

ŠIBENIK UNIVERSITY OF APPLIED SCIENCES

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT GUIDE



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Welcome to the Šibenik University of Applied Sciences

Welcome! If you are an Erasmus student, here you will find useful information for planning your stay. Please contact us if you have additional questions.



18 YEARS

5500 STUDENTS OVERALL

1100 ACTIVE STUDENTS

50 FACULTY MEMEBERS



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www.sibenik-tourism.hr



ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY

The Šibenik University of Applied sciences is the right choice for quality studying. Until now, over 2000 students have successfully finished our study programmes.

The University organizes and performs undergraduate and graduate professional studies in the area of social and technical sciences:

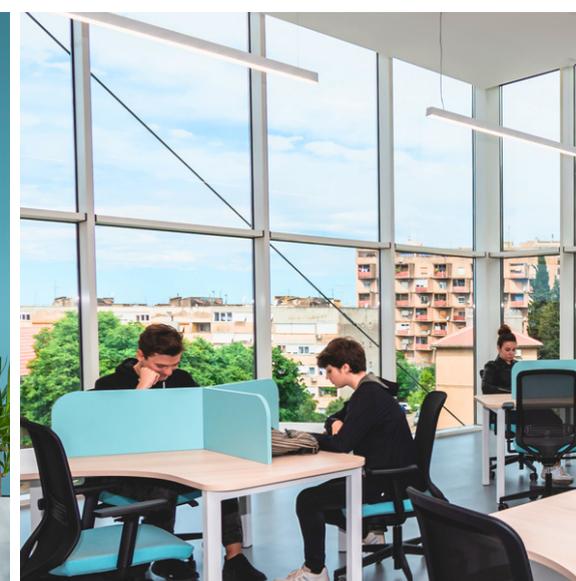
UNDERGRADUATE:

- Administrative law
- Traffic
- Business Informatics
- Tourism management
- Nursing

GRADUATE:

- Administrative law
- Management

Lectures at our studies are held according to standards of Bologna in technically equipped lecture rooms and will provide students with the necessary skills and knowledge to find employment. Students will be able to learn to think critically, communicate successfully, make decisions, run businesses efficiently and manage development of local and national community. Beside classical lectures and e-learning, students actively participate in fieldwork, study tours, projects and team work. With mentors` supervision and help, students are actively involved into writing scientific papers and participation at scientific and professional conferences. The Polytechnic institutionally provides practice in local partner institutions of administration and self-government and economic subjects in the county as well as mobility programmes within ERASMUS+ and CEEPUS.



Virtual walk

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STRUCTURE OF THE UNIVERSITY

Šibenik University of Applied Sciences is a Higher Education Institution established by the Resolution of the Croatian government in 2006. The University is an independent higher education institution headed by a Dean and a team of three Vice Deans. Each of the latter is responsible for a different area of institutions life such as student’s issues and management. Professors appointed as heads of the study year assist students with various issues.

Students have access to the best standards of studying ranging from students` dormitory, library to the new restaurant, psychological and career development counselling. Furthermore, they can participate in sport activities and competitions in the country and worldwide. It is especially important to stress that they can participate in the work of all bodies and committees of the University through the Student union.

These are the competences that students are expected to have after successfully finishing their studies at the University:

UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES:

TOURISM MANAGEMENT

During the studies students acquire the knowledge, skills and competences related to the management of small and medium-sized enterprises, strategic planning and destination management, management of hotels, resorts, travel agencies, development and implementation of marketing strategies, financial and accounting management, the introduction of international quality standards, positioning the company or tourist entity on the market, human resources management. Students will be able to perform everything mentioned in a responsible manner, taking into account the environment in which the company exists through legitimate businesses and respect for human rights.

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW

Students will be trained to work in public administration with the usage of modern administrative knowledge and skills that provide highly educated staff in bodies of state and local administration and public services. This department's program provides essential administrative education for managing complex legal issues in both private and public spheres. It educates experts in public administration at the baccalaureate level.

TRAFFIC

The programme of undergraduate study in Traffic is oriented towards professional requests of engineers in traffic. The study offers technical, technological and organizational education necessary for conducting traffic processes, management of equipment and materials, practical application of modern technologies in the organization of transport with the aim of reaching optimal technical, technological and economical effects with protection of environment. The basic aim of education is to define and analyze theoretical, technical, technological and practical solutions of contemporary transport technologies and systems, logistics of optimal solutions in traffic processes which consequently all make a base for successful realization of traffic processes.

NURSING

Upon completing the this program, graduates will be proficient in implementing nursing practice based on a solid foundation in anatomy, physiology, biology, and other biomedical fields. They will adeptly apply professional, ethical, and legislative regulations while embracing holistic care principles. Graduates will excel in assessing patients holistically, collecting and interpreting data, and formulating nursing diagnoses. Their competencies include planning, applying, and evaluating individualized health care collaboratively with patients, families, and healthcare professionals. Graduates will contribute to health promotion, possess critical judgment skills for evidence-based practice, and effectively utilize communication and modern technology in healthcare contexts. Furthermore, graduates will actively participate in projects aimed at improving nursing practice standards, demonstrating leadership in education and resource management within the dynamic healthcare environment.

BUSINESS INFORMATICS

The Professional Business Informatics program is designed to prepare students for managerial roles in IT business systems over six semesters. Graduates acquire a diverse skill set, including problem-solving, critical thinking, and proficiency in oral and written business communication. Specific competences focus on departmental and process management, IT project management, database design, and effective communication using information technology. These competences, combined with a consideration of human, financial, legal, and technological factors, prepare graduates for successful professional tasks in the dynamic field of business informatics.

ISVU

ISVU is the information system for all higher education institutions in Croatia. You will need it when applying for exams. The instructions for you will be provided at the University.

www.isvu.hr





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GRADUATE STUDIES:

MANAGEMENT

The Graduate Study Programme in Management cultivates skilled managers for diverse business systems. Competences encompass problem-solving, analytical thinking, independent learning, teamwork, and effective communication. Specific skills include departmental management, strategic planning, marketing, financial analysis, risk management, and legal considerations within a dynamic economic and technological framework. The program's outcomes cover leadership, research, probabilistic models, business strategy, conflict resolution, economic interpretation, legal application, and investment project assessment, along with proficiency in simulation software, market research, and financial markets navigation.

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW

The aim of this study program is to qualitatively improve public administration experts and public sector professionals in general by introducing new additional knowledge and skills through specialization. The foundation of modern public administration is a well-educated and competent personnel. It is therefore necessary to approach

education of those whose degree of education, but also competences that arise from it will meet the needs and public administration tasks in Croatia.

With the completion of the specialist graduate study program Administrative Law, undergraduate students acquire basic theoretical, methodological and applicative knowledge in the field of law, branch of administrative law as well as in the field of economics, information technology, communication sciences, ethics and foreign languages. Students will also build competences of independent management, performing entrusted tasks and critical review of their work.



It is the website where you will see your subjects, plan your timetable, follow instructions from your professors and have all information for student card, leisure, Student restaurant and more. The instructions for you will be provided at the University.

www.vus.hr





LANGUAGE POLICY

Minimum academic and language qualification of exchange students:

Students must have completed at least 1 year of academic study or be in the 3rd semester as Bachelor students. The required level of English Language Proficiency is B1 level of CEFR (Common European Framework of Reference). All kinds of language certificates are accepted. If you do not have a certificate, testing will be organized at our institution at the beginning of a semester.

English courses

The University predominantly has lectures in Croatian language. For the purposes of the incoming international mobilities we can offer study programmes taught in English.

For information on the ECTS value please contact the ERASMUS coordinator.

 **ALL ENGLISH COURSES ARE AVAILABLE HERE:** 



Support

The University arranges full mentoring and peer support for incoming students who will be contacted personally by the ECTS and Erasmus coordinators prior to their arrival in Croatia.

They will be guided during the application procedures at the University and in other arrangements that are helpful in their preparations (applying for visas, responding to official bodies for their residence registration, accommodation facilities, etc.).

Each student will be appointed to a teacher mentor who will be responsible for supporting and evaluating academic achievements of a student. One person from our staff will be responsible for dealing with requirements of international students.



REGULATING YOUR STAY IN CROATIA

If you have come from abroad for the purpose of study, you should first request a personal tax number (OIB) at the Central Tax Administration (Porezna uprava). This number will be issued immediately and it is free of charge.

You only have to bring your passport and the form available on this [link](#). Don't worry, in this process you will be helped and guided by the institution's coordinator.



APPLICATION FOR THE DETERMINATION AND ASSIGNMENT OF THE PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (OIB)



www.porezna-uprava.hr/en



INFORMATION ON THE VISA SYSTEM IN CROATIA

EU citizens

non-EU citizens

MOBILITY PERIOD SHORTER THAN 90 DAYS

Since Croatian accession to the European Union, EU citizens are no longer obliged either to apply for the approval for temporary stay or to register their address if they are staying in the Republic of Croatia shorter than 90 days.

Upon your arrival in Croatia, within 48 hours you have to register your address in Croatia at the Foreigners' Office of the relevant Police Administration Office (Odsjek za strance, Policijska uprava). For scholarship holders who are staying at student dormitories (or hotels) the address is automatically registered.

MOBILITY PERIOD LONGER THAN 90 DAYS

EU citizens who plan to study in the Republic of Croatia for more than 90 days are obliged to apply for the registration of temporary stay for the purpose of studies (Prijava privremenog boravka za državljane članice EGP-a) - in order to obtain a certificate on reporting temporary stay. You should submit your application for the issuance of the certificate on reporting temporary stay within 90 days of your arrival in Croatia at the Foreigners' Department of the local Police Administration Office (Odsjek za strance, Policijska uprava). Please find below the list of required documents and addresses of local police administration offices.

Non-EU citizens staying in the Republic of Croatia for more than 90 days are obliged to apply for the issuance of the approval of temporary stay for the purpose of studies within 90 days of the arrival at the Foreigners' Office of the relevant Police Administration Office (Odsjek za strance, Policijska uprava).

Administration fee

You are exempt from paying the regular administrative fee approximately 46,45 EUR for granting the approval of temporary stay. However, you should cover the cost of the issuance of the biometric residence card in the amount of 31,85 EUR (59,73 EUR under the accelerated procedure). An additional administrative fee in the amount of 9,29 EUR has to be paid for the issuance of a biometric residence card either to the IBAN code of the state budget or in revenue stamps. **Find out more on the [link](#).**



The required documents for the OIB number and the certificate on reporting temporary stay (EU citizens) or the approval of temporary stay (non-EU citizens):

EU citizens

A filled-out copy of the Application

Form 1b



EU/EEA nationals who plan to stay longer than 3 months (e.g., for the purpose of study or traineeship) have to register their temporary stay ([Application Form 1b](#)) at the police administration according to their place of stay.

More information about the stay and work of EU/EEA nationals can be found on the [website of the Ministry of the Interior](#).

non-EU citizens

A filled-out copy of the Application

Form 1a



Students who are third-country nationals are obliged to request approval for temporary stay if they will be staying longer than 90 days in Croatia. A third-country national needs to register his/her residence and address within 3 days from entering the Republic of Croatia at the local Police Administration Office (policijska uprava, odjel za strance ili policijska postaja).

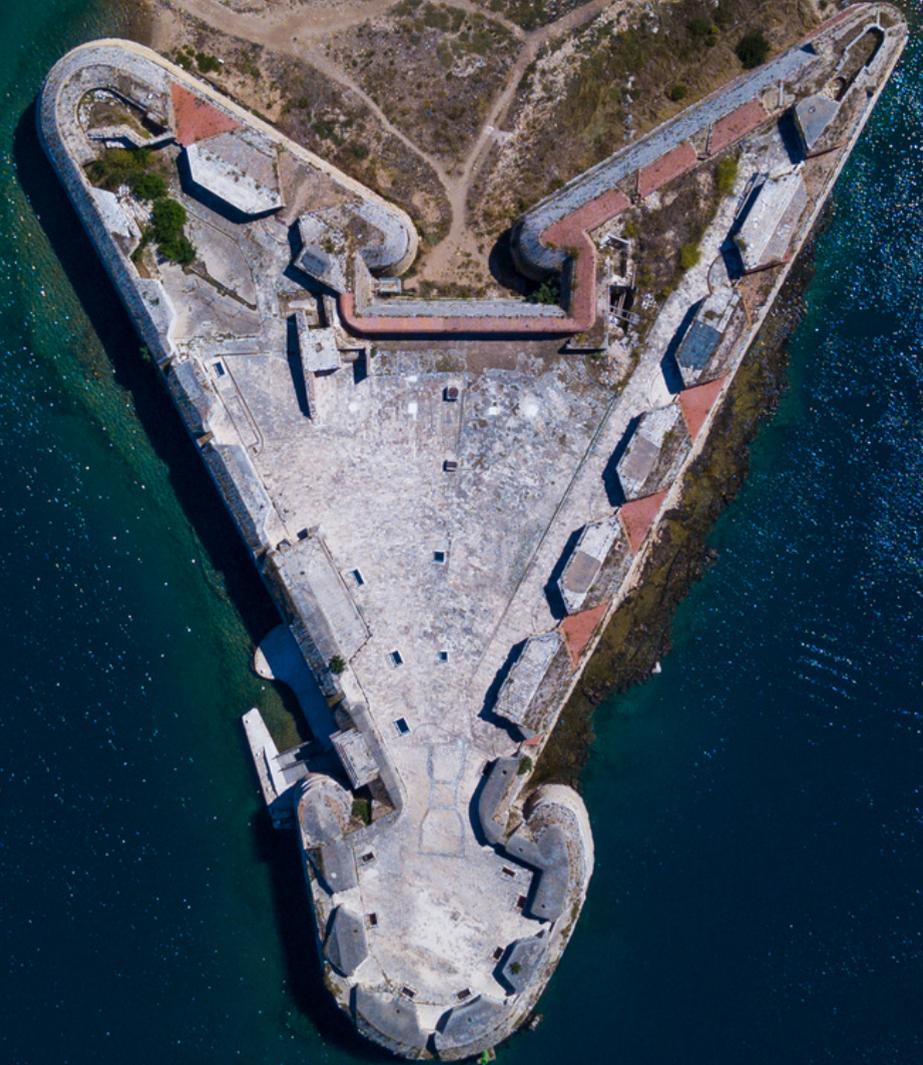
This procedure is free of charge.

The Agency will prepare a proof of secured board and sufficient funds for living expenses, a document which proves that you are a scholarship holder in Croatia from the Agency for Mobility and EU Programmes (so-called *Uvjerenje*). Upon your arrival, you can obtain it from your mentor at the host institution.

For more information visit:



[Click here for more info](#)





Health services

International students in Croatia must possess valid health insurance for their stay to obtain a residence permit or temporary stay approval. EU/EEA/Swiss nationals can use the European Health Insurance Card (EHIC), while those enrolled in full-degree programs can transfer their healthcare from their home countries. More information on terms of using healthcare in Croatia is available on the [Croatian Health Insurance Fund \(CHIF\) website](#).

Third-country nationals from specific countries with bilateral agreements with Croatia should obtain necessary documents from their health insurance providers.

All other third-country nationals must have comprehensive private health insurance, travel health insurance, or Croatian health insurance for their stay. For further details, you can contact [the National Contact Point \(NCP\)](#).

Please check with the healthcare provider at home or visit:

 <https://hzzo.hr/>



NATIONAL CONTACT POINT (NCP)

T: +385 1 644 90

e-mail: ncp-croatia@hzzo.hr

Psychological clinic for the students

 Trg Andrije Hebranga 11
E-mail: savjetovaliste@vus.hr

EMERGENCY NUMBER

112

Emergency service

In case of emergency (or outside the GP opening hours) you can go to:

 Opća bolnica Šibenik
Odjel hitne pomoći
Karla Vipauca 8 - Šibenik

 <http://zhm-skz.hr>



Pharmacies

The location of the nearest all-night pharmacy is displayed on the door of every pharmacy. 

The list of pharmacies in Šibenik can be found here:



55 EUR

is cost of health insurance policy you can buy with the Croatian Health Institute





Student organizations and services

You can participate in the work of all bodies and committees of the University through the Student union. This is the main organization responsible for representing the interests of students. It will offer you a wide variety of professional and leisure programmes which give you a good opportunity to meet local people, make new friends and enjoy memorable experiences. Students can participate in sport activities and competitions in the country and worldwide.

All international students will be provided with support and counselling during their stay at the University, by the Erasmus Coordinator, the assigned academic tutor and the Students Union. To register and ask for additional information, please contact the Student Council at s.zbor@vus.hr or:

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Language centers

Student center – foreign language courses

This is the unit independent of the University, offering a variety of foreign language services to interested students with a special discount. Language courses are organized in English, German, Italian, French, Russian and Portuguese. International language examinations also can be taken.



INFO

www.scsi.hr
ured@scsi.hr



Here is the list of language centers in Šibenik where you can also find different intensive courses:

- Pučko otvoreno učilište Šibenik, www.pou-si.hr
- International language center Lingua, www.lingua-jezici.com



Student card

CROATIAN STUDENT ID CARD “IKSICA”



As an international student of the Šibenik University of Applied Sciences, you are advised to apply for a student ID card (the X-ica card) after your arrival. You will be helped in the process by the Student Administration Office in student „referada“. Make sure you have one photo and OIB number taken. With this card you can have the same advantages as Croatian students – e.g. subsidised set meals, reduced public transport fares, discounted entrance to museums, library membership, sports facilities.

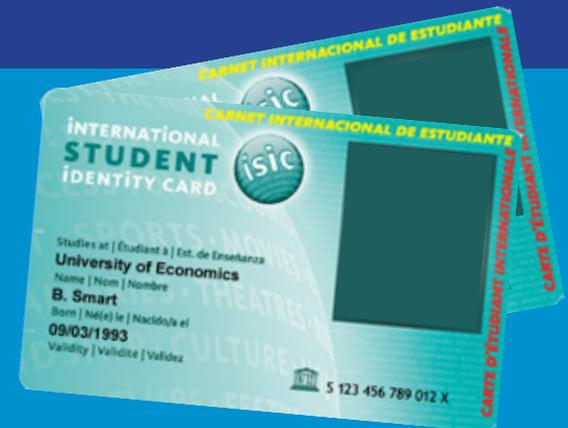
International Student Card

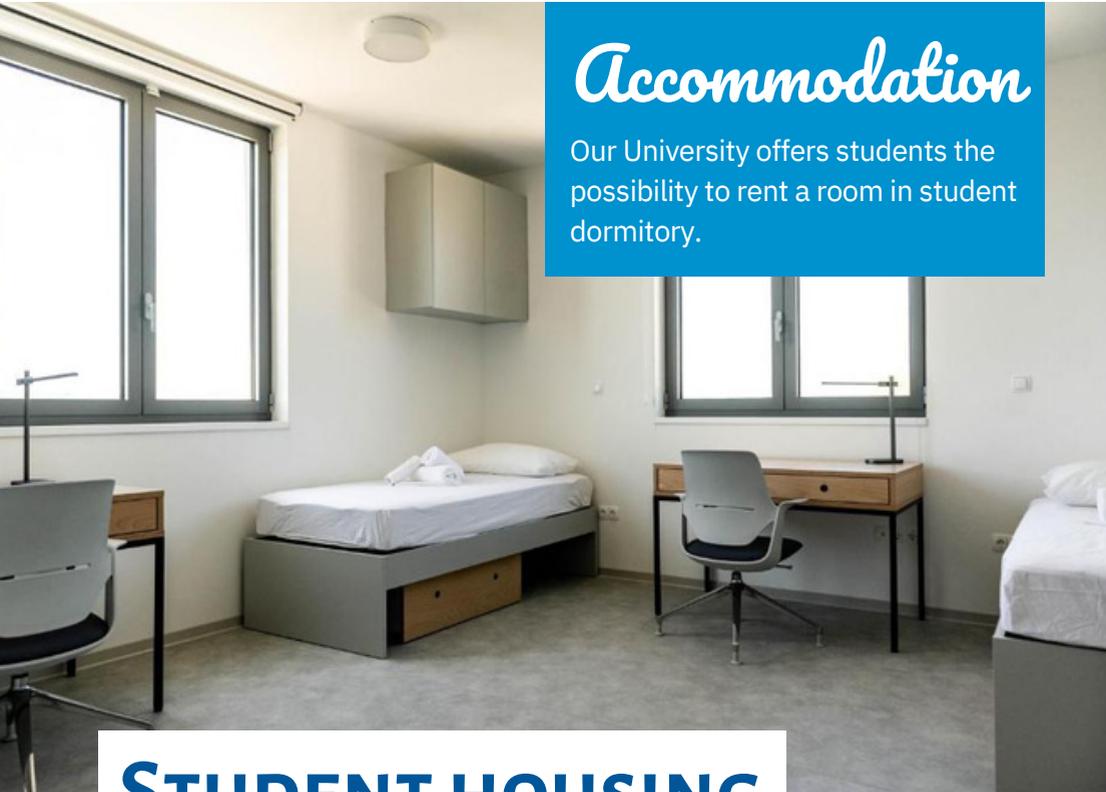
In addition to the Croatian student ID card you can also apply for the International one. You can enjoy discounts and many other possibilities.

For more information visit:



www.isic.org/





Accommodation

Our University offers students the possibility to rent a room in student dormitory.

STUDENT HOUSING



Studentski centar Šibenik
Put Bioca 8
22000 Šibenik

T: +385 95 392 2551
E: smjestaj@scsi.hr

Opening hours:
Monday - Friday: 07:00-15:00

www.scsi.hr

Otherwise, you can opt for private accommodation in Šibenik. Prices are approximately 400 EUR per month for studio apartment. You can start your search from abroad or upon your arrival.



Virtual walk
360°



Student restaurants

Our University offers students two student restaurants



Restaurant „Palacin“
Put Bioca 8
22000 Šibenik



Restaurant „SKVUŠ“
Trg Andrije Hebranga 24
22000 Šibenik

<https://scsi.hr/prehrana/>





Things to do ...

SPORT

Students can pursue a number of sports while studying at the University.

For more information please visit:
<https://www.facebook.com/studentkizborvus/>



CLUBS

There are many clubs and bars that are basically open every night.

BEACHES

There is one beach in the city itself and it is called Banj. Along with all the facilities a beach should have, you can also enjoy in a bar and restaurant.

Other beaches are: Rezalište, Solaris, Brodarica, Jadrija.



CINEMA

There is one cinema in Šibenik offering movies in English with Croatian subtitles.

Visit Cinestar Šibenik:
www.blitz-cinestar.hr



EXTREME LEISURE ACTIVITIES



There are also many possibilities outside the city where you can spend your free time with friends. If you need a little adrenaline visit:

- Rock climbing
- Go-cart racing
- Paintball
- Bungee jumping





Welcome to Šibenik

950
year old town

42.589
inhabitans

UNESCO
MONUMENT

2,851
stairs in the
old town

4 FORTRESSE
THAT
GUARD THE
TOWN

Entertainment: culture and leisure

When thinking about entertainment and events, Šibenik definitely offers a huge number of activities, excursions and things for everyone, regardless of taste or budget. You can be sure you will find everything here that a student could wish.

Šibenik, the oldest native Croatian city on the Adriatic, is located in the most protected natural harbour, in the centre of the eastern coast of the Adriatic Sea, at the mouth of the beautiful Krka River, at the sources of Croatia's rich history.

Today Šibenik has 47,274 inhabitants (2011) and is the capital as well as the cultural, educational, administrative and economic centre of the County of Šibenik and Knin.



If you plan sightseeing, you can do that practically on foot because the old city nucleus is focused in a relatively small area where you can enjoy and discover the city by yourself. It feels like walking into a magical setting of some movie that evokes past times.

You should definitely see the following monuments:

- The St. James Cathedral
- The fortification system (Fortresses of St. John, Michael, Nicholas and Barone)
- The City museum
- The National Theatre of Šibenik

and numerous other churches and squares that will leave you breathless.



FESTIVALS

Šibenik has a great variety of festivals year round where you can discover music, both traditional and modern, old customs, taste the best food and wine and, generally speaking, have fun!!!



JULY



Šibenik Dance festival

JULY



Regius – alternative music

JULY



Supertoona animation festival

AUGUST



Dalmatian chancone festival



May

Iskoristite priliku, povežite se sa svijetom.
HRVATSKI KLUB PUTNIKA
Croatian travel club

Croatian Travel Festival



JUNE

International Children`s Festival



SEPTEMBER

The Medieval Fair Šibenik



DECEMBER

“Adventura” Advent fair



NATIONAL PARKS

Šibenik is situated in the vicinity of two national parks

Few places in the Mediterranean concentrate so much of what the modern tourist needs for complete relaxation in such a relatively small area, as do the Kornati Islands.

The Kornati are the densest island group in the Adriatic, with small fields, hidden oases of large-crowned pines and olives, quiet and sheltered bays that are ideal for escaping the noise and worry of civilization.

The Krka national park can be toured from the water, by road or on foot. It is possible

to take an organised boat trip and see Skradinski buk from Skradin, together with the islet of Visovac and the Roški slap cascade from the moorings above the largest cascade Skradinski buk.

Our institution has a strong and good cooperation with these national parks and we frequently organize field trips or workshops in their premises which is the ideal combination between nature and educational schemes.



KORNATI



KRKA



Public transport

The main public transport in Šibenik are buses. Before you board a bus, you should buy your ticket from a newsagent or in the ticket offices at the Central bus station. Tickets can be bought from the bus driver as well, but this is more expensive. An economical solution is the monthly student pass. It can be bought at the Central bus station, address Draga 14.

Shopping

Most shops in Šibenik are open on weekdays (Monday to Friday). Their opening hours differ regarding the season. Some are open on Saturdays but have shorter hours. However, malls and supermarkets open earlier (mostly between 7 and 8) and close later (between 20-22). During summer, they close even later.



Shopping malls

There are three large malls where you can buy almost everything you might need such as clothes, food, books, medicine, electric appliances, sports equipment etc.

Dalmare

Shopping center
Velimira Škorpika 23
22000 Šibenik

www.dalmare.hr

Citylife

Lifestyle gallery
Ante Šupuka 1
22000 Šibenik

www.city-life.com.hr

Supernova

Shopping park
Put Vida 6
22000 Šibenik

www.supernova.hr

Croatian Public holidays

PLEASE NOTE THAT DURING PUBLIC HOLIDAYS AND SUNDAYS IN CROATIA SCHOOLS, SHOPS AND OFFICES ARE CLOSED.

01/11/ - All Saints' Day

18/11/ - Remembrance Day

25/12/ - Christmas

26/12/ - St Stephen's Day

01/01/ - New Year's

06/01/ - Epiphany

Easter and Easter Monday

(March or April)

01/05/ - Labour Day

Corpus Christi (60 days post Easter)

30/05/ - Statehood Day

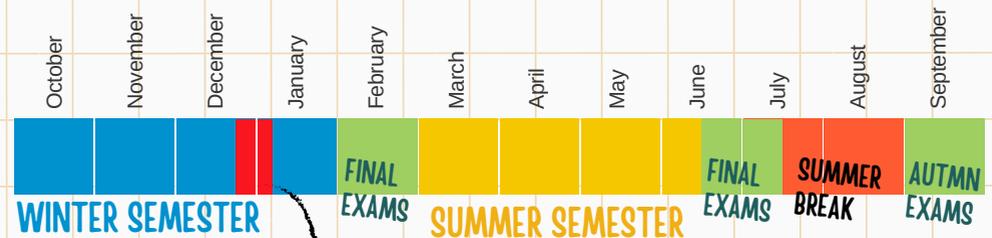
22/06/ - Anti-Fascist Resistance Day

05/08/ - Victory and Homeland

Thanksgiving Day

15/05/ - Assumption Day

← Academic calendar →



Christmas Holidays: December 23 - January 6

Useful information



CLIMATE

Šibenik has a hot mediterranean/ dry-summer subtropical climate that is mild with moderate seasonality. Summers are dry and hot due to the domination of subtropical high pressure systems while winters experience moderate temperatures and changeable, rainy weather due to the polar front.

In summer, the temperature can reach 36°C and in winter can fall -3°C.

The average temperature is 15.1 degrees Celsius (59.2°F).



POST

There are two more offices in the city: Vukovarska 10 and Ante Starčevića 9. Besides mailing your letters at a post office, this is also a place where you can pay your bills, transfer money, send faxes, buy phone cards, buy bus tickets, order a newspaper or open a PO Box if you do not have a permanent address.

Central Post Office

Address: Borajska bb - Ražine

Working hours:

Monday to Friday: 07:00 - 20:00h

Saturday 07:00 - 14:00h

Sunday closed.



IMPORTANT TELEPHONE NUMBERS & LINKS

Dialing code for Croatia	+385
Dialing code for Šibenik	+385 22
Emergency	112
Ambulance	194
Police	192
Fire department	193
Šibenik University of Applied Sciences	+385 22 311 088

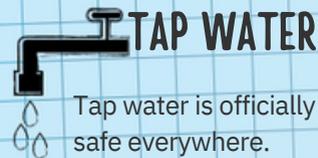
Useful information

ELECTRICITY

The voltage is 220 or 240V/50Hz with European two-prong plugs. Electrical equipment of 110V/60Hz requires the use of fan adapter and/or voltage converter.

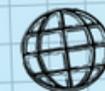
CURRENCY

The currency of Croatia is euro (€). If you want to check how much that is in your money, please search for „tečajna lista HNB“ and look at the list which changes daily. You can change money either in banks or in private exchange bureaux.



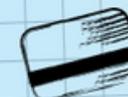
TAP WATER

Tap water is officially safe everywhere.



Internet

There are many possibilities to access the Internet in Croatia. Wifi is an access option usually offered in many cafés, hotels, bookstores and public buildings. The Šibenik University of Applied Sciences provides free Internet access for its students.



BANK & CREDIT CARDS

The most commonly used cards can be used to obtain money from ATM machines and to pay bills in shops, restaurants, hotels. The cards accepted are displayed on the door of the establishment.



TIPPING IN CROATIA

Restaurant price in Croatia generally include a service charge and you do not have to give a tip, only if you want to.



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