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First Steps

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BEFORE COMING

A majority of you are going to study here on full-time courses, so you will be staying in Poland for more than one semester. Deciding on what to bring with you will be an important issue. You most probably will want to bring as much as possible, but please try to take only the most practical things, as you will be able to buy everything here in Poland. There are a lot of shops with products from every part of the world. What you should also bring with you are the things that will remind you of home, such as: photographs, books, your favourite CDs, DVDs, recipes for national food etc.

If you are on some medicine, you should carry it in your hand luggage. It should be clearly labeled and if you have any prescriptions, then you should also have them with you.



Documents

Make sure you have packed all the necessary documents. They should be kept in a safe place in your room.

- ▶ travel ticket;
- ▶ proof of sufficient funds to study and live in Poland (bank statement);
- ▶ Letter of Admission;
- ▶ contact details of your university or relatives/ friends in Poland;
- ▶ any medical records, vaccination certificates and x-ray reports as advised by the Polish embassy or consulate in your home country;
- ▶ any insurance documents;
- ▶ any other documents which your local Polish embassy or consulate instructed or advised that you take with you;
- ▶ 4 passport-sized photos.

It is advisable to make 2 photocopies of all your documents – leave one copy with your family at home and keep another one with you.

Mentor

Mentor (also known as a Buddy) is a local student who, on a voluntary basis, helps an exchange student throughout his/her stay in a new country. He/she is a peer student from the university, who helps you with practical issues.

Your Mentor:

- ▶ will contact you before your arrival to Warsaw and answer your questions;
- ▶ will pick you up from the airport/railway station when you arrive;

- will help you with accommodation and other formalities which you have to arrange after coming to Warsaw, i.e. getting registered;
- will help you adapt to living in a foreign country;
- will advise you on where to shop and will introduce you to university premises, parties, meetings etc.

If you are interested in getting ESN Mentor please see:

www.pw.esn.pl/content/mentor

Should you have any questions please contact us at:

mentor.pw@esn.pl.

And remember to contact your Mentor before you arrive.

Another Mentor programme is also run by the International Students Association (ISA), a community of friends studying at Warsaw University of Technology. If you want to get a Mentor (non-Polish one) - fill in the registration form at:

www.students.pw.edu.pl/index.php?id=311

They will contact you as soon as they find someone suitable for you.

Stay tuned

We have prepared a special newsletter and social networks to keep you updated.

- For exchange (ERASMUS) students, the best source of information is ESN PW website

www.pw.esn.pl and

www.listysamorzad.pw.edu.pl/mailman/listinfo/erasmus. You may also register at ESN PW forum and find them on Facebook.

- For full time students, the best source of information is International Students Portal www.students.pw.edu.pl. There are separate mailing lists for full time students, candidates and accommodation newsletter. You may also register at International Students Forum www.students.pw.edu.pl/FORUM and find us on Facebook/Twitter.

- For all foreign students, it is best to stay updated by checking up the mailing list of WUT Students Union at

www.listy.samorzad.pw.edu.pl/mailman/listinfo/foreigners. For more information

please see **www.sspw.pl**.



ARRIVING

If you are a non-EU citizen, then upon your arrival at the airport you will first have to pass through passport and immigration control. Keep your passport, visa and all other important documents (for example, your letter of acceptance, proof of booked accommodation, proof of adequate finances, etc.) ready at hand.

Note down the phone number to the International Students Office (+48 22 234 50 91) in case you need to contact us at the airport. Once you have passed through the immigration control, you can collect your luggage and proceed through customs to the arrival hall.

If you have a Mentor, he or she will be waiting for you in the arrival hall and will help you reach the University or your room/apartment.

While staying in Poland you should carry your passport (with a valid visa) or National ID or a Residence Permit with you at all times.

HOW TO GET TO WUT

In Polish, Warsaw University of Technology is called Politechnika Warszawska. There is a metro station called 'Politechnika', which is located very close to the Main Building and the University campus.

Address:

Warsaw University of Technology
Pl. Politechniki 1, 00-661, Warsaw

From Central Railway Station

Get on a tram at "DW. CENTRALNY 09" stop and get off at "PL. POLITECHNIKI 01" stop - this is 3rd stop.

From Warsaw Chopin Airport

At the airport, get on a bus no. 188 or 175 at "LOTNISKO-SEKTORY AB 02" stop and get off at "METRO POLITECHNIKA 01" stop then walk down Polna Street to Plac Politechniki, where the main building is located.

You can also take a fast urban rail train (in Polish called 'SKM'), which goes from the airport directly to the centre of Warsaw.



REGISTRATION AT UNIVERSITY

Before a newly arrived student becomes registered at the University, certain formal procedures must be fulfilled. Some of the original documents which you will have to submit must first be issued by various offices of the University or in case of B.Sc. degree students - by external offices of Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Poland. It sometimes requires about two weeks until everything is ready, therefore there are 2 stages of registration at our University: temporary and permanent.

Temporary Registration

Temporary registration is for students who are collecting all necessary documents to get a permanent registration. At this stage of registration process you will already get a Student ID - the only document proving that you are officially a student, which allows you to enjoy all student rights, i.e. entitles you to various discounts.

To make things easy, for temporary registration you only need to submit 2 documents in the International Students Office:

- Inquiry Form (you get it from ISO);
- one passport photograph (facing front).

No additional cost - all is included in application.

Expiry: End of 1st semester of studies. There is a possibility to extend deadline until the end of 2nd semester of studies.

Permanent Registration

To complete the registration form, you must submit the following documents at the International Students Office:

- Inquiry Form (you get it from ISO);
- original certificate/diploma (legalized or with apostille);
- nostrification (official recognition of diploma) - if you are a B.Sc. student you get it from the special government office in Warsaw - Educational Inspectorate; if you are an M.Sc. student you get it from the Faculty at which you are studying;
- copy of page(s) from your passport with personal details;
- copy of visa page(s) or Residence Permit;
- Medical Record (you can get an application form from your Faculty);
- one passport photograph (facing front).

RESIDENCE PERMIT

Residence Permit to stay in Poland is granted for no longer than 1 year. International students staying in Poland must submit the application for residence permit no later than 45 working days before the visa or the current permit expires.

You must submit your documents at one of these places:

1. MAZOWIECKI URZĄD WOJEWÓDZKI (Mazovian Voivodship Office) in the Foreigners Affairs Department (Wydział Spraw Cudzoziemców)
Długa 5, 2nd floor, rooms 53-57
e-mail: wsc@mazowieckie.pl
Monday: 10.00 a.m. – 5.30 p.m.
Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 8.00 a.m. – 3.00 p.m.
Office is closed on Wednesday.
2. Metro Centrum station, patio, room 2002
Monday-Friday: 12:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Main Bureau of Mazowieckie Province Office
3. Plac Bankowy 3/5, room 34, entrance B
Monday: 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Tuesday-Friday: 8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.



You must submit the documents personally!

Who can apply?

Residence Permit applies to international students who can prove that they must extend their residence in Poland for a period longer than 3 months.

Residence Permit applies to full-time students, but also to international students who have started studies in the territory of another EU country and intend to continue or complete studies in Poland.

Required Documents

- ▶ 4 copies of a filled in application form. The form must be filled in by hand, signed and then copied 3 times;
- ▶ 5 current colour photographs (dimensions: 4.5 cm x 3.5 cm);
- ▶ a photocopy of your passport (3 times);
- ▶ proof of payment of application fee – 340 zlotys;
- ▶ certificate from Warsaw University of Technology confirming admission to studies;
- ▶ confirmation of accommodation in a dormitory or rental agreement of a flat;
- ▶ bank statement confirming that student's financial resources are sufficient to cover the costs of living in Poland (800 zlotys/month) and costs of return travel (if you are a non-EU citizen – 2000 zlotys for a plane ticket). Student must open a bank account in Poland!;
- ▶ medical insurance covering the costs of medical treatment in Poland. The insurance company must be based in Poland!

Appeal procedures

Residence Permit is issued within 3 months from the date of submission of all the required documents.

If the decision is negative, you have the right to appeal against the decision to the Head of the Office for International Students in Warsaw, through the agency of Mazovian province governor. Written appeals should be submitted within 14 days from the date of receiving the decision.

Additional information

If the application is submitted later than 45 days before the visa or a previous residence permit expires, the international student must leave Poland and wait for the decision abroad. If the student does not leave Poland, the province governor has the right to reject his application.

International students have the obligation to notify public authorities which conduct the proceedings of each change of their address, including temporary change, and in case of going abroad, to indicate the address for correspondence in Poland.

International students are obliged to collect the Residence Permit in person.

Application Form

Form consists of 11 pages - you must fill in only the first 8 pages. It must be filled in Polish language - but we will help you with that. Application forms are available in International Students Office.

ADAPTATION

Culture shock is a part of every incoming student's life. This term refers to the anxiety and feelings such as: surprise, disorientation, uncertainty, confusion, etc. It stems from slight difficulties in assimilating with the new culture, a conflict between knowing what is appropriate and what is not. A number of factors can cause culture shock, including obvious ones, such as different food, climate, lifestyle and customs, and the simple fact of being away from home. Give yourself time for assimilation. Culture shock is experienced by almost everyone who lives, works, studies or travels abroad for longer.

To help you cope, and make difficult moments easier, we have compiled a list of tips from other international students:

- ▶ Develop a hobby. It can be any type of activity.
- ▶ Learn to include a regular form of physical activity in your daily routine. This will help you fight the sadness and loneliness in a constructive manner. Exercise, swim, take an aerobics class, etc.
- ▶ Maintain contact with your ethnic group. This will give you a feeling of belonging and you will reduce the feeling of loneliness and alienation.
- ▶ Maintain contact with the new culture. Learn the language! Volunteer or organise community activities that will allow you to practice the language that you are learning. This will help you feel less stressed about the language and useful at the same time.
- ▶ Do not be afraid to ask questions.
- ▶ Get in touch with Students Union, ESN PW or other student organizations. Every Faculty has its own Students Union Faculty Council.



Poland

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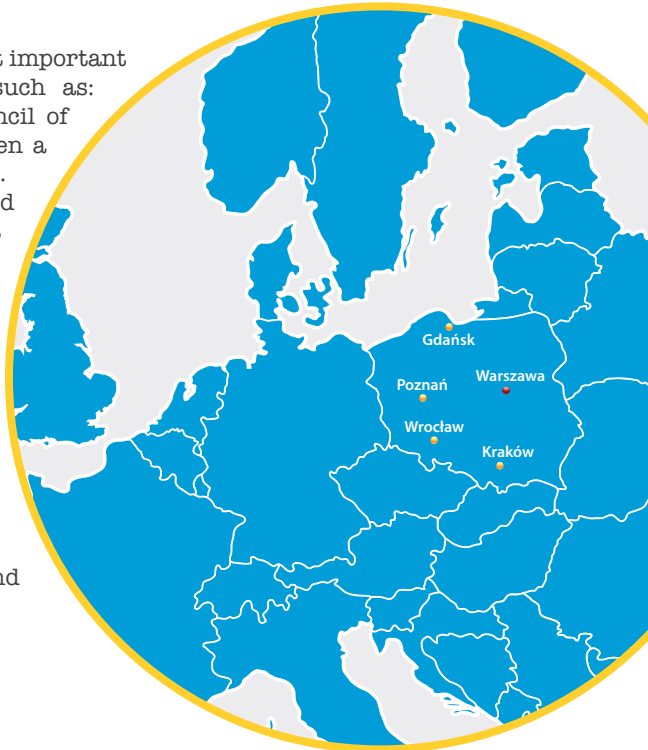
GENERAL INFORMATION

Republic of Poland lies in the central part of the European continent and is one of the largest countries in Europe. At the moment, Poland has around 38 million citizens. More than 94 percent of the people are Poles, with small groups of Ukrainians, Belarussians, Germans, Slovaks and Lithuanians. The capital of Poland is Warsaw with approximately 1,720,500 inhabitants. Poland is divided into 16 provinces (voivodships) each with their own self-government.

Poland is a member of the most important international organizations, such as: United Nations, NATO or Council of Europe. Since 2004, it has been a member of the European Union. Polish is a Slavic language and it is not the easiest one, but English is the most popular foreign language in Poland and especially in larger cities you will have no problems to communicate.

The currency is Polish zloty, but in some hotels and restaurants it is possible to pay in EUR.

You can read more about Poland on official website:
www.en.poland.gov.pl



LAW & SAFETY GUIDE

Poland is a safe country. However, there is a risk of crime like anywhere in the world, so keep the following in mind:

- ▶ Avoid going out alone at night and keep away from deserted places.
- ▶ Mugging may happen on public transport. Keep your handbag close when walking in the street. Never leave your bag unattended.
- ▶ If you are involved in any kind of trouble or become an eyewitness of a violent act or crime, call the police immediately (**emergency hotline: 112**).
- ▶ If you witness any trouble on campus: inform the **University Guards: +48 22 234 6666** and report it to the Dean's office at your faculty or to the International Students Office.

- ▶ If you are a victim of a crime or a threat, please contact the police and later ISO.
- ▶ Loss of any of your documents should be reported at the nearest police station. The loss of your student ID card should be reported only at the Dean's office of your faculty. Then you must apply for a new card.

During their stay in Poland, a student who commits any illegal act, will be subject to legal procedures according to Polish law.

Our University also takes strict disciplinary measures against students who commit crimes or misdemeanors, and may expel them from the University.

- ▶ Prohibition of Narcotics in Poland: The possession for personal use and sale of all narcotics and any illegal substances are considered a crime. If offered any kind of drug, illegal substance – refuse.
- ▶ Drinking and Smoking Restrictions in Poland: People under 18 years of age are not allowed to drink or smoke. Smoking is not allowed indoors at public places and others, such as: public transport stations, public facilities, bus stops. If found smoking in an inappropriate place, you will be fined. If you are found smoking in e.g. main building of our University, you might have to spend your one year tuition fee covering the fine. Driving a car, riding a motorcycle or bicycle after drinking any amount of alcohol is a serious crime in Poland. Don't drink and drive because with criminal record you will later be unable to get many jobs in EU! Those who accept a ride in a car that is driven by a drunk driver or those who offer alcohol to a driver are all subject to punishment under Polish law.

- ▶ While inside a shop, removing product wrappers, price tags or putting products into pockets or bags before paying for them may be treated as an attempt to shoplift.

- ▶ Crossing the road on the red light is punished with a fine.



CULTURE

Art plays a significant role in Polish public life. Poland has a lively cultural scene with around 280 art festivals taking place across the country, during which you can enjoy all types of music, film, theatre and visual arts.

Poles are sociable and love to show affection during interaction. The first few minutes of every meeting is spent on greeting each other and shaking hands. Younger people wait until the older person offers his/her hand. Familiarity is expressed with embraces and kisses on cheeks.

Because of language barrier people may seem reserved at the beginning, but after a short time, they turn out to be friendly, open and helpful. You will really be able to make some life-lasting friendships with Polish people during the course of your studies at WUT.

Polish cuisine is very tasty and you can choose from many traditional dishes. Typical meals include meat and potatoes. Poles are true potatoes lovers and meals based on this vegetable have been the most common in Polish cuisine throughout the centuries. Polish cuisine and dining table etiquette is a reflection of Polish warm and hospitable character. Having a meal with one's family is not plainly eating- it is always a celebration. Guests are welcome to join in.

Breakfast is very important and generally rich. Most people have sandwiches, some have scrambled eggs or cereals with milk.

Traditional Polish meal is composed of three courses, an appetizer - most frequently a soup, the main course - with some type of meat - e.g. a roast or pork chop with potatoes and salad, and then a dessert. Only suppers are a bit lighter.

Most popular traditional Polish dishes are:

- ▶ bigos - sauerkraut (kapusta kiszona) stewed with meat, sausage, mushrooms, red wine and spices;
- ▶ pierogi - dumplings stuffed with meat, sauerkraut and mushrooms, cottage cheese, spinach or fruit;
- ▶ kotlet schabowy - pork chop, usually served with potatoes and salad;



- ▶ placki ziemniaczane – fried potato pancakes, usually served with meat stew, cream or sugar;
- ▶ żurek – sour barley soup;
- ▶ barszcz czerwony – beetroot soup;
- ▶ zupa pomidorowa – tomato soup, served with noodles or rice;
- ▶ zupa grzybowa – mushroom soup;
- ▶ rosół – chicken soup, served with noodles;
- ▶ gołąbki – rolled cabbage leaves stuffed with minced meat and rice;
- ▶ kompot - traditional Polish fruit juice from freshly cooked fruit, such as: apples, strawberries, sour cherries, gooseberries, peaches or apricots.

Nowadays, mainly in big cities, dishes from other countries have become really popular: Japanese sushi, Chinese noodles, Vietnamese Pho soup, Turkish Kebab etc.



TRAVELLING IN POLAND

Poland has many interesting places to see and the best way to travel around Poland is by public transport. There are a lot of connections between cities and most popular places. Like in many other countries, transport companies have special offers for those who plan their travel in advance. You can also rent a car but you have to remember that it is much more expensive than travelling by bus or train.

Air transport

If you plan to travel by plane, check if your destination city has an airport. In Poland, you can fly to and from: Warsaw, Kraków, Katowice, Gdańsk, Wrocław, Poznań, Łódź, Rzeszów, Szczecin, Bydgoszcz, Zielona Góra.

Trains and buses

While travelling in Poland, it is easier and cheaper to go by train or bus. There are direct bus or train connections to most European cities, such as Berlin, Prague, Vienna or Amsterdam. Since Poland entered the Schengen Zone there have been no checkpoints between Poland and EU countries.

If you want to take the train you should see <http://pkp.pl/>. Some connections require seat reservation.

CLIMATE

Poland is situated in a moderate climate zone. There are six distinct seasons. Apart from the four typical European seasons, there are also two periods described as early spring and early winter. The seasons hardly conform to the calendar pattern. Throughout the year you might experience almost every type of weather. While packing, please take it into consideration.

Autumn: from September to November

This is the time when you arrive at the University. Usually from the end of September until late November the temperatures are getting lower and lower. People start to wear warmer clothes. The nights are cold with around 0-5 degrees Celsius. It rains very often during this period, and in November you may expect snow.

Winter: from December to February

Winter in Poland can either be cold and snowy or cold and windy. You can expect very low temperatures. For winter, be sure to have warm sweaters, winter coats, hats, gloves, boots, and thick socks.

Spring: from March to May

Spring in Poland usually lasts about 60 days. The daily temperature at that time ranges from 5 to 15 degrees Celsius.

Summer: from June to August

The average temperature is 25 degrees Celsius, which makes this season the best moment to travel and enjoy the beauty of Warsaw and Poland.

Time in Poland

Poland is on Central European Time (GMT + 01:00).



GET CONNECTED

Phones



If you want to use your mobile phone handset with Polish SimCard (like most international students), you need the SimLock on your mobile phone unlocked. You can do it in Poland or in your own country. As a foreigner you will probably use only prepaid cards; price of a prepaid card is 5 to 30 zlotys. We suggest that you contact one of our student organizations - ESN PW where they will give you a free SimCard of one of Polish mobile phone companies. Around the city, there are many telephone booths, you can buy telephone cards at almost every newsagent's or post office, you can also buy cards for cheap international calls (Telepin, Telegrosik). You should check which card allows you to call your country the cheapest.

Internet



Most dormitories offer access to Internet, you can also arrange the Internet connection in the rented apartments. Average price monthly is around 50 zlotys (approx. 12 Euro). To get connected to internet in your dormitory, please contact the Student Dormitory Council in your dorm. You can find the list of contacts at www.sspw.pl or on the information board in your dormitory.

PLACES TO SEE

Each country has its own special places. Poland is no exception. You cannot leave one of the most beautiful countries in Europe, if you do not visit these places:

- ▶ Kraków - the former capital of Poland, a magical city with splendid architecture and treasures of art, also with exciting nightlife.
- ▶ Wrocław - the capital of Lower Silesia with numerous historical places, entertainment facilities, multi-ethnic influences.
- ▶ Poznań - according to various rankings the best city to live in Poland and the largest economic center. It is also a center of industry, commerce, logistics and business tourism. The most attractive place to invest in Poland.
- ▶ Trójmiasto - an urban area consisting of three cities: Gdańsk, Gdynia and Sopot. The whole area lies on the coast of the Baltic Sea and is known for numerous festivals and events. The city combines historical buildings with new industrial areas.
- ▶ Kazimierz Dolny - a very beautiful small town with artistic atmosphere.
- ▶ Zakopane - beautiful, serene, small town in the Tatra Mountains with magnificent scenery, charming architecture and colorful folk culture, a place that everyone should visit to feel the Polish highlander spirit.
- ▶ Bieszczady - mountains in the south-east of Poland. Forests, plants and animals uncommon in other parts of Poland.
- ▶ Mazury - land of thousand lakes. If canoes, windsurfing, boats, campfires, guitars are your element, you will adore this place!
- ▶ Puszcza Białowieska - clean air, centuries-old oaks, rare birds, insects and plants, wild animals freely walking among the trees of the virgin forests - this unique place is listed at the UNESCO World Heritage Site.



Most of these trips are organized by ESN PW. If you want to travel for lower prices and with other international students, please sign up on their site on Facebook or contact them at their office - Waryńskiego 12, room A104, Riviera dormitory.

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

Below you will find a list of public holidays in Poland. Please note, that during some of them shops and official institutions are closed.

- ▶ New Year's Day - 1st January
- ▶ Epiphany - 6th January
- ▶ Easter - Sunday and Monday, in March or April
- ▶ Labour Day - 1st May
- ▶ Constitution Day - 3rd May
- ▶ Corpus Christi - Thursday, in June
- ▶ Assumption of Virgin Mary, Polish Army Day - 15th August
- ▶ All Saints' Day - 1st November
- ▶ Independence Day - 11th November
- ▶ Christmas Eve - 24th December
- ▶ Christmas - 25th and 26th December





Warsaw

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WARSAW

Warsaw is the capital and the largest city of Poland, and at the same time an important centre for science, culture and politics in Central Europe. The city is located on the Vistula River about 260 km from the Baltic Sea and 300 km from the Carpathian Mountains. Warsaw has the population of approximately 1 900 people - it is the 7th most populous city in the EU.

Warsaw is a major international tourist destination and a leader in the national economy, with the status of one of the most important business and industrial centres in the region - it has its evidence in many foreign investments. Throughout its history it was exposed to many wars and was almost entirely rebuilt after the World War II.

Warsaw is a city with the biggest number of universities - there are altogether 66 of them. Students of all schools and universities account for nearly 30% of the city's population.



The capital of Poland is a place where cultures of all continents meet. It is reflected in the atmosphere of cross-cultural tolerance and cosmopolitanism. As a result, a great number of people from countries all over the world seek employment and opportunities for the development of personal and professional careers in Warsaw.



GALLERIES AND MUSEUMS

Warsaw Rising Museum

Grzybowska 79 (entrance from Przyokopowa)

www.1944.pl

This museum is one of the newest museums in Warsaw. It presents events from one of the most important periods from the history of Warsaw. The museum is filled with multimedia equipment. You should remember that visiting this museum is absolutely necessary while doing sightseeing in Warsaw.

Historical Museum of the City of Warsaw

Rynek Starego Miasta 28

www.mhw.pl

The Historical Museum of the City of Warsaw was opened in 1936. This museum presents the atmosphere of Warsaw over the centuries. You can see nearly everything there: paintings, drawings, prints, and sculptures. Absolutely worth visiting!

Łazienki Królewskie

Agrykola 1

www.lazienki-krolewskie.pl

Beautiful botanical garden, where you can go for a Sunday stroll, feed peacocks and in the summer listen to outdoor concerts of Chopin's music.

Fryderyk Chopin Museum

Okólnik 1,

www.chopin.museum.

Fryderyk Chopin Museum was established to commemorate the memory of the great composer and publicize the information about his life and work in an interactive and innovative way.



Art Galleries

National Museum

Aleje Jerozolimskie 3

www.mnw.art.pl

This is the biggest museum in Warsaw. There are a lot of interesting paintings and sculptures in its collection. Throughout the year, a lot of exhibitions of foreign works of art are mounted.

Centre of Contemporary Art

Zamek Ujazdowski, Jazdów 2,

www.csw.art.pl

This gallery is located in the reconstructed Ujazdowski Castle in Agrykola Park. Visitors can see exhibitions of modern, young artists or go to the cinema, which is in the building. The cinema shows independent productions instead of Hollywood blockbusters.

Wilanów Poster Museum

Kostki Potockiego 10/16

www.postermuseum.pl

This Museum boasts one of the largest collections of art posters in the world, consisting of over 55 000 items. Main series of exhibitions: the Salon of Polish Poster, the Masters of Polish Posters, the Polish Poster History, the International Poster Biennale and the Masters of Foreign Poster, and other thematic exhibitions.

Throughout the year, there are many other events happening in Warsaw. If you want to know what is on in Warsaw please see:

www.warsawtour.pl



CINEMAS

Among numerous cinemas in Warsaw there are:

- ▶ 5D Cinema Extreme - Połczyńska 4, www.kino5dextreme.pl/warszawa
- ▶ Cinema City Arkadia - Jana Pawła II 82, www.cinema-city.pl
- ▶ Cinema City-Bemowo - Powstańców Śląskich 126 A, www.cinema-city.pl
- ▶ Cinema City-Janki - Mszczonowska 3, www.cinema-city.pl
- ▶ Cinema City Galeria Mokotów - Wołoska 12, www.cinema-city.pl
- ▶ Cinema City Promenada - Ostrobramska 75c, www.cinema-city.pl
- ▶ Cinema City Sadyba - Powsińska 31, www.cinema-city.pl
- ▶ Kinoteka - Plac Defilad 1, www.kinoteka.pl
- ▶ Kino Muranów - Generała Andersa 1, www.muranow.gutefilm.pl
- ▶ Multikino Ursynów - Aleja Komisji Edukacji Narodowej 60, www.multikino.pl/ursynow
- ▶ Multikino Targówek - Głębocka 15, www.multikino.pl/targowek
- ▶ Multikino Złote Tarasy - Złota 59, www.multikino.pl/zlotetarasy
- ▶ Orange IMAX - Powsińska 31, www.kinoimax.pl



Discounts for students

Students with a valid student card are entitled to a discount. Prices of tickets depend on the day of the week - weekend shows are usually the most expensive. In most cinemas you can reserve tickets via Internet. Prices of tickets range from about 13 to 20 zlotys. Information about the films and cinemas is available at: www.filmweb.pl, www.film.onet.pl, www.film.wp.pl.

Film Festivals

Warsaw is a perfect city for every movie maniac. Every year several movie festivals are organized here. You can watch all kinds of films from documents, comedies or horrors by producers and filmmakers of all continents. The most important movie festivals that take place in Warsaw are:

- ▶ Warsaw Film Festival - annual movie festival which is always held at the beginning of October. During this event you can watch films from every country in the world. First edition was held in 1985.
- ▶ Planete Doc Review - one of few European festivals which screen only documentaries. First event took place in 2004.
- ▶ Summer Film Festival - Summer Film Festival and Art Festival are events of 20-year tradition.

THEATRES

In Warsaw, there are a lot of theatres offering a wide variety of plays mostly staged in Polish, but, sometimes, in other languages, too. Below you can find the addresses of some of them:

- ▶ National Theatre, Plac Teatralny 3, www.narodowy.pl - The oldest theatre in Poland. Founded in 1765
- ▶ Grand Theatre - National Opera, Plac Teatralny 1, www.teatrwiolki.pl
- ▶ „Roma” Musical Theatre, Nowogrodzka 49, www.teatrroma.pl
- ▶ National Philharmonic, Jasna 5, www.filharmonia.pl
- ▶ Ateneum Theatre, Jaracza 2, www.teatrateneum.pl
- ▶ Powszechny Theatre, Zamoyckiego 20, www.powszechny.art.pl
- ▶ Studio Buffo - Music and Dance Theatre, Konopnickiej 6, www.studiobuffo.com.pl
- ▶ Współczesny Theatre, Mokotowska 13, ww.wspolczesny.pl



Altogether, there are about 129 theatres in Warsaw. You will find information on all the theatres at: www.teatrywarszawa.com/wyszukiwarka or www.teatry.ws

You can reserve and buy tickets not only at the cash-desk, but also via Internet at:

www.eventim.pl, www.bilecik.info,
www.ticketonline.com.pl,
www.bileteria.net, www.ebilet.pl.

For a full list of various events in Warsaw please see:

www.kulturalna.warszawa.pl

NIGHTLIFE

Warsaw is considered to have the most exciting and rich nightlife of all cities in Poland. There are hundreds of pubs, clubs, discos, concert halls, cultural centres to choose from; people of all music and fun tastes will surely find a place for themselves.

For a complete picture of how and where to party in Warsaw have a look at:

www.inyourpocket.com/poland/warsaw

Remember that Students Union organizes a lot of parties and events – be in touch with them!



PUBLIC TRANSPORT

Warsaw has a very well operating bus and tram system which connects all parts of Warsaw, a metro line running from the north to the south of the city and an urban rapid rail. Most buses run from 5 a.m. to 11 p.m. Night buses run past midnight on most routes every 30 minutes. All night buses display the letter N, followed by a two digit number.

Warsaw is divided into 2 transportation zones:

- ▶ zone 1 – urban;
- ▶ zone 2 – suburban.

The same ticket is valid for travelling by all means of public transport. Tickets can be bought from vending machines, newsagents and small stores. To be charged student prices for tickets, you need to have your student ID card. The ticket has to be validated immediately after getting on any mean of public transport or entering the ticket area in the underground. We recommend buying 30- or 90-day tickets, which are coded on Warsaw City Card (Warszawska Karta Miejska - WKM). You can obtain this card in Metro Centrum Station. You need to take your passport and one color photo.*

Travelling without a valid ticket, when caught by a ticket inspector results in a fine.



* You can also code your ticket on your student ID card. It should be done in the same way as with WKM.



Everyday Life

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HEALTHCARE

When you experience any health problems, do not wait – call a doctor. You can either choose public health services or private health services. Public services are much cheaper, however it takes longer to make an appointment, and it is usually less efficient than private services. If you have a valid medical insurance, your visit to a doctor will be free of charge. Without medical insurance you will have to cover all the costs of possible treatment. These costs are relatively high and usually start from around 100 zlotys per visit.

In case you get ill, this list contains addresses of clinics, ambulance service departments and pharmacies open 24/7:

Emergency Ambulance Service: tel.: 999, from mobile: tel.: *112

Emergency Services (by city districts):

- ▶ Śródmieście, - Poznańska 22
- ▶ Praga Południe - Grenadierów 34
- ▶ Wola - Górczewska 27/35
- ▶ Mokotów - Puławska 120
- ▶ Żoliborz - Wrzeciono 41
- ▶ Marymont - Słowackiego 52/54
- ▶ Praga Północ - Brzeska 12
- ▶ Ochota - Joteyki 9
- ▶ Ursynów - Jastrzębowski 22
- ▶ Wilanów - Morszyńska 33
- ▶ Ursus - Sosnkowskiego 18
- ▶ Bemowo - Kartezjusza 2
- ▶ Białołęka - Marywilska 44
- ▶ Targówek - Łojewska 6
- ▶ Międzyzlesie - Dzieci Polskich 20

Accident report:

112 – emergency hotline (free of charge).
24-hour service tel.: +48 22 628 24 24 - 27

Ambulatories

CenterMed - Clinic for University and High School Students:
Waryńskiego 10a, +48 22 825 48 69
Monday - Friday: 7:30 a.m. -7:00 p.m.

Warsaw Private Medical Care Health Information:

24-hour service, tel.: +48 22 827 89 62, +48 22 826 83 00



Insurance

As an international student you are obliged to take care of the medical insurance; the University does not guarantee it. However, as a holder of student ID, you can apply for public insurance. In order to obtain it, you must fill in and submit the necessary documents at National Health Fund (NFZ) and in Social Security Department (ZUS).

Required documents:

- student ID,
- confirmation of student status from your Faculty,
- passport or/and Residence Permit,
- confirmation of accommodation in Poland.

Student will sign the agreement with NFZ. The cost is about 36 zlotys per month. No longer than 7 days after signing the agreement, the student should apply to Social Security Department at ZUS.

After dealing with these formalities, student must present the medical insurance agreement and ZUS application at the Dean's Office or the Ph.D. studies office at his/her faculty. This is necessary for charging the insurance premiums.

International students who are citizens of the European Union or EFTA countries are entitled to medical help on the basis of E-128 or E-111 forms (if they have medical insurance in their home country).

International students of Polish origin (must have a document from the consulate based in the country of birth which will certify it) will have all the insurance premiums paid by the university; these students must sign a contract with National Health Fund.

In cases not listed above, the insurance premiums must be paid by the student until the 15th of every month.

Expiry

The university's obligatory medical insurance expires automatically after 4 months from graduation or when the student is expelled from the university. Also, the voluntary medical insurance expires on the last day of a contract or after 1 month from the last paid premium. The voluntary medical insurance expires when the student changes medical insurance to obligatory. You have to renew the insurance every year.

All EU citizens must hold European Health Insurance Card (EHIC). It is also a good idea to buy i.e. EURO26, ISIC cards (with insurance) - strongly recommended for non-EU citizens.

MONEY

The official currency in Poland is zloty (PLN).
One zloty = 100 groszy.

Notes and coins are of the following denominations:

- Coins: 1, 2, 5, 10, 20 and 50 groszy, 1, 2 and 5 zlotys;
- Banknotes: 10, 20, 50, 100 and 200 zlotys.

If you need to exchange money at the airport, change just a small sum – e.g. 50 USD or 40 EUR, later you can buy more zlotys in exchange offices (in Polish called “kantór”), banks etc. located all over the city.



Opening an Account

To open an account in Poland you will need to have your passport (sometimes the Acceptance Letter from the university). There is a wide variety of accounts and services available. Some banks have special offers on accounts for students. They are mostly free of charge.

Banks are usually open Monday to Friday from 8.00 a.m. to 4.00 – 6.00 p.m.

You must have a bank account to receive your money and scholarship. You must open bank account in a bank based in Poland to apply for residence permit. You can open a bank account during the Orientation Week organized by ESN PW, the members of this student organization will help you with that.



A full list of all banks in Poland can be found at www.nbp.pl

Money Management

ATM (Automatic Teller Machine) in Polish is called “bankomat”. When you open an account in a bank, you will also get an ATM card. Most of the ATMs belonging to other banks than yours, will charge you a 5 – 10 zlotys commission.

Exchange rates

All major foreign currencies may be exchanged in Poland. Exchange offices are usually open from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. weekdays and until 2 p.m. on Saturdays. 24-hour services are available in major tourist centres.

SHOPS



Warsaw is a shopping paradise with plenty of boutiques, market places and big shopping malls. There are also stores which sell ethnic products (especially groceries) from all parts of the world. There is a big chance that you will be able to get your national specialties here.

You can do shopping at:

- ▶ Shopping malls - open 7 days a week, usually from 9 or 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. during weekdays and until 9 p.m. on Sundays (cinemas, restaurants or pubs are often opened longer). The most popular shopping malls are: Blue City (Aleje Jerozolimskie 179), Galeria Mokotów (Wołoska 12), Arkadia (Aleja Jana Pawła II 82) and Złote Tarasy (Złota 59).
- ▶ Convenience stores - small shops where you can buy basic products. Open from Monday to Friday from early morning until the evening and on Saturdays usually from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. (some liquor stores are open 24/7). In Warsaw, there are some popular chains of discount stores such as: Tesco, Lidl, Biedronka and Żabka suitable for student budget. You can also shop at other popular store chains, such as: Carrefour, Leroy Merlin etc.
- ▶ Street markets - The quality of products is usually better than in big shopping malls, but prices can be a bit higher.

IMPORTANT INSTITUTIONS

Places of worship

Addresses of all churches, cathedrals, synagogues and mosques in Warsaw can be found at: www.whatsup.pl/places.html

Embassies and Consulates

For a list of embassies and consulates please see Attachment at page 57.



WARSAW UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY

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HISTORY AND PRESENT

Warsaw University of Technology was first established as the Preparatory School for the Institute of Technology on 4th January 1826. It has been operating under its present name since 1915. It became the most important scientific centre of engineering in Poland and gained international prestige in the years 1918 - 1919.

Over the years, the University was taking more and more significant position in the higher education area in Poland, educating excellent academic staff. Now, with more than 36 thousand students, it is the best technical university in Poland and one of the best universities in Central Europe. The number of academic staff has also grown significantly. Currently, there are almost 2 600 academic teachers and nearly 2 200 non-academic employees. Warsaw University of Technology comprises 148 buildings with 320 laboratories, IT facilities with 5,200 computers and the main library with about 1 million books.


The symbol of the Warsaw University of Technology is its historical Main Building. It has been the venue of many important historical events: rallies, sessions, meetings and ceremonies. Today, the famous University Audience Hall is a representative place in Warsaw.




STRUCTURE

Warsaw University of Technology consists of:

- ▶ 20 Faculties,
- ▶ Centre for Foreign Languages,
- ▶ College of Physical Education and Sport
- ▶ Business School
- ▶ Supportive units.



Rector and Vice-Rectors are top management of the university. They make all final decisions. Deans are heads of faculties. Rector and Vice-Rectors represent the university and student affairs inside and outside the university, taking care of the teaching process, scientific research, social issues (dormitories, scholarships) and finances. Deans are people you can ask for help in case of problems with your lecturer, examinations, classes. They make decisions to dismiss students, accept conditional registration for the next semester or allow for reduction of some charges for failed classes. Deans' offices offer information on timetables, programmes of studies, dates of exams as well as give assistance with all formalities concerning dormitories, scholarships, certificates and documents. All offices have fixed opening hours for students.



Apart from Rectors and Deans there is also Students Union, who plays significant role in the university's everyday life. All students of the Warsaw University of Technology belong to the Students Union. The members are elected once a year and are the official representatives of student society at the university. They take part in debates on student rights, obligations etc.

The members of the Students Union deal with:

- ▶ Social issues, scholarships, subsistence allowances, dormitories and accommodation (Student Dormitories Committee, Student Welfare Committee, Student Accommodation Committee)
- ▶ Student cultural life - parties, concerts, going to theatres, student fairs etc. (Cultural Matters Committee)
- ▶ Sport and tourism - camps, sailing, skiing, ice-skating, hiking etc. (Sports and Tourism Committee)
- ▶ Education and teaching - student research (Academic Matters Committee)
- ▶ International issues - cooperation, exchanges, information (International Matters Committee)

If you want to know more about the Students Union and its activities, see: www.sspw.pl or visit their office in Main Building, Plac Politechniki 1, room 165.

Students Union operates at every faculty and in every dormitory. Students Union Faculty Council (Wydziałowa Rada Samorządu - WRS) is a representative of the student society in contacts with the authorities of the faculty. Members of each WRS are responsible for integration of students, organisation of student balls, camps and many other events.

Each dormitory has its own Student Dormitory Council (Rada Mieszkańców - RmM). Members of the RmMs ensure security on the premises, check the cleanliness and order in the laundry rooms, gyms, ballrooms and in other facilities available to students. They are people who help solve problems between residents. Their responsibility is to cooperate with administrative bodies and represent the students.

UNIVERSITY CULTURE

As most students worldwide, students of Warsaw University of Technology, apart from studying, put great emphasis on spending their free time attractively, and thus, try to participate actively in the student life of the university. Throughout the academic year, they attend various academic events, such as freshmen parties, winter proms, beauty contests, music concerts, etc. Most of these events take place in WUT student clubs - Stodoła, Remont, Amplitron, Mechanik.

But clubbing is not all our students can do. At Warsaw University of Technology you can also develop your artistic skills. Do you want to sing in a choir, become a theatre actor or a dancer? Or perhaps you want to master a musical instrument? If so, you can find the following websites worth exploring:

- ▶ Choir of WUT, www.choir.pw.edu.pl
- ▶ Student Theatre of WUT, www.teatr.pw.edu.pl
- ▶ Song and Dance Ensemble, www.zpit.pw.edu.pl
- ▶ The Engineers Band, www.engineersband.pl

Once a year, December Academic Artistic Meeting is organized – it is a great opportunity to show and promote the talents of WUT students.



Apart from parties, Cultural Matters Committee organizes picnics, holiday meetings, visits at museums. The best known and the biggest event of the year is Juwenalia fairs. It is organized by all universities in Warsaw in May or June each year. Lectures are off for 3 days and this time is filled with concerts, parties and sports events taking place all over the city.

Teaching

You may find the methods of teaching at Polish universities quite different from the ones you are used to. Below you can find descriptions of different types of classes within academic courses:

► Lectures

Classes which usually last about one hour, during which a lecturer (or a tutor) lectures on a subject and students take notes. Some courses gather over one hundred students for a lecture. There is usually little or no opportunity to ask questions during a lecture. They are usually intended to guide you through the course contents by explaining its main points or giving you the most up-to-date information that may not be included in textbooks. If you miss a lecture, try to borrow notes from a friend so that you do not fall behind.

During the first lecture, the tutor presents students with the curriculum of the course, bibliography, regulations. Lecturers may give a final test, during which students score ECTS points.

► Tutorials

Meetings between a tutor and one student or a small group of students. Tutorials are usually intended to give you more focused guidance on the work you are doing or have already completed, or to solve a problem with certain classes. You can ask about things you did not understand during lectures. Tutorials may end with a test.

► Seminars

Seminars are held in smaller groups where students discuss ideas rather than just listen to the lecturer. Be active during seminars, it will help you gain more credit points.

► Practical training classes (PTC)

Practical training classes usually correspond to the curriculum being realized during lectures. They are conducted as workshops, laboratory classes etc. during which you may work individually or in a group.

During PTCs you take regular tests - usually 1-5 tests in a semester. For laboratory classes, you may be asked to write a placement test. It is a very short way to find out how well you are prepared for the class.



► Written assignments

You can be asked to prepare written assignments, such as essays, projects or dissertations. Written work is often graded.

Examinations

To complete a subject and obtain ECTS points, you are required to successfully complete all classes. Each subject may consist of several classes. A subject grade is an outcome of several individual grades.

There are 3 exam sessions in each academic year: winter, summer and autumn session (re-take session). Each student has the right to take the exam twice. Exams go on for about two weeks, their dates are usually announced 2 or 3 weeks before and are scheduled by the lecturers. The autumn session is usually an extension of the summer session - if you do not pass an exam in the summer, you can re-take it in autumn.

Academic calendar

Academic year is divided into:

- two semesters: winter and summer - each covering 15 weeks of educational courses;
- practical training classes and fieldwork;
- winter, spring and summer holidays.

Each year academic year starts on 1st October; summer semester begins on 21st February.



STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

Student organizations are involved in cultural, sport and tourist activities of the University. Thanks to them, studying at WUT is not only going to lectures and learning. People who work there organize discos, parties, theatre performances, sport competitions, sailing or skiing camps and many other events. Sometimes, they arrange courses or trainings for students. At WUT there is a significant number of such organizations. We also have almost 100 student scientific groups. Their members organize conferences, case studies and create worldwide scientific projects.

Below we will describe the largest and most important organizations for international students:

Students Union

www.sspw.pw.edu.pl

Plac Politechinki 1, room 165

kz@samorzad.pw.edu.pl

Students Union contributes to a significant extent to the internationalization and international cooperation at WUT. The main role in this activity is played by a special team who is in charge of international affairs - International Matters Committee of Students Union. The Committee represents Polish and foreign students before the University authorities and is responsible for expenditures on international cooperation of students organizations. They collect and share

information on international scholarships, internships and educational programs for students. International Affairs

Committee is a link between the University (represented by authorities and Centre for International Cooperation) and all students. Flagship project of this Committee is the organization of student exchanges with Düsseldorf, Kyiv, Budapest and St. Petersburg, organization of European Dimension Activities during ATHENS Programme, the cycle of cultural events Feel The World and the cycle of languages lessons.

Students Union and International Affairs Committee associate several main student organizations at WUT which are related to international cooperation. You will find them described below. By working together, they intend to create and realize larger and more efficient projects for all students of WUT.



International Students Association ISA

www.facebook.com/ISAPW

isa.pw.info@gmail.com

ISA main areas of activity:

- ▶ Unite international students (main target group - full time students)
- ▶ Address the issues of international students on various levels
- ▶ Organise frequent get-togethers in form of group discussions, parties and outings
- ▶ Run Mentor programme

Erasmus Student Network ESN

esnpewu@gmail.com

www.pw.esn.pl

Riviera dormitory, Waryńskiego 12, room A104,

Erasmus Student Network is an international organization which helps and supports foreign students being on Erasmus exchange and informs local students about the Erasmus exchange programme. Among 303 local sections in over 33 countries, there is also an ESN section at the Warsaw University of Technology called ESN PW. There are 20-30 ESN PW management members, many of them are ex-Erasmus students.

ESN PW is a very young organization, it was established in January 2007. However, they are already extremely active and always do their best to make your stay in Warsaw the most memorable time of your life. They have a strong support of the Students Union and university authorities. ESN workers are well aware of the needs of exchange students and are eager and willing to help. Solving your problems is their hobby!

You can participate in the following events/programmes organized by ESN PW:

- ▶ **Mentor** – each incoming Erasmus student is assigned to a Polish student called Mentor. Mentor is a person who will contact you before your arrival to Poland, pick you up from the airport/station when you arrive, show you how to get to the university, etc. Make sure you know who your Mentor is before you come to Poland (mentor.pw@esn.pl).
- ▶ **Orientation Week** – a series of events during the first week of a semester. The aim is to teach Erasmus students the most important things about our university, show the most interesting places in Warsaw, as well as integrate all Erasmus students and make them feel at home.



- ▶ **Exchange Languages Programme** - do you want to learn Polish? Good, there are Polish students who want to learn your language. Why not teach each other? Regular 'language-to-language' meetings are organized to have Erasmus students learn the languages of their peers and make new friends.
- ▶ **Erasmus Parties** - each week ESN Erasmus Club organizes parties for Erasmus students from all universities in Warsaw.
- ▶ **Trips** - do you want to see interesting places in Poland? Each semester ESN organizes trips to major cities in Poland as well as European capitals.



Board of European Students of Technology BEST

Main Building, room 142

www.best.pw.edu.pl, www.best.eu.org

BEST - Board of European Students of Technology is a constantly growing non-profit and non-political organization. Since 1989 they have been providing communication, co-operation and exchange possibilities for students from all over Europe. 76 Local BEST Groups (LBGs) in almost 30 countries create a growing, well-organized, powerful, young and innovative student network. BEST strives to help European students of technology to become more internationally minded by gaining a better understanding of European cultures and developing capacities to work on an international basis. They create opportunities for the students to meet and learn from one another through their academic and non-academic courses and educational symposia. They offer services such as an international career centre to help explore the labour markets worldwide. Their priority is to offer high quality services for students from Europe. Thus, they bring all the partners in the "student - company - university" triangle closer.

European Students of Industrial Engineering and Management ESTIEM

New Technology Building, room 125

www.estiem.org

The organization known as ESTIEM (European Students of Industrial Engineering and Management) was created to increase communication and cooperation between students and institutions of technology in Europe within the field of Industrial Engineering and Management (IEM). The IEM concept rests on the integration of technological understanding and management skills. The studies provide analytical capacities, engineering knowledge and practical management experiences, which make IEM students valuable at labour markets as they are able to do business while understanding the underlying technology.

ESTIEM is the only Europe-wide organization of IEM represented by 65 member groups with over 45,000 students in 24 countries. Founded in 1990, it aims at establishing and fostering interrelations among students of IEM. Multinational project teams organize a wide scope of activities such as exchanges, conferences, case competitions, lectures and workshops. This makes ESTIEM a unique network connecting people of different cultural backgrounds and experiences.

International Association for the Exchange of Students for Technical Experience IAESTE

Centrum Ruchu Studenckiego RIVIERA

www.iaeste.pw.edu.pl, www.iaeste.org

iaeste@elka.pw.edu.pl

International Association for the Exchange of Students for Technical Experience was founded in 1948 at Imperial College, London. Since 1948, the association has grown to include more than 80 countries world-wide and has exchanged more than 300,000 students. This means that every year IAESTE exchanges around 6000 students, at the same time playing a key role in the professional development of undergraduate students, who are then able to make their mark in a global economy.

Independent Student Association (NZS)

Main Building, room 87

www.nzs.pw.edu.pl

ISA (NZS) organizes many camps and training programmes for students. The organization also helps orphanages and supports voluntary Red Cross blood donation schemes.

Other student organizations:

- ▶ Academic Tourist Club “Maluch”
- ▶ University Sports Association (AZS)
- ▶ Student Club “Amplitron”
- ▶ Tourist Club of Electricians of Warsaw University of Technology
- ▶ Student Group SPIE Student Chapter
- ▶ Polish IEEE Section
- ▶ Polish Tourist Country-Lovers’ Society (PTTK)
- ▶ Student Association “Stona”
- ▶ WUT Student Sailing Club
- ▶ Student Scientific Circle “PROGRES”
- ▶ Student Circle of Beskidy Tour Guides
- ▶ Association of Polish Students (ZSP)

Some of student research societies at WUT:

- ▶ Chemical Scientific Society „Flogiston”
- ▶ Academic Association of Power Engineers
- ▶ Student Space Association
- ▶ Radiolocation and Digital Signal Processing Student Research Group
- ▶ Vehicle Aerodynamics Student Association
- ▶ Radiolocation and Digital Signal Processing Student Research Group
- ▶ Student Association PROGRES
- ▶ Transportation Engineering Student Association
- ▶ Chemical and Process Engineering Student Science Group
- ▶ Drawing Scientific Circle at the Faculty of Architecture, Warsaw University of Technology
- ▶ Cybernetic Research Student Group
- ▶ Student Research Circle “The Probe”
- ▶ STUDIO Photographic Club
- ▶ Scientific Circle of Advanced Technologies
- ▶ Scientific Club Cyborg++
- ▶ Student Research Group of Microsystems ONYKS
- ▶ Physicists Scientific Organization at Warsaw University of Technology
- ▶ Music and Acoustic Student Association
- ▶ Student Association of Vehicles Aerodynamics
- ▶ Scientific Circle of Biomedical Instrumentation



Research Interests Groups Council acts as an adviser to the Academic Matters Committee of Students Government, Warsaw University of Technology. Council represents and unifies all scientific associations of WUT. They prepare fairs, conferences, scientific seminars and other meetings to advance projects and works of the scientific organizations. International students are encouraged to participate in all meetings.

DORMITORIES

Warsaw University of Technology offers around 5200 places in 12 dormitories in Warsaw. Students Union (SSPW) is in charge of accommodation of all international students. Please note that to apply for a room in one of WUT dormitories, all accepted students must register in the online system at the Students Union website. The registration period starts already in April. Registration can only be done online!

**Link to registration:
dormitory.wut.pl**

For questions on accommodation and registration contact:
dormitory@samorzad.pw.edu.pl

List of dormitories:

- ▶ Akademik - Akademicka 5, 02-038 Warsaw, akademik@ds.pw.edu.pl
- ▶ Żaczek - Wołoska 141a, 02-507 Warsaw, zaczek@ds.pw.edu.pl
- ▶ Riviera - Waryńskiego 12, 00-631 Warsaw, riviera@ds.pw.edu.pl
- ▶ Babilon - Kopińska 12/16, 02-321 Warsaw, Babilon@ds.pw.edu.pl
- ▶ Mikrus - Waryńskiego 10, 00-631 Warsaw, mikrus@ds.pw.edu.pl
- ▶ Sezam - Górnośląska 14a, 00-432 Warsaw
- ▶ Bratniak - Grójecka 39, 02-031 Warsaw, bratniak@ds.pw.edu.pl
- ▶ Pineska - Uniwersytecka 5, 02-036 Warsaw, pineska@ds.pw.edu.pl
- ▶ Tatrzańska - Tatrzańska 7a, 00-742 Warsaw
- ▶ Muszelka - Grójecka 39, 02-031 Warsaw, bratniak@ds.pw.edu.pl
- ▶ Tulipan - Uniwersytecka 5, 02-036 Warsaw
- ▶ Ustronie - Księcia Janusza 39, 01-452 Warsaw



SPORT



Our University offers a large variety of sport facilities, including: swimming pools, sports halls, bowling alleys, skating rinks, gyms, squash courts, climbing walls, cart tracks and many more.

Each student of our University must do 4 semesters of physical education. After that, it is possible to participate in extra sport activities as optional courses.

You should sign up for physical education classes at the Centre for Physical Education and Sport (Ośrodek Wychowania Fizycznego i Sportu).

Centre for Physical Education and Sport:

Riviera dormitory

Waryńskiego 12a

00-631 Warsaw

swfis@swfis.pw.edu.pl

For more information on sport facilities and activities please see www.polibuda.info in the section 'sport i turystyka / obiekty sportowe' or visit the website of WUT Academic Sport Association.

Information on meetings or timetables of trainings is available at www.azspw.pl or at the Associations' office (in the building of College of Physical Education and Sport).



LIBRARIES

Main Library of Warsaw University of Technology together with faculty libraries and dorm libraries create a library - information system of WUT.

The libraries make available to students around 1,500,000 volumes of printed books and journals, over 18,000 electronic journals, reference materials, e-books, databases.

Main Library and Reading Room are located in the Main Building of WUT. Each faculty, institute and even dormitory has its own library and a reading room.

To order and borrow books you need a library card. In order to obtain such card, you should fill in an application form and provide the student ID or student credit book (index) with current registration, plus 1 photo.

On-line catalogue with the possibility to order books via your library account is available at:

www.bg.pw.edu.pl/eng

There is a free Internet access in the computer lab in the Main Library.



IMPORTANT CONTACTS

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS OFFICE (FULL-TIME STUDENTS REGISTRATION OFFICE)

Main Building

Plac Politechniki 1, 00-661 Warsaw

room 233

tel. +48 22 234 5091, +48 22 234 6039

fax: +48 22 234 5777

OPENING HOURS: MONDAY - FRIDAY 10.00 a.m. - 3.00 p.m.

CENTRE FOR INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

Main Building

Plac Politechniki 1, 00-661 Warsaw

room 117

tel. +48 22 234 7185,

fax: +48 22 234 5777

OPENING HOURS: MONDAY - FRIDAY 08.00 a.m. - 4.00 p.m.

STUDENTS UNION

Main Building

Pl. Politechniki 1, 00-661 Warsaw

room 165

tel. +48 22 234 5010,

fax: +48 22 622 9477

International Affairs Committee:

kz@samorzad.pw.edu.pl

EMERGENCY CALLS

112 – from cell phone

997 – Police

998 – Fire brigade

999 – Ambulance



ATTACHMENT

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LIST OF EMBASSIES AND CONSULATES

- ▶ **Embassy of the Arab Republic of Egypt**
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