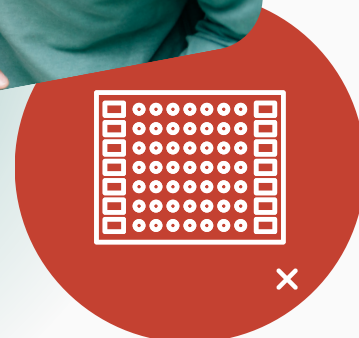
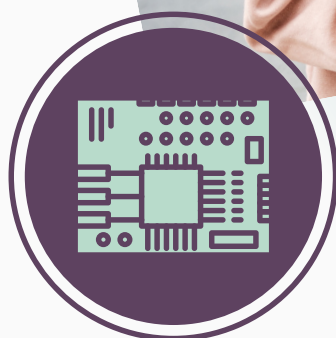
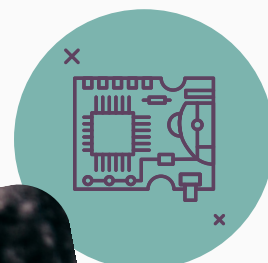




WARSAW SCHOOL OF COMPUTER SCIENCE



A STUDENT GUIDE TO WARSAW



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HEY THERE!

WELCOME TO WARSAW SCHOOL OF COMPUTER SCIENCE!



We're very excited to have you join us on this great journey of learning, exploring, and connecting. Whether you're here for your studies or internship, get ready for an unforgettable experience filled with positivity and growth.

First things first, our faculty members are not just brainiacs but also cool folks who are passionate about their fields. They'll guide you through an exciting curriculum designed to equip you with all the latest tech skills and knowledge you need to rock the world of computer science.

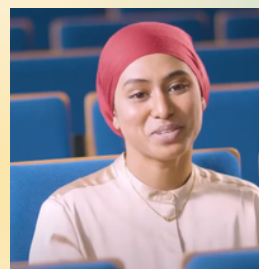
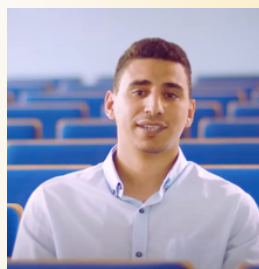
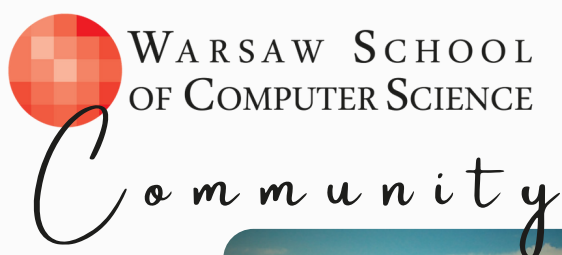
But hey, it's not all about hitting the books!

Warsaw, the vibrant capital of Poland, is your playground for adventure and discovery. From its rich history to its modern architecture, this city has it all. You can stroll through the charming streets of the Old Town, soak in the lively atmosphere of the city center, or get lost in the awe-inspiring modernity of places like the Warsaw Spire. Trust us, Warsaw knows how to impress!

Don't forget to make friends from every corner of the globe. Our student community is a true melting pot of cultures, ideas, and talents. Take part in cultural exchange events, join student clubs, and let those connections flourish. Who knows, you might just find your lifelong buddies and collaborators right here!

We've got your back, too. Our support staff is here to ensure that your stay in Warsaw is smooth sailing. They're ready to lend a helping hand whenever you need it, so don't hesitate to reach out.

Alright, enough with the formalities. We're beyond excited to have you here at the Warsaw School of Computer Science. Welcome once again and let's make this journey one for the books!



START OF THE SEMESTER

BASIC INFO

As Erasmus+ exchange students you don't need to sign up for the classes – you will be automatically added to groups based on your OLA (i.e. online learning agreement) signed by you, WSCS and your sending institution. That means that with the start of the semester, you'll be given your individual study schedules, and you just need to come to classes. That's all 😊

Before your mobility, you will be provided with your WSCS student account details (including your WSCS email address, MS Teams account and access to the Student Panel), and automatically added to each group according to your courses list, including teams on MS Team.

Additionally, all students are added to the team "Samorząd Studencki WWSI" which is our Student Council. There you'll get all the info about the social side of student life e.g. parties, events, workshops etc.

In case of any problems with accessing your WSCS account, please contact our IT Department at it@wwsi.edu.pl

The first week of classes at WSCS will be combined with the Orientation Week, which will include getting to know the school building, the surroundings, our students, professors, and the administrative staff. The detailed plan for the Orientation Week will be sent out one month before the beginning of the next semester.

ACADEMIC YEAR TIMETABLE

	CLASSES	EXAMINATION SESSION
FALL SEMESTER	02/10	29/01 - 09/02
SPRING SEMESTER	12/02	10/06 - 21/06

All the classes at WSCS are conducted in the hybrid model, which means the professors need to cater for the students participating in the lessons both on-premises and online. Additionally, every class is recorded and materials from each meeting are stored using Microsoft 365 services, so that the students have constant and stable access to the resources from each lesson.

As most of our international students, i.e. students studying in the English language, are also working professionals most classes are set up in the study schedule as evening classes and take place from Monday to Friday. However, during the Orientation Week, you will also be asked to come to the university earlier to hang out with our students studying in the Polish language.

ACCOMMODATION

Here's the list of recommended websites to look for accommodation during your stay:

- [EasyRent](#) - Erasmus-friendly real estate agency
- [RentFlatPoland](#) - Erasmus-friendly real estate agency
- [Student Depot](#) - private dormitories in Warsaw

You can check these websites too, however most of the offers are in the Polish language and the communication in English is not guaranteed:

- [OLX](#)
- [Gratka](#)

If you need any extra help with the accommodation, contact our Erasmus+ Coordinator:
erasmus@wwsi.edu.pl

GETTING AROUND TOWN

Warsaw is a city with a very good public transport, including buses, trams and the underground, which all belong to one transportation system and you can use the same ticket to travel on all of them.

If you are a holder of an International Student Identity Card ([ISIC](#)), you will get a discount on the public transportation long-term tickets.

However, if you want to apply for our university's Student Card, you'll get a 51% discount on all Polish public transport system (including different cities, long-distance trains etc.). The list of discounts with the Polish University Student Card, can be checked [here](#).

If you're interested in obtaining the card, contact the Erasmus+ Coordinator at WSCS.

ERASMUS COMMUNITY

As part of Warsaw School of Computer Science, you'll be the part of WSCS of our student community and we'll make sure you really become one, during orientation week 😊

However, don't forget to check Erasmus students networks in Warsaw, it could be a chance to make even more new friends and gain some great experiences:

Check out:

- Erasmus Poland [website](#)
- [Erasmus Student Network in Warsaw](#)
- Erasmus in Warsaw - ESN Warsaw United [Facebook page](#)
- [Erasmus Warsaw 2023/2024 \[ESN Official Group\]](#)
- [Erasmus in Warsaw \[ESN Official Group\]](#)

POLISHING YOUR POLISH

Warsaw is a young and modern city and most people everywhere will understand you speaking English. Unless, they're seniors, than they might not.

However, learning a few Polish phrases would always be considered a nice gesture by a foreigner! You've got your Online Language Support that could offer you some courses in beginner Polish. We can also recommend the sources below:

- a Polish for Beginner course on a national MOOC platform - [Navoica](#)
- a [Youtube channel](#) where you can pick up a few useful expressions

HEALTH AND SAFETY

Be sure to have valid medical insurance in case of emergency. Check out the information about EU health card - [The EHIC](#)

Our university is accessible to people with disabilities both with regards to the physical amenities in the building as well as the help of the sign language translator.

If you're a person with disabilities, we have a special department - BON - in our university designed specifically to cater for people with special needs. Contact the person responsible, if you have any: BON@wwsi.edu.pl

Warsaw is a very safe place to live and most probably you won't have any problems concerning safety here. However, remember 112 - is an alarm phone number with which you will reach the police, the medical or any other emergency service you might need.

We're glad you're joining us!

