

Partner Information 2012/13

Name of Institution: **University of Warmia and Mazury in Olsztyn**

Country: **Poland**

Unique aspects of the university (brief summary)

The University of Warmia and Mazury (UWM) was founded on 1st of September 1999, after merging three educational institutions: the fifty-year-old Academy of Agriculture and Technology, the thirty-year-old Pedagogy College and the 450-year-old Warmian Theological Institute.

Its sixteen faculties educate over 34,000 students: 24,000 daytime, 10,000 weekend, 350 doctoral and 4000 post-graduate. We provide our students with the opportunity to attain a comprehensive education in a wide range of studies: humanities, pedagogy, theology, fine arts, law, veterinary medicine, agriculture, engineering, biology, economics, mathematics and, since the academic year of 2008/2009, medicine. Students may choose from 49 academic majors and three interdisciplinary studies. Later on they may pursue doctoral studies in fifteen academic fields as well as 130 forms of post-graduate studies.

UWM does not only offer quality education but is also a dynamic centre of culture and sports. There are many cultural organizations at the university including its choir, the Kortowo Folklore Song and Dance Troupe, the Cezar Student Theatre Group, the Skorpen Academic Scuba-Diving Club and the Jamnik Student Photography Club. University students' sporting achievements are also worth noticing. Our male volleyball team AZS UWM Olsztyn has won numerous times the Polish Championship or been in either second or third place. Our students have also occupied the highest positions in other disciplines such as taekwondo, sailing and athletics.

The majority of the academic buildings and student residence buildings are located on the Kortowo campus. It is the most beautiful university campus in Poland and one of the most beautiful in Europe. Students here have everything they need for life: teaching buildings, laboratories, and laboratories for research, sports fields and recreation areas, dormitories, shops, services, student clubs, parks, greenery and space. Kortowo occupies an area of 161 hectares. It is situated on the side of Olsztyn and is surrounded by forest and 95 acres of Kortowskie Lake belonging to the University. You can find beach and marina with floating equipment rental.

Semester Dates

Semester 1, 2012/13 Academic Year (For some countries Semester 2, 2012)

Preferred arrival date	25 th of September
Orientation date	To be named
Classes start	01.10.2012
Break (from – to)	22.12.2012-02.012013
Exams start and finish	28.01-09.02.2013
Departure date	Approximate: 22.02.2012

Semester Dates**Semester 2, 2012/13 Academic Year
(For some countries Semester 1, 2013)**

Preferred arrival date	Latest 5 days before classes start
Orientation date	14-15.02.2013
Classes start	18.02.2013
Break (from – to)	29.03-02.04.2013
Exams start and finish	10.06-22.06.2013
Departure date	Approximate: 25.06.2012

Admissions

Application deadlines	Winter semester: 15.06.2012 Summer semester: 30.11.2012
Application web link	www.uwm.edu.pl/bwz (English version - Erasmus LLP – How to apply?)

Finance

Tuition Fee	none
Average cost of living per month (e.g. room, food, entertainment, books etc)	400 EUR

Accommodation

Type of student housing available	Student's House (from double to quadruple room)
Accommodation cost estimate	From 290 PLN to 420 PLN http://www.zak.olsztyn.pl/akademiki.htm
Accommodation application deadline	Winter semester: 15.06.2012 Summer semester: 30.11.2012

Academic

University academic strengths	The Minister of Science and Higher Education approved the university's categorization of scientific units. The first category according to the parametric evaluation of the Committee on Research for the Development of Science includes the faculties of Food Sciences, Veterinary Medicine, Environmental Management and Agriculture, Environmental Protection and Fisheries, Animal Bioengineering, Humanities and Theology. The second category includes the faculties of Biology and Biotechnology, Geodesy and Land Management, Mathematics and Computer Science, Social Sciences and Medicine Science. The third category includes the faculties of Economics as well as Law and Administration. The Faculty of Technical Sciences was qualified as the fourth category.
Website link to find classes online	http://www.uwm.edu.pl/en/arttykul/106/general-information.html

Grading system	ECTS grades	Local grades
	A	5 (excellent with honours)
	B	4,5 (very good)
	C	4 (good)
	D	3,5 (pass)
	E	3 (pass)
	F	2 (fail)
	FX	2 (fail)
Credits in ECTS	One course = depending on the subject (contact Faculty's Coordinator)	

Student Services – web links

Student Support services	http://www.uwm.edu.pl/swfis/
Accommodation	http://www.zak.olsztyn.pl/akademiki.htm
Library	http://bg.uwm.edu.pl/
Sports Facilities	http://www.uwm.edu.pl/swfis/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=2&Itemid=3
Transportation	http://www.mpkolsztyn.pl/site/index.php/ http://zkm.olsztyn.eu/korzystanie-z-transportu-miejskiego/rozklad-jazdy (city bus schedule)
Erasmus Student Network	http://www.uwm.esn.pl/

Other

Websites for further local information about the city/town university area	http://www.olsztyn.eu/
Distance from the nearest major city	169 km to Gdańsk 220 km Warszawa 172 km Toruń 351 km Poznań
3 unique aspects about city	1. Situated on a picturesque and unique landscape (surrounded by 11 lakes, woods, etc.) 2. Friendly environment 3. Wide range of studies and many sport and cultural organizations

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