bosnia and Herzegovina, with a population of 291.422 people living in the four municipalities that make up the city area, and 438.443 people living in the wider area of the Sarajevo Canton (according to data from 2013 Census of Population, Households and Dwellings in Bosnia and Herzegovina). Sarajevo is located in the Sarajevo valley, surrounded by the Dinaric Alps, and situated around the Miljacka River.

HISTORY

Although the first settlements in the area date back to prehistoric times, the modern city developed as an Ottoman stronghold in the 15th century. Sarajevo has attracted international attention several times throughout its history: in 1914 it was the site of the assassination of the Austrian heir to the throne, the event that triggered the World War I, while seventy years later it became the host City of the 1984 Winter Olympics. More recently, Sarajevo went through the longest siege in the modern military history, during the Aggression on Bosnia and Herzegovina. Today, the city is recovering and adjusting to a reality of post-1990s events, as a major centre of culture and economic development in Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Sarajevo has been the meeting point between east and west for hundreds of years, the place where time seems to freeze. Many civilizations and Empires have passed through this city, each of them leaving traces behind that can be found all over. In just a few hundred meters in Sarajevo, Catholic and Orthodox churches, mosques and Jewish synagogue proudly stand side by side.



- is called European Jerusalem because of the variety of religious objects, beliefs and customs present ?



DID YOU KNOW THAT SARAJEVO:



- was the first city in Europe and the second city in the world to have a full-time operational electric tramway network, the first being San Francisco?



- in 1914 was the site of assassination of Franz Ferdinand, heir presumptive to the Austro-Hungarian Empire, whose death led to the start of World War I?



- hosted the 14th Winter Olympic Games in 1984?



- is the best city to visit in 2015, based on many touristic magazines and guides?
 - is one of the best biker adventure destinations according to National Geographic?



- has been under the longest siege of over 1500 days in modern military history during the Aggression on Bosnia and Herzegovina?

Our oldest members institutions are:



Gazi Husrev-Bey Library (1537)



National Museum of B&H (1888)



Catholic Theology (1890)



Aggression 1992-1996

During the aggression against Bosnia and Herzegovina and the siege of Sarajevo (5 April 1992 – 29 February 1996), the University suffered enormous casualties and material losses – staff suffered and was displaced, faculty members left, buildings and equipment were destroyed or badly damaged. The University continued to work and fought to preserve civilised standards in the most difficult conditions encountered by any higher education in Europe in the second half of the 20th century. The international academic community noted these efforts with admiration.



- 2003** FIRST UNSA ENROLLED GENERATION (ARH)
- 2005** FIRST UNSA GENERATION I CYCLE
- 2008** FIRST UNSA GENERATION II CYCLE
- 2010** FIRST UNSA GENERATION III CYCLE

2012-2014 - CHANGED MODEL OF IMPLEMENTATION



WE HAVE HISTORY

This is first university in Bosnia and Herzegovina, originally established in the 16th century.

HISTORICAL OVERVIEW

Establishment
Sarajevo was first placed on the map of academic centres in this part of Europe in 1573, with the signing of the Waqfname (Book of Endowment) by Gazi Husrev-bey. Today, Gazi Husrev-bey's Library is, as an associate member, the oldest institution within the University of Sarajevo. Following the departure of the Ottoman administration and the arrival of Austria-Hungary, the Sharia Judicial Academy was founded in 1887, the National Museum in 1888, the Catholic Seminary of the Vrhbosna Archbishopric in 1890. Until 1975, the University of Sarajevo was the only university in Bosnia and Herzegovina and the beacon of development of higher education and science in the country.

Post-aggression reforms

In 1996, along with other universities in Bosnia and Herzegovina, the University of Sarajevo joined the European higher education reform support programmes. This period was also marked by intense work on repairing the wartime damages and creating an environment suited for stable and continuous development. The University of Sarajevo invested all its efforts to re-enter fully the contemporary European and international academic trends. During the period 1997–2000, the University of Sarajevo coordinated the first European-level TEMPUS project aimed at introducing the 3+2 model.



Bologna Education System

In September 2003, Bosnia and Herzegovina signed and accepted the European strategic goals in the field of higher education, as expressed in the Declaration of the European Higher Education Ministers made in Bologna (1999), as well as the subsequent development of this concept. Understanding the importance of establishing itself within the European Higher Education Area (EHEA), in the academic year 2005/2006, notwithstanding the lack of any state-level guidance and the absence of any political, legal or material support, the University of Sarajevo entered the complex process of reform in compliance with the Bologna principles. The University has developed or participated in several international third-cycle programmes of study based on the EHEA-ERA standards.

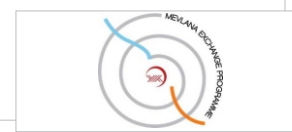


WE ARE INTERNATIONAL

University of Sarajevo participates in many academic international projects and contributes to its international recognition.

INTERNATIONALISATION

Trying to become an equal partner to universities of superb standing in Europe and beyond, as well as to scientific and research organisations, in compliance with European principles of creating a single higher education area, the University of Sarajevo affords considerable attention to different forms of international cooperation. Internationalisation is the chosen avenue of the University in relation to all segments of teaching and research: education and knowledge transfer, scientific research, artistic production, acquisition and recognition of competences, building academic solidarity, etc. The University of Sarajevo enjoys partnerships with over 300 universities in Europe, the USA, Canada, and the Middle East, bilateral or as part of projects. University of Sarajevo is an equal partner in mobility programs for students and members of staff, and it is open for study and research activities.



TEMPUS

103 TEMPUS projects in cooperation with 135 European universities (83 as partner, 16 as academic coordinator and 4 as grant-holder)

SEVENTH FRAMEWORK PROGRAMME

38 FP7 projects: participation since 1980, associated state as of 2009, first FP project coordinator from B&H

ERASMUS MUNDUS

19 ERASMUS MUNDUS projects: in cooperation with 55 EU universities (135 EU incoming and 235 UNSA outgoing)

ERASMUS+

UNSA participates in 12 Capacity building projects, 1 strategic partnership projects and 2 Sport projects.

MEVLANA

In 2013, UNSA signed an agreement with Turkish higher education institutions within the Mevlana Exchange Programme.

JEAN MONNET (ERASMUS+)

The Jean Monnet Actions aim at promoting excellence in teaching and research in the field of European Union studies at UNSA.

HORIZON 2020

This funding programme aims to support and foster research at UNSA, focusing in innovation and delivering economic growth faster.

INTERNATIONAL BILATERAL COOPERATION

128 International Agreements with international universities and over 3.000 International Mobilities

...and many more.



WE HAVE PROGRAMMES

With 100 study programmes and over 200 departments, University of Sarajevo offers wide range of study fields for students, researches and Faculty members

STUDY STRUCTURE

The three-cycle system of study at the University of Sarajevo leads to the following academic titles: *Bachelor*, upon completion of the first cycle, *Master*, upon completion of the second cycle, and *Doctor of science/arts*, upon completion of the third cycle. An integrated programme of the first and second cycle at schools of the medical group leads to the title of a doctor of medicine/dental medicine/veterinary medicine, and a master of pharmacy.

TEACHING LANGUAGE

The majority of courses and study programmes are in Bosnian/Croatian/Serbian (B/C/S) and it is required that candidates have some level of knowledge of the host country's language before arrival. Bosnian/Croatian/Serbian are languages with three different language standards and minor regional variations. However, there are cases where complete study programmes are in English (such as the programmes offered by the Centre for Interdisciplinary Studies, and by the School of Economics and Business which offers undergraduate and postgraduate joint programmes in cooperation with the Griffith College Dublin, Faculty of Business), or where certain courses can be provided in English. Please contact the administration of the institution you are interested in, and ask for course descriptions and language requirements. The University of Sarajevo member institutions offer a variety of study programmes within the Bachelor, Master, and Doctoral level of studies.

SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH

It can be said that scientific research in Bosnia and Herzegovina that is in an alarming situation; the country lags behind in this area and this reflects more and more on its weakened competitiveness and low productivity of its economy, as well as its position on the regional and the global market. However, due mainly to personal efforts by Faculty members both during and after the war, the University managed to maintain its status of the most prestigious and the most developed scientific and higher education institution in the country. Scientific and artistic research at the University of Sarajevo is mainly located at Faculties, Academies and institutes in the areas of medicine, technical studies, natural science, botanical studies, social studies, humanities and arts.



ECTS - EUROPEAN CREDIT TRANSFER SYSTEM

1 ECTS credit is equivalent of approx. 30 working hours. The annual workload is 60 ECTS credits. The University of Sarajevo is committed to the implementation of the ECTS, which eases the process of credit transfer among EU universities. The ECTS defines a full study load for one year as 60 ECTS credits. The number of credits awarded for each bachelor and graduate course varies depending on the workload. To make sure that you are able to transfer the credits earned at the University of Sarajevo, it is important that home institution approves your intended study programme.

DEGREE AND QUALIFICATIONS

The higher education system in Bosnia and Herzegovina is organized in three cycles as follows:
The first cycle of **180 - 240 ECTS** (three or four years of full time study) to obtain the degree of *Bachelor*.
The second cycle of **60 - 120 ECTS** (one or two years of full time study) leads to a *Master degree* (total of 300 ECTS - with the first cycle).
The third cycle of **180 ECTS** (three years of full time study and/or research) to obtain a *PhD degree*.

ACADEMIC OFFER

The classification of the Study programmes at the University of Sarajevo is done according to the Erasmus and ISCED classification.

- AGRICULTURE & FORESTRY:** Agriculture sciences, Forestry
- ARCHITECTURE & TRANSPORT:** Architecture, Transport
- ARTS:** Fine Arts & Design, Performing Arts, Music & Musicology
- BUSINESS STUDIES, MANAGEMENT SCIENCE:** Business Studies, Economics and Management
- EDUCATION:** Education, Teacher Training
- ENGINEERING:** Electrical Engineering, Telecommunications, Civil Engineering, Mechanical Engineering
- NATURAL SCIENCES:** Geography, Biology, Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics
- HUMANITIES:** Philosophy, Psychology, Languages, History, Archaeology, Sociology, Islamic Studies, Catholic Studies
- LAW, CRIMINOLOGY:** Law, Criminology
- MEDICAL SCIENCES:** Medicine, Pharmacy, Public Health, Dentistry, Veterinary
- SOCIAL SCIENCES:** Journalism, Public Relations, Communication, Security and Peace Studies, Social Work, Sociology, Political Science, Public Administration
- SPORTS:** Sports

- MEMBERS and ASSOCIATED MEMBERS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF SARAJEVO:**
- ACADEMY OF FINE ARTS
- ACADEMY OF PERFORMING ARTS
- MUSIC ACADEMY
- FACULTY OF SPORTS AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION
- FACULTY OF PHILOSOPHY
- FACULTY OF CATHOLIC THEOLOGY
- FACULTY OF ISLAMIC SCIENCES
- FACULTY OF EDUCATIONAL SCIENCES
- FACULTY OF DENTAL MEDICINE
- FACULTY OF HEALTH STUDIES
- FACULTY OF MEDICINE
- FACULTY OF PHARMACY
- FACULTY OF VETERINARY MEDICINE
- FACULTY OF AGRICULTURE AND FOOD SCIENCES
- FACULTY OF FORESTRY
- FACULTY OF NATURAL SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS
- FACULTY OF CRIMINALISTICS, CRIMINOLOGY AND SECURITY STUDIES
- FACULTY OF LAW
- FACULTY OF POLITICAL SCIENCES
- SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS AND BUSINESS IN SARAJEVO
- FACULTY OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION
- FACULTY OF ARCHITECTURE
- FACULTY OF MECHANICAL ENGINEERING
- FACULTY OF CIVIL ENGINEERING
- FACULTY OF ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING
- FACULTY OF TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS



Center for Interdisciplinary Studies
University-Telecommunication Center
Student Parliament

Institute of the Historical Studies
Oriental Institute
Institute for Languages
Institute for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology
Institute for Research of Crimes Against Humanity

National and University Library
Gazi-Husrev Bey Library
National Museum of Bosnia and Herzegovina

