

Montenegro

General information

- Number of inhabitants: 650,000
- Capital: Podgorica
- Economic sectors: Tourism and agriculture are two predominant priority sectors
- Approximate costs of living for students: €400-€600 monthly

Podgorica

Useful links

Erasmus+ Office

www.erasmusplus.ac.me

Ministry of education

www.mpin.gov.me

University of Montenegro

www.ucg.ac.me

University of Donja Gorica

www.udg.edu.me

Mediterranean University

<http://unimediterran.net>

Montenegro Accreditation Agency

www.akvo.gov.me/agencija

Higher Education and Research for Innovation and Competitiveness Project

www.heric.me

Other facts:

- National language: Montenegrin
- Currency: Euro (adopted unilaterally, Montenegro is not a member of the Euro zone)
- Montenegro means black mountain, referring to mount Lovcen in southwestern Montenegro

About Higher Education

- Montenegro has become member of Bologna process in 2003
- The strategic objectives for further higher education development include:
 - improving the quality of higher education and creating competitive staff
 - harmonizing education with the labour market needs
 - improving scientific and research work and increased level of participation in EU projects
 - internationalization of higher education
- Mandatory practical instruction comprises 25% of total student's workload by course, (i.e. a year), which gives way to using more possibilities of ICM traineeship opportunities.
- Higher education institutions can be public or private and can have an academic or applied study programmes. A HEI can be a university, a faculty, an art academy or a college.
- There is only one public HEI in Montenegro (the University of Montenegro, where 21 000 out of the 26 000 students in Montenegro study), three private HEIs, one independent public faculty and four independent private faculties.
- **1st cycle (Bachelor degree)** - 3 years, comprises 180 ECTS
- **2nd cycle (Master degree)** - 2 years, comprises 120 ECTS
- **3rd cycle (PhD)** - 3 years, comprises 180 ECTS
- English language is taught throughout the whole primary and secondary school, as well as in university. However, English language as a language of instruction is still not much used. There is only one English taught programme: accountancy at University of Donja Gorica
- In the last three years, the total number of realised mobilities with University of Montenegro was 592, out of which 314 were staff mobilities and 278 were student mobilities.
- Top 5 countries with which UoM cooperates in the ICM projects are Poland, Germany, Portugal, Italy and Latvia.
- 17% of the adult population has a higher education degree. The highest level of education is among the age group from 25 to 29 years, out of which 28% of population has a higher education degree.
- The Ministry of Education offers scholarships for the best students. 21% of students at the University of Montenegro are financed from the budget, while others pay tuition from their own funds.