

NICOLAUS COPERNICUS UNIVERSITY IN TORUN (POLAND)

INFORMATION SHEET

Institution

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Admissions Information

Nomination deadlines	Winter term: 15th Feb Summer term: 30th Sep
Application deadlines	Winter semester: 15th Feb Summer semester: 30th Sep
Application documents	Exchange application form (available IRK system on our website) Attachements that must be uploaded to IRK system: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motivation letter • Photo • Scan of passport • Health certificate

Academic Information

Academic calendar	<p>In general</p> <p>Winter semester: from October to mid-February</p> <p>Summer semester: from mid-February until the end of June</p>									
Winter Term 2017/2018	1 st Oct 2017 – 25 th Feb 2018									
Summer Term 2017/2018	26 th Feb 2018 – 30 th Sep 2018									
Structure of studies	<p>First-cycle studies are dedicated for those who complete secondary school and want to obtain Bachelor's degree. Duration is 3 to 3,5 years.</p> <p>Second-cycle studies are dedicated to Bachelor's degree holders. Duration is 1,5 to 2 years.</p> <p>In the some fields of study there are long-cycle studies (e.g. Medicine, Law, Art conservation and restoration), which duration is 6 years. Completing this cycle students obtain Master's degree and it is equal in terms of qualification the Master's degree at the second-cycle studies.</p> <p>Third-cycle studies (PhD studies) are designed for those who are interested in research and science. Duration is 4 years.</p>									
ECTS Credits	<p>Nicolaus Copernicus University follows ECTS scheme (European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System), which means that ECTS credits are allocated to course units, lectures, practical works, etc. at each faculty.</p> <p>To complete successfully year of study, students are obliged to collect 60 ECTS credits (30 credits per semester).</p>									
Grading scale	<p>The Polish grading system in higher education is based on the 5 to 2 scale, where 5 is the best mark and 2 is the worst.</p> <p>Moreover, students can also be marked with additional signs of + and -. Each of them equals half a point: + means 0.5 more. Some courses, however, are not evaluated on such a marking scheme and for these a student may simply obtain <i>zal.</i> or <i>zaliczenie</i> which means that their workload was satisfactory and they have passed the course.</p> <table><tr><th>Local grade</th><th>ECTS grade</th><th>Local definition</th></tr><tr><td>5</td><td>A</td><td>Very good (<i>bardzo dobry</i>)</td></tr><tr><td>4+</td><td>B</td><td>Better than good</td></tr></table>	Local grade	ECTS grade	Local definition	5	A	Very good (<i>bardzo dobry</i>)	4+	B	Better than good
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Degree programmes	<p>Full list of degree programmes offered in Polish language is available on our website http://www.umk.pl/kandydaci/kierunki/</p> <p>Full list of degree programmes offered in English language is available on our website http://www.umk.pl/en/admissions/in_english/</p>															
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Classes Registration	Students has to register for classes upon arrival. Support is provided by the Dean’s Office.															
Language Requirements	<p>The lectures at NCU are held mainly in Polish, except for the Faculty of Languages, where courses are taught in the target languages respectively (English, French, German and Russian etc.).</p> <p>Polish language requirements: B1 English language requirements: B2</p>															
Polish language courses	<p>The Centre of Polish Language and Culture for Foreigners organize one-year courses and summer courses of the Polish language, designed for foreigners and persons of Polish origin, currently living abroad. The classes are taught by professional Polish teachers who have great experience in teaching Polish as a foreign language in multi-national and multi-cultural groups.</p> <p>More information http://www.umk.pl/en/university/learning-polish/</p>															

Pre Departure

Accommodation	NCU provide accommodation to all foreign students. We offer double, triple rooms. Depending on standard monthly accommodation cost may vary between 290-350 Polish zloty, around 60-80 EUR.
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	<p>Useful information http://www.umk.pl/en/accomodation/students_houses/</p> <p>If needed NCU can support exchange students in searching for accommodation outside the campus.</p>
Visa Application	NCU supports applicants by issuing acceptance letters, accommodation and payment proof.
Insurance	<p>An individual legally residing in Poland and who is not subject to the mandatory health insurance requirement can voluntarily purchase healthcare insurance. In order to do so, the individual must apply to the appropriate voivodeship NFZ branch competent for his place of residence.</p> <p>Please find contact details below http://nfz-bydgoszcz.pl/artykuly/19/torun-telefony-szczegolowe</p> <p>After signing a contract with the NFZ, the applicant has to fill out and submit the ZUS ZZA form at an appropriate Social Security Institution (ZUS) branch or inspectorate</p> <p>Please find contact details below http://www.zus.pl/o-zus/kontakt/centrum-obslugi-telefonicznej-cot-</p> <p>A foreigner may also take out voluntary insurance in another insurance company, for example the PZU company offers insurance "Wojażer" (Voyager) for foreigners coming to Poland for a holiday, to study or work.</p>
Estimated Living Expenses	<p>Accommodation on campus (Electricity, Gas, Water included) 60-80 EUR/month</p> <p>Books 100 EUR/year</p> <p>Board, living expenses in Torun (dependent on individual needs) from 150 EUR/month</p> <p>Transportation 15 EUR/month</p> <p>Entertainment, other (dependent on individual needs) from 50 EUR/month</p> <p>Total approximately 320-500 EUR</p>

Arrival

How to get to NCU?	Detailed information is available on our webpage http://www.umk.pl/en/contact/tips/ Airport pick-up service is not available.
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Student Support Services

Advising and Counseling for International Students	Counseling for international students is offered by International Cooperation Office. That includes academic matters, intercultural issues, accommodation issues. Advising is also offered by the Dean's offices.
Career Support	The Careers Service helps students and graduates of UMK to choose their careers and to facilitate finding employment, which corresponds to their qualifications and ambitions. The Careers Service deals with vocational counselling, collects job, internship, placement and voluntary activities offers as well as collects and provides information about professions, employers and situation on the labour market. More information https://www.biurokarier.umk.pl/eng
Disabled Student Support	All buildings located on campus are equipped with necessary facilities for disabled including parking spaces, lifts and wheelchair ramps.
Physical Health Consultations	All students living on campus can use Medical Centre (Akademicka Przychodnia Lekarska) located close to dormitories. Centre does not provide first aid treatment, however it offers health consultations with access to several medical specialists.