

Kosovo



Pristina

General information

- Number of inhabitants: 1,8 million
- Capital: Pristina
- Economic sectors: Agriculture 5.9%, Industry 16.8%, Services 77.3%
- Approximate costs of living for students: 300 € monthly

Other facts:

- Dutch business in Kosovo:
 - The Dutch Chamber of Commerce (DCC) was established to help its members in different fields of economic relation between Kosovo and The Netherlands. DCC offers the a set of services including: information supply, research (market research, feasibility studies, partner search) and events.
 - Ebbers Group Industries (Gieterij Neede) has opened a huge foundry in Kosovo. They supply aluminium, bronze, steel, and cast iron objects.

- Unemployment: around 40%
- Population under 25 years: > 50%
- Each year about 25.000 students complete secondary education
- About 20.000 of them intends to continue their education in HEIs each year

Useful links

Kosovo Erasmus+ Office

www.erasmuspluskosovo.org

Kosovo Erasmus+ Office

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Ministry of Education, Science and Technology

<http://masht.rks-gov.net/en>

Kosovo Accreditation Agency (list of HEIs in Kosovo)

<http://www.akreditimi-ks.org/new/index.php/en/download/higher-educacion-institutions>

National Qualification Authority

<https://akkks.rks-gov.net>

About Higher Education

- In Kosovo there are 8 public and 21 private HEIs organised as Universities, Colleges, Professional Higher Vocational Schools and Academies.
- Although Kosovo has not yet officially joined the Bologna Process, its implementation is the main trend in terms of higher education policy. As a result today all institutions of higher education implement the ECTS credit system, curriculum reform, three cycle degree system, student and staff mobility, diploma supplement and decent quality assurance system.
- **1st cycle (Bachelor degree):** 3 to 4 years, comprises between 180 and 240 ECTS
- **2nd cycle (Master degree):** 1 to 2 years, comprises between 60 and 120 ECTS
- **3rd cycle (PhD):** academic and independent research scientific character (Any other post-secondary education in the levels 5,6,7 and 8 of the European Qualification Framework for Lifelong learning for which credits may be given (ECTS))
- Kosovo students benefited from 331 mobilities funded by the Erasmus Mundus Programme. So far 1427 student and staff mobilities have taken place in the Erasmus+ KA107 framework between Kosovo and programme countries, of which 73 with the Netherlands. Most of them are outgoing mobilities from Kosovo. Besides Erasmus, Kosovo is an active partner in other international exchange programmes such as CEEPUS, MEST, and Higher-Kos.
- English language is taught at every Higher Education Institutions in Kosovo as an obligatory subject
- The University of Pristina is ranked 2429 in the world and 837 in Europe
- The Kosovar HEIs cooperate mostly with the United Kingdom, Austria, Ireland, Slovenia and Italy in the Erasmus+ framework.