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Dear Students

Your youth and studies fall at the time of great opportunities, fast development and rapid changes which are especially visible in Poland. The gloomy borders of the past are disappearing, the World is getting smaller and we are much closer to each other today.

It may be a good idea to take the opportunities to learn more about European cultures and people who create them. The best learning comes through practice. Thus, I invite you to study at the Warsaw University of Technology. Here you can enrich and strengthen your academic record by studying at the best technical university in Poland as well as explore and experience Polish culture and tradition.

The Warsaw University of Technology has over 180 years of history. Many generations of engineers who graduated from the university contributed significantly to the development of technical science and made our university recognized in Europe and around the World.

Nowadays, the Warsaw University of Technology is one of the top universities in Poland. With 31.000 students, 20 faculties and employing more than 500 professors it is one of the largest universities in Central Europe.

The mobility and exchange of experience are crucial for students, academics, employees and employers. This is why we make a great effort to provide our students and staff with opportunities to gain experience abroad. We also take pride in hosting a substantial number of foreign students. Each year the Warsaw University of Technology is becoming more and more popular among foreigners from all over the World.

On behalf of our student-friendly academic staff and full of energy and ideas students I would like to welcome you at the Warsaw University of Technology.

Vice-Rector for Student Affairs
Professor Władysław Wieczorek, PhD, DSc

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Dear fellow students,

Engineering studies are not simple and a students' life is not always easy — that's the bad news. The good news is that the Warsaw University of Technology has a long-standing and well-established reputation as a friendly university. The staff is student-friendly and supportive. It will take you very short time to learn how active and varied is student social life. A lively student body, including international students from all over the World, create the right atmosphere for personal development and fruitful studies. You will not feel lost in the crowd.

In response to the increasing number of foreign students at our university, the International Student Office was established by university authorities and a branch of Erasmus Student Network created by students. Both bodies are there to make your studies at Warsaw University of Technology pleasant and smooth.

We take pride in the fact that students of the Warsaw University of Technology share in decision-making with regard to every aspect of their school, and are indeed responsible themselves for some areas of its operation. You are represented in front of other students and university authorities by members of the Committee for International Affairs of the Student's Union.

I hope that your stay in Poland and studying at the Warsaw University of Technology will be exciting and rewarding in academic, social and cultural terms.

The Head of
Committee for International Affairs

Przemysław Kornatowski

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Short Introduction

For next few months you will be studying in new University, new city, new country. You should know something about places, where you will learn and live.

Firstly, You are in Poland. In the year 2006/2007 there were 3 730 international students who came to study in this country at higher education level.

Poland is the largest of the East European countries which joined the EU in May 2004. Poland is comparable in size to Italy or Germany (in USA larger than New Mexico) and with a population of approximately 39 million (e.g. more than California). Poland is a stable democracy with a truly fascinating history, great cultural heritage and several areas of outstanding natural beauty.

We have many universities, offering different levels of study and a board range of subjects. A wide range of entertainment, sports and students clubs are also offered. These helps students to make new contacts and friendships with other students, both from Poland and from abroad.

Secondly, You are in Warsaw – a capital of Poland. It is one of the fastest growing cities in Europe. The cultural life in here does not slow down even for a moment. It is a city with rich history demonstrated by the many monuments. Here historic buildings, palaces, churches and architectural complexes, destroyed during the War, have been reconstructed with great care.

Warsaw, a city with a population of nearly 2 million, is the country's largest university and research centre. We have here the extensive repertoire of scores of theatres, numerous concert halls and cinemas, museums, clubs. A number of well-known cultural events of international importance are held here.

And lastly, You are in the Warsaw University of Technology – the renowned academic school of technology in Poland, and one of the largest in Central Europe, employing 2,000 professors. There are 19 faculties (divisions) covering almost all fields of science and technology. In cultural, sport, scientific and tourist activities take part a lot of Students Organizations e.g.: Erasmus Student Network, Board of European Students of Technology etc. You will meet here a lot of interesting people, make new friendships and you will take out of here a lot of great memories and experiences.

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What to do?

Here you can find the most important things you need to remember about before coming to Poland, right after coming and just before leaving. Make sure you read it carefully. Try to tick out the things you have already done, so that you know what you still need to do.

Before coming to Poland

Documents

Make sure you have packed all the necessary documents (e.g. learning agreement). To issue student's ID and for other formalities you will need passport size photos (about 3). If you have passport, it is recommended to take it. Although, it is not required it can be useful. It is a good practice to make copies of all the documents you take with you (ID, passport, driving license, etc) and put it in different pieces of your luggage when traveling, when in Poland you will keep it at your place of accommodation, just in case.

Mobile phone

If you want to use your mobile phone with Polish SimCard (all the Foreigns students do it), you need the SimLock on your mobile phone unlocked. You can do it in Poland, but probably it's easier to do it before you come.

Accommodation

If you want to live in student dormitory you need to apply for it before you come to Poland. The sooner you apply the better. To apply, fill in a form (you can find it here http://www.cwm.pw.edu.pl/EN/index_.phtml?item1=intstudoffice), print the form, sign it, scan it and send to dormitory@samorzad.pw.edu.pl. The accommodation issues are managed by International Student Office, be aware that it is a very busy office and it is a good practice to remind them about your application if you do not receive any answer within reasonable time. Make sure you have received confirmation of your accommodation.

If you are planning to arrive in Warsaw NOT during the opening hours of the dormitory administration (Monday-Friday, 8am-4pm), inform about it your Mentor.

Insurance

All EU citizens should issue European Health Insurance Card (EHIC). It is also a good idea to buy EURO26, ISIC (with insurance) or other insurance (strongly recommended for non-EU citizens).

Visa

If you are not EU-citizen, it is possible you need to issue student visa (e.g. students from Turkey). Please, find out whether you need visa and how to issue it well in advance.

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Gadgets

It is a very good idea to prepare for the adventure in an unknown place in a foreign country. We recommend you to buy a map of Warsaw and maybe a guide of Poland.

Information

To be up-to-date with all the most important information visit University website (<http://www.eng.pw.edu.pl/> or <http://www.polibuda.info>) frequently.



After arrival

Accommodation

If your accommodation is a dormitory, you need to get there first. Your place is waiting for you, however, you need to register at the dormitory administration which is open Monday-Friday, 8am to 4 pm and does not speak English. Take it into consideration when planning your first hours in Warsaw.

Student ID

It is very useful and important document. It entitles you to student discounts for transportation (37%). You can use it as transportation ticket and dormitory entrance pass. To issue your Polish Student ID, take one passport size photos and Polish money. You need to find your faculty. When you find the faculty (congratulations !!!), go to faculty in dean's office they will instruct you what to do to issue the ID. It takes about 1-2 weeks.

Insurance

If you are EU citizen and you have European Health Insurance Card (EHIC), everything is ok, otherwise consider buying EURO26 or ISIC card (ISIC entitles you to discount for transportation, can be useful when waiting for student ID).

Residence registration

If you live in the dormitory, you do not have to worry about it. Otherwise, EU citizens are required to register within the first 4 days of their stay if they are going to stay in Poland continuously for over 3 months (it means that, if you plan to go abroad for even one day within 3 months you do not need to register). More information, including information concerning non-EU citizens, can be found here: www.cwm.pw.edu.pl .

Mobile phone

You can buy SimCards in any shop with mobile phones, the easiest way to find one, is to go to a shopping center.

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First shopping

It is not possible to fit everything into your luggage. So the first shopping will be quite a big one. If you do not want to spend a fortune, visit one of the shopping centers.

Welcome Week

During the first week of the semester ESN PW organizes a series of events 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 you feel at home. You are encouraged to take part in it. More information on www.pw.esn.pl

Email account at WUT

It is faculty dependant matter. At some faculties students receive mailing account at the faculty server. Most of the communication between lecturer and student is done through this email. You need to investigate how to gain access to your account (ask friends,). Once you have done it, check the email frequently and use this account to communicate with lecturers. It often happens that mails sent to lecturers from servers like hotmail, yahoo, gmail are treated as spam or never reach them. At some faculties the server account enables you to view grades online and download lecture materials.

Learning agreement amendments

If your choice of subjects is not clear, it is good to discuss it in faculty Dean's Office within first week(s) of the semester. Once everything is clear, you need to prepare document indicating changes to Learning agreement.



Before leaving Poland

Accommodation

Be sure you know when you are obliged to leave the dormitory. Ask roommates or dormitory administration.

Payments

Make sure you are clear with all payments, especially the dormitory fee.

Formalities

You need to return your student ID to the faculty coordinator. It is a good idea to request the transcript of records before leaving Poland. You will probably need it at your home university. If you do not ask for it, you may have to wait for it considerably long time or for ever.

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Poland



Administration

Poland is divided into 16 provinces (voivodships), which reflect historical regions of the country. "Powiat" (county) and the "gmina" (community) are inferior administrative units.

Polish voivodships:

Greater Poland (Wielkopolskie)
Kuyavian-Pomeranian (Kujawsko-pomorskie)
Lesser Poland (Małopolskie)
Łódź (Łódzkie)
Lower Silesian (Dolnośląskie)
Lublin (Lubelskie)
Lubusz (Lubuskie)
Masovian (Mazowieckie)
Opole (Opolskie)
Podlasie (Podlaskie)
Pomeranian (Pomorskie)
Silesian (Śląskie)
Subcarpathian (Podkarpackie)
Świętokrzyskie (Świętokrzyskie)
Warmian-Masurian (Warmińsko-mazurskie)
Western Pomeranian (Zachodniopomorskie)

The capital of Poland is Warsaw (the Masovian province) with approximately 1,700,500 inhabitants. The previous capitals were: Gniezno and Cracow.



Money

Polish currency is „złoty” marked as PLN, 1 złoty (PLN) is equal to 100 groszy. Banknotes come in 10, 20, 50, 100 and 200 PLN and coins in 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 50 groszy and 1, 2, and 5 PLN.

There are numerous places, where payment in euro is accepted, but it's more comfortable to exchange money. You can do that either in a bank (usually opened on workdays until 3pm ~ 6pm) or an exchange office (kantorek).



Law

Things that you should know, so you won't get a fine or have problems with police officers:

- Drinking alcohol in public places is forbidden (50 PLN);

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- Crossing the road when there is a red light for pedestrians is also forbidden (100 PLN), but crossing the road where there's no pedestrian crossing costs less (50 PLN);
- Urinating in public places is also forbidden (50 PLN);
- Smoking near bus stops is forbidden, unless you are more than 10 meters away from the stop (50 PLN);
- One is considered an adult by the age of 18, so until the 18th birthday smoking or drinking alcohol is not allowed;
- European Union driving licenses are valid in Poland, if you're not from the UE you have to apply for an international driving license;
- Drugs such as marijuana, cocaine, amphetamine etc. is strictly forbidden (you will get arrested as punishment);



Transport

- Air transport, if you plan to travel by planes you should verify if the destination city has an airport it's good to check it via the Internet. Cities with airports: Warsaw, Cracow, Katowice, Gdańsk, Wrocław, Poznań, Łódź, Rzeszów, Szczecin, Bydgoszcz;
- While traveling in Poland it's easier and cheaper to go by train or bus. If you choose going by train you should visit <http://pkp.pl/>, if by bus you should search in the internet using the word PKS or bus;
- When you are in a city you probably will travel by urban transport, for example Warsaw Transport Authority (ZTM) has site in English; <http://ztm.waw.pl/taryfa/en/inf.php>



Climat

- The Polish climate is quite rough – spring and autumn are usually windy and sometimes rainy, winter is cold (the average temperature is below 0°C) and snowy, but summer is usually hot ;-). So if you are coming to our country make sure you take clothes for any weather;
- Poland uses Central European Time (GMT + 01:00); Due to the Daylight Saving Time (DST) on the last Sunday of March at 2am we add one hour and on the last Sunday of October we take back one hour;



Communicating

- Phones:
- Mobile phones – there are 4 main operators: Polkomtel (Plus, Simplus, Sami swoi, 36.6), PTK Centertel (Orange, Orange GO, POP), PTC (Era, Heyah, Tak Tak), P4 (Play);

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- As a foreigner you'll probably use only prepaid ones; Price of prepaid starters vary from 5 to 30 PLN, you need a telephone without simlock or you can buy a set already with a phone (have in mind that such cellphones cost at least 100PLN).

- Stationary telephones: ASTER; DRSA - Długie Rozmowy S.A.; Elterix S.A. - SiećT2; GTS Energis; eTel; Exatel; Netia; OSP Polpajer – Sferia; Premium Internet S.A.; MNI ,Telefonia Dialog; Telekomunikacja Polska; Telekomunikacja Kolejowa - TK Telekom; ACN; Telefonia Novum;

- In cities there are many telephone booths, you can buy special cards to use the booths in almost every news agent's or post office.

- Also you can call abroad cheaper using special cards, which you can buy in post offices or news agent's. You can find providers offers in the Internet (Telepin, Telegrosik etc.). You should check which card allows you to call to your country the cheapest.

- Internet:

- There are so many Internet Service Providers that it would be hard to list them all, but the three main providers are: ASTER, Telekomunikacja Polska and UPC;



Cities worth seeing

- Cracow (Kraków) the former capital of Poland, with splendid architecture and art treasures, also with many bars, pubs, restaurants and clubs is a place where everyone can find something interesting;

- Wroclaw/Breslau (Wrocław) the capital of Lower Silesia with its numerous of historical places, entertainment facilities and with its multi ethnic influences makes a very interesting place to visit;

- Zakopane a beautiful, calm small town with a magnificent scenery, charming highland architecture and colorful folk culture, a place that everyone should visit to feel the Polish highlander spirit.

- Tricity/Treble City (Trójmiasto) – an urban area consisting of three cities: Gdańsk, Gdynia and Sopot. The whole area lays on the coast of the Baltic Sea and is known for numerous festivals and events. The city combines historical buildings with fresh business areas that gives us an urge to make progress.

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Public holidays

Public holidays (day off):

January the 1st

Easter

May the 1st

May the 3rd

Corpus Christi

August the 15th

November the 1st

November the 11th

December the 25th, 26th

New Year's Day

Sunday and Monday (the first Sunday after the first spring full moon)

Labour Day

Constitution Day

On Thursday of the ninth week after Easter there are processions with white-dressed children, attended by hundreds of people.

Assumption of Virgin Mary, Polish Army Day.

All Saints' Day

National Independence Day.

Christmas

Public holidays (non day off):

January, the 6th

January, the 21st

January, the 22nd

February, the 14th

March, the 8th

May, the 15th

May, the 26th

June, the 1st

June, the 23rd, 26th

October, the 14th

November, the 2nd

November, the 30th

December, the 6th

December, the 31st

Epiphany

Grandmother's Day

Grandfather's Day

Valentine's Day

Woman's Day

Pentecost

Mother's Day

Children's Day

Father's Day

Teacher's Day

All Soul's Day

St Andrew's Day

St Claus' Day – gift shower

New Year's Eve



Bank account

- You must have a bank account to receive your money and scholarship.
- You can either create one here in Poland, it takes a couple of days and requires the identity document and a certificate proving that you're a student of a certain university. Or you could create one in your country, in a bank which has a branch in Poland.
- If you will have trouble with creating an account, because of low credibility you should ask your caretaker for help.
- Banks are usually open until 3pm ~ 6pm.

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Warsaw

- The history of Warsaw is mostly synonymous to the history of Poland. The first fortified settlements on the area of today's Warsaw were founded in the 9th century and for many centuries coincided with the development of what is today known as the Warsaw Old Town. In 1413 the capital of Mazovia officially moved from Czersk to Warsaw.

- During this time the city has experienced numerous plagues, invasions, devastating fires and administrative restrictions on its growth. The most crucial of those events included the Deluge, the Great Northern War (1702, 1704, 1705), War of the Polish Succession, Warsaw Uprising (1794), Battle of Praga and the Massacre of Praga inhabitants, November Uprising, January Uprising, World War I, Siege of Warsaw (1939) and aerial bombardment, Warsaw Ghetto Uprising, Warsaw Uprising (which in the aftermath nearly reduced all of the city to rubble).

- The city was a site of penus, less destructive events. It was the site of election of Polish kings, meetings of the Polish parliament (Sejm), and events such as the Polish victory over the Bolsheviks at the Vistula, during the Battle of Warsaw (1920). Yet it has still grown to the multicultural capital of a modern European state and a major commercial and cultural centres of Central Europe.

Sources: Wikipedia



Galleries and museums

Warsaw offers you a lot of interesting museums and galleries.

The most interesting museums in Warsaw are:

The Warsaw Uprising Museum

st. Grzybowska 79 (entrance from st. Przyokopowa), tel. 539 79 05, 539 79 06; www.1944.pl

Opening hours:

Monday, Wednesday and Friday: 8.00 am – 6.00 pm

Thursday: 8.00 am – 8.00 pm

Saturday and Sunday: 10.00 am – 6.00 pm

Tuesday – CLOSED

This museum is the youngest museum in Warsaw. It presents events from one of the most important periods during the history of Warsaw. The Museum is filled up with the multimedia techniques and equipment. You should remember that visiting this museum is absolutely necessary while sightseeing Warsaw.

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Wilanów Poster Museum

st. St. Kostki Potockiego 10/16, tel. 842 48 48;
www.postermuseum.pl

Opening hours:

Tuesday – Sunday: 10:00 am – 4:00 pm

Monday: 12:00 am – 4:00 pm

The Museum boasts one of the largest collections of art posters in the world, consisting of over 55 000 items. It displays the main series of exhibitions: The Salon of Polish Poster, two years cycle The Masters of Polish Posters, The Polish Poster History, International Poster Biennale (odd years) and The Masters of Foreign Poster and thematic exhibitions (even years).

Historical Museum of the City of Warsaw

sq. Stary Rynek 28, tel. 635 16 25; www.mhw.pl

Opening hours:

Monday closed

Tuesday- Thursday: 11 am. – 6 pm.

Wednesday -Friday: 10 am. – 3.30 pm.

Saturday, Sunday: 10.30 am. – 4.30 pm.

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

Łazienki Królewskie

st. Agrykola 1, tel. 621 62 41; www.lazienki-krolewskie.com

White House – opening hours: Tuesday- Sunday 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Palace on the Water – opening hours: Tuesday- Sunday 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Old Orangery – opening hours: Tuesday- Sunday 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.,

Tuesday – no admission 9 a.m. – 3.30 p.m.

This royal-park complex is situated in the centre of Warsaw, about ten minutes on foot from the Warsaw University of Technology. You can find there not only a lot of historical monuments but you can relax after a busy week as well. During the summer days you are able to listen to concerts of music composed by Chopin.

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The National Museum

al. Jerozolimskie 3, tel. 621 10 31, 629 30 93; www.mnw.art.pl

Opening hours:

Monday – closed

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Thursday 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Saturday – no admission only to permanent exhibitions

This is one of the biggest museums in Warsaw. There are a lot of interesting paintings and sculptures in the museum's collection such as, for example, 'Battle of Grunwald' by Jan Matejko. During the year there are plenty of exhibitions of foreign works of art.

During your stay in Warsaw you can visit galleries as well.

One of the most interesting galleries is:

Centrum Sztuki Współczesnej

al. Ujazdowskie 6, Zamek Ujazdowski, tel. 628 12 71, 628 12 73

Opening hours:

Tuesday- Sunday 11.00 a.m. – 5.00 p.m.

Friday 11.00 a.m. – 9.00 p.m.

This Gallery is situated in the reconstructed Ujazdowski Castle in the Agrykola Park. Visitors can see exhibitions of modern, young artists or go to the Lab Cinema. The cinema shows only independent productions instead of Hollywood blockbusters.

More information about museums and galleries you can find on the Website www.polibuda.info in the section Warszawa/przewodnik kulturalny.

Moreover, during the year there are various events organized in Warsaw.

If you want to be up to date with the events taking place in Warsaw visit the website www.warsawtour.pl or read daily newspapers.

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Cinemas

You can also spend your free time in one of Warsaw cinemas. Some of them are listed below:

Cinema City-Arkadia

st. Jana Pawła II 82, tel. (0-22) 321-21-21; www.cinema-city.pl

Cinema City-Bemowo

st. Powstańców Śląskich 126 A; tel. (0-22) 560-40-00, group reservations: (0-22) 560-40-01; www.cinema-city.pl, bemowo@cinema-city.pl

Cinema City-Janki

st. Mszczonowska 3, tel. (0-22) 702-40-00; group reservations: tel. (0-22) 702-40-30; www.cinema-city.pl, janki@cinema-city.pl

Cinema City-Mokotów

st. Wołoska 12, tel. (0-22) 702-65-00; group reservations: tel. (0-22) 702-65-30; www.cinema-city.pl, mokotow@cinema-city.pl

Cinema City-Promenada

st. Ostrobramska 75c, tel. (0-22) 702 90 00; www.cinema-city.pl, promenada@cinema-city.pl

Cinema City-Sadyba

st. Powsińska 31, tel. (0-22) 550-33-33; group reservations: tel. (0-22) 550-33-22; sadyba@cinema-city.pl

Kinoteka

sq. Defilad 1; tel. (0-22) 826-19-61, (0-22) 826-18-73; www.kinoteka.pl

Multikino

av. Komisji Edukacji Narodowej 60; tel. (0-22) 543-52-22; www.multikino.pl, multikino@multikino.pl

Multikino – Złote Tarasy

st. Złota 59; tel. (0-22) 201-16-10; group reservations: tel. (0-22) 201-16-24; zlotetarasy@multikino.pl

Panasonic IMAX

st. Powsińska 31; tel. (022) 550 33 33; www.kinoimax.pl

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Silver Screen Puławska

st. Puławska 17; tel. (0-22) 852-88-88 (reservation); 852-81-11, 852-87-77 (Platinum);
www.silverscreen.com.pl, info@silverscreen.com

Silver Screen Targówek

st. Głębocka 15, tel. (0-22) 310-20-00; www.silverscreen.com.pl

Silver Screen Wola

st. Górczewska 124, tel. (0-22) 533-46-66; www.silverscreen.com.pl

Students with a valid student card are entitled to get a discount. Ticket price depends on the day of the week – weekend shows are the most expensive.

In most of the cinemas you can book tickets by phone or via the Internet, but you need to collect them 30 minutes before the show.

Ticket prices vary from about 13 PLN to 20 PLN.

Information about the films and cinemas repertoire is available on Websites:

www.stopklatka.pl, www.filmweb.pl, www.film.onet.pl, www.film.wp.pl.

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Theatres

In Warsaw there are a lot of theatres, that offer a wide variety of plays in Polish and, sometimes, also in other languages. Below you can find the addresses of some of them:

ATENEUM

st. Jaracza 2, tel. (0-22) 625-73-30;
www.teatratenium.art.pl

FILHARMONIA NARODOWA

st. Jasna 5, tel. (0-22) 55-17-111

NARODOWY

sq. Teatralny 3, tel. (0-22) 692-06-09;
www.narodowy.pl

POWSZECHNY

st. Zamoyskiego 20, tel. (0-22) 818-48-19;
www.powszechny.art.pl

ROMA – TEATR MUZYCZNY (music theater)

st. Nowogrodzka 49, tel. (0-22) 628-03-60;
www.teatrroma.pl

STUDIO BUFFO

st. Konopnickiej 6, tel. (0-22) 625-47-09;
www.studiobuffo.com.pl

TEATR WIELKI – OPERA NARODOWA

sq. Teatralny 1, tel. (0-22) 826-50-90;
www.teatr Wielki.pl

WSPÓŁCZESNY

st. Mokotowska 13, tel. (0-22) 825-59-79;
www.wspolczesny.pl

You can book and buy tickets not only at the cash-desk but also via Internet:
www.ticketonline.pl, www.bileteria.pl, www.ebilet.pl

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Student clubs

There are a lot of great clubs in Warsaw. You can find pubs, discos etc. on almost every street. Some of the most interesting clubs are listed below.

Jadłodajnia Filozoficzna - st. Dobra 33/35

Filozoficzna is a kind of an artistic club. Not only great parties take place there, but also concerts, exhibitions, vernissages and screenings. The club's offer is addressed to open and sensitive people – active receivers of widely interpreted art.

You can find more information about the club on its Website: <http://www.filozoficzna.art.pl>

Vinyl – st. Żurawia 22

If you are a real music lover – you absolutely have to visit this club. The quality of the sound is absolutely fantastic and the décor will surely delight you. Everyone is able to find there something for him.

You can find more information about the club on its Website <http://www.vinyl-club.pl/>

Saturator – st. 11 listopada 22

As it is written on the club's Website "Saturator is something more than a club – it is a place for intelligent people with a sense of humour." You can find there not only great music, which is much different than in clubs you normally visit, but also an amazing climate.

You can find more information about the club on its Website: <http://www.saturator.art.pl/>

Obiekt Znaleziony – sq. Malachowskiego 3

Obiekt Znaleziony is a restaurant and café during day time and at night it changes into a club. However, first of all it is a place, where a lot of events take place: concerts, parties with DJs, promotions of books, performances, interesting discussions, different shows, poetry and music meetings. It is certain that you will find there something that interests you.

You can find more information about the club on its Website: <http://www.obiektznaleziony.pl>

Lemon – st. Sienkiewicza 6

If you like music from the hit lists from all over the world or you just want to dance to the music that everybody knows, you should visit Lemon beyond any doubt. This club is an ideal place to have fun with great people, colorful drinks and well-known music.

You can find more information about the club on its Website <http://www.lemonclub.pl>

Underground music café – st. Marszałkowska 126/134

This club is open every day - this is a big advantage, because when other clubs are closed, you can always go there. Underground offers you awesome parties, which are daily attended to by a lot of people.

You can find more information about the club on its Website: <http://www.under.pl>

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Club Hotl – st. Krakowskie Przedmieście 13

This club is known as one of the most prestigious in Warsaw. Hotl is full of intensive colours, sophisticated décor and interesting music. You can buy there drinks of your own recipe. If you don't have your favourite drink, you can choose an avant-garde one from the club's menu.

You can find more information about the club on its Website: <http://www.clubhotl.pl>

Klubokawiarnia – st. Czackiego 3/5

If you want to see what it was like during the communism, you should visit Klubokawiarnia without any doubt. Inside the club you can find a mixture of the strangest old antiques, the symbols of “old, good times” and stylish red colour. You can also listen to old hits in their original version or mixed by the greatest DJs.

You can find more information about the club on its Website: <http://www.klubokawiarnia.pl>

Opera Club – Plac Teatralny 1

This exclusive oriental club is saturated with the intriguing mysteriousness of the Far East. One of the biggest attractions of Opera Club is the Chinese theatre of shadows in the centre of the main hall. Apart from this, you can find there nearly everything you are looking for: from recording TV spots to occasional parties.

You can find more information about the club on its Website: <http://www.operaclub.pl>

These are only some of the great clubs you can visit in Warsaw. The best way to find your favourite one is to check as many places as you are able to. Enjoy your time and have fun!

Food

The Polish cuisine is very similar to the cuisine of its neighbouring countries.

The products that are usually served on Polish tables are: potatoes, cabbage, meat (pork, beef and fowl), dairy and flour products.

The most popular dishes of the Polish cuisine are:

- Pork chop with potatoes and cabbage
- Knuckle of pork with potatoes
- Gołabki – minced meat (sometimes with rice) wrapped in cabbage leaves
- Bigos – cabbage with meat, sausage, mushrooms, dried plums and spices
- Pierogi – dumplings stuffed with meat, cabbage and mushrooms, cheese or fruit

Soups:

Barszcz (beetroot soup), Kapuśniak (cabbage soup), Krupnik (barley soup), Rosół (chicken soup), Pomidorowa (tomato soup)

Polish cakes:

fruit cake, cheesecake, gingerbread, poppy-seed cake

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As a dessert you should try: pączki (doughnuts) and faworki

Nowadays, mainly in big cities, dishes from other countries are becoming more popular: Italian, Chinese, Vietnamese and Turkish etc.

Tasty and relatively cheap food is what the students like the most. Below you will find addresses of bars and restaurants near the Warsaw University of Technology and prices of some dishes.

Central Canteen of WUT (st. Filtrowa 2)
- dinners – 11 PLN

Pizza przy Politechnice (st.Noakowskiego 12)
pizza 30 cm – from 11 to 24 PLN • pizza 40 cm – from 14 to 30 PLN • slice of pizza – 4 PLN
pasta – from 14 to 19 PLN • salad – from 13 to 19 PLN • soup – 7 PLN

Drukarnia Café Bar (st. Noakowskiego 12)
dish of the day (soup and main course) – 15 PLN • pancakes – from 6 to 12 PLN
soup – from 5 to 8 PLN • salad – from 9 to 15 PLN

Bufet (Material Engineering Building)
pancakes with fruits – 11,00 PLN • cucumber soup- 4,00 PLN • goulash with noodles and salad – 11,00 PLN • pork chop with potatoes and salad – 11,00 PLN • dumplings with salad – 10,50 PLN • sandwich – 2,5 PLN

Queen Kebab – Turkish Dishes (st. Noakowskiego 12)
standard kebab- 7 PLN • kebab with cheese- 8 PLN • kebab with extra meat- 9 PLN
kebab extra large- 10 PLN • kebab XXL- 12 PLN

Cheops Grill Bar (square Politechniki)
kebab (traditional)- 7 PLN • super kebab (with extra cheese)- 8 PLN
extra kebab (with extra cheese and grilled vegetables)- 9 PLN

Milk Bars offer low prices and often typical polish cuisine:

- Prasowy Milk Bar

10/16 Marszałkowska St., ph. +48 22 628 44 27

- Pod Barbakanem Milk Bar (old Town)

27/29 Mostowa St., ph. +48 22 831 47 37

- Złota Kurka Milk Bar (near Politechniki square, on Konstytucji square)

55/73 Marszałkowska St., ph. +48 22 622 46 78

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Pubs

- Alternatywa
12 Armii Ludowej Ave., ph. +48 22 825 65 30
<http://www.pubalternatywa.pl>
- Bolek
211 Niepodległości Ave., Pole Mokotowskie,
ph. + 48 22 825 96 89
<http://boleknowy.com>
- Casablanca
4/6 Krakowskie Przedmieście St., ph. + 48 22 828 14 47
<http://www.casablanca.com.pl>
- Dziwny Świat Edwarda M.
4 Szembeka Sq., ph. +48 22 740 18 10
<http://www.dziwnyswiat.pl>
- Harenda
4/6 Krakowskie Przedmieście St., ph. +48 22 826 29 00
<http://www.harenda.pl>
- Irish Pub
3 Miodowa St., ph. +48 22 826 25 33
<http://www.irishpub.fip.pl>
- Jazz Cafe
Łomianki, 69 Warszawska St., ph. + 48 22 751 41 12
<http://www.jazzcafe.com.pl>
- Piano Bar
7/9 Chmielna St., ph. +48 22 826 09 38
<http://www.pianobar.com.pl>
- Pub 7
4 Konstytucji Sq., ph. + 48 22 622 79 91
<http://www.pub7.com.pl>
- W oparach absurdu
6 Żąbkowska St., ph. 0 660 780 319
<http://www.oparyabsurdu.pl>

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- Zielona Gęś
177 Niepodległości Ave., ph. +48 22 825 20 26
<http://www.zielonages.pl>



Public transport

- To get from one place to another in Warsaw, you don't need to take a taxi. (You should check the price per 1 km on the window - a taxi driver may try to cheat you. It is advisable to book a taxi by telephone, or to ask the price first if you hail it in the street.)

Bayer Taxi, ph. 0 22 196 96
City Taxi, ph. 0 22 194 59
Damel Taxi, ph. 0 22 196 26
Ele Taxi, ph. 0 22 811 11 11
Euro Lux Taxi, ph. 0 22 196 62
Express Taxi, ph. 0 22 196 63
Extra Taxi, ph. 0 22 196 83
Gold Taxi, ph. 0 22 196 88
Grosik Taxi, ph. 0 22 646 46 46

- You can take advantage of the public transport (buses, trams, underground) – it is not only cheaper but it will take you almost to any place you want. Timetables are on every stop and in the Internet (also a WAP service is available). Just visit the website www.ztm.waw.pl (wap.ztm.waw.pl on a mobile phone).

Information about ticket prices is available on www.ztm.waw.pl/tariffs-gb.html

- Just remember:

Routes 1 – 99 are trams, 100 – 525 are day bus routes, 700-805 suburban lines and E-1 – E-5 are the express ones. N01 – N95 are night bus routes. There are three tourist routes: "T", a vintage tram running in July and August; bus "100" which runs on weekends and which operates the only double-decker bus owned by the city; and the "180" bus, a regular scheduled service that follows the "Royal Route" from the War Cemetery in the North, near the Old Town and down city's most prestigious thoroughfares – Krakowskie Przedmieście, Nowy Świat and Aleje Ujazdowskie – and terminating at Wilanów Palace.

- Regional rail is operated by Szybka Kolej Miejska (Fast Urban Rail) and Koleje Mazowieckie (Mazovian Railroads). There are also some suburban bus lines run by private operators.

- Public communication tickets can be bought in every stall, there are time tickets (for 20, 40, 60 or 90 minutes), twenty-four-hour tickets, 3-days tickets and one-week tickets. For students there are special reduced tickets (50% of normal price) valid only with a student identity card. Warsaw is divided into two zones, urban (zone 1) and suburban

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(zone 2). On the timetable zone 2 is marked with green color and labeled as "strefa podmiejska". In the second zone you have to possess a ticket valid in the first and second zone. If you are using public transport very often it is recommended to buy a "city card" for 30 or 90 days (for students 50% of normal price) which allows you to travel in the 1 (or 1 and 2, it depends on the option you have chosen) unlimited times. The card can be bought at the post office and loaded in the machine at the underground station.



Sport at the University

- All students during the first 3 years of studies at WUT have to attend physical education classes. In the beginning of an academic year there are meetings in the building of the College of Physical Education and Sport (st. Waryńskiego 12, dormitory Riviera) where students are informed about the rules of passing
- The classes and sport disciplines available to train. Students can choose volleyball, basketball, swimming, gym, football, table tennis, aerobics, skiing, and many more. Sometimes the possibility to practise a particular discipline depends on the faculty. Usually a student passes the classes by being present and taking an active part in them.
- For people who want more sport there are student organisations whose activity is associated with sport and tourism. The biggest organisation is Academic Sport Association (AZS) with 35 different sections. Information about the meetings, the timetable of trainings is available on their website www.azspw.pl or in the associations'.
- office (in the building of the College of the Physical Education and Sport). There are also sailing organisations, for example Students' Sailing Club (SKŻ) or Wimpel. People who like trekking may go to PTTK, Student Club of Beskid Mountain Guides, Academic Tourist Club Maluch or organisation Styki. There is more information about these organisations on the website www.polibuda.info in section 'sport i turystyka/ organizacje'. If you like travelling to mountains you would probably like to visit a hut of WUT called Koliba in Bieszczady mountains. Students of WUT are entitled to get discounts there. The Warsaw University of Technology has a couple of sport objects. The main building is the office of the College of the Physical Education and Sport where you can play table tennis, use two gyms and train aerobics. Gyms are also in some dormitories.
- There are many places to practice sport in Warsaw. You can go to one of the swimming pools (including 'Warszawianka'), sport halls, bowling alleys and many more. There are also two big ice rinks (Torwar and Stegny). Torwar is the hockey ice rink inside the building, while Stegny was made for speed skating.

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• You can rent skates in both Torwar and Stegny. If you like skiing you just must visit Szczęśliwice (open all year). It is a little slope with two ski lifts. There is also a place to train tobogganing and you can rent all the equipment. Lovers of fast cars should visit a racetrack for go-karts 'Imola' in Piaseczno near Warsaw. More information about sport objects in Warsaw is available on the website www.polibuda.info in the section 'sport i turystyka/ obiekty sportowe'.



Health care

In case you get ill, this guide contains addresses of clinics, ambulance service departments and pharmacies open 24h a day.

Warsaw Private Medical Care Health Information
24 hour duty, tel. (022) 827-89-62, (022) 826-83-00,

Emergency Ambulance Service
999, from mobile *112

Emergency Services:

0 Department Śródmieście, st. Poznańska 22;
I Department Praga Południe, st. Grenadierów 34;
II Department Wola, st. Górczewska 27/35;
III Department Mokotów, st. Puławska 120;
IV Department Żoliborz, st. Wrzeciono 41;
IV Bis Department Marymont, st. Słowackiego 52/54;
V Department Praga Północ, st. Brzeska 12;
VI Department Ochota, st. Joteyki 9;
VII Department Ursynów, st. Jastrzębowski 22;
VII Bis Department Wilanów, st. Morszyńska 33;
VIII Department Ursus, st. Sosnkowskiego 18;
IX Department Bemowo, st. Kartezjusza 2;
X Department Białoleka, st. Marywilska 44;
XI Department Targówek, st. Łojewska 6;
XII Department Międzyzlesie, st. Dzieci Polskich 20.

Accident report
24 hour duty tel: 628-24-24 to 27

Ambulatories

• Samodzielny Zespół Publicznych Zakładów Opieki Zdrowotnej dla Szkół Wyższych
(Clinic for university and high school students)
st. Mochackiego 10, phone 823-45-73, 659-77-38; Mon-Fri: 7:30-19:00

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- Specialized Clinic

st. Mochnackiego 10, Registration phone 659-77-38, Mon-Fri: 7:30-19:00

- Ambulatory by WUT

st. Waryńskiego 10a (between 'Mikrus' and 'Riviera' dormitories)

Registration phone 234-53-25, 825-51-07, Mon-Fri: 8:00-19:00

- Ambulatory by WUT

st. Narbutta 85, Registration: tel. 234-84-27, 849-96-18, Mon-Fri. 7:30-15:00

- Wojewódzkie Centrum Stomatologii Samodzielny Publiczny Zakład Opieki Zdrowotnej (District Dentistry Centre)

st. Nowy Zjazd 1, Registration: tel. 826-94-11 24 hour duty

- Pharmacies open 24h / day:

- Bemowo

'Apteka' – st. Kartezjusza 2, tel. 683 82 19

- Grochów

'Apteka' – av. Waszyngtona 71/72; tel. 810 27 01

- Mokotów/ Wilanów

'Apteka przy Willowej' – st. Puławska 39, tel. 849 37 57, 849 82 05

'Apteka Remedium' – st. Wilanowska 363, tel. 852 33 31

- Ochota

'Apteka' – st. Grójecka 76, tel. 822 08 18

'Apteka' – st. Banacha 1 (hospital building, block B), tel. 823 64 11 extention 1033

- Praga Północ

'Wschodnia' – st. Kijowska 1 (East Train Station), tel. 818 65 13

'Apteka' – square Hallera 9, tel. 619 23 88

- Śródmieście

'Apteka' – st. Pereca 2, tel. 620 91 28

'Na Wilczej' – st. Wilcza 31, tel. 622 89 71

'Apteka' – Central Train Station (first floor) tel. 825 69 86

'Hit Medica' – st. Marszałkowska 28; tel. 627 20 64

'Apteka 2000' – st. Widok 19, tel. 827 35 93

- Targówek

'Apteka' –st. Kondratowicza 11, tel. 811 28 22

- Ursynów

'Apteka' – st. Dembowskiego 8, tel. 643 95 61 – duty from 21.00 to 6.00

'Apteka' – st. Polinezyjska 8, 641 46 01

- Wola

'Apteka Beata' – av. Solidarności 149; tel. 620 08 18

'Apteka Beata' – st. Jana Pawła II 52/54 (corner of st. Nowolipie), tel. 635 96 26

'Apteka' – st. Jana Kazimierza 76; tel. 634 01 95

'Apteka' – st. Leszno 38, tel. 632 13 92

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• Żoliborz

Apteka – st. Żeromskiego 13, tel. 584 58 04



Exchange offices

Money exchange offices(cantors) - In Warsaw there are a lot of money exchange offices but it is not recommended to use all of them. It is dangerous to go to cantors on the street, especially near the central railway station. If you want to use a cantor, the best way is to go to the shopping centre(for exemple Arkadia or Golden Terraces) where everything will be done quickly and safely.



Shops

In Warsaw you can do shopping in many places:

- Shopping centres - big complexes where you can buy almost everything. In a centre like that, except boutiques, shops with electronics and pharmacies, there are big supermarkets with a large offer of foodstuffs. Shopping Centers are open 7 days a week, from 10 am. to 9 pm. o'clock (supermarkets from 9 am. to 10 pm. o'clock). The most important complexes are Arkadia (near the metro station "Dworzec Gdański") and Golden Terraces (next to the Centrum railway station).

- Settlement shops - small stores where you can buy some basic products. Open from Monday to Friday from 10 am. to 6 pm. o'clock and on Saturdays from 10 am. to 2 pm. o'clock (liquor stores are the exceptions, they are open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week)

- Market place - it is worth to buy there only fruits and vegetables which are fresh and tasty (other product are of rather poor quality)



Embassies and consulates

Embassy of Afghanistan st. Goplańska 1, 02-954 Warsaw, tel. 885 54 10	Embassy of Albania st. Altowa 15, 02-386 Warsaw, tel. 824 14 27	Embassy of Algeria st. Dąbrowiecka 21, 03-932 Warsaw, tel. 617 58 55
Embassy of Angola st. Balonowa 20, 02-635 Warsaw, tel. 646 35 29	Embassy of Saudi Arabia st. Stepińska 55, 00-739 Warsaw, tel. 840 00 00	Embassy of Argentina st. Brukselska 9, 03- 937 Warsaw, tel. 617 60 28
Embassy of Armenia st. Aleksandra Waszkowskiego 11, 02-913 Warsaw, tel. 840 86 20	Embassy of Australia st. Nowogrodzka 11, 00-513 Warsaw, tel. 521 34 44	Embassy of Austria st. Gagarina 34, 00-748 Warsaw, tel. 841 00 81

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Embassy of Azerbaijan st. Zwycięzców 12, 03-941 Warsaw, tel. 616 21 88	Embassy of Belgium st. Senatorska 34, 00-095 Warsaw, tel. 551 28 00	Embassy of Belarus st. Wiertnicza 58, 02-952 Warsaw, tel. 742 09 90
Embassy of Brazil st. Poselska 11, 03-931 Warsaw, tel. 617 48 00	Embassy of Bulgaria av. Ujazdowskie 33/35, 00-540 Warsaw, tel. 629 40 71	Embassy of Cambodia st. Drezdeńska 3, 03-969 Warsaw, tel. 616 52 31
Embassy of Canada st. Matejki 1/5, 00-481 Warsaw, tel. 584 31 00	Embassy of Chile st. Okrężna 62, 02-925 Warsaw, tel. 858 23 30	Embassy of China st. Bonifraterska 1, 00-203 Warsaw, tel. 831 38 36
Embassy of Colombia st. Zwycięzców 29, 03-936 Warsaw, tel. 617 09 738, 49 69 99	Embassy of Congo st. Międzyńska 50, 02-637 Warsaw	Embassy of Croatia st. Ignacego Krasickiego 25, 02-611 Warsaw, tel. 844 23 93
Embassy of Cuba st. Rejtana 15/8, 02-516 Warsaw, tel. 848 17 15	Embassy of Cyprus st. Pilicka 4, 02-629 Warsaw, tel. 844 45 77	Embassy of the Czech Republic st. Koszykowa 18, 00-555 Warsaw, tel. 525 18 50
Embassy of Denmark st. Rakowiecka 19, 02-517 Warsaw, tel. 565 29 00	Embassy of Ecuador st. Rejtana 15, room 15, 02-516 Warsaw, tel. 848 72 30	Embassy of Egypt st. Alzacka 18, 02-972 Warsaw, tel. 617 69 73
Embassy of Estonia st. Karwińska 1, 02-639 Warsaw, tel. 881 18 10	Embassy of Finland st. Chopina 4/8, 00-559 Warsaw, tel. 598 95 00	Embassy of France st. Piękna 1, 00-477 Warsaw, tel. 529 30 00
Embassy of Germany st. Dąbrowiecka 30, 03-932 Warsaw, tel. 584 17 00	Embassy of Great Britain av. Róż 1, 00-556 Warsaw, tel. 311 00 00	Embassy of Greece st. Górnośląska 35, 00-432 Warsaw, tel. 622 94 60
Embassy of Hungary st. Chopina 2, 00-559 Warsaw, tel. 628 44 51	Embassy of India st. Rejtana 15 ap. 2-7, 02-516 Warsaw, tel. 849 58 00	Embassy of Indonesia st. Estońska 3/5, 03-903 Warsaw, tel. 617 51 79
Embassy of Ireland st. Mysia 5, 00-498 Warsaw, tel. 849 66 33	Embassy of Iran st. Królowej Aldony 22, 03-928 Warsaw, tel. 617 15 85	Embassy of Iraq st. Dąbrowiecka 9a, 03-932 Warsaw, tel. 617 57 73

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Embassy of Israel st. Krzywickiego 24, 02-078 Warsaw, tel. 597 05 00	Embassy of Italy st. Dabrowskiego 6, 00-055 Warsaw, tel. 826 34 71	Embassy of Japan st. Szwoleżerów 8, 00-464 Warsaw, tel. 696 50 00
Embassy of Korean Peoples Democratic Republic st. Bobrowiecka 1a, 00-728 Warsaw, tel. 840 58 13	Embassy of Latvia st. Królowej Aldony 19, 03-928 Warsaw, tel. 617 43 89	Embassy of Lithuania av. Ujazdowskie 14, 00-478 Warsaw, tel. 625 33 68
Embassy of Morocco st. Starościńska 1 ap. 11/12, 02-516 Warsaw, tel. 849 63 41	Consulate of New Zealand av. Ujazdowskie 51, 00-536 Warsaw, tel. 521 05 00	Embassy of Nigeria st. Wiertnicza 94, 02-952 Warsaw, tel. 848 69 44
Embassy of Norway st. Chopina 2a, 00-559 Warsaw, tel. 696 40 30	Embassy of Pakistan st. Starościńska 1 ap. 1/2., 02-516 Warsaw, tel. 849 48 08	Embassy of Palestine st. Starościńska 1 ap. 7, 02-516 Warsaw, tel. 848 77 72
Embassy of Portugal st. Francuska 37, 03-905 Warsaw, tel. 511 10 10	Embassy Republic of Korea st. Szwoleżerów 6, 00-464 Warsaw, tel. 559 29 00	Embassy of Romania st. Chopina 10, 00-559 Warsaw, tel. 628 31 56
Embassy of Russia st. Belwederska 49, 00-761 Warsaw, tel. 621 34 53	Embassy of Spain st. Myśliwiecka 4, 00-459 Warsaw, tel. 622 42 50	Embassy of South Africa st. Koszykowa 54, 00-675 Warsaw, tel. 625 62 28
Embassy of Slovakia st. Litewska 6, 00-581 Warsaw, tel. 525 81 10	Embassy of Switzerland av. Ujazdowskie 27, 00-540 Warsaw, tel. 628 04 81	Embassy of Sweden st. Bagatela 3, 00-585 Warsaw, tel. 640 89 00
Embassy of Thailand st. Willowa 7, 00-116 Warsaw, tel. 849 14 06	Embassy of Tunisia st. Myśliwiecka 14, 00-459 Warsaw, tel. 628 25 86	Embassy of Turkey st. Młczewskiego 32, 02-622 Warsaw, tel. 646 43 21
Embassy of Ukraine av. Szucha 7, 00-580 Warsaw, tel. 629 34 46	Embassy of USA av. Ujazdowskie 29/31, 00-540 Warsaw, tel. 504 20 00	Embassy of Venezuela st. Rejtana 15 ap. 10/11, 02-516 Warsaw, tel. 646 18 46
Embassy of Vietnam st. Resorowa 36, 02-959 Warsaw, tel. 651 60 98.	Embassy of Yemen st. Zwycięzców 36, 03-943 Warsaw, tel. 617 60 25	Embassy of Yugoslavia av. Ujazdowskie 23/25, 00-540 Warsaw, tel. 525 60 41

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Selected international cultural centres

- British Council (www.britishcouncil.pl)
- Det Danske Kultur Institut (www.dik.org.pl)
- Deutsches Historisches Institut Warschau (www.dhi.waw.pl)
- Goethe-Institut (www.goethe.de/warschau)
- Institut Français de Varsovie (www.france.org.pl/francpol/ifv.htm)
- Instituto Cervantes (www.cervantes.es)
- Instituto Italiano di Cultura di Varsovia (www.iicvarsavia.esteri.it)
- Österreich Institut Warszawa (www.oesterreichinstitut.waw.pl)



The Warsaw University of Technology

History

The Warsaw University of Technology still cultivates traditions from the first multidisciplinary university of technology which was the Preparatory School for the Institute of Technology. It was opened on 4th January 1826 and its first principal was Kajetan Garbiński, a mathematician and professor of the University of Warsaw. The man who played the most important part in creating the school and writing its syllabus was Stanisław Staszic. The Warsaw University of Technology has been functioning under its present name since 1915. It became the most important scientific centre of engineering in Poland and gained international prestige in the 1918/1919.

After the collapse of the 1831 November Uprising, Polish then Russian rulers closed the school. Even though it had been in existence for a short time, the school played an important role in the history of technology teaching in Poland. An important event in this period was the opening of Maurycy Mitte's Mechanical and Technical School in 1895, which was later run by Hipolit Wawelberg and Stanisław Rotwand. The school met high education standards and was eventually incorporated into the Warsaw University of Technology. It was not until the late 19th century that the Russian authorities founded the Warsaw University of Technology Institute named after Czar Nicholas II. The first lectures began in the autumn of 1898 in mechanical, chemical and construction engineering, but were in Russian. A year later the institute started to expand. As a result of students' demand for lectures in Polish, the Russian authorities closed the institute for four years. It reopened in the fall of 1908, but Polish students boycotted it.

With the start of World War I, the Germans allowed the school to operate as the Warsaw University of Technology with lectures held in Polish. The university then had four departments: Architecture, Machine Building and Electrical Engineering, Chemistry, and Construction and Agricultural Engineering. Since then, the university has continuously taught students despite two world wars and the German occupation of Poland.

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Over the years, the University was an important scientific centre, educating academic staff not only for its own purposes, but also for other Polish schools of technology. It is now one of the best Polish universities and the best technical university with more than 30 thousands students (before World War II there were just over 5000 students). The number of the academic staff grew significantly. In 1938, the University had 98 tenured professors and associate professors and 307 assistant professors and teaching assistants, whereas in 1948 there were 87 and 471, while now there are 2389 academic teachers: 459 titular professors, 299 associate professors (dr hab.), and 2191 other employees. The Warsaw University of Technology comprises 148 buildings that house 320 laboratories, IT facilities with 5,200 computers, and a main library with 979,045 books.

The symbol of the Warsaw University of Technology is the historical Main Building. It was the venue of many important historical events: rallies, sessions, meetings and ceremonies. Here marches and demonstrations were organized. Today, the famous University Audience Hall is a representative place for Warsaw.



Structure – About the Warsaw University of Technology

The Warsaw University of Technology consists of:

- 19 faculties
- The College of Foreign Languages
- The College of Physical Education and Sport
- The School of Social and Technical Science In Płock
 - The Faculty of Construction, Mechanical and Petrochemical Industry in Płock
 - The College of Economical and Social Science in Płock

The Authorities of the University are the Rector with the assistance of five vice-rectors. They do the best so the University could function properly. The Rector and vice-rectors represents the University and students' matters inside and outside the University, taking care about the teaching process, scientific research, social issues (dormitories, scholarships) and finances. At each faculty such matters lie in the hands of deans and vice-deans.

The Information about timetable, programme of studies dates of exams, help with all formalities concerning dormitories, scholarships, certificates and documents you need can be found in Dean's office. All offices have appointed hours of opening hours for students. Remember to check in which hours the Dean's office is open in your faculty!! Otherwise you could come to the building of your faculty and find out, that the office is closed. Also remember: even if you find the people working in the office not very friendly, don't get mad about it – everybody has a bad day from time to time. A very important thing in your contact with an office employee is a smile – it can save you a lot of time and effort and it doesn't hurt.

In the Dean's office if you are lucky, you can meet The Dean or vice-deans in person. They coordinate programs, facilities, resources and support academic mission to enhance students learning and faculty to display and better prosper. They are the people, you can ask for help

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in case of problems with your lecturer, examinations, passing some classes. They approve of the decisions of dismissing students, accept conditional registration for the next semester and allow reduction of some charges for failed classes.

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At each faculty and college there are different rules and customs. Sometimes you may feel confused and need help: you want to know how to postpone your exam, how to talk to the professor. Answers for all of the problems you can find in the Dean's office or you can ask your colleagues, particularly representatives of the Students' Union at your faculty or college (WRS). We help each other and we make the decisions together.

All the students of the Warsaw University of Technology are in the Students' Union. The members of the Students' Union are chosen once a year in elections and are the official representatives of student society at the University. They take part in discussions concerning students' rights, obligations and their life at the University.

Don't be scared to ask them for help!!

The members of the Students' Union deal with following issues:

- o Social issues, scholarships, subsistence allowances, dormitories
- o Students' cultural life (parties, concerts, going to theatres, Juvenalia and more...)
- o Sport and tourism (camps, sailing, skiing, hiking)
- o Education and teaching (students' research)
- o International issues

Thanks to the Students' Union our students were in China: they organize going skiing and sailing, conferences and trainings; they make a lot of contests of students culture; owing to them, our students are going to the opera, cinemas, theatres; they can run their own media like radio or press.

If you want to know more details about the Students' Union and its activities, visit our website: www.samorzad.pw.edu.pl

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Units of the Students Union are at every faculty and in every dormitory. The Students' Union Faculty Council (WRS) is a representative of the student society in contact with the authorities of the faculty. Members of each WRS take care of the integration of students, they organise balls for students of the first and third year, camps and many other events. They offer you a helping hand in case of any problems with your studies, teachers or adaptation. The Main Students' Council consists of 8 commissions:

- o Social Commission
- o Finance and Economy Commission
- o Commission of Didactics
- o Commission of Culture
- o Foreign Commission
- o Commission of Sport and Tourism
- o Commission of the Dormitories

Elections to the Students' Union Faculty Council are in every year in a secret ballot in which every student can give his vote.

There is a person in every WRS that is responsible for foreigners at particular faculty. If you have any problems, find the office of WRS at your faculty and contact this person – you can ask him or help for help if you need it.

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Teaching process

You may find that the methods of teaching in the Warsaw University of Technology are quite different from the methods you are used to. Example: all classes starts fifteen minutes after full hour. As there are many types of courses at different levels, the ways of teaching in WUT will vary. Here are a few general points to note.

Lectures

These are classes, usually lasting about one hour, where a lecturer (or tutor) talks about a subject and the students take notes. On some courses there can be over a hundred students on a lecture. There is usually little or no opportunity to ask questions during the lecture. Lectures are usually intended to guide you through the course material by explaining the main points of a topic, introducing new topics for further study or debate, giving the most up-to-date information that may not be included in textbooks. Our advice: Always take notes, however brief, as long as they will jog your memory later. If you have to miss a lecture, try to borrow notes from a friend, so that you don't fall behind.

In WUT lectures are not compulsory – you don't have to be in all lectures but we have advice for you: it is worth being at first lecture in the semester of all subjects. At this first meeting a lecturer is obliged to present you the curriculum of his/her subject, helping literature, regulations of lectures. The lecturer has to present you dates of consultations (tutorials).

Lecturers may give a final test, which you will have to pass to get ECTS.

Consultation (tutorials) meetings

These are meetings between a tutor and an individual student or a small group of students. Tutorials are usually intended to give you more focused guidance on a piece of work you are doing a piece of work you have already completed or solve a problem you may have with a topic or with study methods. On a consultation meeting you ask the questions – you can ask about what you didn't understand during lectures. It may be followed by test.

Seminars

They take place in smaller groups and students will discuss ideas, rather than just listen to the lecturer. The purpose of discussion is to think more widely and to understand and appreciate different viewpoints.

Try to contribute in seminars, no matter how hard you may find it.

Practical work

On many courses you will have practical workshops, e.g. laboratories or practical classes. You may work individually but more usually you will be part of a group. Practical classes

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are usually intended to give you practical experience of the theories you learn in other classes and to develop practical skills. They are connected with lecturers.

In practical classes there are regular tests to write – the number depends on a subject but usually there are 1-5 tests in a semester. It may happen that you will have to an inclusion (more than 50% out of test points) to be permitted to take an exam in a given subject in Exam Session.

In laboratories, you may be asked to write an entrance test. It is a very short way to find out, how well you are prepared for laboratories. They last usually 5-10 minutes and are corrected in a minute. It may happen, that if you do not pass an entrance test, you may be asked to leave laboratories and you will have to make them up when you pass the test.

Written work

You can be asked to prepare written work, usually through independent studies. Written work may include: essays; a project or a dissertation (a long essay based on extensive independent research, data collection or experimentation; assignment questions (e.g. a series of mathematical problems).

Written work is often assessed. It may be given to monitor your progress and identify areas for improvement or it may contribute to your overall grade for the course.



Examinations

To complete a subject and get ECTS you are required to pass all classes conducting as one subject. Each of the subjects may have several kinds of classes. A subject grade is, in this case, an outcome of individual grades, according to the rules of particular subject.

Among many subjects, which you will have to take in time of education (studies), you might come across with so-called examination subjects. Exams are a form of checking your knowledge level. Subjects finished by an exam are basic in choosing particular field of study or specialty. Passing the exam is connected with specific amount of work, good time organization (especially in session time) and willingness to systematic learning in time of a semester.

While you are passing your exams, you should remember about the right to see them after they will be corrected. You can do this only in time appointed by the lecturer.

If you have comments and doubts about how the exam was carried out or about your grade, you can apply to the dean for organizing a collective exam (in 4 days after you get a test result).

There are three exam sessions in each academic year: winter, summer and autumn. Every student has the right to take up to two exam opportunities for each examination subject. Each exam session lasts two weeks. Exams are scheduled by lecturers in the end of a semester. The timetable of exams is also available in the Dean's office and on the faculty's website. Dates of exams are usually announced two or three weeks before examinations. If you know

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them early enough, you can plan the pace of the preparations. The autumn session is usually an extension of a summer session – if you do not pass the an exam in summer, you can re-take it in autumn.



Calendar of the academic year

According to the decree of the Rector of the Warsaw University of Technology an academic year consist in:

- Two semesters: winter and summer – each with 15 weeks of educational courses,
- Practices and fieldwork,
- Holidays: winter, spring and summer

During a semester you can meet with terms like “Rector’s hours or days” and “Deans hours”. In that case, students have free time (you don’t have any classes in this particularly date). The reason why authorities make a decision like that as e.g. a special occasion in a Faculty or University life. You may also meet with term “classes for missing Friday”. It means that on this particularly day e.g. Monday, you will have classes which you usually have on Friday. It is caused by many Fridays in the year which are days off because of e.g. national holidays.

You can find calendar of the academic year 2009/2010 at:
<http://www.polibuda.info/tiki-index.php?page=Foreigners>



Student organizations (ESN, AZS) + cultural organizations (Culture at WUT)

In the campus, you will find a wide range of facilities for a rich and varied social and scientific life. Students organizations take part 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 in such organizations organize discotheques, parties, theatre performances, sport competitions, sailing or skiing camps and many other events. Sometimes they arrange courses or training periods for students.

At WUT there are a dozen of such organizations.
There are also associations that are active at particular faculties.

At the Warsaw University of Technology there are almost 100 students' scientific group. The activity of these groups is based on exploring knowledge.

In scientific groups there are people who want to explore a particular field of science. It doesn't have to be the domain of their studies. Scientific groups organize conferences, case studies and, what's the most important, they create nationwide and worldwide scientific projects.

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You can find more information about such activity in the brochure about students organizations and scientific groups that is published by the Students' Union every year.

Outside our University, you will find other organizations which provide social and cultural activities especially for international students. That is e.g.: the Erasmus Student Network.

The 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 program. Among 303 local sections in over 33 countries, there is also an ESN section at the Warsaw University of Technology, called ESN PW.

ESN PW is very young, we were established in January 2007. However, ever since we were created, we have been extremely active and put enormous efforts to make your stay in Warsaw the best time of your life. We have strong and continuous support of Students' Union and university authorities.

Nowadays, there are 20-30 ESN PW members, many of them are ex-Erasmus students. We are well aware of needs of exchange students and are always eager and willing to help. We always welcome foreign students with: cheerfulness, friendliness and helpfulness.

Remember: solving your problems is our hobby, we love it and we are the happiest people in the world if we see a smile on your face when your problem is solved. So do not hesitate even a second, just contact us when you need any help. It is always a great honor for us to help you.

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Emergency Person: on our website you can find contact details to a person you can contact in case of emergency

Here is the information about events/programs organized by ESN PW which you are most welcome to take part in:

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).

Welcome 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 you feel at home.

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Exchange Languages Program– you want to learn Polish? Fine, there are Polish students who want to learn your language. Why not to cooperate? And this is how it works, we just help you to find each other.

Erasmus Parties -each week ESN Erasmus Club organizes parties for Erasmus students from all Warsaw Universities.

Trips – you want to see interesting places in Poland, we know that. Each semester we organize trips to Kraków, Wrocław, Zakopane, Gdańsk, etc.

Sport at WUT

All students during the first 3 years of studies at WUT have to attend physical education classes. In the beginning of an academic year there are meetings in the building of the College of Physical Education and Sport (st. Waryńskiego 12A, dormitory Riviera) where students are informed about the rules of passing the classes and sport disciplines available to train. Students can choose volleyball,

basketball, swimming, gym, football, table tennis, aerobics, skiing, and many more. Sometimes the possibility to practice a particular discipline depends on the faculty. Usually a student passes the classes by presence. Some of them are chargeable.

If you like sport and You have achievement in specific sport discipline, AZS with 35 different sections is for You. Information about the meetings ,the timetable of trainings are available on their website www.azspw.pl or in the associations' office (in the building of College of Physical Education and Sport). There are also sailing organisations, for example Students' Sailing Club (SKŻ) or Wimpel.

People who like trekking may go to PTTK, Student Club of Beskidy Mountain Guides, Academic Tourist Club Maluch or organization Styki. There is more information about these organizations on the website www.polibuda.info in section 'sport i turystyka/ organizacje'.

Culture at WUT

The Students' Union of the Warsaw University of Technology tries to take care about cultural development of students. During the whole academic year we organize events which are a tradition in cultural life of Warsaw students community. That is e.g.: "otrząsiny" like "Shake it!" and "połowinki", thematic, integration and occasional events and Miss and Mister of WUT.

A great deal of these events are organized in our students clubs: "Stodoła", "Remont", "Amplitron", "Mechanik".

But clubbing is not all.

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For people with more sophisticated music taste a series of concerts of classical music is organized: "Great Music in Little Aula". More chamber music is presented in the Rector café where "Rectors Jazz" takes place. Here you can hear the best artists of Polish Jazz and entertainment music.

More at: www.rektorskajazz.pl

Of course, during the academic year not only the above mentioned events take place. Rock music, popular music or singing poetry also have many admirers at WUT. Also for them we have something special every year.

For theatre lovers we have a reach offer. The action "Student in the theatre" allows students to see the most interesting performances buying a ticket in lower price.

More at: www.polibuda.info/teatr

At the Warsaw University of Technology you can develop your artistic skills. You want to sing in a choir, to become an theatrical actor, maybe to dance? Or maybe to play some instrument?

Come forward to the Choir of WUT: www.choir.pw.edu.pl

Students Theater of WUT: www.teatr.pw.edu.pl

Song and dance Band: www.zpit.pw.edu.pl

Or to Bag Bandu The Engineers Band: www.engineersband.pl

Once a year "Grudniowy Akademicki Przegląd Artystyczny GAPA" (December Academical Artistic Meeting) is organized – it is a great opportunity to show and promote students out of WUT.

Apart from those parties, Commission of Culture organizes picnics, holiday meetings, going out to museums and the best known and the biggest event in the year – Juwenalia. It is organized by all the Universities in Warsaw and consists in the Great Parade of Students, the Main Event and a lot of accompanying events (nearly 50).



Dormitories (Accommodation) + transport

Accommodation

It is very important to find somewhere to stay when you arrive to Poland. The majority of Universities, with WUT, do guarantee international students a place in campus accommodation - dormitories. To ensure that you do not miss this opportunity, apply for accommodation as soon as you have been accepted onto your course. Make sure that you follow the correct procedures and meet deadlines.

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If you want to live in a student dormitory you need to apply for it before you come to Poland.. To apply, fill in a form

http://www.cwm.pw.edu.pl/EN/index_.phtml?item1=intstudoffice

You can find it on <http://pw.esn.pl/incoming>

print the form, sign it, scan it and send to dormitory@samorzad.pw.edu.pl.

The dormitories are managed by the International Student Office, be aware that it is a very busy office and it is a good practice to remind them about your application if you do not receive any answer within reasonable time.

Make sure you have received confirmation of your accommodation. If you are planning to arrive in Warsaw NOT during the opening hours of dormitory administration (Monday-Friday, 8am-4pm), inform about it your Mentor.

If it is your first time in Poland, a dormitory provided by the University of Technology can be the best way to settle in. It will help you to meet other students and become involved in a good social life.

The dormitories are co-educational. Often rooms are shared (the same sex only).

Our dormitories are not catered accommodation – breakfast and evening meals are not provided, You will have to prepare your own food.

Students of the University of Technology live in 12 dormitories.

Akademik, Bratniak-Muszelka, Pineska, Tulipan and Babilon form a complex of dormitories placed on Narutowicz Square (pl. Narutowicza). Students live in single, double or triple rooms (Akademik) or in segments consisting of two or three rooms (other dorms). They have a gym, swimming pool, library, TV room, ballroom and laundry available. These dormitories are easy to reach from the WUT main campus (tram routes: 15, 36, 47) and from the downtown – bus, tram and the underground station “Centrum” (tram routes: 7, 9, 25, 44, bus routes: 517, 523).

Mikrus and Riviera are located near the main campus of WUT. Although Riviera is the most expensive dormitory it presents the highest standard. Students live in two-room segments. 6 students share one bathroom, toilet and a kitchen. In Mikrus there are a lot of double and triple and a few of single rooms. All the students that live on the same floor share a bathroom, toilet and kitchen.

Students that live in Mikrus and Riviera can take advantage of a gym, ‘silent’ rooms (for studying), laundries and ballrooms. The easiest way to get to Mikrus and Riviera is by the underground or by any bus that stops at the underground station “Politechnika”.

Tatrzańska is situated farther from the Warsaw University of Technology Central Area than other dormitories, on Tatrzańska Street (st. Tatrzańska). Students live in small double rooms, and they have laundries and ballrooms available. You can get to Tatrzańska by bus (131, 359, 522 from the bus stop ‘Metro Politechnika’). You should get off at the stop ‘Stępińska’.

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Ustronie can be found on Księcia Janusza Street (Wola district). In double and triple rooms live students of the Faculty of Electronics and Information Technology. The main facilities are the tv-watching room and table-tennis room. You can get to Ustronie by bus (109 from the central train station ["Dworzec Centralny"], 171, 410 from the city centre and 523 from the 'Metro Politechnika' bus stop. You should get off at the stop 'Ciołka'.

Żaczek is located in the southern campus of the Warsaw University of Technology, among students known as 'the South'. Students of Material Engineering, Mechatronics, Faculty of Automotive and Construction Machinery Engineering and Production Engineering inhabit the dormitory. In two-room segments four people share a kitchen and a bathroom. Students have access to a library, computer room, gym, cinema room and laundry. Trams (10, 17 and 33 routes) stop by the dormitory.

It is easy to get there by bus (107, 117, 138, 192 routes) as well.

Wcześniak is a dormitory for students from the School of Social and Technical Sciences in Płock (a branch of the Warsaw University of Technology).

Every room or segment has a telephone with a separate number. All the telephone numbers are available on particular dormitory's website. To call the dormitory from WUT, you just dial the four-number extension. Otherwise you have to dial the 234 prefix before the extension.

All the dormitories have their own regulations. You must remember, that in all of them you will need a special card to enter and go to your room. It might be just your Student card or it may be a special card of inhabitant. If you want to invite someone you have to talk to Councils for the Students Halls of Residence and have their permission. Moreover, a person who will come to you has to leave document in the porter's office.

The rent for your room in a dormitory has to be paid to the 15th day every month.

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Living on Your own

Private sector accommodation options include:

Lodgings – a room in a private home where you share facilities with the family. Meals may be provided or You may have use of the kitchen.

A bedsit is a single room in which You live and sleep, usually with limited cooking facilities. Bathroom facilities are usually shared.

A studio flat is a single room with self-contained kitchen and bathroom. Bedsits and studio flats can be lonely places though, as You will be living on Your own.

One of the cheapest (and more sociable) ways of living is to share a flat or house with friends. Rent, bills and cleaning can all then be shared.

There are sources, where You can find information about lodgings for students. It is worth to read daily newspapers (like 'Gazeta Wyborcza') or try to find offers via the Internet. Here is a short list of Polish websites, where You can find some advertisements:

1) www.bank.stancji.pl - looking through and announcing offers is free of charge;

2) www.stancje.pl – looking through and announcing offers is free of charge;

You can choose any city in Poland to filter available offers; if You want to contact the author of particular advertisement You need to send an SMS to the phone number given on the website;

3) www.polibuda.info, [stancje \(www.polibuda.info/stancje.php\)](http://www.stancje.pl) – looking through and announcing offers is free of charge; usually it is possible to contact the author of a particular offer. Feel free to visit the office of the Students' Union of WUT – room 165 in the Main Building. There is a special notebook, where people looking for roommates, flatmates and students to rent their flat leave their advertisements. When You get to the office, just ask about the notebook.

Price of a flat or a room depends on its size and location. The prices vary from 300 PLN per person in districts placed far from the downtown or on the right bank of Vistula (Tarchomin, Żoliborz, Ochota, Praga) to 500- 700 PLN per person near the city centre. Remember: it is possible to negotiate the price with the owner of the flat and maybe pay less than it was given in an advertisement.

Libraries

The Main Library of the University of Technology with Faculty Libraries and Libraries of Dormitories create a library-information system of WUT. It makes it easier for students to access to national and international resources of science and teaching information by modern tools.

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WUT libraries provide the academic community with teaching, learning and research support. The libraries hold: 1,500,000 volumes of print books and journals, over 18,000 electronic: journals, reference materials, e-books, databases. They also offer: document delivery services, contacts and help, information literacy support and more.

- Lending Library for Employees, room 69; wypnauk@bg.pw.edu.pl
- Lending Library (for employees and PhD students), room 69; wypmb@bg.pw.edu.pl
- Lending Library for Students, room 71
- Lending Library for Students with free access to the book collection, room 71a
- Xerox-copier, room 161 A; kserobg@bg.pw.edu.pl
- Centre of Scientific Information, room 161 B and C; oin@bg.pw.edu.pl
- Scientific and Technical Information Network – STN International, room 161 D; stn@bg.pw.edu.pl
- Catalogue room (training room), room 162 A
- Reading Room of Periodicals, room 242; oddzczas@bg.pw.edu.pl
- Entresol, room 243; antresola@bg.pw.edu.pl
- General Reading Room, room 336; czytelnia@bg.pw.edu.pl

Branches of Main Library and libraries of dormitories:

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- II floor, room 206, 216; tel. 234-82-29, 849-93-50; e-mail: filiabg@bg.pw.edu.pl
- Library at the Faculty of Chemistry
- st. Noakowskiego 3; e-mail: bwch@ch.pw.edu.pl
- Library at the School of Social and Technical Sciences in Płock
- st. Łukasiewicza 17; 09-400 Płock; tel. (0-24) 367-21-22
- Library in the dormitory Akademik
- st. Akademicka 5, room 294; tel. 234-44-24
- Library in the dormitory Babilon
- st. Kopińska 12/16; tel. 234-40-05
- Library in the dormitory Żaczek
- st. Wołoska 141a; tel. 234-87-51

Apart from the branches listed above, there are libraries and reading rooms at each faculty and institute.

To borrow a book in the Students' Library you have to make an order. On-line catalogue with the possibility to order books with your library account is located at the address:

www.bg.pw.edu.pl

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Scholarships

Foreign students who are citizens of the European Union countries or citizens of EFTA countries can apply for following scholarships:

- 1) scientific scholarship (for excellent results during studies);
- 2) scholarship for excellent sport results;
- 3) scholarships for disabled students.

Students from EU or EFTA countries have the same rights to apply for scholarships listed above as Polish students.

Foreign students who are not citizens of the European Union countries or citizens of EFTA countries cannot apply for the scholarships listed above. Nevertheless, they can apply for the Rector's prize for excellent results in studies or sport. Foreign students are not entitled to obtain social scholarship and subsistence allowance.

To obtain a scholarship first visit the website www.polibuda.info/stypendia, download the application form and fill it in. The filled form should be submitted to the Dean's Office at the beginning of the academic year. Remember: some faculties do not require the procedure of applying for the scientific scholarships. Nevertheless, to obtain the scholarship you need to be registered as a student of a particular faculty. Every student who does not receive a scholarship can appeal to a special commission. The commission can change the decision of the Dean's Office. You can get all the necessary information in the Dean's Office or Student' Union Faculty Council (WRS) at your faculty.

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Dictionary

SURVIVAL POLISH

Most Polish consonants are pronounced as in English but not all. Frankly, the Polish language is difficult to pronounce. Here are some approximations of the correct pronunciation of some letters, including letters used only in the Polish language, good luck, you will need it....:

c	as the 'ts' in 'its'
ch	as the 'ch' in scottish 'loch'
cz	as the 'ch' in 'church'
ć	similar to c
dz	as the 'ds' in 'adds'up'
dź	similar to dz
dż	as the 'j' in 'jam'
g	as in 'get'
h	as the 'ch' in scottish 'loch'
j	as the 'y' in 'yet'
ł	as the 'w' in 'wine'
ń	as the 'ni' in 'onion'
r	always trilled
rz	as the 's' in 'pleasure'
s	as in 'set'
sz	as the 'sh' in 'show'
ś	as soft 'sh' sound, similar to sz;
w	'v' in 'van'
ż	as the 's' in 'pleasure'
ź	as the 's' in 'pleasure'
szcz	as 'shch' in fresh cheese'

English	Polish
Yes	Tak
No	Nie
Thank you	Dziękuję
You are welcome	Nie ma za co
Please	Proszę
I am sorry	Przepraszam
Excuse me	Przepraszam
Hi	Cześć
Hello	Dzień dobry
Goodbye	Do widzenia
Bye-bye	Cześć
So long	Na razie
Good morning	Dzień dobry
Good afternoon	Dzień dobry
Good evening	Dobry wieczór
Good night	Dobranoc
I do not understand	Nie rozumiem
How do you say this in [Polish] ?	Jak się mówi po [polsku]?
Do you speak...	Czy mówisz
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French	po francusku
German	po niemiecku

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Spanish	po hiszpańsku
Chinese	po chińsku
Please, say that again	Powtórz, proszę
What does this mean?	Co to znaczy?
I	Ja
We	My
You (singular)	Ty
You (singular,official)	Pan (m), Pani (f)
You (plural)	Wy
They	Oni
What is your name?	Jak masz na imię
Nice to meet you.	Miło mi cię poznać
How are you?	Jak się masz
Good	Dobrze
Bad	Źle
So so	Tak sobie
Wife	Żona
Husband	Mąż
Daughter	Córka
Son	Syn
Mother	Mama
Father	Tata
Friend	Przyjaciół (m), Przyjaciółka (f)
A little	Trochę
A lot	Dużo
All	Wszystko
How much does it cost?	Ile to kosztuje?
What is this?	Co to jest?
I will buy it.	Kupię to
I would like to buy...	Chce kupić..
Do you have....?	Czy jest...
Do you accept credit cards?	Czy uznajecie karty kredytowe
Open	Otwarte
Closed	Zamknięte
Postcard	Pocztówka
Stamp	Znaczek pocztowy
Breakfast	Śniadanie
Lunch (morning)	Drugie śniadanie
Lunch (about 15:00)	Obiad
Dinner (in the evening)	Kolacja
Vegetarian	Wegetarianin
Cheers!!	Na zdrowie!
Please bring the bill	Rachunek proszę
I am hungry	Jestem głodny (m), Jestem głodna (f)
I am thirsty	Chce mi się pić
Bread	Chleb
Coffee	Kawa
Tea	Herbata
Juice	Sok
Water	Woda
Wine	Wino
Salt	Sól
Sugar	Cukier
Pepper	Pieprz
Meat	Mięso
Beef	Wołowina
Pork	Wieprzowina

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Fish	Ryby
Poultry	Drób
Vegetable	Warzywa
Fruit	Owoce
Potato	Ziemniak
Salad	Surówka
Dessert	Deser
Ice cream	Lody
Day	Dzień
Night	Noc
Week	Tydzień
Month	Miesiąc
Year	Rok
Monday	Poniedziałek
Tuesday	Wtorek
Wednesday	Środa
Thursday	Czwartek
Friday	Piątek
Saturday	Sobota
Sunday	Niedziela
Today	Dzisiaj
Yesterday	Wczoraj
Tomorrow	Jutro
Dormitory	Akademik
Studies	Studia
Lecture	Wykład
Laboratory	Laboratorium
Classes / Practical Lecture	Ćwiczenia
Notes	Notatki
Grade	Ocena / stopień
Credit	Zaliczenie
Exam	Egzamin
End-of-term exams	Sesja

These are the words that you will find useful to be able to read, for example trying to find Lady's toilet it's good to know that you are looking for doors with "WC O" or "WC Damska"...

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND NAME OF PLACES AT DORMITORY

Bed sheet change	Wymiana pościeli
Laundry	Pralnia
Kitchen	Kuchnia
Dormitory administration office	Administracja

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PLACES AT UNIVERSITY

Dean's office	Dziekanat
Toilet	WC
Lady's toilet	O / Damska
Man's toilet	Δ / Męski
Printing / photo copying room	Drukowanie / Xero
Faculty Student's Union	pokój
Main Building (of WUT)	WRS (Wydziałowa Rada Samorządowa)
Faculty	Gmach Główny Politechniki Warszawskiej
Entrance	Wydział
Exit	Wejście
	Wyjście

If you happen to use a computer at the university or in the Internet café, there is a very high probability you will need to operate it in Polish, the following is a bit of useful Polish cyberspeak (notice that the short cuts are the same as in the English language systems, ex copy=ctrl + c,etc):

Bookmark	Zakładka
Close	Zamknij
Copy	Wklej
Cut	Wytnij
Delete	Usuń
Edit	Edycja
Exit	Zakończ
File	Plik
Help	Pomoc
Insert	Wstaw
New	Nowy
Open	Otwórz
Paste	Wklej
Print	Drukuj
Save	Zapisz
Save As	Zapisz jako
Search	Szukaj
View	Widok

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