



## Student Exchange Programme Fact Sheet 2026/2027

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<b>Application process</b>	<p><b>1.</b> Nomination letter by Home University - signed by the Erasmus+ coordinator and stamped (where relevant). The nomination letter should contain the candidate full name and surname, gender, valid e-mail address, the requested period of study (autumn/spring semester, whole academic year), year and level of study. The nomination should be sent to <a href="mailto:m_panayotova@mgu.bg">m_panayotova@mgu.bg</a> with a copy to <a href="mailto:erasmus@mgu.bg">erasmus@mgu.bg</a></p> <p><b>2.</b> After receiving the nomination, the UMG coordinator will send an e-mail to the student with information about the needed documents. In general, the following documents will be requested:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Student application form</li> <li>- Course list or (<i>preferable</i>) a draft of the Learning agreement form where data about the student, sending organization and "before the mobility part" are filled in.</li> <li>- Passport-sized photograph (pdf) - 2 pieces</li> <li>- A copy of the passport photo page</li> <li>- Proof of English language proficiency or a document for the level of knowledge of Bulgarian</li> <li>- Student accommodation form - if accommodation at the UMG dormitories is required.</li> </ul> <p><b>3.</b> A copy of the learning agreement will be sent to the student and her/his institutional coordinator when it is approved and signed by the UMG. The electronic system of EWP for LA signing will be used as well as paper copies.</p>
<b>Application deadlines</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Full year / Winter semester: <b>31<sup>st</sup> May 2026</b></li> <li>• Spring semester: <b>30<sup>th</sup> November 2026</b></li> </ul>
<b>Academic Calendar 2026/27</b>	<p><b>First semester:</b></p> <p>Academic period: From September 8<sup>th</sup> to December 18<sup>th</sup></p> <p>First semester exams: From January 4<sup>th</sup> to January 24<sup>th</sup></p> <p>Christmas vacation: From December 21<sup>st</sup> 2026 to January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2027</p>

	<b>Second semester:</b> Academic period: From January 26 <sup>th</sup> to May 7 <sup>th</sup> Second semester exams: From May 10 <sup>th</sup> to May 30 Easter vacation: From April 30 <sup>th</sup> to May 3 <sup>rd</sup> Correctional session: From May 31 <sup>rd</sup> to June 6 <sup>th</sup> <b>Orientation week</b> - a week before the corresponding semester
<b>ISCED fields of education and training</b>	0413 Management and administration 0532 Earth sciences 061 Information and Communication Technologies (ICTs) 0712 Environmental protection technology 0713 Electricity and energy 0714 Electronics and automation 0715 Mechanics and metal trades 0724 Mining and extraction 0731 Architecture and town planning 1022 Occupational health and safety
<b>Course Catalogue, including detailed grading system</b>	Course catalogue can be downloaded from the site <a href="https://mgu.bg/wp-content/uploads/2026/02/Catalogue-UMG-2026-2027.pdf">https://mgu.bg/wp-content/uploads/2026/02/Catalogue-UMG-2026-2027.pdf</a> Grading system in brief: Bulgarian Scale:                      ECTS grading scale: EXCELLENT (5.50 - 6.00)      A90 - A100 VERY GOOD (4.50 - 5.49)      B70 - A90 GOOD (3.50 - 4.49)              C50 - B70 FAIR (3.00 - 3.50)                E 40 - C50 FAIL (2.00)                              < E 40
<b>Language of Instruction</b>	Bulgarian; English for the courses, Master and PhD programs described in the Catalogue; Level of B2 or above according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages
<b>Transcript of Records</b>	Students will receive their transcript of records after the end of their exchange from the UMG Erasmus+ coordinator
<b>Health Insurance</b>	Students are not insured by UMG. Erasmus students must have the European Health Card. We recommend that students have arranged suitable health and travel insurance before arriving in Bulgaria.
<b>Students hostel</b>	Students can apply for double occupancy suite.
<b>Services available to exchange students</b>	- Library, laboratories, etc. - every facility available for Bulgarian students - Social media forums for students - Possibility for issuing a semester ticket for public transportation - Social activities, e.g. get-togethers and trips, sport facilities at request
<b>Visa requirements and residence permits</b>	Citizens from European member states may enter in Bulgaria with a valid passport or identity card. Citizens from non-EU countries will need to enquire before departure at the Bulgarian embassy or consulate in their countries whether they need a visa to enter Bulgaria.
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