



## INFORMATION SHEET /2016 -2017/

<b>Full legal name of the institution</b>	New Bulgarian University
<b>Address</b>	21, Montevideo Str., Sofia 1618, Bulgaria
<b>Institution's web site</b>	<a href="http://www.nbu.bg">www.nbu.bg</a>
<b>Head of the Institution</b>	Prof. Plamen Bochkov, PhD, Rector
<b>Number of students at our institution</b>	±11 000
<b>Institutional Erasmus coordinator</b>	Marieta Tzvetkova
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<b>Web site for Incoming Students</b>	<a href="http://www.erasmusplus.nbu.bg/en">http://www.erasmusplus.nbu.bg/en</a>
<b>For courses offered for Incoming Students</b>	Contact the Academic Departmental Coordinator
<b>Language of instruction</b>	English, French, Italian, Bulgarian
<b>Language Requirements for Erasmus students</b>	<p><b>English</b></p> <p><b>French</b> (for the dept. of Political Sciences, Anthropology and Roman Studies)</p> <p><b>Italian</b> (for the dept. of Roman Studies and South-East European Center for Semiotic Studies)</p> <p><b>Spanish</b> (for the dept. of Roman Studies)</p> <p><b>Russian</b> (for the dept. of New Bulgarian Studies)</p> <p><b>Minimum level required</b>, according to the European Common Framework of Reference: <b>B1</b></p>
	In general the courses are in Bulgarian except for the Bachelor and Master Programmes that are lead

	<p>in English. The list of the programmes lead in foreign languages can be found at the following link:  <a href="http://www.nbu.bg/en/programs-of-study/programs">http://www.nbu.bg/en/programs-of-study/programs</a>  The Bulgarian courses can be taught on a tutorial/individual basis however the professor's consent is needed.</p>
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<b>Students organization web site</b>	<a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/129715713837442/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/129715713837442/</a>
<b>Erasmus Student Network (ESN) You could contact them for help with the accommodation</b>	e-mail: <a href="mailto:erasmusclubnbu@gmail.com">erasmusclubnbu@gmail.com</a>
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<b>Semester dates:</b>	
<b>Winter semester</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> October – 11<sup>th</sup> February</b> (including exam session)
<b>Spring semester</b>	<b>15<sup>th</sup> February – 3<sup>th</sup> July</b> (including exam session)
<b>Orientation day:</b>	The Academic year starts with an orientation day for all incoming students when all the important information will be given.
<b>Application deadlines:</b>	
<b>Winter semester</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> June</b>
<b>Spring semester</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> December</b>
<b>Are there any Bulgarian language courses suggested for Incoming Students?</b>	<b>Yes, we offer an EILC course (highly recommendable) starting 3 weeks before the beginning of the semester (duration: 3 weeks/122 teaching hours) and courses during the academic year. More information will</b>

	be sent to selected students.
<b>Accommodation ( private flat )</b>	<p>Between <b>150 € - 200 €</b> (monthly) + overheads;  Unfortunately NBU does not have and thus offer dormitory to students.  However our incoming students receive a huge support in finding a place to live from our ESN mentors. I would like to recommend your students to join our Facebook group where vacant places are published:  <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/129715713837442/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/129715713837442/</a>  ESN contacts:  <a href="mailto:erasmusclubnbu@gmail.com">erasmusclubnbu@gmail.com</a></p>
<b>City transportation</b>	<p><b>56 €</b> per semester (six months) (student discount) – student card which can be used for all lines of Sofia underground (metro), trams and busses in the city; students can easily connect to the Airport by the Sofia`s underground lines.</p>

**MORE INFORMATION:**

**Campus:**

New Bulgarian University has excellent facilities for teaching and research. As a consequence, not only are students provided with opportunities to receive high quality teaching and carry out research with modern equipment, but they are also able to do so with the intellectual companionship of faculty members and reliable services of administrative staff.

**The following facilities are available to NBU students:**

- ❖ Halls and Classrooms
- ❖ Specialized Classrooms

7 computer halls; drawing studios; professional Fashion Design Studio; Animation Studio; music halls; ballet hall; rehearsal theater halls; video halls, University Film Center.

## **Laboratories:**

Multimedia language laboratory; Animation laboratory; Information technology laboratory; Informatics laboratory; Telecommunications laboratory; Neuroscience laboratory; Laboratory for Products and Services Usability Studies; Multimedia and Computer Multimedia and Computer Visualization Studio; Experimental Psychology laboratory; Photography laboratory; Gemology laboratory; Laboratory for Sociological and Socio-anthropological Studies; TV Studio; Center for Postgraduate Training of Translators and Interpreters.

### ❖ Computer Resources, Local Networks and Internet

This includes a local network in NBU Buildings 1 and 2 as well as 2 remote local networks in other University facilities. All computers have non-stop access to the Internet. A University Intranet system has been put in place as well as various servers used in the teaching process.

Between or after classes, students at NBU have the opportunity to organize various kinds of events or relax and meet with friends in a nice and quiet atmosphere.

- ❖ 4 galleries offering opportunities to organize exhibitions etc.
- ❖ 4 bookstores offering textbooks, academic and specialized literature;
- ❖ 3 coffee shops and a Restaurant- places to meet with friends and relax;
- ❖ Health center offering free medical services;
- ❖ 2 photocopy Centers with sophisticated equipment, fast and reliable services, free photocopies for students;
- ❖ A house at the Black Sea – a place for conferences, seminars, working meetings, and rehabilitation.

## **Library:**

The NBU Library is a cultural and information center. It organizes exhibitions and promotions of new books, and maintains a permanent exhibition of NBU publications. The Library complex comprises a free-access library, open-stack reading halls, an audio-visual studio, exhibition spaces, a conference hall, a copy center etc. It also boasts a sophisticated computer center providing free access to the Internet for students and faculty. Apart from traditional library activities and services, the NBU Library:

- ❖ Maintains a wide range of Bulgarian, Russian, English, French, Italian and German newspapers and periodicals.
- ❖ Publishes a Monthly Bulletin with information on new acquisitions.

- ❖ Works with academic and reference databases such as EBSCO, Current Contents Connect, CIELA, and APIS.
- ❖ Maintains an integrated library system Q Series, which includes work with an electronic catalogue.
- ❖ Has a collection of approximately 100,000 books and paper documents,
- ❖ Develops international library projects in the field of the use of library funds, digitalization of archive documents etc.
- ❖ Is an associate member of the UNESCO Library network UNAL?

### **International Activities**

Relations with international academic institutions are among the highest priorities of New Bulgarian University. This includes development of joint academic and research projects and programs of study, exchange of students and faculty members.

Since its founding, NBU has been actively working to establish its position in the international academic community. NBU is committed to the idea of creating contacts with foreign academic institutions aimed at developing joint academic and research projects and programs of study, exchange of students and faculty. Some of the major partners of NBU include:

- Higher Education Support Program, Open Society Institute;
- Francophone University Agency AUPELF-UREF (an international organization with a network of educational and cultural institutions from Europe, Africa, the USA, and Canada aimed at supporting the development and exchange in the field of education and culture);
- French Community of Belgium;
- NBU actively participates in EU educational programs. In the framework of projects under Socrates, Tempus, PHARE, ERASMUS + etc. contacts with over 90 European Universities have been established.
- NBU is a member of a number of international organizations: the European University Association (EUA), the European Association of International Education (EAIE), the Institute of International Education (IIE), the International Association of Semiotic Studies (IASS), the International Institute of Administrative Sciences, the network of Institutes and Schools on Public Administration in Central and Eastern Europe (NISPASee), the Informal European Theatre Meeting (IETM), the European Association of Students in Theatre (EAST), the European League of Institutes of Arts (ELIA), the International Association in Mass Communications and Visual Arts (CILECT).