

ABOUT US

Kolping University of Applied Sciences is a private institution of higher education, granting Professional Bachelor degrees. Kolping University of Applied Sciences was established in 2001 after reorganization of Kolping Higher School founded in 1996.

One of the goals beyond establishment of Kolping University of Applied Sciences was to create an educational institution that develops social leaders. Another goal was to help demotivated young people perceive their personal dignity and value, develop confidence in their internal strength and become specialists with strong professional knowledge able to adapt to the rapidly changing environment of the labour market.

The founder of the University is the Lithuanian Kolping Foundation, a Catholic charity and support organization that unites socially responsible people acting on the principle of self-help. The University is supported by the International Kolping Society (www.kolping.net), which unites around 500,000 members in 60 countries with its center in Cologne, Germany, where the founder of the Society blessed Adolf Kolping began his activities.

Adolf Kolping is a great social educator of the 19th century whose activities gained wide international recognition and are continued. The words of blessed Adolph Kolping *“If you seek for a better future it is your own responsibility to create it”* are the motto of the Kolping University of Applied Sciences.

Kolping University of Applied Sciences is located in the Old Town of Kaunas, the second largest city of Lithuania.



STUDIES + TRAINEESHIP

Kolping University of Applied Sciences (KUAS) welcomes all the exchange students coming to study or/and to have traineeship under the Erasmus+ program. The University offers Bachelor level courses in the English language in Ecotourism, Social Work Management and Child Welfare and Social Security programs.

APPLICATION PROCESS

In order to come to Kolping University of Applied Sciences within Erasmus+ program, a student first has to check with his home Institutional Erasmus Coordinator, whether his home university has an Inter-institutional Erasmus Agreement with Kolping University of Applied Sciences. **Applications can only be accepted from students of our partner institutions.**

After nomination by his/her home university for Erasmus+ study or traineeship mobility, the student should send information containing his/her name and surname, date of birth, study field as well as semester and courses planned at KUAS by e-mail (erasmus@kolpingokolegija.lt). The student will receive by e-mail all necessary information about the required documents and application procedure.

Deadline for registration: 15 June for the autumn semester
15 November for the spring semester

Necessary documents: <http://www.kolpingokolegija.lt/en/erasmus/>

After reception of all necessary documents, a Letter of Acceptance will be send by e-mail to the home university and to the student.

RECOMMENDED LANGUAGE SKILLS

At Kolping University of Applied Sciences most courses are taught in Lithuanian and only some courses are taught in English. Incoming students can choose courses from the list. The CEFR level B1 of English is recommended for Erasmus+ study mobility and B1 for traineeship mobility

Common European Framework of Reference for Languages:
<https://europass.cedefop.europa.eu/sites/default/files/cefr-en.pdf>

ERASMUS+ COURSES 2019/2020.

COURSES IN ENGLISH

Kolping University of Applied Sciences offer courses in English in:

- Social Work Management,
- Child Welfare and Social Security and
- Ecotourism Program.

Students studying in the field of Social Work can choose courses from both Social Work Management and Child Welfare and Social Security programs.

SOCIAL WORK MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME

The program aims to prepare social work professionals, who are able, not only organize and deliver specific social services for different customer groups, but also to manage social service organizations, implement programs and projects.

Autumn Semester		
No.	Courses in English	ECTS credits
1.	Basics of Social Work and Professional Ethics	6
2.	Basics of Sociology	4
3.	Basics of Education	4
4.	Introduction to Social Work (practice)	3
5.	Organizational Psychology	4
6.	Social Work with Individual and Family	8
7.	Social Rehabilitation and Integration	5
8.	Social Project Management	5
9.	Teamwork	5
Spring Semester		
No.	Course subject	ECTS credits
1.	Social Work Theories	6
2.	Basics of Psychology	4
3.	Social Work with Group and Community	8
4.	Individual and Group Counselling	4
5.	Professional practices	6
6.	Resources and Problems of Social Work Organization (Final Practice)	21

CHILD WELFARE AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMME

The aim of the program is to prepare child welfare and social security specialists who are trained to assess the need for social assistance for the child and his / her family; administer social assistance provided to the child and his / her family, apply various methods of social work in accordance with national, international legislation and professional ethics.

Students become specialists capable of preparing and implementing preventive programs and projects in social services organizations operating in the field of child welfare and social protection, capable of communicating effectively in their professional environment.

Autumn Semester		
No.	Course subject	ECTS credits
1.	Basics of Social Work and Professional Ethics	6
2.	Child Development Theories	5
3.	Communication Psychology	4
4.	Basics of Sociology	4
5.	Introduction to Social Work (practice)	3

6.	Basics of Child and Family Counselling	6
7.	Social Services Administration	6
8.	Professional Practice II	3
9.	Social Aspects of Family Health	4
10.	Social Work with Children at Social Risk	6
11.	Social Project Management	5
12.	Child rights protection	5
Spring Semester		
No.	Course subject	ECTS credits
1.	Children's Education and Socialization	4
2.	Individual Social Work	7
3.	Family Psychology	4
4.	Crisis Intervention	6
5.	Social Security Law	3
6.	Social Work with Group and Community	8
7.	Professional Practice III	6
8.	Final Practice	21

ECOTOURISM STUDY PROGRAMME

The aim of the ecotourism study program is to prepare modern qualified tourism management specialists capable of applying the acquired skills in practice, having the necessary competencies and skills to analyse and critically evaluate the activities of the tourism sector in accordance with the principles of sustainable development, to develop ecotourism combining ecotourism goals with economics, management, marketing, finance, psychology, law and adapting to the modern information technology environment, striving to contribute to the sustainable development.

Autumn Semester		
No.	Courses in English	ECTS credits
1.	Professional English Language	4
2.	Hospitality and professional ethics	5
3.	General Ecology	5
4.	Ecotourism geography and resources	4
5.	Basics of law in tourism	5
6.	Environment protection in tourism	4
7.	Human resource management	4
8.	Ecotourism marketing	6
9.	Service quality management	3
10.	Business research	5
11.	Ecotourism business planning	6
12.	Practice in a tourism company	3
Spring Semester		
No.	Courses in English	ECTS credits
1	Professional English Language	4
2	Basics of tourism	6
3	Tourism management	5
4	Methodology of excursion organisation	5
5	Cross-cultural communication and customer behaviour	5
6	Sustainable development and strategy in tourism	6
7	Methodology of excursion development	4
8	Entrepreneurship and innovation management	4
9	Practice in a tourism company	6

ACADEMIC INFORMATION

ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2019/2020 YEAR

Autumn semester: September 01 – January 19

Lectures: September 1 – December 8

Examination period: December 9-22

Winter Holidays: December 23 – January 5

Practice usually lasts from January 06 – January 19

Spring semester: January 20 – June 7

Lectures: January 20 – April 26

Examination period: April 27 – May 10

Practice usually lasts from May 11 – June 7

ECTS Credits

The European Credit Transfer System (ECTS) was developed by the Commission of the European Community as an instrument to guarantee full academic recognition of studies abroad.

ECTS workload per semester is 30 credits or 60 ECTS credits per academic year. Credits are awarded to students when they fulfill all their obligations under the particular course (attend lectures, complete tasks, and pass exams).

GRADING SYSTEM

The evaluation is based on interim tests, tasks and final examination. Students' achievements are assessed by 10 grade scale. The students must obtain "sufficient" (5) to pass.

Lithuanian Scale	Grade Description
10	Excellent
9	Very Good
8	Good
7	Highly Satisfactory
6	Satisfactory
5	Sufficient
1 – 4	Fail

TRANSCRIPTS OF RECORDS

A Transcript of Records will be issued no later than 6 weeks after the last assessment.

USEFUL INFORMATION

VISA AND HEALTH INSURANCE

No visa is necessary for citizens from the EU countries. Student coming from not EU country should check if they are required to have visa for arrival to Lithuania at <http://keliauk.urm.lt/en/>. If a student needs visa he/she has to inform KUAS and the university will provide documents for visa application.

HEALTH INSURANCE

All Erasmus exchange students are required to have medical insurance valid in Lithuania for the study period. Students from EU countries are not required to have any special health insurance, European insurance card or form E111 confirming that a student has EU health insurance, valid in Lithuania. While the EHIC gives EU citizens access to medically necessary, state-provided healthcare during a temporary stay in Lithuania, it is NOT an alternative to travel insurance. It does cover neither accidents nor any private healthcare or costs such as a return flight home, etc. *More information:*

<https://www.renkuosilietuva.lt/en/european-health-insurance-card/>



ACCOMMODATION

Please note that Kolping University of Applied Sciences not provides residence halls or student apartments. However, we help incoming students to find accommodation. Please contact Dalia Gineitiene, Institutional Erasmus Coordinator by email erasmus@kolpingokolegija.lt if you need help to find a place to live.

COSTS OF LIVING

Lithuania has very low prices in comparison with the other countries in the European Union, which makes studies more affordable. The final cost of living depends on student's personal lifestyle. Here are some examples of the basic products and services:

- Average cost of living 150-300 Eur/per month
- Accommodation 100-300 Eur/per month
- Special fees Student ID card – ISIC

More information: <https://www.numbeo.com/cost-of-living/in/Kaunas>

<https://studyin.lt/living-in-lithuania/international-students-survival-guide/>

ORIENTATION WEEK

Every new student will be appointed a Student Mentor who will start communicating before the arrival and assist in preparation for living and studying in Lithuania.

CONTACT PERSON

For any questions please contact Dalia Gineitiene, Institutional Erasmus Coordinator.

Erasmus coordinator

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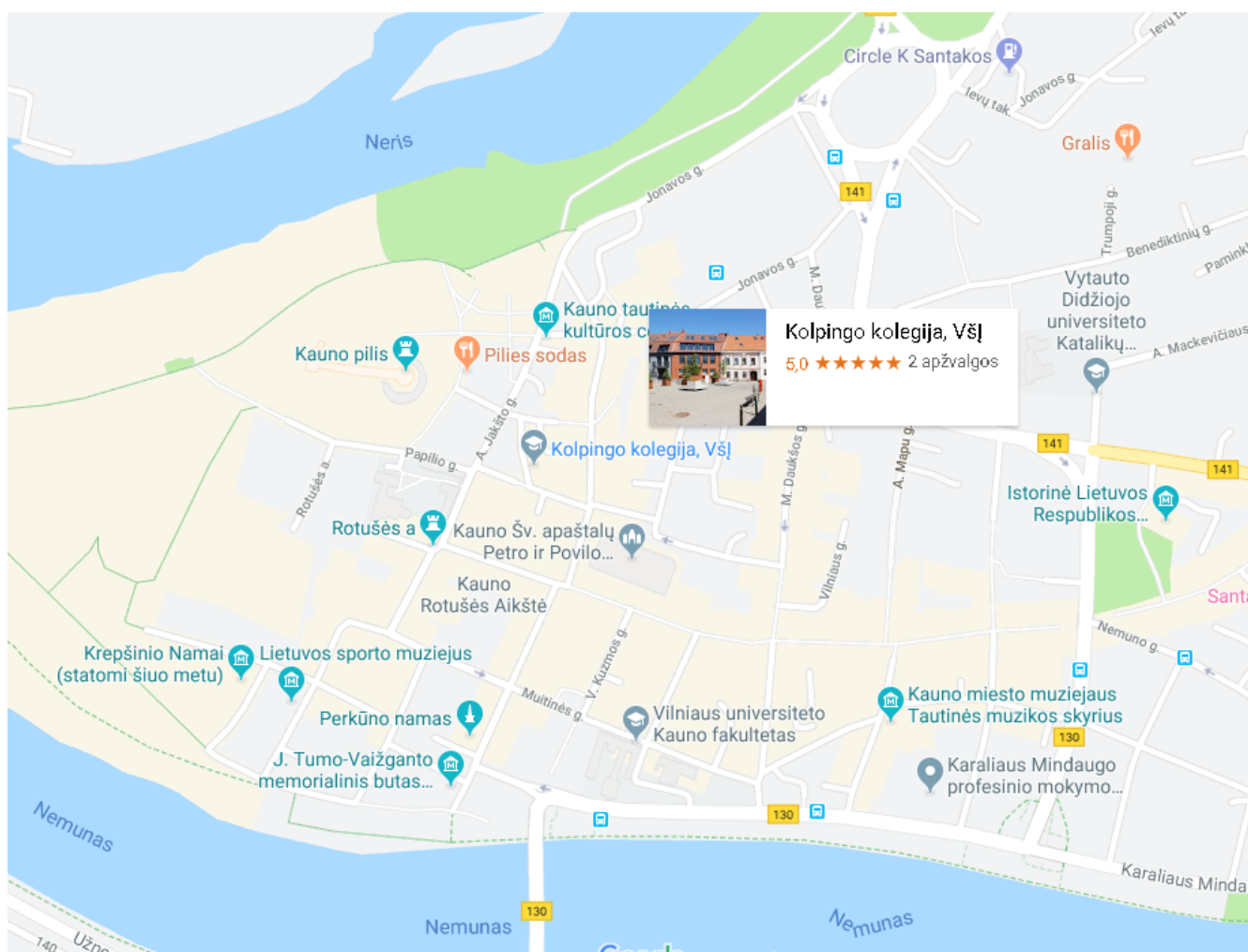
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<https://www.google.lt/maps/@54.8985604,23.8891266,16z>

ABOUT LITHUANIA

A mere speck on the world map to an outsider, it is much more to a Lithuanian – a country that was built over thousands of years. It is a place that intertwines the experiences of our ancestors, the battles that were fought, and the love that was shared. Lithuania is mostly about its people. The people, who built the state and the cities, who engendered cultural enrichment and knowledge, and who searched for their true identity. Although Lithuania was first recorded as a country in 1009, the first people are thought to have settled in the territory as far back as the 10th millennium BC. The first Baltic tribes arrived some 7,000 years later and settled near the Baltic Sea. Lithuanians are proud to have been brought up in a country with such a rich historical past, and they try to accentuate their national heritage by doing their best on stages and in sports arenas, by being great painters and authors, by singing their hearts out to thousands of people, and by making their presence known with the tricolour flag.



More information: <https://www.lithuania.travel/en/>

ABOUT KAUNAS CITY

Kaunas, the second largest Lithuania's city, which keeps the authentic spirit of the country's national character alive. The city is located at the confluence of the two largest Lithuanian rivers, surrounded by the hills and situated at the crossroads of the most important roads in Lithuania. Due to its geographical position, today, Kaunas is Lithuania's most important centre of communication.

It is a home of a variety of festivals & events, from operettas to modern dance, from classical music to Jazz. Kaunas was chosen as the European Capital of Culture 2022. And as a Capital of Culture 2022 Kaunas is changing: from the temporary capital to contemporary. The city is famous for its Interwar architecture which was awarded the European Heritage label and is on its way to UNESCO. Kaunas is the only city in the world where so much of the style of the buildings has survived to the present day.



More information: <https://visit.kaunas.lt/en/>

CLIMATE AND WEATHER IN LITHUANIA

The climate of the Lithuania is continental with mild warm summers and fairly severe winters.

In summer the average daytime temperature usually is 20-25°C but sometimes 30°C or more. The weather is changeable and unstable. Sometimes, a sunny weather can in a few minutes change to rain and thunderstorms can occur by the end of the day.

The average temperature in winter is around -5°C and sometimes about -20°C or lower and with cold northeasterly winds. Heavy snowfall or even snowstorms are also possible on some days.

Thus, in Lithuania we can observe all beautiful seasons of the year with snowy winters, blooming springs, sunny summers and golden autumns.

More information: <http://www.meteo.lt/en/>

