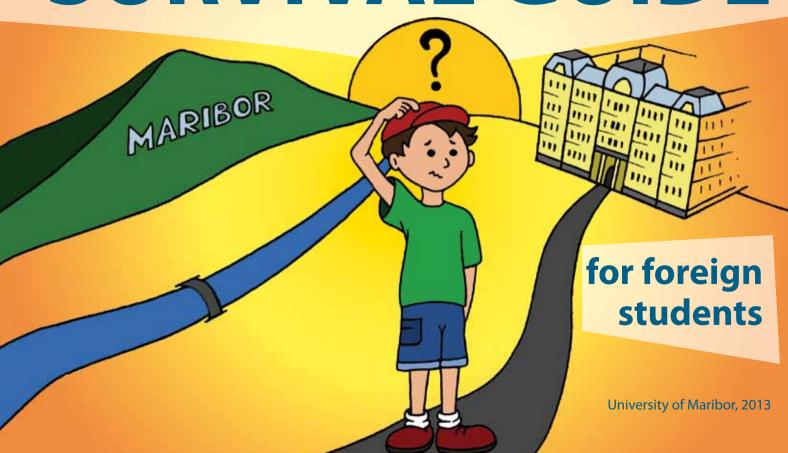
SURVIVAL GUIDE





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INTRODUCTION

First we would like to welcome you at the University of Maribor.

Maribor is second in line when it comes to size of cities in Slovenia, but the first when it comes to the studies, parties, nice people and friendly atmosphere. Maribor and Slovenia offer you a lot of things; you just have to take advantage of it.

To make your start in Maribor and to live here more pleasant, you can find some information and tips in this brochure.

SOME FACTS AND FIGURES ABOUT OUR INSTITUTION

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GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MARIBOR

Maribor, the seat of one of the four Slovene universities, was first mentioned in historical documents as a town in the early year 1257. The beginnings of higher education in Maribor are closely connected to Anton Martin Slomšek, the bishop of the Lavantine diocese in St. Andraž in Carinthia. The bishop moved the seat of the diocese to Maribor in 1859 and opened a new seminary and religious school in the city. This was the first institution of higher education in Maribor and a forerunner of the present day university.

The first institution of the present-day university (the Faculty of Theology does not form a part of the University of Maribor) was the School of Economics and Commerce, which was founded in 1959 and offered a two-year programme of study.

In 1961 the Association of Institutions of Higher Education in Maribor was formed. The organizational model of the Association and its relations with the faculties and its institutions was similar to the traditional model of university organization. After the individual schools developed into faculties, it was only a matter of time before the Association of Institutions of Higher Education became a university. The Assembly of the Socialist Republic of Slovenia confirmed the university status of the institutions of higher education in Maribor in 1975.

Over time these developed into the following faculties:

- Faculty of Economics and Business
- Faculty of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science
- Faculty of Energy Technology
- Faculty of Civil Engineering
- Faculty of Chemistry and Chemical Engineering
- Faculty of Agriculture and Life Sciences
- Faculty of Logistics
- Faculty of Natural Sciences and Mathematics
- Faculty of Organizational Sciences
- Faculty of Mechanical Engineering
- Faculty of Criminal Justice and Security
- Faculty of Health Sciences
- Faculty of Arts
- Faculty of Medicine
- Faculty of Education
- Faculty of Law
- *Faculty of Tourism
 (new University of Maribor member doesn't enroll in study programmes yet).

Not all of the faculties are located in Maribor. The Faculty of Agriculture and Life Sciences is located in Hoče, the Faculty of Organizational Sciences is located in Kranj, the Faculty of Criminal Justice and Security in Ljubljana, the Faculty of Logistics in Celje and Krško, the Faculty of Energy Technology in Krško and Velenje and the Faculty of Tourism in Brežice. The rest of the faculties are spread all over the city of Maribor.

Some lectures for students in the Erasmus programme are conducted in English. Some courses are available only in the tutorial system. For more information, please check the Faculty Information Package and/or contact the ERASMUS coordinator at the faculty of your choice:

FACULTY		COORDINATOR	Tel. +386	e-mail address
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Engineering and Computer Science	FERI	Barbara Ferbežer	(0)2 220 70 22	
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		Assist. Prof. Simon Šilih, PhD	(0)2 229 43 31	simon.silih@uni-mb.si
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gg		Kaja Pogačar, PhD (Architecture)	(0)2 235 52 93	kaja.pogacar@uni-mb.si
(Traffic Engineering)		Beno Mesarec, MA	(0)2 229 43 92	beno.mesarec@uni-mb.si
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Faculty of		Asist. Prof. Tadeja Kraner Šumenjak	(0) 2 320 90 42	tadeja.kraner@uni-mb.si
Agriculture and Life Sciences	FKBV	Klavdija Rauter	(0)2 320 90 51	klavdija.rauter@uni-mb.si
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		Nataša Pipenbaher	(0)2 229 37 30	natasa.pipenbaher@uni-mb.si
Faculty of Organizational	FOV	Jasmina Žnidaršič	(0)4 237 42 85	jasmina.znidarsic@fov.uni-mb.si
Sciences	100	Matjaž Maletič		matjaz.maletic@fov.uni-mb.si



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	F3	Julija Volmajer Valh, PhD (Textile Engineering)	(0)2 220 79 09	julija.volmajer@uni-mb.si
Faculty of Criminal Justice and Security	FVV	Assist. Prof. Andrej Sotlar, PhD	(0)1 300 83 32	andrej.sotlar@fvv.uni-mb.si
Faculty of Health Sciences	FZV	Helena Blažun, MSc	(0)2 300 47 17	helena.blazun@uni-mb.si
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		Milena Orož Črešnar	(0)2 234 56 02	milena.oroz-cresnar@uni-mb.si
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Faculty of Law	PF	Assist. Prof. Darja Senčur Peček, PhD	(0)2 225 4 239	darja.sencur-pecek@uni-mb.si
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GRADING SCALE

Slovene Grading Scale ECTS Grading Scale

10 - excellent A

9 - very good B

8 - good C

7 - satisfactory D

6 - sufficient E

5 - fail F / FX

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS OFFICE (IRO)

The International Relations Office coordinates international academic cooperation at the University of Maribor.

To international exchange students it offers counselling and guidance concerning your application procedure, accommodation and integration into the new environment.

You are welcome to visit us. Office hours: weekdays from 10:00 to 12:00 and from 14:00 to 15:00, on Wednesdays from 10:00 to 12:00 and from 14:00 to 16:00.

Address:

University of Maribor
INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS OFFICE

Služba za mednarodno in meduniverzitetno sodelovanje (Room 112 and Room 112/a)

Slomškov trg 15, 2000 Maribor, Slovenia

Telephone: 02 2355 446, e-mail: intercenter@uni-mb.si

FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR STUDENTS

You can find information about scholarships offered to foreign students here:

- CMEPIUS, Centre of the Republic of Slovenia for Mobility and European Educational and Training Programmes, www.cmepius.si, E-mail: info@cmepius.si
- AD FUTURA, The Science and Education Foundation of the Republic of Slovenia http:// www.ad-futura.si/, E-mail: info@ ad-futura.si.



INTERNSHIPS

If you decide to do an Erasmus practical placement in Slovenia, you should contact your home HE Institution for information about application procedure etc., but you can also contact your Erasmus faculty coordinator at the University of Maribor for some help with finding the placement in Slovenia.

For internships within the programme Leonardo da Vinci please contact leonardo@ uni-mb.si.



1. I FEEL SLOVENIA

SOME FACTS...

Full name: Republic of Slovenia

• Population: 2.058.207 (Statistical Office of the Republic of Slovenia, August 2012)

• Capital: Ljubljana

Area: 20,273 sq km (7,827 sq miles)

Major language: Slovene

Major religion: Christianity

• Life expectancy: 75 years (men), 83 years (women)

Monetary unit: Euro

Main exports: Machinery and transport equipment,

chemicals, household goods

• GNI per capita: US \$ 26,340 (World Bank, 2009)

Internet domain: .si

International dialling code: +386



Slovenia is located in Central Europe touching the Alps, Adriatic see, Panonnian lowland and Karst (Kras) characterized by subterranean limestone caverns, carved by groundwater.

It is accessible from four border countries: Italy on the west, Croatia on the south and east, Hungary on the northeast and Austria on the north and from a small Adriatic coastline, from which 46,6 km belong to Slovene coast.

Historically, the current territory of Slovenia was part of many different state formations, including Illyrian and Celtic tribe formations, the Roman Empire, first Slovenian state of Carantania, followed by the Holy Roman Empire along with the long rule of major central European royal house, the House of Habsburg. In 1918, the Slovenes exercised self-determination by co-founding the State of Slovenes, Croats, and Serbs, later Kingdom of Serbes, Croats and Slovenes and finaly Kingdom of Yugoslavia under the rule of Serbian king Aleksander Karaðorðević. During World War Two, Slovenia was occupied and annexed by Germany, Italy and Hungary.

After World War II, Slovenia became a republic of the renewed Yugoslavia, which distanced itself from the rule of Moscow.

In 1991, Slovenia declared independence and full sovereignty. Today, Slovenia is a member of the European Union, the Eurozone, the Schengen area, NATO and OECD.

Cities of Slovenia

Most of the faculties are located in Maribor, the second biggest city of Slovenia, but some of them are located in other cities.

LJUBLJANA

Ljubljana is the capital of Slovenia, located in the Ljubljana Basin, in the centre of the country with 272,000 inhabitants, which makes it the largest town in Slovenia. Ljubljana has been for centuries influenced by its geographical position as the crossroad of the Slavic world and Germanic and Latin cultures. Today Ljubljana is important cultural, educational, economical, political and administrative centre of Slovenia. Ljubljana is known of its architecture, parks and museums and lately is quite popular among tourist. The Faculty of Criminal Justice and Security in located in Ljubljana.



CELJE

Celje is the third biggest city of Slovenia, located under Upper Celje Castle, at the crossroads of Ljubljana, Maribor, Velenje and Central Sava Valley. It is known as former seat of the Counts of Celje which was later on inherited by the Habsburgs of Austria. Today Celje is one of the fast developing towns, in which also Faculty of Logistics is located.









KRŠKO

Krško is a small town in the eastern Slovenia, near border with Croatia. It lies on the Sava River and it's known of its nuclear power plant, which is the only one in Slovenia. The Faculty of Logistics and the Faculty of Energy Technology are located in Krško. Near Krško, precisely in Brežice, Faculty of Tourism is located.

KRANJ

Kranj is the fourth largest city in Slovenia and is the traditional region of Upper Carniola. It is well preserved medieval old town where Faculty of Organizational Sciences is located.

VELENJE

Velenje is the fifth largest town in Slovenia, known of its mining and electrical industry, where Faculty of Energy Technology is located.

CLIMATE IN SLOVENIA

In general, Slovenia is temperate with four seasons, but the topography creates three individual microclimates. The North-west part of Slovenia has an Alpine climate, the coast and surrounding area a Mediterranean climate, and most of eastern Slovenia (including Maribor) has a Continental climate with hot summers and cold winters. Slovenia gets most of its rain in the spring (May and June) and autumn (October and November). January is the coldest month with an average temperature of -1°C, and July is the warmest - the average temperature is 23°C, with a maximum of up to 34°C.

CALLING IN SLOVENIA

Dial 00 to make an international call from Slovenia; to call Slovenia from abroad dial the country code for Slovenia (+386), the area code (without the initial zero) and the number.

Telephone directory inquiries number: 1188 International call request number: 1180

Police: 113

Emergency telephone number: 112 Road assistance number: 1987

There are several mobile operators, which offer their services at very reasonable prices. Upon your arrival, you will also get a chance to buy a Slovene SIM card for your mobile phone. Make sure that your mobile phone is not locked.

SLOVENE LANGUAGE COURSES

The University of Maribor organizes Slovene Language Courses for Erasmus students (introductory and sometimes also advanced) at the beginning of every semester. These courses require a financial contribution by the students and take place only if a defined minimum number of students is enrolled. To attend a course, please contact the International Relations Office of the University of Maribor upon your arrival in Maribor.

You can find information about EILC language courses (which are also free of charge for ERASMUS Students) at http://ec.europa.eu/education/programmes/llp/erasmus/eilc/index_en.html.



2. MOVABILITY

GETTING TO ...

BY AIR:

Via Slovenia:

By plane to Ljubljana – Brnik Airport (Letališče Jožeta Pučnika) and by train to Maribor or by plane to Maribor

Via Austria:

By plane to Vienna, Graz or Klagenfurt airport and then by train to Maribor.

Via Germany:

By plane to Munich and by train to Maribor.

Via Croatia:

By plane to Zagreb and by train to Maribor.

Via Italy:

By plane to Venice or Trieste and by train to Maribor





BY RAIL:

You can travel to Maribor on different international trains. There are direct connections available with Zagreb, Rijeka, Graz, Vienna, and Prague. On other lines it is necessary to change trains in Ljubljana or Zidani Most, which has good train services with Maribor. Organizations in your own country may be able to offer discounts to students and to those under 26.

You can find more information at http://www.slo-zeleznice.si/ and http://fahrplan.oebb.at/bin/query.exe/en.

BY BUS:

Maribor is directly connected with towns in Austria, Germany, Hungary, and Italy. Organizations in your own country may be able to offer discounts to students and to those under 26.

You can find more information at http://www.connex.info/ and http://www.eurolines.com/.

Distances between Maribor and certain cities (expressed in km):

Ljubljana (130), Graz (60), Vienna (260), Munich (460), Trieste (230), Budapest (350), Zagreb (120), Frankfurt (853), Rome (878), Milan (632), Salzburg (344), and Zürich (836).

You can find more information at http://www.slovenia.info/

GETTING AROUND ...

WITH BUS

There are 21 bus lines in Maribor and they drive more or less often. Bus is the only means of public transport in Maribor. The city-bus network is the most effective means of public transport and it is also quite reasonable in price. Most routes run every day. In Maribor there are 21 bus routes, operating from 4:30 and to midnight. The cheapest way is to buy a ticket before you take the bus. You can buy a card for a specific number of rides or a monthly card. You can buy the ticket on the bus, which costs 1, 10 EURO or buy a permanent card on which you load some money and pay with it.

For the monthly ticket you will need a picture, your Acceptance letter and residence permit confirmation from the Office for foreigners. For information about timetable and routes check www.marprom.si

WITH TRAIN

If you travel around Slovenia, travel by train. It is the cheapest and most comfortable way to travel between cities. Maribor is on the main train line linking Zidani Most and Celje with the Austrian cities of Graz and Vienna. Maribor is also linked with Ljubljana, Koper, Rijeka, Zagreb, Bleiburg, Klagenfurt, and Čakovec by numerous passenger trains, including business and inter-city class. From Ljubljana, you can reach Maribor on some 20 trains a day, within two and a half hours. More information at:http://www.slo-zeleznice.si/en/passengers



WITH RENT-A-CAR

There are several rent-a-car services in Maribor. Prices for renting a car vary; they begin at around 36 EUR per day. The rent-a-car offices will rent a car only to drivers over 21 years old.

WITH TAXI

Taxis operate 24 hours a day and they are a very popular public transport, especially after a good party. They are not particularly expensive, especially if people share fares.

KEEPING IN MIND...

Speed limits:

Inside settlements 50 km/h

(sometimes 60 or 70 km/h, if marked by appropriate signs)

Outside settlements 90 km/h
On motorways 110 km/h
On highways 130 km/h

Lights are compulsory 24 hours per day!

Winter tires are compulsory from 15 November until 15 March.

It is also obligatory to fasten all seat-belts in the car, for all passengers.

3. ACCOMMODABILITY

ACCOMODATION

TEMPORARY ACCOMMODATION

Hostels:

Lollipop Hostel

Tel.: +386 40 243 160 Maistrova ulica 17 Maribor, Slovenia lolipophostel@yahoo.com

Youth Hostel Uni Hotel

Tel.: +386 2 234 43 07 Volkmerjev prehod 7 Maribor, Slovenia uni.hotel@termemb.si

Hostel Pekarna

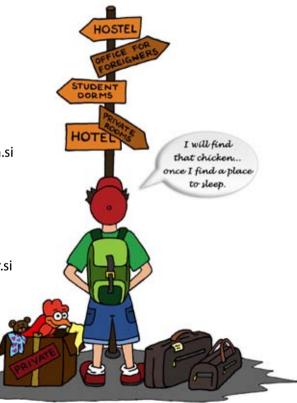
Ob železnici 16 2000 Maribor Maribor, Slovenia www.mkc-hostelpekarna.si hostelpekarna@mkc.si

Hotel Tabor

Tel.: +386 2 421 64 10 Ulica Heroja Zidanska 18 Maribor, Slovenia info@hoteltabor-maribor.si

Hotel Bau

Tel.: +386 2 421 63 10 Limbuska cesta 85 Maribor, Slovenia info@hotel-bau.net





STUDENT DORMITORIES

Beds for Erasmus students in the student dormitories are limited. For students, who are too late for a bed in one of the student dorms, the Student dormitories can help you to find some private accommodation in Maribor for you. You will be adviced to book a temporary accommodation before your arrival, until you find the best place to live during your studies in Maribor.

The rooms in the student dormitories are mostly double, kitchen, bathroom and toilets are shared. There are some dishes in dorms, but if you don't like sharing, you can bring or buy your own. Blankets, pillows and bed-sheets are provided in the student dorms, but you should bring your own towels. You must pay a security deposti before your arrival, which will be refunfed upon your departure if there is no damage done to your room. All of the rooms have internet access, but you need a network cable. There are also rooms available for handicapped students and their companions.

PRIVATE ACCOMMODATION

A bit more expensive and comfortable way of staying in Maribor is renting a private room or a flat. We suggest that you check the advertisements when you arrive with the help of a Slovene student - your mentor. You can also check the website www.kamrica.net, where you can find lots of student rooms and apartments. Renting a private room will cost you from 150 - 300 EURO per month plus expenses.

RESIDENCE PERMIT

As a student in Slovenia, you are obliged to obtain a residence permit while your stay here. You need to go to:

Maribor Municipality Office for Foreigners Mestna občina Maribor Oddelek za tujce

Partizanska 47, Room 21

Partizanska 47, soba 21 2000 Maribor

2000 Maribor

Working hours:

Monday: 08:00 – 15:00 Tuesday: 08:00 – 15:00

Wednesday: 08:00 – 12:00 and 13:00 - 18:00

Friday: 08:00 – 13:00

Please ask your mentor about further details and to come with you.



The requirements for a residence permit in a Member State for the purpose of studying are provided in Council Directive 93/96/EU of 29th October 1993 on the right of residence for students:

- the applicant must present a valid identity card or passport,
- the student must present proof that he/she is enrolled in a recognized educational establishment (Acceptance Letter),
- the student must be covered by health insurance in respect of all risks in the host Member State (European health insurance card)
- the student must assure that he has sufficient resources during the period of residence (Declaration of Finances for EU citizens).

It is obligatory for students from non EU countries to have a residence permit before coming to Slovenia - it doesn't matter how long they will study here. Students must



apply for a temporary residence permit at a Slovenian embassy, consular or diplomatic mission at home or in the nearest country. You can find addresses and contacts here at http://www.mzz.gov.si/

It can take more than 2 months to get a residence permit, so don't forget to apply on time!

4. EATABILITY

NATIONAL FOOD AND DRINKS

Slovenian food is heavily influenced by the cuisine of neighbouring countries. From Austria it's sausage (KLOBASA), strudel (ZAVITEK), and Wiener Schnitzel (DUNAJSKI ZREZEK). From Italy it's risotto (RIŽOTA), potato dumplings (NJOKI) and from Hungary goulash (GOLAŽ), chicken or beef stew (PAPRIKAŠ), and thin pancakes usually filled with jam (PALAČINKE).

Distinctive Slovenian dishes are prepared with ŽGANCI-meal that can be made from buckwheat, barley, or corn. Slovenian bread (KRUH) is generally excellent. Slovenia is friendly to all vegetarians and you can usually find several meatless dishes on any menu.

Slovenian cuisine boasts two excellent desserts, POTICA (a kind of roll with different fillings) and GIBANICA from Prekmurje (a concoction of pastry, filled with poppy seeds, walnuts, apples, and cheese topped with cream).



You can find all sorts of restaurants ranging from fast food to fancy and expensive restaurants. In the city centre, restaurants and inns offer a great variety of cuisine as well as prices. Most of them are open till 22:00, but some serve food until midnight and even late into the morning hours. In Maribor, there are Chinese, Mexican, Indian, and Italian national restaurants and also tourist farm restaurants with their specialty, called "meso iz tunke," located in the nearby hills.

Also drinking habits have some uniqueness, as we can normaly find in every culture, but there are always some common connections with the habits of a wider regional space, so everybody will find something suitable, when feeling thirsty.

Slovenians love to drink coffee, and coffee (*kava*) usually means a tiny cup of strong Turkish coffee. A basic cup of coffee will cost you around €1.00-€1.50. The most popular coffee drink is coffee with milk (*kava z mlekom*) or whipped cream (*kava s smetano*). Coffee culture is wide-spread in Slovenia, and one can see Slovenes with friends sitting in the same café for hours.

Beer (pivo) is the number one beverage throughout Slovenia and you can find several national beer producers. The main brands are Laško and Union. A bottle or tankard will cost you between $2 \in$ and $4 \in$ in a pub (pivnica). Ask for a large (veliko) for 0.5 L or a small (malo) for 0.3 L.

As for the wine tradition the production goes back at least to the time of the Roman Empire. Lying on the southern slopes of the Alps and touching the Mediterranean, it enjoys the best of both worlds, as well as climatic uncertainties from both North and South. Nowadays, 38 vine varieties are grown in 14 wine districts. This, blessed with

the natural conditions, provides a very rich diversity of taste, smell and colour of the different wines.

The Goriška brda region produces the best reds and the drier whites (in a more Italian/ French style), while the Štajerska region produces the best semi-dry to sweet whites, which cater more to the German/Austrian-type of palate. Other local specialities worth sampling are Teran, a very dry red from the Kras region, and Cviček, a red so dry and light it's almost a rosé.

Brandy known as *žganje* or colloquially *šnops* holds also a strong position in Slovenian culture. You will find it distilled from almost any fruit which contains at least a pinch of sugar. The most known products are *Borovničke* (blueberry liqueur) and *Medica* made from honey.



SUBSIDIZED STUDENT MEALS OR STUDENT COUPONS

Slovenia is the only country in Europe with coupons system. This means that you can eat a nice student meal in certain restaurants in Maribor or anywhere in Slovenia for 2€ on average. The rest of the meal is subsidized by Slovenian Government. RRecently the system was digitalized and you have two options for that: you can use your mobile phone (make sure your mobile phone is unlocked) with Slovenian number (you'll be able to buy Slovenian SIM cards from ESN or in mobile operator shops) or you order a special card which costs 15€ and you receive it within 5 working days.

Procedure:

- you get a student card at ŠOUM office in Gosposvetska 83, (check for office hours here: www.esn.si)
- register on the website www.studentska-prehrana.si/Pages/News.aspx. Write down the number at the end of registration,
- to activate your phone or to order the card, go to:
 Gosposvetska 86 (near student dorms), for office hours check www.studentska-prehrana.si/Pages/Information.aspx?information=0
- go for a tasty meal in a restaurant :)

At the registration you'll receive an activation number to activate your account on http://www.studentska-prehrana.si. You can check how many coupons you have, where you have already eaten, etc. While in restaurant, call 1808 (it is a free number, so it works also if you don't have any credit on your mobile phone) and show your ID. If you order some drink or a meal that exceeds the price of the subsidized meal, you need to pay the price difference. You can eat 2 meals per day with 4 hour interval between meals (if you eat at noon, you can eat again after 4 pm).

You will also find a list of restaurants in the publication called ŠTIL in all places, where you can buy coupons or on the website: http://www.studentska-prehrana.si/Pages/Directory.aspx.

The prices differ from restaurant to restaurant, their location and meals they offer. For some coupons you can get a sandwich or a hamburger and for others a whole meal with soup, main dish, salad and dessert.

Dober tek!







FOOD EXPENSES

Bread (1 kg) 1.50 – 3.00EUR

Milk (1 l) 0.89 – 1.50 EUR

Cheese (150 g) 1.60 - 2.50 EUR

Butter (250 g) 1.50 – 2.50 EUR

Yoghurt (0.2 l) 0.40 – 1.20 EUR

Pizza 5.00 – 8.00 EUR

Coupon price 0.00 – 3.48 EUR

Hamburger 2.10 – 2.50 EUR

Juice (1 l) 0.60 – 1.50 EUR

Coke (1. 5 l) 0.90 – 1.10 EUR

Beer (0.5 l) 0.71 – 0.80 EUR in stores; 2 – 4 EUR in bars

Cup of coffee 1.20 – 1.50 EUR

5. FREE-TIMABILITY

TOURIST INFORMATION OFFICE

Studying in a foreign country means that you will sometimes be a tourist. For tourist information and promotional material about Slovenia you can visit the Tourist Information Centre "TIC" on Partizanska cesta 6a (near the train station), telephone: +386 (0)2 234 66 11, web page: www.maribor-tourism.si, e-mail: matic@maribor.si.

LEISURE AND SPORT

UNIVERSITY OF MARIBOR
UNIVERSITY SPORT CENTRE "LEON
ŠTUKELJ" (indoor sports)

Address: Koroška cesta 130

2000 Maribor

Telephone: +386 (0)2 2355 400

E-mail: usc@uni-mb.si http://www.zdravum.si/

MESTNI PARK – CITY PARK (jogging, walking etc.)





FONTANA (spa, fitness)

Address: Koroška cesta 172,

2000 Maribor

Website: www.termemb.si

HOTEL HABAKUK (spa)

Address: Pohorska ulica 59

2000 Maribor

Website: www.termemb.si

WELLNESS CENTER BELLEVUE (spa)

Address: Na Slemenu 35

2208 Pohorje

Website: www.termemb.si

POHORJE HILLS (skiing, hiking, cycling ...)

Website: www.maribor-pohorje.si

ADRENALIN PARK POHORJE

Contact: maribor-pohorje.si/tic Address: Partizanskacesta 6a

2000 Maribor

ADVENTURE PARK

Evropski kulturni in tehnološki center

Maribor

Address: Streliška cesta 150

2000 Maribor

E-mail: info@pustolovski-park.si Website: www.pustolovski-park.si

VESLAŠKO DRUŠTVO BRANIK (recreational rowing, kayak, rowing school)

Address: Pri motelu 8 2354 Bresternica

E-mail: veslanje.branik@triera.net

Website: www.dem.si/vd/

ICE SKATING HALL TABOR

Address: Koresova 7

2000 Maribor

E-mail: info@somb.si

Website: www.sportni-objekti-maribor.si

KONJENIŠKO DRUŠTVO POHORJE (Cross-country riding, carriage rides)

Address: Na slemenu 35

2208 Pohorje

E-mail: bozena.trobentar@sk-branik.si

Website: www.pohorje.org

JAHALNI KLUB MARIBOR (Riding school, trail riding)

Address: Vrbanska cesta 65

2000 Maribor

Phone: +386 (0)41 374 347

MUSEUMS, CINEMA, FESTIVALS

THE REGIONAL MUSEUM MARIBOR (Pokrajinski muzej Maribor)

Address: Grajska ulica 2

2000 Maribor

E-mail: info@pmuzej-mb.si Website: www.pmuzej-mb.si

THE NATIONAL LIBERATION MUSEUM MARIBOR

Address: Ulica heroja Tomšiča 5

2000 Maribor

E-mail: info@muzejno-mb.si Website: www.muzejno-mb.si

KOLOSEJ MARIBOR (cinema)

Address: Loška 13, 2000 Maribor

Website: www.kolosej.si/about-kolosej/

PLANET TUŠ MARIBOR (bowling, billiard)

Address: Na Poljanah 18, 2000 Maribor

Website: www.planet-tus.com

INTERNATIONAL LENT FESTIVAL

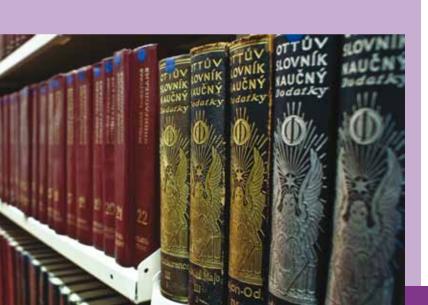
Website: http://lent.slovenija.net/

IZZVEN – Jazz festival Maribor 2010

Contact: info@nd-mb.si

KINO UDARNIK (alternative cinema, concerts, urban events)

Address: Grajski trg 1, 2000 Maribor Webiste: http://zavodudarnik.wordpress. com/



NOTE!

Many cultural and other institutions in Maribor offer special season tickets for students at reduced prices. Just ask them. You can find more information at www. maribor-tourism.si/.

ALTERNATIVE

Cultural Centre Pekarna is a platform for different, grassroot culture. With the variety of organizations, working in the field of Youth, Culture, Volunteer Work and Sports, and with clubs for concerts, antiquariat, climbing-wall, exhibition hall, a youth-hostel and a lot of open space, Pekarna is a place for those, who are not up-tight, like things to be a bit unconventional and full of surprises.

Gustaf performance Hall and Hladilnica exhibition Hall: www.pekarna.org, 02 300 78 71

Youth Information-Counseling Centre

INFOPEKA: www.infopeka.org,

02 300 68 50

Club MC: http://www.klub-mc.si/

02 320 20 18

Antiquariat Bukvarna:

041 592 869

CLUBBING

FUEGO (Latino Club)

Address: Mesarski prehod 3

2000 Maribor

Website: www.fuego.si

SATCHMO (Jazz Club)

Address: Strossmayerjeva 6, 2000 Maribor

Website: www.jazz-klub.si/

ŠTUK (Club, Sports, Concerts)

Address: Gosposvetska cesta 83,

2000 Maribor

Website: http://www.stuk.org/

TRUST (Club, Bar, Restaurant)

Address: Gosposvetska cesta 84,

2000 Maribor

Website: www.trust.si

KMŠ

(Klub Mariborskih Študentov; Club, Bar)

Address: Pristaniška ulica 2, 2000 Maribor

Website: http://www.klub-kms.si/

BAR MINUS, CLUB PLUS

Address: Loška 13, 2000 Maribor

Website: http://www.klubplusminus.si/





6. MEDICABILITY

MEDICAL FACILITIES

If you become ill and you need medical care you can go to:

STUDENT HEALTH CARE CENTER:

Dispanzer za zdravstveno varstvo študentov Ob parku 5, 2000 Maribor Telephone:+386 (0)2 235 66 43

The Student Health Care Centre is around the corner from the dormitory on Tyrševa.

Students from the EU countries need a Health Insurance Card and two fotocopies of it. Students from countries outside the EU must bring a document confirming that they have insurance in their home country, along with their passports.

Students from other countries can either arrange their insurance in Slovenia, which costs approximately 110 EUR (per month) or pay for necessary medical treatment. However, we strongly advise obtaining insurance with an insurance company in your home country, which offers arrangements for time spent abroad. Later you may ask for reimbursement of medical expenses in your home country – please check the details at your insurance company.



FIRST AID UNIT:

Ulica talcev 9, 2000 Maribor

Telephone: 112

URGENT MEDICAL ASSISTANCE:

Telephone: +386 (0)2 321 15 34

UNIVERSITY CLINICAL CENTER MARIBOR Univerzitetni klinični center Maribor

Ljubljanska 5, 2000 Maribor Telephone: +386 (0)2 321 10 00



PHARMACIES: Lekarna Center

Gosposka 12, 2000 Maribor Telephone: +386 (0)2 229 45 30

Lekarna Pri gradu

Partizanska 1, 2000 Maribor Telephone: +386 (0)2 229 45 70

Pharmacies are usually open from 7:00 to 19:00.

NIGHT PHARMACY:

Lekarna Tabor,

Ljubljanska ulica 9, 2000 Maribor Telephone: +386 (0)2 320 79 11

The night pharmacy is available to you if you urgently need medicine after 19:00.

EMERGENCY SERVICES:

Ambulance, Fire brigade

Telephone: 112

Police, reporting accidents and

criminal acts Telephone: 113

7. ORGANIZABILITY

STUDENT ASSOCIATIONS

ERASMUS STUDENT NETWORK AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MARIBOR (ESN)

The Erasmus Student Network at the University of Maribor (ESN at UM) is a young ESN section, established in January 2001 at the University of Maribor. We are taking the main role in promotion of the Erasmus program at our University and in activities concerning all the exchange students. ESN Maribor is a team of students, volunteers, who were involved in any kind of exchange program in Europe and know first handed, what makes a great semester abroad. We are here to help students arrange accommodation and to answer your questions by e-mail before your arrival. We offer you ESN card with many discounts in Maribor, Slovenia and Europe. We can also help you with opening of bank account and other bureaucracy.



Shortly after the beginning of each semester we organize Welcome week, in order to welcome new students, to help them arrange the necessary formalities, to integrate into our student life and to get to know our city, culture and habits. Each student is assigned to a Slovene student volunteer, called a mentor/buddy, who can help you at any time.

Beside the Welcome weeks, we organize weekly evening meetings, parties, international dinners, cultural events and sport activities and everything together equals an unforgettable time in Maribor.

The aim of our section is to ensure that everyone studying here has an unforgettable time. We will continue with our work and aim to spread the Erasmus spirit all over Maribor.

You are welcome to visit us, so feel free to contact us. We are there for you!

Feel it . . . Live it . . . LOVE IT! ESN Maribor

ERASMUS STUDENT NETWORK AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MARIBOR (ESN AT UM)

Slomškov trg 15, 2000 Maribor, Slovenia

Telephone +386 (0)2 235 53 85

E-mail: info@esn-mb.org Website: www.esn-mb.org

STUDENTS' ORGANIZATION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MARIBOR (ŠOUM)

Študentska organizacija Univerze v Mariboru

Gosposvetska 83, 2000 Maribor Telephone:+386 (0)2 228 56 00

Telefax:+386 (0)2 229 51 60

E-mail: soum@soum.si

Website: http://www.soum.si

Like other European national, universities, and local student organizations, ŠOUM provides different extra-curricular student activities.

Some activities of ŠOUM are carried out in co-operation with associated member organizations of ŠOUM, dealing with different areas: student culture, education, sports, technical culture, international co-operation, training and education abroad, research, student social and economic status, information and computer science, publishing and media. ŠOUM also takes care of student food in Maribor, Celje, Velenje, Kranj, Murska Sobota, Ptuj, Šentjur and Slovenj Gradec.



Through its membership in the Student AIESEC KRANJ Organization of Slovenia, ŠOUM is also a member of various international student networks.

IEEE

(The Institute of Electrical and **Electronics Engineers**)

Smetanova 17, 2000 Maribor

E-mail: info@ieee.si

Website: http://www.um.ieee.si

AIESEC

(Association Internationale des Etudiants en Sciences Economiqueset Commerciales)

AIESEC MARIBOR

Razlagova 14, 2000 Maribor Telephone: +386 (0)2 229 02 18

Telefax: +386 (0)2 252 70 56

E-mail: info.mb@si.aiesec.org

Website: http://www.aiesec.org/slovenia/

UM FOV Krani

Kidričeva cesta55 a, 4000 Kranj Telephone: +386 (0)4 237 42 06

Telefax: +386 (0)4 237 43 51 E-mail: info.kr@si.aiesec.org Website: http://si.aiesec.org

IAESTE (The International Association for Exchange of Students for Technical **Experience**)

Smetanova 17 (room A - 308), 2000 Maribor

Telephone: +386 (0)2 229 43 98 Telefax: +386 (0)2 220 79 90

E-mail: iaeste@uni-mb.si

Website: http://www.iaeste-maribor.org

ELSA (The European Law Students' Association)

Mladinska ulica 9, 2000 Maribor Telephone: +386 (0)2 250 42 68

Telefax: +386 (0)2 252 32 45 E-mail: elsa.maribor@uni-mb.si

AEGEE (Association des EtatsGeneraux des Etudiants de l'Europe)

Mladinska ulica 9, 2000 Maribor Telephone: +386 (0)2 250 42 68 Telefax: +386 (0)2 252 32 45

E-mail: aegee@uni-mb.si

Website: http://www.aegee-maribor.si.

IAAS (International Association of Students in Agricultural and Related Sciences)

Pivola 10, 2311 Hoče

Telephone: +386 (0)2 320 90 00 Telefax: +386 (0)2 616 11 58 E-mail: iaas@agronom.org

Website: http://www.agronom.org/iaas

BEST(Board of European Students of Technology)

Gosposvetska 83, 2000 Maribor Telephone: +386 (0)2 228 66 00 Telefax: +386 (0)2 229 51 60

EGEA(European Geography Association for Students)

E-mail: katja.boh@soum.si

Website: http://egea.geog.uu.nl

- MAIN UNIVERSITY BUILDING Slomškov tra 15, Maribor
- FACULTY OF LAW Mladinska ulica 9, Maribor
- FACULTY OF ECONOMICS AND BUSINESS Razlagova 14, Maribor
- FACULTY OF ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING AND COMPUTER SCIENCE Smetanova 17, Maribor
- FACULTY OF MECHANICAL ENGINEERING Smetanova 17, Maribor
- FACULTY OF CIVIL ENGINEERING Smetanova 17, Maribor
- FACULTY OF CHEMISTRY AND CHEMICAL ENGINEERING Smetanova 17. Maribor
- FACULTY OF AGRICULTURE AND LIFE SCIENCES Pivola 10, Hoče
- FACULTY OF ORGANISATIONAL SCIENCES Kidričeva 55a, Krani
- FACULTY OF EDUCATION
- Koroška 160, Maribor
- FACULTY OF NATURAL SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS Koroška 160, Maribor
- FACULTY OF ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES Koroška 160, Maribor
- FACULTY OF MEDICINE Slomškov trg 15, Maribor
- FACULTY OF HEALTH SCIENCES Žitna 15
- FACULTY OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND SECURITY Kotnikova 8, Liubliana
- FACULTY OF LOGISTICS Mariborska cesta 7, Celie
- FACULTY OF ENERGY TECHNOLOGY Hočevarjev trg 1, 8270 Krško
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8. READ ME!

PRE-DEPARTURE CHECK LIST

- 1. Have you received the Acceptance Letter from us?
- 2. Have you informed us about the date of your arrival?
- 3. Have you applied for a residence permit in case you are from a non-EU country?
- 4. Is your passport or ID-card valid until your return home?
- 5. Have you arranged insurance in your home country?

SAY IT IN SLOVENE

Good Morning	.Dobro jutro!
Good Afternoon	.Dober dan!
Good Evening	.Dober večer!
Hello!	Zdravo!
Goodbye	.Nasvidenje!
See you	.Adijo!
Thank You	.Hvala
Please	.Prosim



Excuse me	.Kako si? .Dobro semNisem v reduKoliko stane? .Ja .Ne .Mogoče .Kako ti je ime? .Govorite angleško? .Ne razumemNe vemTrgovina .Železniška postaja .Vlak .Avtobusna postaja .Avtobus .Pošta .Na zdravje! .Pivo .Mleko
Vater	
Toilet	.wc (pronounced vay-isay)
č is pronounced ch ž i	is pronounced like the soft g in garage
š is pronounced sh j is	s pronounced like y in yellow





Where do you come from? Bulgaria, Varna.

What do you study at the University of Maribor?

Business and Economics.

Why would you recommend this university to students from abroad?

A great way to improve your language, getting to know how people teach in other countries, being able to compare home university to the one here and... well, more ©

What do you think is the best thing about Slovenia?

It's really close to other countries, meaning you can travel a lot, the country is really beautiful, clean and worth going around, people seem very friendly, smiling all the time. Small but great country.

Have you tried bučno olje (pumpkin seed oil) and what do you think about it? Something quite ... strong, not sure whether I like it or not.

Maribor or Mariboring?

Maribor, definitely. Includes living in a dorm, getting used to all that noise, especially at 2, 3, 4, 5 am, partying all the time, going around the city when the weather is nice, because it's worth it, getting to know people, different from you and your way of living and also becoming friends with them. Oh, and one more thing: experiencing the best time in your life ©





Why would you recommend this university to students from abroad?

I would recommend it because pro-

I would recommend it because professors and society in general are very friendly and open minded with students.

What do you think is the best thing about Slovenia?
Women ©

Have you tried bučno olje (pumpkin seed oil) and what do you think about it?

Honestly, I prefer olive oil.

Maribor or Mariboring?
Definitely Maribor © Etoti presneti paarraaaa paaa paaaaaa...

Where do you come from? Mexico.

What do you study at the University of Maribor?

Postgraduate study of Electrotechnics, Automatics and Robotics.



Where do you come from? Izmir, Turkey.

What do you study at the University of Maribor?
Textile Engineering.

Why would you recommend this university to students from abroad?

Because you can pass the exams and the lecturers are so helpful.

What do you think is the best thing about Slovenia?

Slovenia is the safest and the cheapest country in Europe. Its nature is beautiful. It's not too crowded.

Have you tried bučno olje (pumpkin seed oil) and what do you think about it?
Yes, I have, but ...

Maribor or Mariboring?

Maribor is a nice city, but sometimes it is really boring. On Mondays, Sundays and Thursdays there are no open places at night. But I love Erasmus life in Maribor, I love Erasmus people.







Where do you come from? France, Marseille.

What do you study at the University of Maribor?

Economics, Management.

Why would you recommend this university to students from abroad?

The Erasmus programme is very good, beautiful university!

What do you think is the best thing about Slovenia?

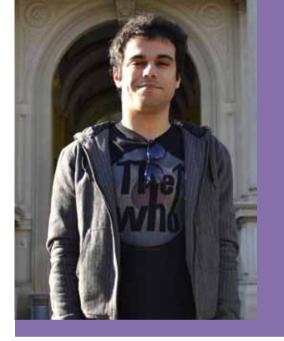
People are very open minded, it is a small country, but very nice and you can travel around.

Have you tried bučno olje (pumpkin seed oil) and what do you think about it?

I come from south of France (Provence) and I am used to put olive oil, which is actually the best for me .

Maribor or Mariboring?[☺]

Mariboooor, not boring! It is a students' city, with a lot of Erasmus students, many parties and other funny events, organized by the ESN team. You just have to enjoy at the maximum and try to survive your Erasmus year!!! So choose Maribor!



Why would you recommend this university to students from abroad?

I haven't explored all the university yet, but living in Maribor as Erasmus is quite special.

What do you think is the best thing about Slovenia?

Crazy Erasmus parties in Maribor.

Have you tried bučno olje (pumpkin seed oil) and what do you think about it? I have. I'm thinking of bringing one bottle back home.

Maribor or Mariboring? Marifun, except on Sundays.



Where do you come from? Madeira, Portugal.

What do you study at the University of Maribor?

Logistics, which is in Celje, but it's much more fun here in Maribor.





part in the lessons.

What do you think is the best thing about Slovenia?

Why would you recommend this univer-

The teachers are really helpful. It's not difficult to pass your exam if you take

sity to students from abroad?

Great views (mountains), nice people, it's not expensive, a lot of cafés, handsome boys ©.

Have you tried bučno olje (pumpkin seed oil) and what do you think about it? It's really delicious.

Maribor or Mariboring?
Maribor ©

Where do you come from? Poland, Poznan.

What do you study at the University of Maribor?
Economics.

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