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Why study in Poland?

Poland is in the heart of Europe

Poland lies where the West and the East meet. With a population of over 38.5 million people, Poland is the sixth most populous member state of the European Union. Its territory extends from the Baltic Sea in the north to the Tatry Mountains in the south. In Poland you can find a variety of landscapes: beautiful sandy beaches, picturesque lake districts, woods and mountains, and even a desert.

Poles are hospitable

Hospitality is a feature that one usually associates with Poles. Don't be surprised if your Polish friends invite you to a party and show you all the city attractions. For most of us casual invitation for dinner means a three-course feast. People are friendly and helpful, so if you need any help, just ask them.

It is safe here

The independent Institute for Economics and Peace analyzed the situation in 163 countries all over the world and prepared the Global Peace Index 2021. According to this report, Poland is in the 24th place in the worldwide ranking, ahead of France, United Kingdom, Italy or Greece. The indicator of the state of peace is at a high level in Poland.

Discounts for students

Do you know that in Poland, students receive a 50% discount on public transportation, including trams, buses and long-distance trains? Remember that you have to have valid student ID, otherwise you may receive a fine. What is more interesting, most cinemas, theaters, museums, some restaurants, pubs, clubs, cafes and fitness clubs also offer special prices for students.

Very low unemployment rate

Poland has a very low unemployment rate (5.4% in December '21 according to Statistics Poland) and EU students are allowed to work in Poland without any work permits. Many of them do part-time or temporary jobs. Non-EU students are allowed to work on the basis of a Student Visa or Temporary Residence Permit.

We have more and more foreign students

According to Statistics Poland and NAWA (Polish National Agency for Academic Exchange), in 2021 about 85,000 students planned to study in Poland for more than one academic year, it is more than a year before. In 2020 there were 82,194 foreign students studying in our country.

Costs of living are affordable

The costs of living in Poland are relatively low compared to e.g. France, Great Britain, Germany, Spain or Italy. They vary considerably between the cities and the rural areas. You can find them on our website: www.merito.pl/english/study-in-poland/cost-of-living-in-poland.

Why become WSB Merito University student?



What you should know about our university?



WSB Merito University in Poznań (including its faculties in Chorzów and Szczecin) has been ***ranked number 1 non-state higher education** institution in terms of the number of admitted candidates.

* Report on admissions published by the Ministry of Science and Higher Education in 2021/2022.



You gain a diploma which is an asset in the labor market. **WSB Merito Universities degrees are recognized in all European Union member states.**



You learn from professionals – from academics, experts and guest speakers who teach through interaction: workshops, case studies, discussions, use flashcards, sticky notes, and flipcharts.



We believe that practical skills matter – by partnering with numerous companies we make sure our study programs meet the labor market needs. As a group of WSB Merito Universities we are involved in partnerships with more than 6,000 businesses throughout the country and beyond.



We value your time – our students find it easy to combine their studies with work thanks to a well-designed schedule.

Poland – basic facts



Official name:
the Republic of Poland
(www.polska.pl)

Member of the **European Union**
(since 2004), the **United Nations**
(since 1945) and **NATO** (since 1999)

Location:
Central Europe – the 9th largest
country in Europe



Borders: the Czech Republic,
Germany, Slovakia, Belarus,
Ukraine, Russia and Lithuania;
northern border (440 km long)

Runs along the Baltic Sea coast

Access to **the Baltic Sea** in
the north, surrounded by **the**
mountains (Tatry, Bieszczady,
Beskidy, Sudety) in the south

Population:
over 38.5 million people

Capital city: **Warszawa/Warsaw**
(over 1.7 million people)



Currency: **Polish zloty**
(divided into 100 groszy)

Official language: **Polish**

Traffic: **right-hand**

Country dialing code: **+48**

Internet domain: **pl**



Handshake is commonly given
upon meetings and greetings

Most **popular Polish meals**: pierogi
(dumplings), kotlet schabowy (type
of breaded pork cutlet), bigos (a mix
of cabbage, meat and mushrooms),
gołąbki (cabbage leaves stuffed with
meat), rosół (chicken soup), zupa
ogórkowa (cucumber soup – it`s
really sour!!!) and żurek (a type of a
sour rye soup with egg and sausage)

Moderate **continental climate**,
generally warm summers with
average temperatures between 18°C
and 30°C and rather cold winters
with average temperatures around
3°C in the north-west and -6°C in
the north-east



More information about Poland can
be found on the following websites:

www.poland.pl
www.studyin.poznan.pl
www.poznan.pl
slaskie.travel
www.nawa.gov.pl

What makes us unique?



1.

Our lecturers are practitioners

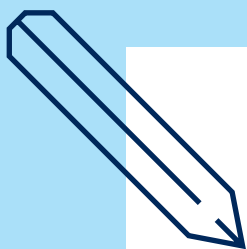
At WSB Merito University students meet exciting and innovative individuals – businesspeople and practitioners who manage their own businesses daily or are employed by companies that are regionally recognized brands. Our lecturers are people with passion and excellent knowledge who are happy to share it. They teach students what they find useful in the industry with which they associate their future.



2.

We have modern programs of study

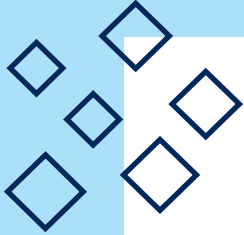
We believe that practical skills are essential, and students ought to get their first experience during their studies. At WSB Merito Universities, they learn, among others analyzing case studies, taking part in workshops, exercises, discussions, simulations and other interactive activities. This modern approach to education gives our students more significant opportunities in the dynamic labor market. To make it easier for them to balance all their activities, we compose the class timetable to blend work and study without any problems.



3.

We support studying with technology

Technology has become an integral part of the modern education process. Online meetings with the lecturers, quizzes, tests, innovative Internet platforms, audio-visual materials as well as the original presentations by relevant researchers have become part of the catalogue of the devices commonly used in the process of education at university. Our students have permanent access to online learning resources through the Moodle platform, use MS TEAMS and digital library.



4.

Our curricula are tailored to employers' needs

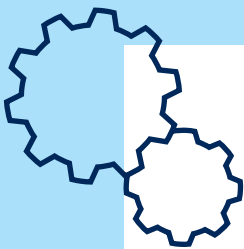
Our curricula are tailored to employers' needs and expectations. Project based courses teach students good teamwork and communication skills. The WSB Merito University runs full-time as well as part-time degree programs. Students can choose from a wide array of first-cycle (Bachelor's and Engineer's), second-cycle (Master's) and longcycle (Master's) programs, MBA programs, and postgraduate courses.



5.

We have well-organised studies

Our students find it easy to combine their studies with work thanks to a well-designed schedule. Our programs make it possible for students to acquire professional experience while at university.



6.

We appreciate the creativity of students

Studying is not only about attending university, working and developing a network of contacts that may pay off in the future. Studies are also a time to pursue passions, interests and open up to new opportunities. It is a time of making friends, joint student trips and parties. As a university, we have a lot to offer, and we support even the craziest student designs. Our students spend their time actively. Sports activities, events, trips, workshops and meetings with interesting people as part of student academic clubs are just some of the attractions that wait for them after classes.

We are student-friendly



What do we do for our students?

- Create opportunities for professional development.
- Equip our students and graduates with practical skills and competencies.
- Present a wide range of extra activities to help students and graduates build their career paths [job offers, internships, consultations with job advisors, building career paths, free training courses, coaching provided by **Career Services Office**].

How can we help you after coming to Poland?

- We will provide you with information on which means of transportation to get to Poznań from the nearest transfer point in Poland as conveniently as possible.
- We will pick you up from the airport or train / bus station and help you reach your place of residence.
- We will inform you about the obligations arising from Polish law regarding foreign nationals (registration of residence; health insurance, etc.).
- We will assist in choosing a bank, setting up a bank account, choosing a mobile service provider and the Internet provider as well as signing relevant documents.

- We will show you around the WSB Merito University campus and tell you about how to get around the city via public transport as well as recommend places worth visiting around the city.

If you have more questions you can always ask your organizational assistant for help.

In order to encourage foreign students to study at WSB Merito University, we support them at many levels.

Our university offers:

- orientation days upon their arrival in Poznań
- organizational assistance (buddy system)
- info guide
- intercultural workshops
- Polish language course.

We understand that moving to a foreign country and studying in Poland is a new situation. As a student you can have some questions, doubts or problem. No need to worry. Our **Admissions Offices** will provide you with any information and assistance you need. Just contact the Admission Office at WSB Merito University of your choice. Other place you will visit relatively often is Registrar's Office. Our **Registrar's Office** staff are pleased to help you with any matter concerning your study. This is the place, where you pick up or renew your Student ID Card or apply for grants and scholarships.

International Cooperation

Our aim is to increase the degree of internationalization by, among others, providing student and faculty exchange programs, e.g. Erasmus+.

Our students can choose to do part of their studies and/or internships abroad.

Erasmus+

Erasmus+ is an EU mobility program for education, training, youth and sport. We have been actively participating in the program since 1999. Students can participate in the Erasmus+ student exchange program in one of WSB Merito Universities partner schools across Europe. While doing their study periods abroad students are exempted from tuition fee at WSB Merito University. Students also have the opportunity for doing a 3-month internship in different companies located in Europe.

So far more than 600 students have taken part in the program.

Erasmus+ provides you with opportunities to:

- study in an international setting
- learn and improve foreign language skills
- participate in an internship program
- study in a partner school without having to pay tuition fees
- obtain a scholarship
- explore the culture of a host country
- make friends with students of different nationalities
- acquire hands-on experience that is valued so much by prospective employers.

International Relations Office

If you dream of university study in another country, have a good command of a foreign language, and are fond of traveling – we will be pleased to meet you! Come to the International Relations Office. **You will find contact details at the end of this brochure.**



We cooperate with over 50 European and 2 American higher education institutions.



“I like living in Poland. Poznań is a beautiful city with a lot of activities to do. I have a huge interest in saving the environment and prevent global warming so that we could achieve sustainable living in the future. I study management, because I am interested in business, like to work with people, and I like to have control. In the future I want to work as a manager for an international company in Norway, preferably in a company dealing with climate changes etc.”

Mira Arterz-Grastredt
WSB Merito University student



Perfect study environment: Poznań



What you should know about our campus in Poznań?

- We have 4 modern buildings located in the center of Poznań. The buildings are called: CP, CR, BR and PW.
- In CP building you will find a lecture hall with 270 seats, a library, classrooms, computer labs, the Registrar's Office, the Career Services Office, the Faculty Office, the Postgraduate Education Center, and a café.
- CR building has a 400-seat lecture hall and 26 fully-equipped lecture rooms and classrooms. You will also find a photocopy room and a cafeteria.
- In BR building you will find technology-equipped teaching facilities including four rearrangeable lecture rooms with foldable partition walls. It is fully adapted to the needs of persons with disabilities.
- PW building houses lecture rooms, seminar rooms, computer labs, and an engineering lab. A photocopy room is found there, too.

Some interesting facts about Poznań:

- it is situated halfway between Berlin (capital of Germany) and Warsaw (capital of Poland). It takes less than 3 hours to get by train or car to Poznań either from Berlin or Warsaw
- it is easily accessible by plane from many destinations all over Europe
- population – 540,000
- over 112,000 students
- 24 public and non-public universities
- magnitude of job opportunities – companies located in Poznań have high positions in the prestigious list of the 500 largest Polish companies ("Lista 500"), published annually by the "Rzeczpospolita" daily.
- very low unemployment rate – 1.2%.

You can find more information about Poznań on our website:
www.merito.pl/english/poznan/get-to-know-wsb/why-poznan.

Perfect study environment: Chorzów/Katowice



What you should know about our campus in Chorzów?

- Our University has two comfortable buildings, both perfectly adapted to student needs.
- Our main campus is based at 29 Sportowa street in Chorzów, in a suburban area with good transportation links.
- If you study a Bachelor- or Master-level degree program, a vast majority of your lectures and classes will take place at this location.
- WSB Merito University buildings are situated in areas with good transportation links, so you will find it easy and comfortable to get to school on time, wherever you live. All you need to do is get off the bus at the stop called “Klimzowiec Wojska Polskiego” and take a short walk (less than 500 yards). If you are not sure which bus to take or which way to walk, run [jakdojade.pl](https://www.jakdojade.pl) app and see how to get to our University from where you are.

- Do you prefer driving? There is a large parking lot on our campus.
- A wide range of educational opportunities in almost every academic program – 190,000 students, over 45,000 graduates every year.

Some interesting facts about Chorzów:

- located in the center of the Upper Silesia Metropolis, in the Silesian Highlands
- annual events like Beer Festival or Chorzów Days
- Poland’s biggest funfair, a narrow gauge railway, a large sports stadium
- Planetarium
- more than 100,000 inhabitants.

You can find more information about Chorzów on our website: www.merito.pl/english/chorzow/get-to-know-wsb.

Perfect study environment: Szczecin



What you should know about our campus in Szczecin?

- University study involves a lot of time spent on the campus. A comfortable study environment is commonly associated with state-of-the-art teaching facilities and efficient administrative services. It is also important that students see the campus as a friendly and welcoming place.

In the building you will find e.g.:

- the library that provides you with access to thousands of books and periodicals in printed and in electronic form.
- a cafeteria serving delicious coffees as well as tasty hot meals.

Some interesting details about Szczecin:

- Szczecin, the third largest city in Poland in terms of area, is situated in the north-western part of Poland, by the German-Polish border

- more than 400,000 residents
- the area of 300.55 km²
- PLN 818.7 mln – the value of foreign capital enterprises (Scandinavian investments account for almost half of all foreign investments in West Pomerania; based on data from the Central Statistical Office of Poland and REGON register, it is estimated that Scandinavian companies employ a total of approximately 15,000 people in Western Pomerania.)
- one of 11 centers of business services in Poland, employing 4.5 thousand people
- the unemployment rate at 3.2%
- focuses on developing cooperation with Germany, enabling the implementation of many projects:
www.interreg5a.info/de.

You can find more information about Szczecin on our website: www.merito.pl/english/szczecin/get-to-know-wsb.

Perfect study environment: Warsaw



What you should know about our campus in Warsaw?

We help students after coming to Poland, our offers offer includes:

- Orientation Days upon their arrival (inform you about the obligations arising from Polish law regarding foreign nationals (registration of residence; health insurance, etc.)
- Organizational assistance (buddy system)
- Info Guide
- intercultural workshops
- Polish language course
- easy online signup.

What do we do more for our students?

- Create opportunities for professional development.
- Equip our students and graduates with practical skills and competencies.
- Present a wide range of extra activities to help students and graduates build their career paths (job offers,

internships, consultations with job advisors, building career paths, free training courses, coaching provided by Career Services Office).

Some interesting facts about Warsaw:

- Warsaw is the capital and the largest city of Poland.
- It has a population of 1.7 million
- 280,000 students
- 66 public and non-public universities
- a lot of museums, cinemas, sport centres
- easily accessible by plane from many destinations all over Europe
- very low unemployment rate – 1.3%
- low study and living costs compared to other European capitals.

You can find more information about Warszawa on our website: www.merito.pl/english/warszawa/get-to-know-wsb.

Discover more about our study program

How is a Bachelor's degree different from an Engineering degree, and what does it take to get one? How is the full-time form of study different from the extramural one? You will learn about all of this in this part of the guide.

Bachelor's degree



These are first-cycle studies leading to a Bachelor's degree.



The program lasts six semesters, or three years, during which students gain practical knowledge and professional experience.



This is the most popular type of tertiary education at WSB Merito Universities. Currently, we offer as many as sixteen undergraduate programs in various fields.



The graduates can apply for jobs that require a tertiary education diploma. They can also pursue their education further at Master's, Master's with postgraduate, independent postgraduate or MBA programs.

Engineering program



These are first-cycle studies concluding with obtaining a degree in engineering.



The program lasts seven semesters, or three and a half years, during which students gain practical knowledge and professional experience.



During these studies, the majors include knowledge of engineering and technical sciences. At WSB Merito Universities, we offer three fields of study: Logistics, Engineering Management, and IT.



The graduates may apply for positions requiring tertiary education or tertiary education in engineering diploma. Further, they can continue their education at Master's, Master's with postgraduate, independent postgraduate or MBA programs.

Full-time studies

In full-time studies, classes are held on weekdays. We try to arrange classes so that you can do all the compulsory classes 3-4 days a week.

Extramural studies

The timetable is organized over weekend meetings (and some Friday evenings, online) in these studies, on average, once every two weeks.

Long-cycle Master's degree



These studies end with obtaining a Master's degree. Under the law on tertiary education, they must not be divided into first-cycle and second-cycle studies.



The program lasts ten semesters, or five years, during which students gain practical knowledge and professional experience.



At WSB Merito Universities, we offer long-cycle Master's studies in law, psychology, and pre-school and early school education.



The graduates can take an exam for further legal training of their choice (e.g. a judge, a barrister, a solicitor, public prosecutor, a notary, a bailiff, or a probation officer), as well as plan further academic development and obtain a Ph.D. or develop further on postgraduate, MBA, or Executive MBA studies.

Master's degree



Students can enroll in them after obtaining a Bachelor's or engineering degree.



These studies last two years (four semesters) and end with the thesis's defence and obtaining a Master's degree.



The graduates can pursue their education further at Master's with postgraduate, independent postgraduate or MBA programs.

Bachelor's Degree programs:

Business Engineering
English for Business Purposes
International Trade
Management
Information Technology
Logistics
Marketing and Sales
Media & Communication in Business

Master's Degree programs:

Business Management
Management
Logistics

**450,000
students have
trusted us!**

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