



studying in ... Latvia

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Higher education



Degrees

The Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) in Latvia are divided into two main groups: 16 state established and 8 private institutions.

There are academic and professional higher education programmes.

- Academic higher education programmes are more focused on theory and scientific research in the chosen field and provide less practical training.
- Professional study programmes are more practical, focused on the skills necessary for the profession at the highest level. Professional study programmes include a mandatory practical placement period.

The institutions conduct first-cycle studies (short cycle and Bachelor's degree), second-cycle studies (Master's degree), third cycle studies (Doctor's degree) and long-cycle studies (medicine, dentistry and veterinary).

1st cycle

- Professional higher education programmes, also known as college education (2-3 years)
- Bachelor's degree (3-4 years)

2nd cycle

- Master's degree (2 years)
- Long cycle degrees: Medicine, dentistry and veterinary (5-6 years)

3rd cycle

- Doctor's degree (2-3 years)



Certain higher education degrees from the Baltic countries (Latvia, Lithuania, Estonia) are automatically recognised in Luxembourg and do not require registration in the register of formal higher education qualifications!



Contact us to ensure that the higher education qualification you are aiming for is recognised!

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Application

Main requirements

Usually, a secondary school leaving certificate is required to apply for a bachelor's degree. All students applying for studies in Latvia need to demonstrate sufficient study language proficiency* (equal to or higher than B2 in Latvian or English, depending on the programme).

i *Applicants who completed their secondary education in the EU, EEA or Switzerland and where the issued diploma includes an assessment of proficiency in the study language do not require further proof of language skills to apply to study programmes.

Additional requirements

Higher education institutions can set other entry regulations according to the chosen study programme.

These requirements can include:

- assessment of previous marks,
- exams and tests in specific subjects,
- online interviews.

i Check out the entrance regulations on the website of each university.

Application deadlines

The application deadlines depend on the specific intake:

- Autumn semester deadlines:
 - EU students: beginning of July
 - Non-EU students: beginning of June
- Spring semester deadlines:
 - EU students: beginning of December
 - Non-EU students: mid-October or beginning of November

i Application deadlines vary by university check the specific deadline on the website of each institution!

Enrolment procedure

Students apply directly at the university's international admissions office. A non-refundable application fee needs to be paid depending on the university.

i You can find an application guide on the Study in Latvia website: www.studyinlatvia.lv/admission/application-guide

Visa and residence permit

EU, EEA and Swiss citizens need to register with the Office of Citizenship and Migration Affairs (OCMA) if the intended period of residence exceeds one year:

<https://www.pmlp.gov.lv/en>



Student life

Check out the “Moving to Latvia” section on the website mengstudien.lu for information about student life:

- housing
- student jobs
- social security
- internships



Tuition fees

- 1.600 € - 15.000 € per year depending on the institution
- Up to 25.600 € for executive business programmes

<https://www.studyinlatvia.lv/admission/fees-costs/tuition-fees>



Financial aid

AideFi

Benefit from financial aid from the Luxembourg government - AideFi.

It consists of several cumulative grants and a student loan and is awarded in two half-yearly instalments per academic year.



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You can find more information about state financial aid and other grants on the website mengstudien.lu.





Find your study programme

Study in Latvia www.studyinlatvia.lv/studies



Useful links



Any questions?

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