

WELCOME GUIDE

For Incoming Students

KLAIPĖDOS VALSTYBINĖ KOLEGIJA / HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION







The European Union (EU) is a political and economic union of 27 European countries, aimed at fostering economic cooperation, political stability, and peace across the continent. It was established through a series of treaties, starting with the European Economic Community in 1957, and has since expanded to cover areas such as trade, human rights, environmental protection, and security. The EU operates through a set of institutions, including the European Commission, European Parliament, and European Council, working together to shape policy and laws that impact member states and citizens.

The European Union Values:

• Human dignity

Human dignity is inviolable. It must be respected, protected and constitutes the real basis of fundamental rights.

• Freedom

Freedom of movement gives citizens the right to move and reside freely within the Union. Individual freedoms such as respect for private life, freedom of thought, religion, assembly, expression and information are protected by the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights.

<u>Democracy</u>

The functioning of the EU is founded on representative democracy. A European citizen automatically enjoys political rights. Every adult EU citizen has the right to stand as a candidate and to vote in elections to the European Parliament. EU citizens have the right to stand as a candidate and to vote in their country of residence, or in their country of origin.

<u>Equality</u>

Equality is about equal rights for all citizens before the law. The principle of equality between women and men underpins all European policies and is the basis for European integration. It applies in all areas. The principle of equal pay for equal work became part of the Treaty of Rome in 1957.

Rule of law

The EU is based on the rule of law. Everything the EU does is founded on treaties, voluntarily and democratically agreed by its EU countries. Law and justice are upheld by an independent judiciary. The EU countries gave final jurisdiction to the European Court of Justice - its judgments have to be respected by all.

Human rights

Human rights are protected by the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights. These cover the right to be free from discrimination on the basis of sex, racial or ethnic origin, religion or belief, disability, age or sexual orientation, the right to the protection of your personal data, and the right to get access to justice.

https://european-union.europa.eu/index_en

https://erasmus-plus.ec.europa.eu/

Klaipėdos valstybinė kolegija / Higher Education Institution (KVK) is the third-largest university of applied sciences in Lithuania with a strong academic reputation. The initial target of KVK is to ensure high quality academic teaching and research facilities. The institution consists of three faculties:

Business Faculty

- Accounting
- Digital Marketing
- Finance
- Logistics Management
- Management of Organizations
- Pre-primary and Pre-school Pedagogy
- Primary Education Pedagogy
- Tourism Business

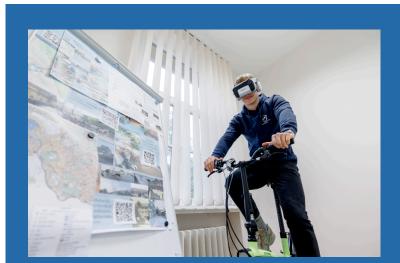
Technologies Faculty

- Automobile Transport Engineering
- Construction Engineering
- Dietetics
- Real Estate Measurement Engineering
- Electrical and Automatic Engineering,
- Food Technologies
- Informatics
- Informatics Engineering
- Mechanical Engineering

Health Sciences Faculty

- Cosmetology
- Dental Assisting
- Dental Hygiene
- General Practice Nursing
- Physiotherapy
- Social Work
- Midwifery

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Location of KVK Faculties



- <u>Faculty of Business</u>
 Jaunystės str. 1, Klaipėda
- <u>Faculty of Technologies</u>
 Bijūnų str. 10, Klaipėda
- <u>Faculty of Health Sciences</u>
 Dariaus ir Girėno str. 8, Klaipėda
 Bijūnų str. 10, Klaipėda (Dept. of Nursing)



KVK Login

You will need computer logins to connect to KVK's computers and Wi-Fi. The computer logins will be sent to you before or upon your arrival. If not, you can ask the International Relations Department for them.

ERASMUS AT KVK

The International Relations Department is not just here for your mobility; you will be surprised once you interact with them!

On an Erasmus exchange at KVK, you will have fun with International Relations Department. We hold many interactives, events and activities.

Join our social networks and groups for communication and familiarization with our events!













Facebook

Instagram

Youtube

TikTok

LinkedIn

kvk.lt/en









Visa Requirements

As an EU member state, Lithuania is part of the Schengen Area.

Therefore, EU citizens can visit Lithuania and stay here for an unlimited period but are required to register with the local authorities after 3 months.

Non-EU students (degree seeking or EU exchange programme (Erasmus+) lasting more than 3 months participants) need a National multiple entry D type visa in order to arrive to Lithuania. They have to apply for it at the closest Embassy of Lithuania before arrival. Students with National D-type visas can reside in Lithuania for up to 12 months and can travel to other Schengen countries (for up to 90 days in total).

Please check the website of the Lithuanian Embassy in your country to get detailed information about visa requirements.



Visa Requirements will be found here: https://keliauk.urm.lt/en



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How to use public transport in Klaipėda

You can buy a bus card from Narvesen or Lietuvos Spauda stores. The card itself costs 2€ while a monthly student ticket costs 5,60€ (not valid on lines that start with M). You might be asked to show your ISIC card when buying the card, and there are random ticket controls in buses, so it is highly recommended that you carry your ISIC card with you at all times.



You can buy short term e-tickets on 'e-Ticket Klaipėda' app for 1 day - 0.60 €, 3 days - 1.40 €, or 7 days - 2.60 €. Also, monthly tickets available (5,60 €).

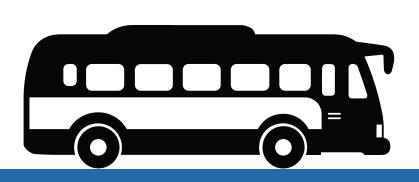




You can top up your card with monthly tickets from Narvesen and Lietuvas Spauda stores or on the app. It costs 5,60€. Also you can buy single ticket here (0.60 €).



You can download the app 'Trafi' to see bus routes and schedules or track buses in real time.





ESN Card



ESN Card is the membership card of the Erasmus Student Network (ESN). It's also used as a discount card (Ryanair, FlixBus) in many cities and countries around Europe. You can buy ESN Card from KVK International Relation Department.

Cost: 10€

ISIC Card



You can order ISIC at home or <u>online</u>. Your ISIC cards can be collected from post office or parcel machines or International Relation Department.

There are couple ways to get this card. We recommend you to order this card in your home country. Also, you can order this card upon arrival to Lithuania. It takes 1-2 weeks to receive a physical card, but you can order and use a virtual card.

With this card you can receive different discounts such as public bus train, KFC, McDonalds.

Cost: around 11€

SIM Card

You can buy a SIM card at almost every supermarket for around 4-6€ with a monthly plan. To activate your SIM, you can follow the instructions written in the package.

In airports, you can buy a SIM card at Narvesen.





VNO

KUN

PLQ

RIX

Vilnius Airport Kaunas Airport Palanga Airport

Riga Airport

Palanga International Airport (PLQ) is the closest airport to Klaipėda. There are regular flights to Copenhagen, Oslo, Riga, London Luton and Stansted throughout the year. Additional routes operate during the summer season. You can take the bus nr. 31 or order a Bolt or taxi to get to Palanga Airport.

There are regular flights to all main European cities from Kaunas (KUN) and Vilnius (VNO) airports. Additionally, Riga (Latvia) International Airport (RIX) is located within 230 km away from Klaipėda, which can easily be reached by local airport shuttle service buses, regular buses, or direct flights from Palanga airport.

🜉 By Bus

It takes around 4 hours to reach Klaipėda from Vilnius or Kaunas by bus.

You can buy intercity bus tickets from autobusubilietai.lt

You can use Ollex airport shuttle buses to reach Klaipeda directly from Vilnius, Kaunas and Riga airports.

European bus company Ecolines has routes to major cities in Europe.

4 By Train

Trains operate in Klaipėda each day from/to Šiauliai, Šilutė and Vilnius. It takes 4 -4,5 hours to go from Vilnius to Klaipėda by train and student ticket prices vary from 12,40€ to 35,30€. You can get your ticket on ttglink.lt. Make sure that you have your ISIC card with you.

By Ferry

Ferries arrive in Klaipėda from Kiel and Sassnitz in Germany and Karlshamn in Sweden. The International Ferry Terminal is located about 12km south of the city center.

When you buy an intercity bus or train ticket with discount, make sure that you have your physical or virtual ISIC card available.

Useful apps!

We would like to recommend you to download couple apps on your phone and make the registrations there.



Trafi

public transport app which will help you to use public bus in Klaipeda. It works also in Vilnius, Kaunas, Riga, ect.



e.tickets Klaipeda

You can buy e.tickets for public transport in Klaipeda. It gives you the lowest price.



Bolt

Taxi and food delivery app. Also works with scooters. Works in Klaipeda, Vilnius, Kaunas, ect.



eTAKSI

Taxi app. Gives good prices.



citybee

You can rent a car in this app just by choosing the closest car and opening it with your phone device. No human contact or additional agreements with the company is needed.



Klaipeda Audio Guide

Gives lot of recommendations on visiting places, events, accommodation and catering options, ect.



Klaipeda Heritage Guide

Gives info about Klaipeda heritage.



MAPS.ME

Offline maps. Before coming to Klaipeda, you can download the map of Klaipeda, and you will be able to see map, hotels, restaurants and other without internet. Works in all the world.



WOLT

Food delivery app.

Information about Lithuaria

Euro (€) Currency

2.83m Population Vilnius Capital

KEY FACTS ABOUT LITHUANIA

Official language: Lithuanian

Time zone: UTC+2Dialing code: +370Traffic: right-handed

Standard voltage: 220-230 V

• Emergency Number: 112

• Member of the EU, NATO, Schengen, the UN and the

OECD



PEOPLE

- We are all about walking the walk
- Talent is our (super) natural resource
- Enjoying freedom 110%
- Getting recharged in nature

ECONOMY

- A growing innovation ecosystem
- It's easy to do business in Lithuania
 - A great system to innovate
 - World-class talent

HISTORY

- Lithuania a name first coined 1,016 years ago.
- A historically welcoming and collaborative nation.
- A realm uniting diverse peoples and lands
- The singing revolution that accelerated the Soviet Union's demise
- Lithuania was once Europe's largest country during the 15th-16th centuries



FACTS TO KNOW BEFORE VISITING LITHUANIA

- Being on time is considered a sign of respect. Arriving late (even by 5-10 minutes) can be seen as rude, especially for business or academic meetings.
- Lithuanians can seem reserved or even distant at first. Small talk is not very common with strangers, but once trust is established, they are warm and loyal friends.
- Recycling and environmental consciousness are growing trends.
 People are encouraged to separate waste and avoid littering.
- Lithuanians tend to be direct in their speech, especially in professional and academic settings. They usually say what they mean without excessive small talk.
- At first, Lithuanians may appear serious or quiet. However, once a personal connection is built, they become much more open, humorous, and friendly.
- Hard work and education are highly valued. People expect professionalism, efficiency, and independence in both work and study environments.
- Drinking alcohol in public places (streets, parks,
- beaches) is prohibited.
- Limiting alcohol availability in stores to 10 AM 8 PM Monday through Saturday, and 10 AM - 3 PM on Sundays.
- The legal drinking age is 20 years old.

Climate

Summers can be nice and warm with temperatures reaching +25C and up, but can be cold and rainy at only +16 on some days.

The cold season in Lithuania can start as early as November and last till April, in extreme cases even till May. Temperatures can dip as low as -20C during deep winters.

The best time to visit Lithuania, aside from beach holidays, is September - October. The temperatures at this time of year are usually very pleasant. October can be especially eye-pleasing with the burst of autumnal colours covering parks, fields, and forests.

July - August months are the most favourable summer months for the sun seekers. During hot summers, the sea temperatures can get up to around +21C at its warmest.









TRADITIONAL LITHUANIAN FOOD



Bulviniai Blynai (Potato Pancakes)



Cepelinai (Potato Dumplings)



Kepta Duona (Fried Bread)



<u>Šaltibarščiai (Cold Beetroot Soup)</u>



<u>Šakotis (Spruce-tree cake)</u>



Skrudzėlynas (Anthill cake)