

STUDY IN ENGLISH – F.A.Q.

1. Is Singidunum University (and its study programmes) accredited?

Singidunum University is the first private university in Serbia accredited under the terms of the Law on Higher Education. The work permit is issued on the basis of the Certificate of Accreditation of the higher education institution received from the Commission for Accreditation and Quality Assurance. Our study programmes are accredited in three scientific fields (social sciences and humanities, natural sciences and mathematics, technical and technological sciences), at all three levels of study (undergraduate, master and doctoral degree studies) conducted both in Serbian and English.

2. What is the language of instruction at Singidunum University?

At Singidunum University, all the lectures, literature and exam papers are delivered/written in English.

3. Does the University offer any additional services and extracurricular activities to its students?

Apart from the activities and requirements envisaged by the curricula, our students have the opportunity to take part in numerous extracurricular activities. Namely, they can obtain various IT and software certificates, as well as internationally recognized language certificates or attend seminars organized by our Institute. Our students also have an opportunity to do an internship or part-time employment in some of a large number of corporations and hotels the University cooperates with. Moreover, our students can take part in various sports and cultural activities and represent the University in national and international competitions etc.

4. Is there any practical education included in the studies?

Practical education will be a part of curricular activities, either in form of facultative or mandatory practice, included in our study programmes. The University continuously keeps maintaining a vast network of companies

operating in the relevant fields of industry where our students can find some extra knowledge and skills.

5. What are estimated monthly living costs in Belgrade?

Expected monthly costs of living (transportation, basic grocery shopping, local fast food, etc...) are around 250 EUR. In addition to the above-mentioned, it is worth noting that studio flats can be rented – for EUR 150 - 200 EUR per month. There is also an option of sharing a three-bedroom flat for approximately 250 - 400 EUR in total per month. For more info on cost of living in Belgrade, please visit the following link: www.expatisitan.com/cost-of-living/belgrade.

6. Are there any discounts for international students who study in Belgrade?

Students can get the International Student Identity Card (ISIC) that provides them with thousands of travel, online and lifestyle-related discounts both at home and worldwide. It costs only £ 12. At the same time, student transportation fare is discounted for about 30%. For more information, you can always visit the following link: www.gpa.rs/kartice/isic-kartica.

7. How can students open a bank account in Serbia and how long is the whole process?

It is not obligatory to have an account in Serbia, but is recommended as it may help you avoid excessive transaction fees. The whole process should not take longer than 7-10 working days. In this regard, the University services can provide you with all relevant information and assistance.

8. How safe is the city of Belgrade?

Generally, Belgrade is very a safe city with no unsafe zones identified inside the city boundaries, just like other cities in the Republic of Serbia. Public transportation includes the use of buses, trams and trolleys, but there is also a number of official TAXI service companies. In this respect, it is worth noting that crime rates are fairly low, and emergency services respond in short amount of time. On the whole, Belgrade is famous for its numerous attractions, Belgrade itself is marked as a city with plenty of tourist

attractions, welcoming people, picturesque streets, a number of historic monuments, as well as entertainment. For more information about Belgrade, please see, <https://www.tripadvisor.co.uk/Tourism-g294472-Belgrade-Vacations.html>

9. Can students start up business or get employed by a local company during the course of their studies?

The Laws applied in the Republic of Serbia do not restrict anyone to start a business or sign a working contract, if such is conducted pursuant to legal regulations. However, the eligibility to obtain/run an independent business or work contract also depends on the level and type of visa that has been granted.

10. Can students apply for permanent residence in Serbia?

“Student” visa status does not give anyone a position to apply for a permanent residency (status). To clarify terms and conditions as regards applying for permanent residency in the Republic of Serbia, you can visit the Ministry of Foreign Affairs web page: <http://www.mfa.gov.rs/en/consular-affairs>