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PROGRAMME
IN MONTENEGRO



COUNTRY PROFILE

- **Area:** 13.812 km²
- **Population:** 625.266
- **Capital:** Podgorica
- **Historical capital:** Cetinje
- **Language:** Montenegrin
- **Government:** Parliamentary Republic
- **Currency:** Euro



- Located in the Southeastern Europe, on the Balkan Peninsula;
- Neighboring countries: Albania, Kosovo, Serbia, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Croatia;
- Diverse landscape: mountainous country with large mountain ranges and a coastline at the Adriatic Sea; Mediterranean climate moving to moderately continental on the North of the country;
- A small country with a market trade economy;
- Tourism and agriculture are the two predominant sectors in the economy;
- Candidate country aspiring to EU membership;



Montenegro in EU programmes for higher education: a chronologic view

Tempus	Erasmus Mundus	Erasmus+
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In 2000 Montenegro participates for the first time at an EU programme for higher education; Number of projects: 64 Budget: 10.5 million EUR 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In 2007 Montenegro becomes a partner of multilateral mobility projects under Erasmus Mundus Number of projects: 16 multilateral mobility projects (328 outgoing and 38 incoming mobilities) Budget: 2 million EUR 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In 2015 Montenegro becomes a Partner country of the Erasmus+ Programme Number of projects: 27 CBHE projects, 227 ICM projects, 2 EMJMD project, 6 Jean Monnet projects Budget: CBHE (16, 6 million EUR) ICM (5,6 million EUR)

Erasmus+ in Montenegro: eligibility

Montenegro as a Partner Country is eligible to participate in KA1, KA2, KA3 and Jean Monnet activities.

KA1	KA2	KA3	Jean Monnet
Participant in International Credit Mobility projects; Partner in Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degree .	Partner/coordinator of projects in Capacity Building for Higher Education ; Partner (not applicant) in Knowledge Alliances, Sectoral Skills Alliances and Strategic Partnerships ; eTwinning network.	Euro guidance network of national resource and information centers for guidance; Eurydice network for higher education system in Europe.	Eligible for all types of projects, similar to institutions from all over the world.

Erasmus+ in Montenegro: participation (2015-2019)

International Credit Mobility

Mobility of students and staff in higher education 2015-2019	
Selected projects	227
Grant Awarded (EUR)	5 680 037 million EUR
Total Participants Awarded	1170
Participants incoming (to EU)	829
Participants outgoing (from EU)	341

Capacity Building in Higher Education

Participation of HEIs in CBHE projects 2015-2019	
Total number of projects	27
Number of projects as partner	21
Number of projects as coordinator	6
Number of joint projects	25
Number of structural projects	2



In case of interest in cooperating with Montenegrin HEIs in CBHE projects

What are the regional and national priorities to be considered?

Regional priorities:

Curriculum development	Improving management and operation of HEI	Developing the HE sector within society at large
Education; Physical Sciences; Engineering and engineering trades; Agriculture, forestry, fisheries and veterinary; Health; Transport services; Environment	Governance, strategic planning and management of HEIS; Internationalization of HEI; Equity, access to and democratization of HE	Non university sector at tertiary education level; University-enterprise cooperation; Recognition of qualifications and Qualification frameworks; Definition, implementation and monitoring of reform policies

National priorities:

Curriculum development	Improving management and operation of HEI	Developing the HE sector with-in society at large
Education; Languages; Social and behavioral science; Business and administration; Law; Environment, Information and Communication Technologies; Engineering and engineering trades; Agriculture, forestry, fisheries and veterinary; Health	Governance, strategic planning and management of HEIS; University services; Internationalization of HEI; Quality assurance processes and mechanisms	Development of school and vocational education at postsecondary non-tertiary level; University-enterprise cooperation

Higher Education System in Montenegro

- Montenegro is a Bologna signatory country as of 2003. Elements of Bologna process are incorporated into Montenegrin HE legislation;
- Higher education in Montenegro is implemented based on the principles of the Law on Higher Education, adopted in June 2017;
- Strategic objectives for further higher education development have been formulated in the Strategy for the Development of Higher Education 2016-2020.

Higher Education Institutions

- Educational activities at higher education institutions are carried out through academic and applied study programmes, as well as through various professional development and training programmes.
- There are:
 - 1 public HEI in Montenegro;
 - 3 private HEIs
 - 1 independent public faculty
 - 4 independent private faculties.

Universities

University Name	Public	Private	Number of faculties / institutes
University of Montenegro	*		19 faculties + 3 institutes
Mediterranean University		*	6 faculties
University of Donja Gorica		*	12 faculties
Adriatic University		*	7 faculties

Independent Faculties

Faculty Name	Public	Private
Faculty of Montenegrin Language and Literature, Cetinje	*	
Faculty for State and European Studies, Podgorica		*
Faculty of Business Management, Bar		*
Faculty of Traffic, Communications and Logistics, Budva		*
Faculty for International Management in Tourism and Hotel Industry		*

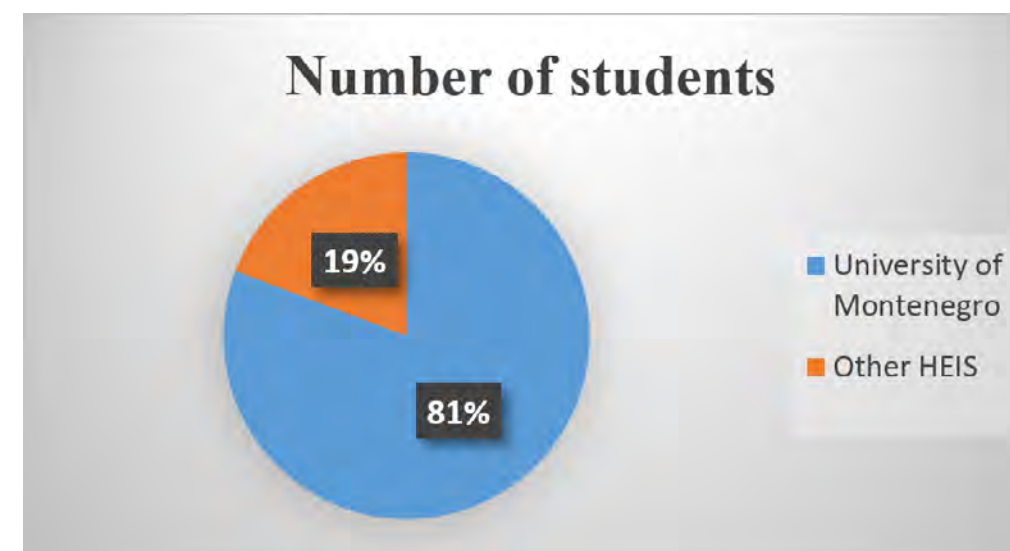
Types and levels of studies

Study programmes are organized at three levels:

Study cycle		Duration	ECTS
Undergraduate (Bachelor)		3 years	180
Long cycle studies	Medical studies	6 years	360
	Dentistry and Pharmacy	5 years	300
	Architecture	5 years	300
Postgraduate	Specialist studies + Master studies	1 year + 1 year	60 + 60
	Master studies	2 years	120
	Doctoral studies	3 years	180

Students

- The total number of students in Montenegro is about **26 000**;
- Out of the total number of students **21 000** attend education at University of Montenegro;
- Other higher education institutions amount about **5 000** students.



Foreign students at Montenegrin HEIs

- A foreigner has the right to enrollment on study programs in Montenegro, under the same conditions as Montenegrin citizens, in compliance with the Law on Higher Education and the statute of the institution;
- HEIs organize language courses and welcome activities for foreign students;
- Foreign students are accommodated in residence halls or renting flats. Renting prices vary, between 80€ and 400€ a month.

Tuition fees

Public HEIs:

Undergraduate (per year)	500 – 1 000 €
Postgraduate (per year)	1 500 – 2 000 €
Doctoral (per year)	1 500 – 3 000 €

Private HEIs:

Undergraduate (per year)	1 350 – 1 600 €
Postgraduate (per year)	1 600 – 2 500 €
Doctoral (per year)	2 000 – 3 000 €



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Higher Education Institutions in Montenegro: what do they offer?

University of Montenegro

Established in 1974, University of Montenegro is the largest public research university in Montenegro. As the oldest and most popular higher education institution, it has over 20.000 students. University of Montenegro comprises 19 faculties and 3 research institutes. Those 19 faculties offer 62 Undergraduate Study Programmes, 73 Masters Study Programmes and 25 Doctoral Study Programmes. The faculties are mainly located in Podgorica, while some of them are in Cetinje, Nikšić and Kotor.

The University of Montenegro is the oldest and the largest higher education, scientific and artistic institution in Montenegro. It was founded on April 2nd, 1974, in Podgorica. Today, the University is comprised of 19 faculties and three scientific institutes, with more than 20,000 students. The university is operating nationally over a number of campuses, with its main campus and headquarters being located in the capital city of Montenegro, Podgorica.

The values of the University of Montenegro lie in academic excellence, autonomy, creativity and the freedom to create, as well as support for teachers, researchers and students in an effort to rise their profile among the national and international public in the areas of their profession.

The University of Montenegro is an integrated public university, organized according to the principles of the Bologna Declaration, with curricula harmonized with those at the most respectable European universities.

Below is the list of faculties and research institutes of the University of Montenegro:

	Faculties	Research institutes
Podgorica	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Faculty of Architecture Faculty of Biotechnology Faculty of Civil Engineering Faculty of Economics Faculty of Electrical Engineering Faculty of Law Faculty of Mechanical Engineering Faculty of Medicine Faculty of Metallurgy and Technology Faculty of Natural Sciences and Mathematics Faculty of Political Sciences 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Institute for History Institute of Marine Biology Institute-Center of Excellence in Research and Innovation
Nikšić	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Faculty of Philosophy Faculty of Philology Faculty for Sport and Physical Education 	
Cetinje	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Faculty of Drama Faculty of Fine Arts Music Academy 	
Kotor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Faculty of Maritime Studies Kotor Faculty of Tourism and Hotel Management 	

Internationalization:

- Numerous international agreements on cooperation with foreign universities signed. Up to now, the university has signed **141** agreements with universities from **39** countries.
- Programs in which the university participates as project partner or project coordinator include: TEMPUS, ERASMUS MUNDUS, ERASMUS+, IPA, HERIC, COST, Interreg MED, HORIZONT 2020, FP7.
- Member of a number of university associations such as:

- European University Association – EUA
- Association of Francophone Universities – AUF
- Association of Universities of Adriatic Ionian Area – UNIADRION
- Network of Universities of Small Countries and Territories – NUSCT

Participation of University of Montenegro in Erasmus+

ICM projects	CBHE projects	EMJMD	Jean Monnet
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Signed agreements with 107 partner institutions Realized mobilities: 939 (273 incoming, 666 outgoing) Top countries with which UoM cooperates in mobility projects: Poland, Romania, Germany, Italy and Portugal. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project partner in 16 projects; Project coordinator in 5 projects. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Associated partner in 2 EMJMD projects 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Partner in 6 Jean Monnet projects

For further information about University of Montenegro visit: <https://www.ucg.ac.me>



University of Donja Gorica is a private higher education institution established in 2007. The university seat is in the capital city. It comprises 12 faculties and 2 research units. The university is focused at developing multidisciplinary. At the University of Donja Gorica incubator for business-helping students exist to develop their business ideas during studies and support to start their own businesses.

Faculties	Research units
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Faculty of International Economics, Finance and Business Faculty of Information Systems and Technologies Polytechnics Faculty of Law Humanistic studies Faculty of Arts Faculty for Food Technology, Food Safety and Ecology Faculty of Sport Management Faculty of Design and Multimedia Faculty for Culture and Tourism Faculty of Applied Sciences. Faculty of Philology 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Center for Entrepreneurship and Economic Development; Institute for Strategic Studies and Prognosis

Internationalization:

- Internationalization activities have been intensified at the University of Donja Gorica. International relationships are more numerous and over a wider geographical area, albeit with two main geographical targets: Europe and China.
- Established partnership links within and outside the country. It has signed agreements with **60** companies/institutions from Montenegro, whereas cooperation with international partners implies **130** signed agreements with universities from different parts of the world.
- Participation in projects supported by various programmes such as: ERASMUS+, TEMUPS, HERIC, IPA, HORIZON 2020, EUREKA, EUSA.
- Member of the following university networks:
 - Alliance of International Science Organisations (ANSO);
 - Participated in The Institutional Evaluation Programme (IEP) – European University Association;
 - Baltic Management Development Association (BMDA);

Participation of University of Donja Gorica in Erasmus+

ICM projects	CBHE projects
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Signed agreements: 30 • Realized mobilities: 69 (26 incoming, 43 outgoing) • Top 5 countries with which UDG cooperates in mobility projects: Great Britain, Portugal, Estonia, Spain and Germany. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project partner in 9 projects; • Project coordinator in 1 project.

For further information about University of Donja Gorica visit: <https://www.udg.edu.me/>



University Mediterranean is the first private higher education institution in Montenegro founded in 2006. The university is located in Podgorica with one of the faculties settled in Bar. Mediterranean University implements its educational and scientific activity through 9 study programs in basic studies, 10 study programs in specialist, 11 master and 2 doctoral programmes. The University is composed of 6 faculties.

Faculties	
Bar	Faculty of tourism "Montenegro Tourism School"
Podgorica	Faculty of Economics and Business Faculty of Information Technology Faculty of Visual Arts Faculty of Foreign Languages

Internationalization:

- Continually works on establishing and improving cooperation with European and other universities. The university has signed cooperation agreements with 33 universities from different parts of the world.
- Actively participating in European and other cooperation programs such as TEMPUS, ERASMUS MUNDUS, CEEPUS, GLOBAL UGRAD, MEVLANA, ERASMUS +.
- Member of these university networks:
 - UNIADRION,
 - ALUm,
 - UNET,
 - BADEN.

Participation of University Mediterranean in Erasmus+

ICM projects	CBHE projects
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Signed agreements: 30 • Realized mobilities: 162 (120 are outgoing mobilities and 42 incoming ones) • Top countries with which Mediterranean University cooperates in ICM projects: Poland, Italy, Slovakia, Spain, Turkey and Romania. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project partner in 6 CBHE projects;

For further information about University Mediterranean visit: <http://unimediteran.net/>



The "Adriatic" University Bar is the newest private higher education institution in Montenegro, established in 2017 with headquarters in Bar. University Adriatic includes higher education institutions on the Montenegrin coast from Ulcinj to Herceg Novi. Teaching at the university is realized at the following institutions of higher education – faculties:

Faculties	Research units
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maritime Faculty Bar; • Faculty for Business Economics Bar; • Faculty for Business and Tourism Budva; • Faculty for Mediterranean Business Studies Tivat; • (Department of Ulcinj, Department of Nikšić); • Faculty for Management Herceg Novi; • Faculty for transport, logistics and communications Budva; • Faculty for international management in tourism and hospitality Miločer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maritime Training Center FMS Tivat • Maritime Training Center PFB Bar • Career center FBT Budva • Center for Informatics FMHN Herceg Novi • Center for foreign languages FMHN Herceg Novi

Internationalization:

As the youngest university in Montenegro, which is decentralized by its organizational structure, "Adriatic" University Bar has recognized the importance of internationalization as a tool to enhance the overall quality and mobility of both students and professors. Through its member faculties "Adriatic" University has a number of signed business and technical cooperation contracts with various institutions in Montenegro, but also cooperation contracts with universities from Europe and China. AU has participated in projects supported by various programmes such as ERASMUS+, and has successfully finished the Institutional Evaluation Programme (IEP) – European University Association.

Participation of "Adriatic" University Bar in Erasmus+

ICM projects	CBHE projects
Signed agreements: about 5 Top countries with which Adriatic University cooperates in ICM projects: Croatia, Slovenia and Romania	Project partner in 1 CBHE project

For further information about "Adriatic" University Bar visit: <http://www.univerzitetadriatik.com/>

Why should Montenegro be my Erasmus+ mobility destination?

- *“Everybody told me Montenegro is a beautiful country, with a lot of natural resources, art and culture that shape an individual. My professors helped me the most to decide, but also in the preparation part for application. I was happy about a new adventure, especially for the reason I heard all the best on this country.*

Massive mountains, vast sea, nature, all impressive-fantastic feeling. We were enthusiastic when we arrived in Cetinje. Small houses, pleasant colors, trees everywhere, we are artists and our perceptivity is stressed. We were happy because nature was everywhere around, unlike Malaga. We liked the most combination of sea and mountains merged.

I would recommend to all the Faculty of Fine Arts in Cetinje. Professors are professional and give freedom to students to express what they want. I think that this experience is necessary for everyone, especially in Cetinje, a city adapted to young people, and at the same time it represents an oasis of peace and a place that is an inspiration for the birth of many ideas. If you are a nature lover, you will have the opportunity to be in constant contact with it.”

Ana Duro Ramirez

Student of the Faculty of Fine Arts of the University in Malaga, Spain

“I applied at the Faculty of Political Science of the University of Montenegro, prepared all required documents and impatiently waited feedback. When my application had been accepted, I felt very happy. I already knew what I would find in Montenegro. I knew that my arrival would not be sudden shock for me, considering the experienced disseminated by friends from the exchange program. Montenegrin lecture staff provided me a great help. Likewise, the Vice-dean for lecture at the Faculty of Political Science helped me a lot. I felt like I was in my country.

For certain reason, Portuguese students almost never choose this part of Europe for students exchange program. All of them consider of Spain, Poland, little of them decide for Montenegro, Croatia... I want to explain people there are so many good things in here to see and knowledge to acquire.”

Nadia Oliveira

Student of political sciences from Portugal

“Here young people are unopened, they socialize in groups, but over time they become open and friendly oriented. We hang out, we travel all the time, we go on trips and we have fun. It was also a novelty for me to encounter many religions in Montenegro, but this diversity is good because I do not see any problems because of that.”

Ana Milaš from Ukraine

Student of political sciences in Poland

“My experience in UDG during our Erasmus + visit was exiting and enlightening. It was great to meet very dedicated teachers in a young developing university and even greater to have classes with the students, lots of questions, discussions. We undertook an adventure to drive through the country from Black Mountains to Adriatic coast and experienced rich culture, welcoming hospitality, excellent meat dishes and pristine wild landscapes. With experience of natural and cultural background and meeting the colleagues face-to-face we could develop future projects with mutual gain – how to enhance the sustainable local development, how to maintain identity in rural areas, how to develop adventure tourism so, that natural and cultural values will be highlighted and not overused.”

Marika Kose

Lecturer from Estonian University of Life Sciences
Institute of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences

“Erasmus is, in principle, an opportunity for scientific and cultural enrichment for those involved. The UDG University, Podgorica, Montenegro, for the teaching practices carried out, the opening and availability of its faculty assistants and support services and the content of the sessions held, is a magnificent example of the major possibilities of this exchange.

I hope that the doors of the European Union, including the development of research projects in partnership, will be opened up quickly, so that the ties that have now started will be intensified.”

Ricardo Jorge Silva

Lecturer from POLYTECHNIC OF PORTO (POLITÉCNICO DO PORTO)

“It was an amazing experience that, if possible, I would love to experience again. I fell in love with the country and recommended it to anyone I talked to.”

Beatriz Santos Boa,

Student of political sciences from Portugal



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