

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

### ENTERING THE COUNTRY AND TEMPORARY STAY PERMIT

Foreign citizens are required to register their residence in Serbia with the local police station within 24 hours of their arrival. A hotel, hostel or student dormitory will automatically complete it on your behalf. If you are staying at private housing, you should visit the police station with your landlord in order to register your residence. Erasmus Student Network (ESN) can help incoming students with this procedure.

All information on regulations and procedures regarding visas and the authorization of temporary stay of foreigners in Serbia are available online on the website of the Ministry of Interior of the Republic of Serbia: <http://www.mup.gov.rs/>

### Entry Visa

There are many holders of foreign passports who do not need an entry visa for Serbia. However, to make sure whether you require an entry visa for Serbia, please contact the nearest diplomatic-consular mission of the Republic of Serbia in your country of residence.

Even though nationals of some countries (not everyone) may enter the Republic of Serbia with their ID cards only, international students and staff are required to have with themselves their valid passports to be able to obtain mandatory authorization of temporary stay, and therefore you are strongly recommended to use it when entering the country as well.

Information on general visa requirements and on general entry requirements can be found at the website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Serbia: <http://www.mfa.gov.rs/en/consular-affairs/entry-serbia/entering-serbia-requirements>

Visa applications should be submitted to the Embassy or Consulate General of the Republic of Serbia abroad. Also, if you have any questions or concerns regarding entering the RS or your temporary stay as student/staff, we strongly recommend you contact the nearest diplomatic-consular mission of the Republic of Serbia for help. Please visit the website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Serbia to see the list of Serbian embassies around the world: <http://www.mfa.gov.rs/en>

### Temporary Stay

As an academic exchange visitor, you will need to obtain your authorization of temporary stay (residence permit) for legal stay in the Republic of Serbia during your mobility.

For all stays of 90 days or more, the **authorization of temporary stay is mandatory.**

By visiting the website of the Ministry of Interior of the Republic of Serbia: <http://www.mup.gov.rs/> (Information for Foreigners), you can find the general list of required documents, as well as specific documents required for obtaining the authorization of temporary stay for academic purposes.

## COST OF LIVING

Please note that all costs listed in here are approximate estimates only and are intended to help foreign visitors plan their financial resources.

We estimate that students and visitors need an average of €400-600 per month per person to cover their accommodation costs, health insurance, costs of utilities, meals, city transportation, some necessary personal expenses and incidentals.

Actual expenditures can significantly vary depending on individual spending habits, and, of course, whether one plans to live alone or with flat mates.

Instruction materials and textbooks are not included, as each faculty of the University of Belgrade has its own required literature, and the prices therefore vary. Please see more under the “Cost of studying” section of this publication.

## ACCOMMODATION AND UTILITIES

Prices of the housing in a student dormitory vary depending on the number of persons sharing the room. Approximately, single-bed room per person per month costs €420; double-bed room per person per month costs €350, while triple-bed room per person per month costs €220. All utilities included.

Rented accommodation: Again, prices depend on the size, location and the condition of the rented flat. However, approximate price of a shared flat (e.g. 2 people) in the urban city area would be €250-300 + utilities (€100-150).

## CITY TRANSPORTATION

- Monthly transportation student pass: €15
- Regular single-ride ticket: €0.7
- Prices for foreign citizens: Monthly pass - €25 | 15-day pass - €15 | 365-days pass - €275

Please visit the official website of the public transportation ticket provider: <http://www2.busplus.rs/>

## PERSONAL INCIDENTALS

Personal care products, laundry and house cleaning products, and other: €20

#### HEALTH INSURANCE

Monthly health insurance for foreign students: €66

National Health Insurance Fund: <http://www.eng.rfzo.rs/>

Important: Health insurance for foreign students and scholars is mandatory. However, candidates should check whether the health insurance has been provided according to the specific type of cooperation under which the mobility is arranged.

#### COST OF STUDYING

Cost of studying depends on the specific status a foreign student has at the University of Belgrade.

Holders of the scholarship of the Government of the Republic of Serbia do not pay tuition fees, they are granted free accommodation, free health insurance as well as discount prices in the student cafeteria.

In cases of most bilateral agreements, as well as some international mobility programs (e.g., Erasmus+, CEEPUS), there is also tuition fee waiver for incoming exchange students.

Students, who independently enroll at the University of Belgrade, have to pay for the following (unless otherwise agreed and/or provided by the foreign visitor's status):,

#### TUITION FEES

The University of Belgrade is comprised of 31 Member Faculty, organized in 4 groups: social sciences and humanities, medical sciences, sciences and mathematics and technology and engineering sciences.

Criteria for enrollment, as well as tuition fees vary from one faculty to another. In-detail information on recognition of foreign higher education documents preceding the actual enrollment procedure can be found at <http://bg.ac.rs/en/education/recognition.php>; tuition fees can be found on the web sites of the respective faculties - members of the University of Belgrade at: <http://www.bg.ac.rs/en/members/faculties/faculties.php>.

#### TEXTBOOKS AND INSTRUCTION MATERIALS

The type and the volume of required literature varies significantly, and therefore it would be best to contact the faculty of interest and check the prices of literature per each year. However, our approximate estimate is between €100-300 per student per year (depending on the Faculty and the study level).

## ACCOMMODATION

The two most common types of accommodation used by foreign students and visitors to the University of Belgrade are renting a room at the Students' Centre Belgrade (student dormitory or one of their two hostels), or renting private housing.

### STUDENTS' CENTRE BELGRADE

Student dormitories in Belgrade are run and managed by the Students' Centre Belgrade ([www.sc.rs](http://www.sc.rs)). Within their offer they also have two hostels available for individuals or groups.

Important: Students' Centre Belgrade is an independent institution. Therefore, accommodation in all of their facilities is independently arranged by visitors themselves, directly with the management of the dormitory and the hostels.

#### Student Dormitory

"Rifat Burdžević" Student Dormitory was built in 1948. One part of the capacity is designated for accommodating foreign students. Owing to international exchange of students which functions on the principles of reciprocity, each year this hall is occupied by students mostly from Western Europe, Asia and North America. All rooms for foreign students are of the 1st category, with the characteristics of a small apartment. This hall of residence can accommodate 367 students in single, double and triple bedrooms of the 2nd category.

Rooms have beds, desks, chairs, lamps, cupboards, shelves, a direct phone line, connection for satellite dish and internet. Within the hall there are porter's lodge, laundry rooms, a student restaurant, an info kiosk, a commercial restaurant, store and reading-room. The hall has video surveillance.

Important: Under few specific types of cooperation, the University of Belgrade is able to offer complimentary accommodation in the Student Dormitory "Rifat Burdžević", with the support of the Ministry of Education, Science and Technological Development of the Republic of Serbia and of the Students' Centre Belgrade. The free-of-charge accommodation can be provided for incoming exchange students on the basis of an Agreement of Cooperation between the student's home institution and the University of Belgrade following the principle of reciprocity.

#### Hostels

##### Quarters "Kralj Aleksandar I" – For Teaching Mobility Staff

Available for foreign professors and lecturers, participants of the international science and research projects, seminars, conferences etc.

Hostel „Studentski grad“ – For Student Mobility

Hostel „Studentski grad“ is situated at Student town in New Belgrade and it offers accommodation in completely renovated and modern-equipped rooms with 39 beds. It is opened during the whole year and it is suitable for both individual and group visits. The Hostel offers accommodation in single, double and three bedded rooms with private bathroom and tea kitchen.

## RENTED ACCOMMODATION

Visitors can rent their own accommodation. The University of Belgrade does not mediate in renting private accommodation, but there are numerous online resources for finding accommodation. Also, you may wish to contact the Erasmus Students Network Belgrade (<http://belupgrade.esn.rs>) and ask for their help in finding suitable accommodation. They can also help you get in touch with peers from all over the world, so you can consider sharing accommodation.

Belgrade is well connected to other European cities. Visitors can chose between different means of transportation.

## TRANSPORT FROM THE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT “NIKOLA TESLA”

Belgrade International Airport “Nikola Tesla” is located 18 km from the city center.

There are a few travel options when traveling between Belgrade airport “Nikola Tesla” and the city center.

Mini bus A1 - Runs every 20 minutes. The terminus is at Slavija Square (Trg Slavija). A ticket can be purchased from the bus driver at the price of approximately 2,5 EUR (in dinars).

GSP bus 72 – Runs every 30 minutes. The terminus is at Zeleni venac. A ticket can be purchased at a kiosk or from the bus driver at the price of approximately 1,3 EUR (in dinars).

You will find the bus stop just outside the departures terminal (ground level).

You may also take a TAXI to your destination. Please make sure to order yourself a taxi at the Taxi Info stand at the airport. One of the stands is exactly in front of the exit door of the International Arrivals hall (-1 level). You will immediately get a receipt, and you will pay at the end of the ride.

Please be careful about independently taking among the many taxis waiting in front of the airport, as you might be overcharged.

Additional information is available at the Official webpage of “Nikola Tesla” International Airport at: <http://www.beg.aero/en/strana/8811/>

## TRANSPORT BY CAR

Serbia is bordered by Montenegro, Croatia, and Bosnia and Herzegovina to the west, Albania and Macedonia to the south, Bulgaria and Romania to the east, and Hungary to the north.

If you decide to come to Serbia by car, make sure you check the accessibility and the condition of roads at: <http://www.amss.org.rs>

Please have in mind that your GPS may not have all the updated information on current road conditions and accessibility.

## TRANSPORT BY BUS OR TRAIN

Both main bus station and the main train station are located in the city’s center. Please visit their websites or the website of your local bus or train station to see if your city is connected to Belgrade by bus or train.

Serbian Railways: <http://www.zeleznicesrbije.com>

Belgrade Bus Station: <http://www.bas.rs/>

## SERBIAN LANGUAGE

If you wonder what Serbian is like, you should know that it belongs to South Slavic group of Indo-European languages, having many fascinating grammatical categories. It is one of the very few standard languages in the world that uses complete synchronic digraphia, equally using two alphabets – Cyrillic and Latin. The Serbian Cyrillic alphabet was created in 1814 by Serbian linguist Vuk Stefanović Karadžić, on purely phonemic principles.

On the Internet you can find various websites and online resources for learning Serbian, or just for picking up its main phrases. However, if you are interested in it and wish to ensure you learn it well, we recommend the **UB Center for Serbian as a Foreign Language**.

The Centre for Serbian as a Foreign Language, at the Faculty of Philology, University of Belgrade, has been offering intensive courses of the Serbian language for international learners since 1986. Apart from regular one-year intensive course, the Centre also offers

intensive three-week summer course and 12-week online beginners' course. In the regular and summer course, classes are held five days a week (three academic hours per day) and the course is divided into three levels – beginner, intermediate, and advanced, since many students already know some Serbian. Lecturers are our acknowledged teachers, native speakers of the Serbian language, who graduated from the Faculty of Philology. Centre for Serbian as a Foreign Language is also an examination Centre – three times a year (June, September, and January) you can take an exam and get a certificate in Serbian as a foreign language, on one of all six CEFR levels.

*Learning a new language is best in its natural environment; our classroom will guide you through your real life language experience in Belgrade and Serbia.*

Welcome!

<http://www.learnserbian.fil.bg.ac.rs/>

<https://www.facebook.com/srpskikaostrani/>

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English	Serbian
Yes.	Da.
No.	Ne.
Please.	Molim.
I am sorry!	Izvinite!
Thank you!	Hvala!
Thank you very much!	Hvala lepo!
Here you are (polite).	Izvolite.
Here you are.	Izvoli.
Good morning.	Dobro jutro.
Good afternoon.	Dobar dan.
Good evening.	Dobro veče.
Good night.	Laku noć.
Hello!	Zdravo!

Goodbye.	Doviđenja.
Bye.	Zbogom.
What is your name?	Kako se zovete?
My name is...	Zovem se...
How are you? (polite)	Kako ste?
How are you?	Kako si?
Fine thanks, and you?	Dobro hvala, a vi/ti?
I understand (Serbian).	Razumem (srpski).
I don't understand (Serbian).	Ne razumem (srpski).
Do you speak English?	Govorite li engleski?
I speak (a little bit) of Serbian.	Govorim (pomalo) srpski.
How much does it cost?	Koliko košta?
Where is ...?	Gde se nalazi...?
I need a doctor.	Potreban mi je doktor.
Cheers!	Živeli!
Here is my phone number	Ovo je moj broj
I love you	Volim te

## OTHER USEFUL INFORMATION

The official currency of the Republic of Serbia is the dinar (RSD). In circulation there are:

- Coins: 1, 2, 5, 10 and 20 dinars
- Notes: 10, 20, 50, 100, 500, 200, 1000 and 5000 dinars

Please see the official website of the National Bank of Serbia for accurate information on the official exchange rate for EUR according to the Central Bank on a specific date:

<http://www.nbs.rs/internet/english/scripts/ondate.html>

Foreign currency can be exchanged in all banks and post offices, as well as in the many authorized exchange offices (in Serbian: „Menjačnica“).



Climate: Belgrade has a humid continental climate, with distinct four seasons, including hot summers and cold winters. Monthly averages range from 1.4 °C (34.5 °F) in January to 23.0 °C (73.4 °F) in July, with an annual mean of 12.5 °C (54.5 °F).



Emergency Telephone Numbers

Police 192

Fire Department 193

Ambulance 194

EMERGENCY MEDICAL CENTRE, 2 Pasterova Street, 011/3618444,

<http://www.kcs.ac.rs/>



The official website of the City of Belgrade: <http://www.beograd.rs>

Republic Hydrometeorological Service of Serbia: <http://www.hidmet.gov.rs>

Tourist Organization of Belgrade: <http://www.tob.co.rs>

National Tourism Organization of Serbia: <http://www.serbia.travel>

To read more about Belgrade, its history, culture, tourist offer, please see the Belgrade Guide In Your Pocket (summer 2013):

<http://www.inyourpocket.com/data/download/belgrade.pdf>

Websites on living in Belgrade (in English):

<http://www.belgradian.com> | <http://livinginbelgrade.com> |

<http://www.expatsrbia.com>