



INFORMATION SHEET 2019 – 2020

Full legal name of the institution	New Bulgarian University
Address	21, Montevideo Str., Sofia 1618, Bulgaria
Institution's web site	www.nbu.bg
Head of the Institution	Prof. Plamen Bochkov, PhD, Rector
Number of students at our institution	±10 000
Institutional Erasmus coordinator	Marieta Tzvetkova, PhD
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Web site for Incoming Students	http://www.nbu.bg/en/students/erasmus-student-mobility
For courses offered for Incoming Students	Contact the respective Academic Departmental Coordinator or send your queries to erasmus@nbu.bg
Language of instruction	Bulgarian, English, French
Language Requirements for Erasmus students	English French (for the dept. of Political Sciences and Anthropology) Russian (for the dept. of New Bulgarian Studies) Minimum level required , according to the European Common Framework of Reference: B1
	In general, the courses are in Bulgarian except for the Bachelor and Master Programmes that are taught in English. The list of programs taught in foreign languages can be found at the following link: https://erasmusplus.nbu.bg/en/erasm

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Students' Exchange coordinator – OUTGOING/ INCOMING students	Stefani Kaldaramova, PhD Maria Cholakova
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Students organization web site	N/A
Erasmus Student Network (ESN) You could contact them for help with the accommodation	e-mail: nbu.esn@gmail.com
Contact information (E-mail, Telephone) Erasmus office	NBU, Building 1, floor 1, room 111, telephone: +359 2 8110647

Semester dates:	
Winter semester	October – February (including exam session)
Spring semester	February – July (including exam session)
Orientation day:	The Academic year for the exchange students starts with an orientation day.
Application deadlines:	
Winter semester	1st June
Spring semester	1st December
Bulgarian language courses offered to the Incoming Students	Our university proposes an Intensive Bulgarian language course, starting around three weeks before the beginning of the semester for a duration of 3 weeks, 122 teaching hours, in total. Regular courses during the academic year are also available.
Accommodation (Private flat)	Between 150 € - 250 € per month ; Unfortunately, NBU does not provide dormitories for its students. However, the ESN association will be glad to help out in case assistance is needed. ESN contacts: nbu.esn@gmail.com
City transportation	56.00 € per semester (six months) –

	Upon registration the students will be given a discount for the public transport in Sofia. This includes the available transportation means – trams, trolleys and city busses as well as the underground metro lines.
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MORE INFORMATION:

Campus:

New Bulgarian University has excellent facilities designed for studies and research which allows students to make the best out of their experience in higher education.

The following facilities are available for students:

- ❖ Halls and Classrooms
- ❖ Specialized Classrooms

7 computer halls; Drawing studios; professional Fashion Design Studio; Animation Studio; Music halls; Ballet hall; Rehearsal theater halls; video halls, University Film Center.

Laboratories:

Multimedia language laboratory; Animation laboratory; Information technology laboratory; Informatics laboratory; Telecommunications laboratory; Neuroscience laboratory; Laboratory for Products and Services Usability Studies; Multimedia and Computer Multimedia and Computer Visualization Studio; Experimental Psychology laboratory; Photography laboratory; Gemology laboratory; Laboratory for Sociological and Socio-anthropological Studies; TV Studio; Center for Postgraduate Training of Translators and Interpreters.

- ❖ Computer Resources, Local Networks and Internet

This includes a local network in NBU Buildings 1 and 2 as well as 2 remote local networks in other University facilities. All computers have non-stop access to the Internet. A University Intranet system has been put in place as well as various servers used in the teaching process.

Between or after classes, students at NBU have the opportunity to organize various kinds of events or relax and meet with friends in a nice and quiet atmosphere.

- ❖ 4 galleries offering opportunities to organize exhibitions etc.
- ❖ 4 bookstores offering textbooks, academic and specialized literature;
- ❖ 3 coffee shops and a Restaurant- places to meet with friends and relax;
- ❖ Health center offering free medical services;
- ❖ 2 photocopy Centers offering fast and reliable services;
- ❖ A house at the Black Sea – a place for conferences, seminars, working meetings, and rehabilitation.

Library:

The library at NBU is a cultural and information center. It organizes exhibitions and promotions of new books, and maintains a permanent exhibition of university publications. The Library complex comprises a free-access library, open-stack reading halls, an audio-visual studio, exhibition spaces, a conference hall, a copy center etc. It also boasts a sophisticated computer center providing free access to the Internet for students and faculty. Apart from traditional library activities and services, the Library:

- ❖ Maintains a wide range of Bulgarian, Russian, English, French, Italian and German newspapers and periodicals.
- ❖ Publishes a Monthly Bulletin with information on new acquisitions.
- ❖ Works with academic and reference databases such as EBSCO, Current Contents Connect, CIELA, and APIS.
- ❖ Maintains an integrated library system Q Series, which includes work with an electronic catalogue.
- ❖ Has a collection of approximately 100,000 books and paper documents,
- ❖ Develops international library projects in the field of the use of library funds, digitalization of archive documents etc.
- ❖ Is an associate member of the UNESCO Library network UNAL

International Activities

Relations with international academic institutions are among the highest priorities of New Bulgarian University. This includes development of joint academic and research projects and programs of study, exchange of students and faculty members.

Since its founding, NBU has been actively working to establish its position in the international academic community. NBU is committed to the idea of creating contacts with foreign academic institutions aimed at developing joint

academic and research projects and programs of study, exchange of students and faculty. Some of the major partners of NBU include:

- Higher Education Support Program, Open Society Institute;
- Francophone University Agency AUPELF-UREF (an international organization with a network of educational and cultural institutions from Europe, Africa, the USA, and Canada aimed at supporting the development and exchange in the field of education and culture);
- French Community of Belgium;
- NBU actively participates in EU educational programs. In the framework of projects under Socrates, Tempus, PHARE, ERASMUS + etc. contacts with over 90 European Universities have been established.
- NBU is a member of a number of international organizations: the European University Association (EUA), the European Association of International Education (EAIE), the Institute of International Education (IIE), the International Association of Semiotic Studies (IASS), the International Institute of Administrative Sciences, the network of Institutes and Schools on Public Administration in Central and Eastern Europe (NISPASee), the Informal European Theatre Meeting (IETM), the European Association of Students in Theatre (EAST), the European League of Institutes of Arts (ELIA), the International Association in Mass Communications and Visual Arts (CILECT).