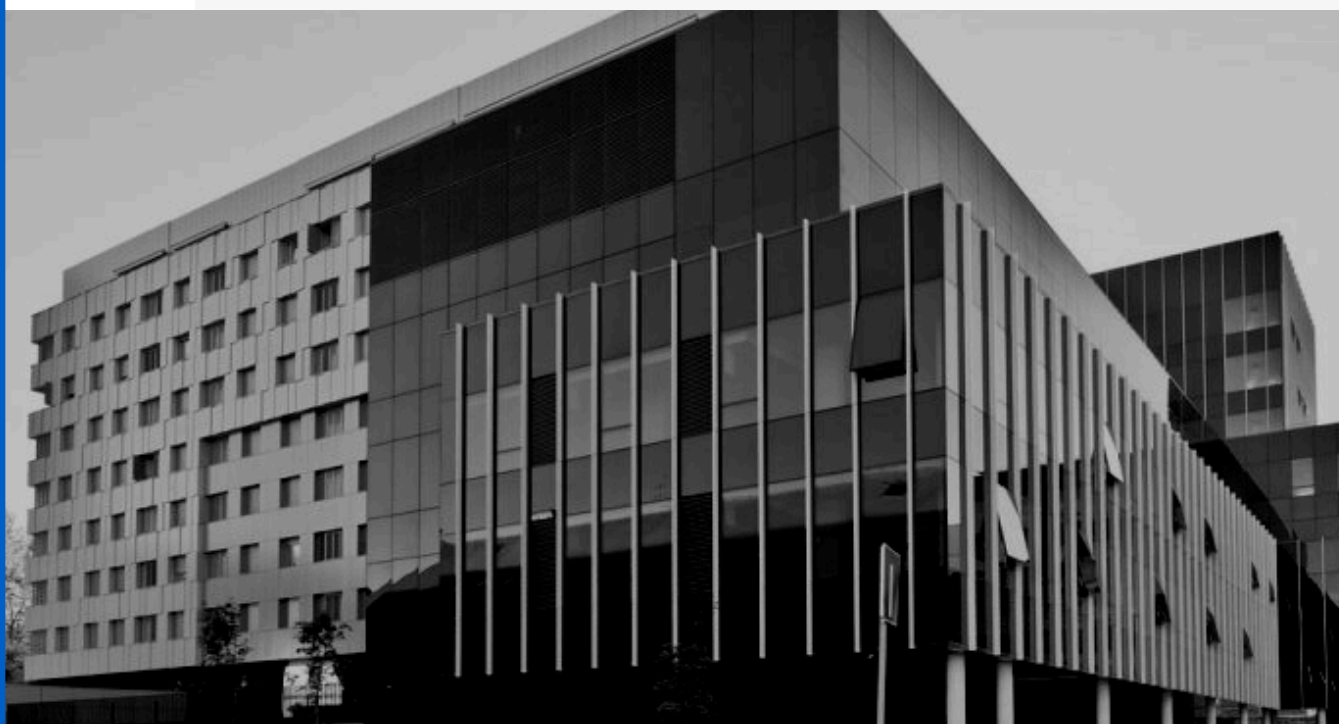


2025/2026

FACT SHEET



INTERNATIONAL STUDENT EXCHANGE

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NOMINATION AND APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Partner universities should nominate students via a nomination link. After the nomination process ends, students will receive from ZSEM a personal link to the application form and will be requested to fill it out and upload their documents.

DOCUMENTS

THE LIST OF DOCUMENTS REQUIRED FOR THE APPLICATION FOR THE STUDENT EXCHANGE AT ZSEM

- Copy of a Passport (ID card is enough for EU students)
- International Health Insurance (or EU health card)
- Learning Agreement
- Transcript of Records
- CV
- Motivational letter
- 1 ID Photograph

DEADLINES

TASK	FALL 2025	SPRING 2026
NOMINATION DEADLINE	31.03.2025.	15.10.2025.
APPLICATION DEADLINE	30.04.2025.	31.10.2025.

ACADEMIC CALENDER

INFORMATION ABOUT DATES OF THE ORIENTATION DAY, SEMESTER, AND EXAMINATION PERIOD.

	FALL SEMESTER	SPRING SEMESTER
ORIENTATION DAY UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS	03.09.2025.	28.01.2026.
ORIENTATION DAY GRADUATE STUDENTS	03.09.2025.	03.03.2025.
SEMESTER DATES UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS	08.09.2025. - 20.12.2025.	02.02.2026. - 22.05.2026.
SEMESTER DATES GRADUATE STUDENTS	08.09.2025. - 28.02.2026.	02.03.2026. - 17.07.2026.
EXAMINATION PERIOD UNDERGRADUATE & GRADUATE STUDENTS	THROUGHOUT THE SEMESTER	THROUGHOUT THE SEMESTER
RESIT PERIOD UNDERGRADUATE & GRADUATE STUDENTS	JANUARY, 2026	JUNE, 2026

ACADEMIC INFORMATION

INFORMATION ABOUT COURSES

Undergraduate exchange students can only select undergraduate courses. They can select courses from any study year or program, provided that the courses don't overlap. The undergraduate program is held in **2 quarters** per semester.

Graduate exchange students can select only graduate courses from any MBA program provided that the courses don't overlap, and elective undergraduate courses in Croatian language and Croatian studies. Please note that graduate courses have a special schedule: they are held from 5 PM - 9 PM, in modules of 1 – 3 intensive weeks per course.

Please [click here](#) to see the list of all the available courses at ZSEM.

If the graduate students also selected elective undergraduate courses, they will need to pay attention to the special undergraduate schedules and come at the beginning of the undergraduate semester (in February for the 2nd semester!).

Language of Instruction	English (or Croatian)
Course workload	40 - 45 hours in total
Required number of courses	Maximum 30 ECTS, no minimum
Number of weeks of study	15 weeks (+ exam period of 1 month)
Language and integration support	Croatian language and Croatian studies
Course registration	Via online form, first-come, first-serve basis
Credit system	ECTS
Exams	Exams, group projects, class presentations
Grading system	5 – EXCELLENT (outstanding performance) 91-100% 4 – VERY GOOD (above the average standard) 81- 90% 3 – GOOD (generally sound work) 70-79% 2 – SUFFICIENT (minimum criteria) 60-69% 1 – FAIL (considerable further work is required) 59% or less

MINIMUM ENGLISH REQUIREMENT

Students should be fluent in the English language to be able to actively participate in the classroom, however we do not require any formal certificate or proof of their English language proficiency. We expect at least CEFR level **B1** for undergraduate students and level **B2** for graduate students.

MINIMUM GPA

Minimum GPA is 3.5 (out of 5). In case the GPA is lower than 3.5, students can come to a fee-paying free-mover program. Our partner institutions have a 50% discount.

VISA

EU citizens or citizens from countries that **don't** need an entrance visa for Croatia, should apply for their Temporary Stay Permit in Croatia after their arrival. Everything will be explained on Orientation Day.

Citizens from countries that **do** need a visa, must apply for Visa Type C (short-term visa) in the Croatian embassy in their home countries. For those in this case, we strongly recommend starting the process as soon as possible since it could take up to several months in some cases. After their arrival to Croatia, they must apply for the Temporary Stay Permit.

How do I know if citizens with my nationality require a visa to enter Croatia? Look [here](#).

If you already have a Schengen visa, you can enter Croatia with it.

POLICE CLEARANCE

Non-EU citizens are additionally required to provide the Croatian police with a **police clearance** (no criminal record certificate) which must be **translated into the Croatian language** and be **fully legalized**.

If the home country of the student is a signatory of the **Hague Apostille Convention**, then it is sufficient that the police clearance has an **apostille**.

If the home country is not a signatory of the Hague Apostille Convention, then the clearance **needs to be stamped both by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Croatian Embassy**. You can find more information [here](#) or contact the Croatian Embassy in your country.

ETIAS

As of 2025, non-EU citizens who don't require a visa for Croatia are required to apply for **ETIAS** before their departure.

ETIAS travel authorisation is an entry requirement for visa-exempt nationals travelling to any of these [30 European countries](#). It is linked to a traveller's passport. It is valid for up to three years or until the passport expires, whichever comes first. If you get a new passport, you need to get a new ETIAS travel authorisation.

With a valid ETIAS travel authorisation, you can enter the territory of these European countries as often as you want for short-term stays - normally for up to 90 days in any 180-day period. However, it does not guarantee entry. When you arrive, a border guard will ask to see your passport and other documents and verify that you meet the entry conditions.



ACCOMMODATION

INFORMATION ABOUT HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES AND HEALTH INSURANCE.

ZSEM doesn't have a dorm, but we collaborate with 2 housing agencies that help our students find the right accommodation.

These agencies are:

- [Home in Zagreb](#)
- [Grab a Home](#)

We have a Facebook group where students can contact other students who are coming to ZSEM next semester and the students who are at this moment at ZSEM. This is a very useful way of finding roommates and asking about recommendations.

The link to the Facebook group will be sent by the Incoming Coordinator.

HEALTH INSURANCE

Students are required to have a valid health insurance during their stay in Croatia.

EU citizens should have the EU Health Card.

Non-EU citizens should purchase international health insurance. It should be valid throughout the territory of the Schengen Area and cover the entire period of the student's intended stay in Croatia. It should cover a minimum of 30.000 EUR medical expenses.

LIVING COSTS

EXPENSES	EUR PER MONTH
ACCOMMODATION	350- 800 EUR
TRANSPORT	10 - 15 EUR
MEALS	90 - 200 EUR
TRIPS	40 - 300 EUR
PARTIES	40 - 200 EUR
TOTAL	800 - 1500 EUR

BUDDY PROGRAM

Each international student is assigned a buddy which helps them adjust to ZSEM and integrate into the Croatian society.

FOOD SERVICE

There are 17 student restaurants in the city where students can eat very affordably, for about 2 EUR per meal (with the student card).

SPORT AT ZSEM

Students can play football, basketball, handball, volleyball, squash, tennis, futsal, yoga, pilates.

EMPLOYMENT

ZSEM's Career Center can help students find jobs or internships, however, we do **not** guarantee that students will find a job.