



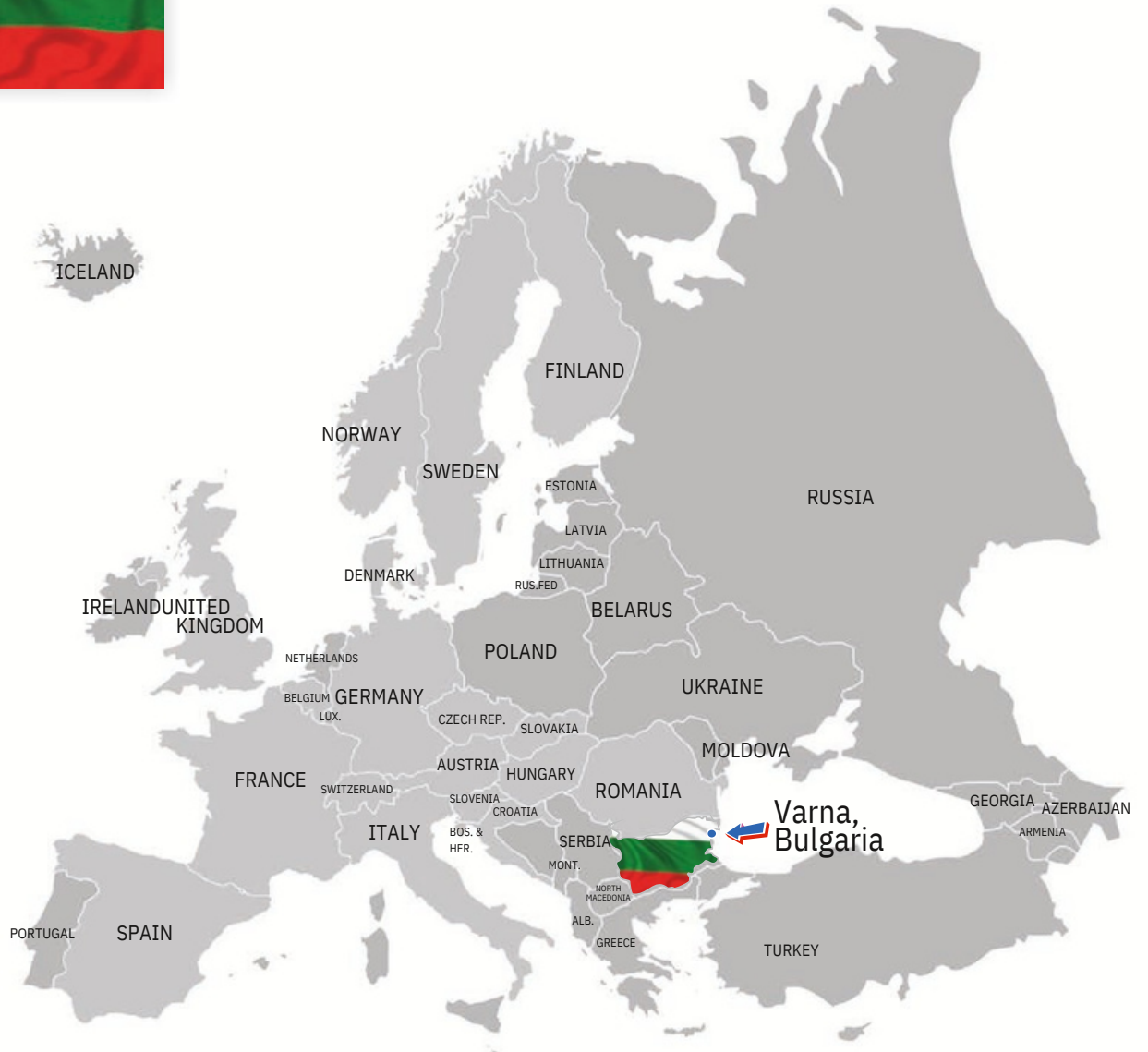
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MEDICAL UNIVERSITY VARNA  
"PROF. DR. PARASKEV STOYANOV"



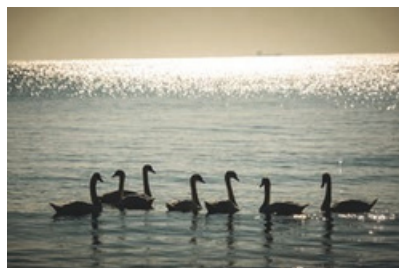
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Bulgaria is a small beautiful country, situated in South-eastern Europe, on the Balkan Peninsula. The thousand-year history and the rich cultural and historical heritage, in combination with the natural resources of the country, cannot be described in just a few words.

The beauty of the sea, the centuries-old forests, the picturesque mountains, the hidden archaeological treasures, and the messages conveyed from antiquity in the unique monuments, the abundance of nature and cultural wealth, make Bulgaria a wonderful and coveted destination. It is a beautiful country with a society open to cultures and races that welcomes foreigners.



GREAT LOCATION = BULGARIA, VARNA



# THE CITY OF VARNA – THE SEA CAPITAL OF BULGARIA

Varna is one of the most beautiful Bulgarian cities on the Black Sea coast, an important centre for business, transportation, education, tourism, entertainment and healthcare. The city is referred to as the maritime capital of Bulgaria and has the headquarters of the Bulgarian Navy and merchant marine.



The third largest city in Bulgaria – Varna boasts a rich and turbulent history, an exciting present and an intriguing future. Not only does the Sea Capital of Bulgaria attract with its unique location, the diversity of cultural and entertainment events, the natural beauty and favourable climate, but also with the striving to develop and renew itself and to get a modern look.





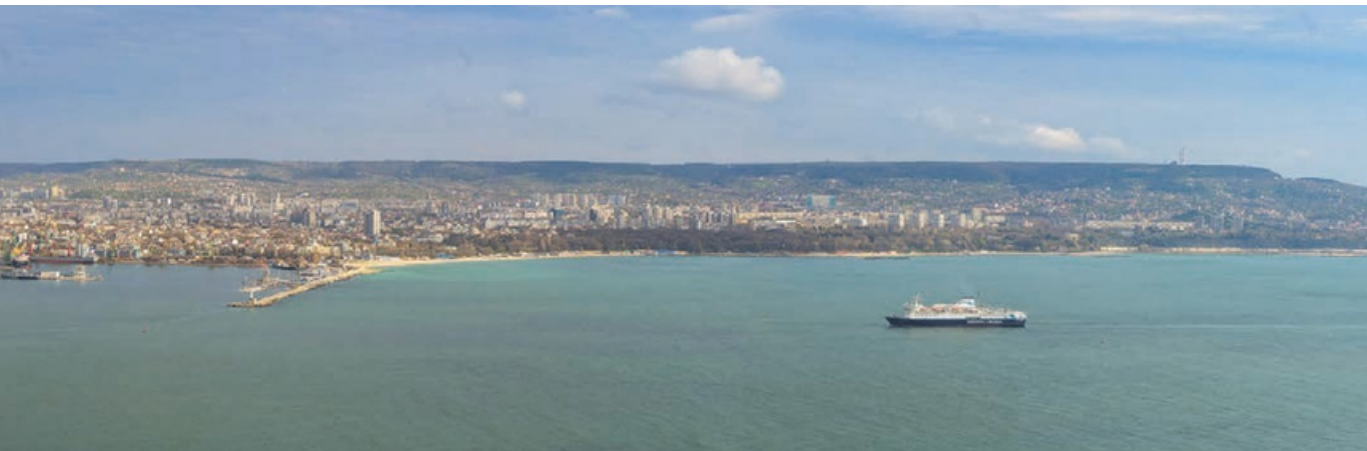
Varna offers a myriad of cultural events involving the arts of folklore, music, ballet, opera and theatre, movies and animated presentations, open-air photographs and exhibitions, and a variety of other cultural events of international and national character.

The city is one of the busiest transport centres in Bulgaria. Due to its geographical location, Varna is a kind of bridge connecting Europe with Asia, Russia, Ukraine and other destinations. Varna has an international airport, a modern port and a railway station, thus, being connected with nearly 35 countries and 100 cities in the world.



Tourism is one of the major sectors in the structure of the economy of the city. The resorts Golden Sands, St.St. Constantine & Helena, Riviera , Sunny Day , Albena are world-famous, and three of them are holders of the Blue Flag Beach Certificate. The resorts offer numerous opportunities for sports, balneotherapy and entertainment.

Finally, when we add the favourable climatic conditions, the golden sand, the sea waves, Varna's sights and dozens of landmarks that will fascinate you, the idea of what it really means to be a student at the Medical University of Varna becomes absolutely vivid.

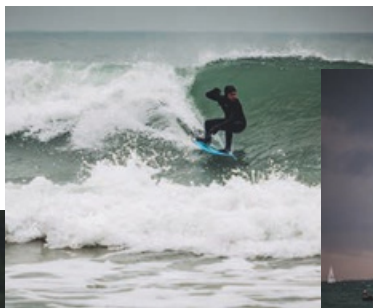


THE CITY OF VARNA –  
A MODERN CITY WITH ANCIENT HISTORY

The lovely and friendly student city of Varna offers a vibrant nightlife. There are six Universities here and over 30 000 students as well as a range of entertainment venues, fantastic sport and leisure facilities. Although relatively compact, Varna is actually a beautiful place to live - everything you could possibly need is within easy reach in the city. The surrounding area has also a lot to offer. Varna has been voted and won the prize for Bulgaria`s best city to live in for young people as well as was awarded the title and selected for European Youth Capital 2017 and European city of Sport 2019.

*I just wanted to say how much I appreciated the fact that the chat option in the e-application system exists and that I always got a helpful answer extremely quickly. This is a huge help, because I applied directly without an agency or organization and you have to think of many things. Thanks!!!*

*Julie, Germany  
/student/*







THE FRIENDLY AND PEACEFUL CAMPUS OF  
MU-VARNA IS LOCATED IN THE HEART OF THE CITY



UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL "ST. MARINA"







# ACHIEVEMENTS

- A series of solemn events marked the **60th anniversary** of Medical University “Prof. Dr. Paraskev Stoyanov” – Varna on 1 and 2 October 2021. Throughout its 60-year history MU – Varna has established itself as one of the main pillars of medical education and science in our country, a symbol of success and sustainability.
- The independent global higher education information search engine uniRank™ ranked MU – Varna **1st** among the medical universities in Bulgaria for **2021**, and in the top **5** among 48 higher education institutions in the country.
- In 2020 at MU-Varna have been established: Center for Simulation Technology and Medical Equipment and Center of Competence in personalized medicine, 3D and telemedicine, robotic and minimally invasive surgery.
- MU-Varna took over the management of “Specialized Hospital for Ophthalmology for Active Treatment - Varna” Ltd.
- Medical University - Varna began **2018** with a new, highest award of honour for quality of training, which is recognition of the extremely successful strategy for development, implemented by the academic management. The Bulgarian Minister of Education awarded the well-deserved distinction - **1st place for quality of medical education** to Medical University - Varna. This happened at a **formal ceremony for awarding the best universities** in Bulgaria. The prize of MU-Varna is in the field of Medicine and is awarded for high quality of education in line with labour market needs, based on the rating of higher schools, done by the Ministry of Education and Science. **MU - Varna is the Best University for Medical Education in Bulgaria!**
- In the 2018 ranking of the platform 4 International Colleges & Universities – [www.4icu.org](http://www.4icu.org), Medical University-Varna is again at the forefront among the top universities in Bulgaria and takes the 1 place, compared to the other medical universities in Bulgaria.
- We rank among the best national public institutions devoted to medical education in the 2017 National ranking of Universities in Bulgaria.
  - MU-Varna marks the highest level of conducted international mobility by its students.
  - MU-Varna scores 1st place in investments made in improvement of the educational infrastructure.
- In 2017 Medical University “Prof. Dr. Paraskev Stoyanov” - Varna was awarded in the “Best Innovation for Education” category during the eighth edition of one of the biggest forums for technology, innovation and entrepreneurship in Europe - Webit Festival 2017. The integration of modern IT solutions, systems and innovation in the training process is a part



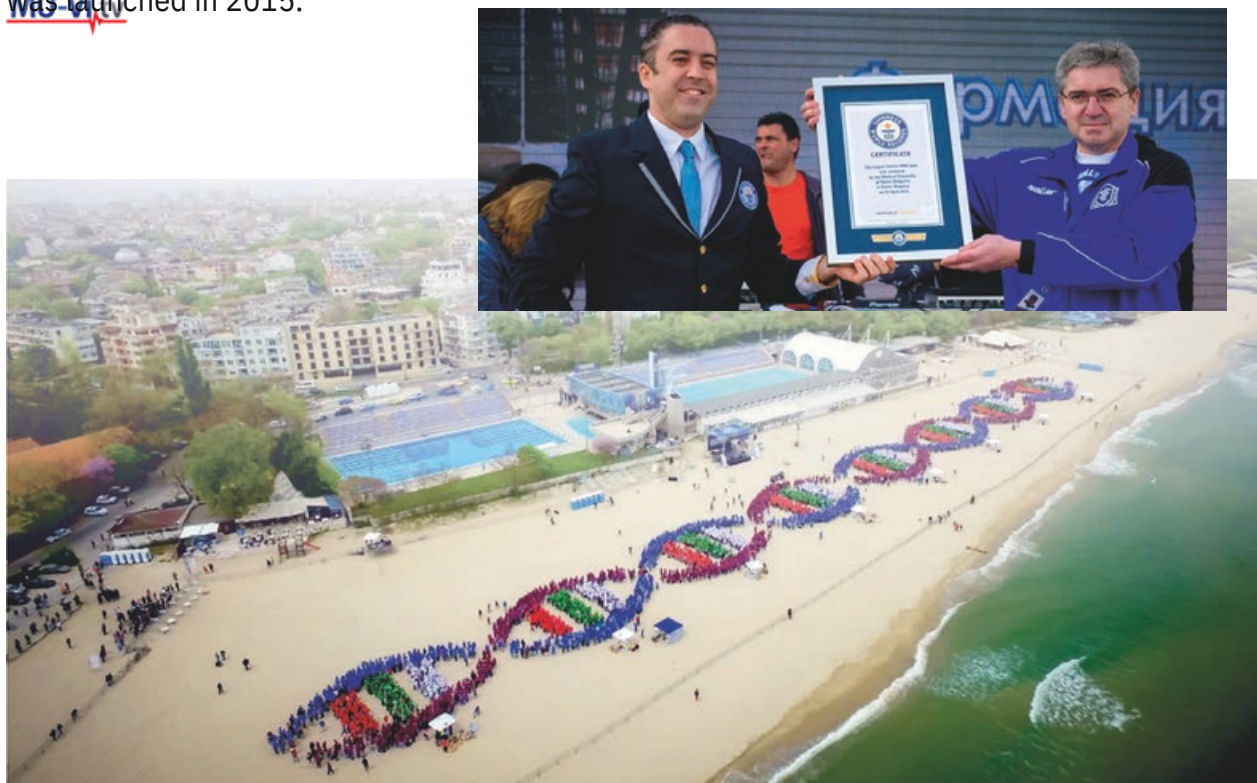
of the management strategy of MU-Varna for high-tech training of students in the medical and health specialties in Bulgaria, which ranks the University among the most modern universities in the world.

• In 2016, MU-Varna became “Leading University in Bulgaria, using the Blackboard Electronic system”

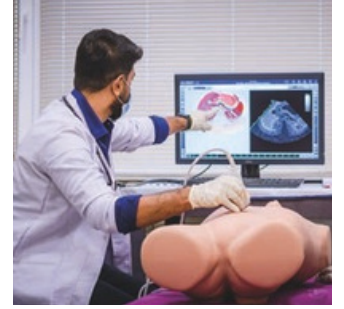
• On April 23 2016, at the South Beach in Varna, 4 000 people managed to break the Guinness World Record for the Largest Human DNA Helix. The incredible event was organized by students of MU-Varna as a fun way to integrate the University’s numerous international students’ family coming from more than 40 different countries around the globe.

• According to a prestigious 2015 national survey, MU-Varna marked the highest level of student satisfaction 95% (in terms of training, learning environment and student service and support) for the programmes of Medicine and Dental Medicine. This is achieved by offering the learning and welfare support to our students. We aim to ensure that the years our students spend at MU-Varna are joyful, rewarding and successful!

• The first and only one of its kind in Bulgaria University National Health Education television ~~was~~ was launched in 2015.



MU-VARNA - A SYMBOL OF QUALITY



In 2021, 60 years have passed since the establishment of MU-Varna, the first higher education institution in medicine in Northeastern Bulgaria and one of the most prestigious universities in Bulgaria. With enthusiasm, strong will and dedication over the past 60 years, new Faculties, Departments and Altiates have been established, hospitals and new clinics, research centres have been inaugurated, new training facilities have been built, modern training methods have been introduced, medical structures have been modernised. Since the year of its establishment (1961) more than 35 000 medical and dental doctors, pharmacists and health professionals have graduated from MU – Varna, and amongst them, there are bright personalities who stand out with their impressive professional careers in Bulgaria and around the world. Combining the traditions of the past with the possibilities of the present, the university continues to contribute to the accumulation of the most valuable capital for a country – the highly educated and highly qualified young people.

It is an autonomous state medical institution, which, ever since its establishment, attracts great interest by intelligent, bright and competitive students from all over the world. The welcoming and friendly atmosphere at MU-Varna and the city of Varna creates an amazing learning environment, encourages new friendships and enjoys over 46 different nationalities under its roof!

The Medical University of Varna offers uncompromised quality of training and it is the first and the only university in Bulgaria, which has introduced the model of the European Foundation for Quality Management (EFQM®) for Business Excellence.

**The diplomas issued by the University are recognized in all European countries.**

The University itself and the programmes offered by MU-Varna are accredited and recognized by the Bulgarian Ministry of Education and Science and by the National Evaluation and Accreditation Agency at the Council of Ministers.

The MU-Varna Faculty of Medicine is included in the World Directory of Medical Schools.

Our institution is a member of the European University Association and the Black Sea Universities Network and maintains academic cooperation and partnerships with over 90 foreign universities and institutions.





MU-Varna has signed agreements with 59 universities from 21 European countries within the Erasmus+ Programme. The latter offers the possibility for students, PhD students, academic and non-academic staff of MU-Varna to carry out a mobility period in a partner university abroad.



The educational and the scientific policy of the University conforms to the European and the world standards in medical education and meets the modern needs of its numerous Bulgarian and international students. In pursuance of this main objective, MU-Varna introduces new methods and techniques of teaching.

We strive to make the most of our qualities for attaining better health in the future and to educate considerate and caring medical and health specialists, dedicated to the ethical and social principles of the profession and lifelong learning.

The Medical University of Varna has been committed to quality in education, research and patient care. We – the academic and the administrative staff – will do all we can to make your time at the Medical University of Varna the best learning experience possible by passionate teaching and support staff. The educational success of our students is our most important goal. We achieve this by employing highly qualified instructors and modern academics who make their contribution on a daily basis, having gained their international recognition and prestige at hundreds of European and international scientific meetings and conferences. Practice-based approach is constantly applied to learning in order to provide current students with skills and confidence, one would need when practicing the health profession.

**Currently more than 6 400 undergraduate, graduate and doctoral students are being trained here and about 1 800 of them are international students.**

Significant and increasing investments were made in the past few years in improving and building our learning spaces and facilities. The newly built Faculty of Pharmacy building was awarded a special prize in the prestigious national contest 2015 Building of the Year in the field of educational infrastructure.

If you are willing to devote your life to providing community health service, then MU-Varna could offer you training up to the world standards and contribute to your successful career development!



LEARN ABOUT US



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Since its establishment, the University has focused a great deal of attention on practical training. The lecture halls, the specialized training premises and laboratories are equipped in accordance with the modern European requirements and provide excellent conditions for conducting training and research. The traditional training methods are interwoven with state-of-the-art technology:

**3D Anatomy Training** – The latest information, communication technologies and modern interactive training were introduced in the dissecting rooms, together with digital microscope cameras, digital projection, e-exams, interactive multimedia boards, video equipment and video connection with the operating rooms.

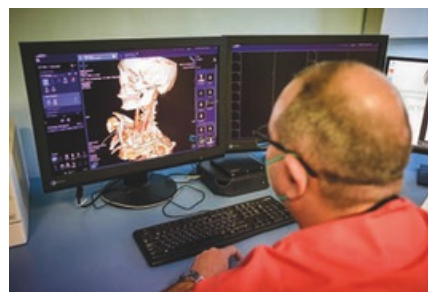
**Virtual microscopy** with high resolution for preparation observations, and simulation training for the introduction of clinical into preclinical training of medical students at an even earlier stage.

- **Modern Clinical Simulators** for high-quality practical training of medical and dental medicine students ( e.g. Laparoscopic Surgery Simulator - an extremely useful tool for mastering of surgical techniques before young surgeons start carrying out operations on patients; intuitive and completely recreating the intraoperative settings, taking account of errors and complications occurring during a surgery) as well as other latest technologies.

- **Clinical Simulations Centre** – Centre of Competence in the Field of Personalised Medicine, 3D and Telemedicine, Robot – Assisted and Minimally Invasive Surgery. The Centre has the latest generation da Vinci Xi Robotic Surgery System, with an integrated additional training simulator for developing skills in robot – assisted surgery intended for undergraduate and postgraduate students, which will enhance the quality and effectiveness of training and practical exercises.

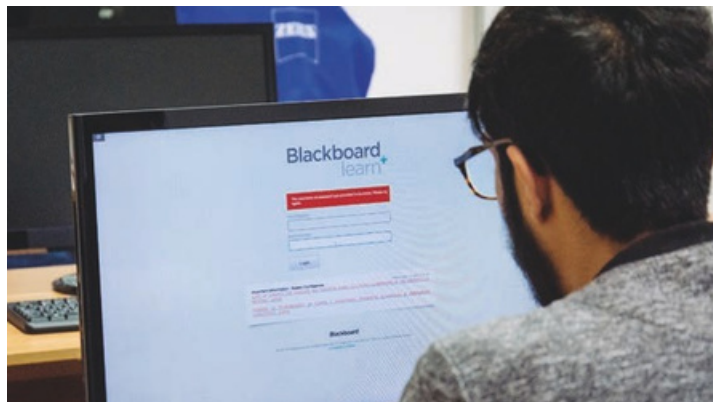
**Modern Audio-Vestibular Laboratory** at the University Dental Centre of MU – Varna, which is equipped with a complete module of the latest generation of electrophysiological devices, the latest generation audio-vestibular chair, its own software network and an additional module for storing information for scientific purposes. The equipment is in line with the latest world standards for Universal Newborn Hearing Screening (UNHS) – one of the priorities of the World Health Organisation.

- New generation of fully **digital PET/CT** of the highest class. The technology exhibits high image quality and unique characteristics. The system is equipped with a unique virtual station, which enables several specialists to be working simultaneously, with the help of cutting-edge software for diagnosis and monitoring in the field of oncology.



• **3D Technologies in Dentistry** – A new laboratory, as part of the new training technologies, 3D prototyping in dental medicine allows the students to develop dental models using a 3D printer and a 3D laboratory scanner. The system shortens model development time and provides high precision and accuracy.

• **Blackboard Learn** – The e-learning platform manages over 1 774 electronic disciplines for all faculties, a liates and the Medical College of MU-Varna. The University is also subscribed to the interactive textbook platform AccessMedicine. New specialized rooms are equipped with Turning Point technology for ongoing assessment of students’ knowledge; for interactive learning and e-testing of students.



Training in clinical medical disciplines is conducted at the University hospital training facilities, with modern high-tech diagnostic units, equipped with conventional and unique apparatus. Students and graduates have the opportunity through demonstrations to master the latest methods in medicine. The St. Marina University Hospital, Varna is the largest diagnostic-therapeutic and consultative hospital complex in the Northern and Eastern region, providing services to the population of the whole country. At the students’ convenience, the Hospital has several auditoriums that enable the future doctors to combine practical and theoretical activities in one and at the same place. During the breaks between the lectures and the exercises, students can use the e-Library – a part of the digitized and centralized library system of the University. Since 2016 the largest state-of-the-art Cerebrovascular Centre for North-eastern Bulgaria has been operating on the territory of the hospital. It has the latest generation computed tomography (CT) system allowing high-tech diagnostic imaging, two nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) apparatus, three angiography machines, two state-of-the-art scanners, the most modern PET scanner and SPECT scanner, three linear accelerators, ultrasound apparatus, endoscopes, a robotic system for dissolution of cytostatic drugs, robot – assisted surgery, modern hospital information system, Centre for Translational Medicine, cell therapy, multi modular video endoscopic equipment, modern echocardiographic apparatus, etc. At the clinics, future doctors gain experience and expertise from highly qualified specialists. Students, postgraduates and doctoral students have the opportunity to participate in different international symposia and seminars.





EXPLORE  
OUR TRAINING FACILITIES & TEACHING

OUR TEACHING IS DESIGNED TO BE INTERACTIVE,  
DYNAMIC AND STIMULATING.  
TEACHING THAT WOULD BRING YOUR SUBJECT ALIVE.



Teaching activities at MU-Varna are mainly undertaken in small groups - particularly the seminars and practices. Theoretical training is organized in lectures, conducted in student streams (each containing students, enrolled in the same programme).

Education at MU-Varna is conducted by highly qualified faculty members - enthusiastic, caring and approachable staff with lots of practical experience in their fields and who are dedicated to ensuring that graduates are fully prepared for the health professional role they have to undertake. We want our students to obtain the most out of their studies and training at MU-Varna.



*"I knew that I wanted to study medicine in my early years and I also had a great desire to travel. With the Medical University of Varna, I was able to balance both passions. MU-Varna was a difficult decision to make as I would be leaving my family and all things familiar to me behind to pursue my dreams, however, it is a decision I have never looked back on. The teaching staff at MU-Varna was incredibly talented and knowledgeable and their strong desire to shape the minds of future doctors was ever present. Encouraging and challenging us to perform our best, I left MU-Varna prepared and ready to take my US and Canadian Board Exams, which I was able to pass successfully. The clinical setting also allowed us students to gain valuable first-hand experience in patient care. Today, my success is based on my leadership skills and confidence with which I am able to deliver my clinical consultation, that I developed and strengthened with the help of my experiences at MU-Varna."*

*Visagine, Canada  
/MD graduate/*





Our library is a great place to study and access all your information needs. It was established in 1961 along with the creation of the University and has since always been one of its most comfortable places. The library contains more than 160 000 volumes of books, textbooks, monographs, reference books, periodicals, dissertations and theses in Bulgarian, English and other foreign languages. They cover medicine, natural sciences, public health, dentistry, pharmacy, healthcare management and marketing, and others. Currently the library is one of the most modern libraries in the country. It is equipped with modern technologies, extensive scientific databases, interactive textbooks and atlases, digital collections of books and monographs. The main goal is to support the learning and research activities of the University. The Library maintains subscription or temporary access to leading global medical literature databases such as AccessMedicine, MEDLINE Complete, Springer, EBSCO Discovery Service, Oxford Journals Collection, Taylor and Francis Collections, Thieme, ClinicalKey, etc. Databases such as Web of Knowledge, ScienceDirect, Scopus and InCites have licensed on-line access, funded by the Ministry of Education.

All the readers of the library receive a contactless reader's card with their personal registration. This allows the students to use the computers at all the branches, to print and copy on the spot, to borrow and return books by themselves or through the self-service machines in the libraries at the "Rectorate" building and at the Medical College.



THE LIBRARY - OUR STUDENTS' SECOND HOME

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Since the academic year 2014/2015, Medical University – Varna has turned Sailing into a traditional and emblematic part of the student sports training. The sailing course participants have successfully taken part in the Varna Chanel Cup Regatta over the past few years.

The Department of Foreign languages, Communication and Sports at MU – Varna has two motor boats and a sail boat, which provide an opportunity to carry out training and competitive activities in Sailing – an attractive maritime sport, practised by the students at leading Universities around the world.

In 2020 the best sailors in Bulgaria for the past year were awarded at an official award ceremony. MU – Varna received a special award for contribution to the development of maritime sports from the President of the Sailing Federation.



In 2017, Quantum satis opened its doors, a restaurant located in the yard of the building of MU-Varna. The menu offers daily prepared a variety of dishes according to an established menu. The rich assortment is prepared in a specially equipped modern kitchen. All students can have their meals at the student canteen, taking advantage of the pleasant environment and student discount.





## THE ADVICE PLACE

Prospective students and their parents are offered guided information and support throughout the application process by the Admission experts, and throughout the enrollment and studies at the University by the Student Affairs officers.

As the student support and welfare are significant priorities for the University, there is always someone you can turn to. Instructors and academic coordinators appointed to every single course, as well as the student office and the senior student advisers (buddies) are always ready to hear your concerns and any problems you might have.

## UNIVERSITY OPEN DAYS

The Medical University of Varna organizes open-day sessions for domestic and international students throughout the year. Usually our Open Days are designed for prospective students interested in undergraduate studies, their parents, friends, etc.

The purpose of the open days is to provide you (the prospective undergraduate applicant) with all the information you need about studying at Medical University of Varna. Our open days offer you the opportunity to meet our current students, university staff, to get introduced to the University faculties, departments and facilities by taking the University tour with us! The open days will also give you an insight into what it is really like to study at Medical University of Varna – to feel the University life and spirit!

In 2021, due to the epidemiological situation, Medical University – Varna gave an opportunity to everyone interested in the study programmes, student life, training facilities and the way to apply to the University, to visit the specially developed on-line platform “Open Doors at Medical University – Varna 2021”.

Prospective students had the opportunity to get a clue and to acquaint themselves in advance with the opportunities provided by MU – Varna and the career development perspectives after graduation, as well as to obtain fully comprehensive information through virtually visiting the four Faculties of the University – Medicine, Dental Medicine, Pharmacy and Public Health, and the Medical College and the Affiliates in the cities of Shumen, Veliko Tarnovo and Sliven, and to explore the clinical training facilities.

# › VIRTUAL TOUR ‹

UNIVERSITY VIRTUAL TOUR

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### OPEN DAYS MEDICAL UNIVERSITY - VARNA

**DISCOVER**  
what is really like  
to be a student at  
**MU-Varna!**

[www.mu-varna.bg](http://www.mu-varna.bg)

**OPEN DAYS**

**MU-VARNA AT A GLANCE**

**OUR BROCHURE**

Welcome to Medical University-Varna - one of the most modern and high-tech universities in the country! Attractive multinational environment, state-of-the-art training methods and facilities, real-world and simulation training, wonderful sports and recreation conditions in the Sea Capital of Bulgaria - these are just a few of the reasons why students from approximately 50 countries all over the world have chosen to study at Medical University-Varna!

**FAQ** **CONTACTS**



# PROGRAMMES OFFERED IN ENGLISH LANGUAGE

*After completed secondary education*

- ✓ **Medicine** (MD programme) - duration: 6 years
- ✓ **Dental Medicine** (DMD programme) - duration: 6 years
- ✓ **Pharmacy** (MPharm Programme) - duration: 5 years



# PROGRAMMES OFFERED IN BULGARIAN LANGUAGE

For information about all programmes in Bulgarian language, please visit: <https://www.mu-varna.bg/BG/specialnosti>

## PREPARATORY COURSES

Preparatory Course in Bulgarian language - *duration: 9 months*

Preparatory Course in English language - *duration: 9 months*

For detailed information about the programmes' overviews, entry requirements and tuition fees visit <http://mu-varna.bg/EN/Admission/Pages/default.aspx>

OUR PROGRAMMES





# OVERVIEW OF THE PROGRAMME IN MEDICINE

The six-year medical studies in English allow students to apply for the medical school directly from high school. The program is designed for students who are strongly motivated, have a good command of both written and spoken English and interest in medical science.

The medical studies in English last six years (ten semesters and one-year of clinical internship – 310 calendar days). Except for the fact that instructions, labs, lectures and examinations are conducted in English, the curriculum of the six-year medical studies in English is completely identical with the coursework pursued by Bulgarian medical students. Learning Bulgarian language is also compulsory during the first two years of the programme. Students are required to learn Bulgarian language in order to be able to communicate with the patients and in order to avoid misunderstanding the patients from the third year onwards.

The first two years of medical school include an overview of fundamental or basic science courses. The first year is devoted to general understanding of biological, chemical and physical sciences applicable to the practice of medicine. Starting with the second year, the focus progressively narrows down, channeling the studies towards the biomedical sciences that are most relevant for a practicing physician.

The theoretical training of the course of studies is conducted by obligatory, optional and facultative disciplines, in the form of lectures, seminars, practical exercise and self-training. The practical training of the course of studies is conducted by practical studies during the semester training, training practices and pre-graduation internship.

The theoretical and practical training in the programme is in compliance with the ECTS system.

The clinical years are what all medical students anticipate, a time when lectures and laboratories translate into patient care. The clinical studies examine the application of the biomedical sciences mastered during the first two years of medical school. The teaching from the third year onwards takes place exclusively in clinical settings of the modern facilities of the University teaching hospitals and involves work with patients admitted for treatment.

The last year of medical studies is exclusively for practical purposes. During the last year, students work under the direct guidance of the assistants and instructors with high academic positions in the clinics.

Final assessment of knowledge acquired by the students after accomplishing their full course of studies is given by the Examination Board Committees at comprehensive theoretical and practical examinations.

After the successful completion of the 6-year course of studies in the programme of Medicine, students are awarded a diploma of completed higher medical education.

Graduates receive a Master's degree, along with the professional qualification "physician"-Doctor of Medicine. A European supplement to the medical diploma issued in English language is also provided to the medical graduates upon graduation. The Master-physician is an accomplished specialist who possesses the necessary knowledge, skills and qualities for the realization of the contents, goals and assignments of the general medical practice.

The possession of that degree enables the holder to practice medicine in EU countries as well as in many other countries worldwide.

*"Medical University of Varna provided a solid medical education that has allowed me to work successfully within the British NHS. The teaching experience is very personal, with a small and tight-knit staff base that provides excellent training and support throughout the entire 6 years. With an English program curriculum based around Western literature, your education will let you hit the ground running!"*

*Martin, USA  
/MD graduate/*





# MD CURRICULUM

*Duration of 6 years  
(10 semesters and one-year pre-gdgraduate state internship)*

## I year

Nº	Study Subjects	Number of Teaching Hours (Lectures & Seminars)	ECTS Credits
1.	Physics	907	
2.	Cytology, General Histology and Human Embryology	907	
3.	Human Biology	1059	
4.	Chemistry	1057	
5.	Biophysics	604	
6.	Human Anatomy and Histology	13515	
7.	Social Medicine and Biostatistics	303	
8.	Latin Language and Medical Terminology	604	
9.	General Bulgarian Language – A1/A2	3002	
10.	Physical Education and Sport	604	

## II year

1.	Disaster Medicine	45	3
2.	Social Medicine and Biostatistics	60	6
3.	Human Anatomy and Histology	210	15
4.	Biochemistry	180	16
5.	Physiology	195	18
6.	General Bulgarian Language – B1/B2	270	2
7.	Physical Education and Sport	60	2

## III year

1.	Medical Ethics	30	3
2.	General Pathology	90	4
3.	Medical Psychology	30	3
4.	Hygiene and Ecology	120	4
5.	Microbiology	150	9
6.	Pathophysiology	120	7
7.	Propaedeutics of Internal Diseases	240	1
8.	General and Operative Surgery	165	2
9.	Terminology and Communication in Medical Practice	180	9
10.	Pharmacology	75	2
11.	Roentgenology and Radiology	30	4
12.	Clinical Pathology	30	2
13.	Summer practice after 6th semester	30 days	3

### IV year

1.	Medical Genetics	60	2
2.	Otorhinolaryngology	90	3
3.	Pharmacology	75	4
4.	Roentgenology and Radiology	75	3
5.	Clinical Immunology	30	1
6.	Clinical Pathology	105	4
7.	Neurology	120	6
8.	Obstetrics and Gynaecology	135	5
9.	General (Family) Medicine	66	3
10.	Internal Diseases - Part 1	270	13
11.	Surgery	150	5
12.	Physiotherapy and Rehabilitation	45	2
13.	Occupational Diseases	30	1
14.	Ophthalmology	75	3
15.	Neurosurgery	30	1
16.	Clinical Laboratory	60	2
17.	Dermatology and Venereology	45	2
18.	Summer practice after 8th semester	30 days	

### V year

1.	Orthopaedics and Traumatology	90	4
2.	Urology	45	2
3.	Anaesthesiology, Resuscitation and Intensive Care	60	2
4.	Obstetrics and Gynaecology	75	4
5.	Dermatology and Venereology	45	2
6.	Surgery	105	7
7.	Paediatrics	210	10
8.	Epidemiology, Infectious Diseases, Medical Parasitology and Tropical Medicine	150	6
9.	Forensic Medicine and Deontology	75	3
10.	Internal Diseases - Part II	345	15
11.	Psychiatry	90	3
12.	Clinical Pharmacology	33	2

### VI year: Pre-graduate internship

Nº	State Clinical practice (Internship)	Days
1.	Internal Diseases	85
2.	Surgery	75
3.	Paediatrics	51
4.	Obstetrics and Gynaecology	50
5.	Infectious Diseases, Epidemiology, Hygiene and Social Medicine	35
6.	General Medicine	14



Nº	State Examinations	ECTS Credits
1.	Internal Diseases	16
2.	Surgery	14
3.	Pediatrics	10
4.	Obstetrics and Gynaecology	10
5.	Infectious Diseases, Epidemiology, Hygiene and Social Medicine	8
6.	General Medicine	2

## ELECTIVES

Nº	Subject	Number of Lectures & Seminars	ECTS Credits	Available after Semester
1.	Neurobiology	50	2	I
2.	First Aid at Home and in the Office	15	1	II
3.	Medical Psychology and Sociology	140	5	III
4.	Molecular Biology in Medicine	30	2	IV
5.	Immunology	30	2	V
6.	Maritime Pathophysiology	30	2	V
7.	Maritime Incidents	30	2	III
8.	Information Systems and Technologies	30	2	VI
9.	Emergency Medicine	28	2	VII
10.	Support for Breastfeeding	30	2	VII
11.	Protection of the Eye Health	30	2	VIII
12.	Tropical Medicine	109	2	IX
13.	Contemporary Neuroscience: Nanotechnology, Personalized and Translational Medicine	30	2	IX
14.	Abdominal Ultrasound in Gastroenterology	24	2	X
15.	Clinical Hematology	14	2	X
16.	Cardiac Surgery of Acquired Cardiovascular Diseases in Adults	40	2	VII
17.	Maritime Medicine	30	2	VII



*I chose to study at Medical University of Varna because it is an excellent opportunity to study at one of the best universities in Bulgaria and participate in their outstanding program of Medicine. The university holds a high academic standard. I knew I wanted to study abroad and was attracted by the prestige of MUV and the beauty of the city of Varna. During my admission process the Department of Admissions was very helpful and made sure to make my process easy and quick, their co-operation and dedication towards us students is highly valued. After my admission it was the teachers and the staff of students' office which played an enormous role making sure that the start of my journey in a new country was smooth. All the teachers at MUV guide us and are always there to help. I hope my experience helps future students who are searching for a diverse and prestigious university to study at.*

*Areeba, Pakistan  
/student/*

# OVERVIEW OF THE PROGRAMME IN DENTAL MEDICINE

## DISCOVER OUR DMD PROGRAMME IN ENGLISH

The training in Dental Medicine in English is full-time only and includes three stages (6 years): the course of study lasts five years (ten semesters), the pre-graduation practice after the 10th semester (135 working days or 1080 hours) and two training practices with 30 calendar days duration (each training covers 150 hours) after the sixth and the eighth semester.

During the first two years, students are trained in medical and biological subjects (first stage). Except for the fact that instructions, labs, lectures and examinations are conducted in English, the curriculum of the six-year programme in Dental Medicine taught in English is identical with the coursework pursued by Bulgarian dental students. Learning Bulgarian language is also compulsory during the first three years of the program. Students are required to learn Bulgarian in order to be able to communicate with the patients and in order to avoid misunderstanding the patients from the third year onwards.

Clinical and medical training is conducted from second to tenth semester and it includes specialized training in general medical and clinical dental disciplines (second stage). The theoretical training is conducted by obligatory, optional and facultative disciplines, in the form of lectures, seminars, practical exercise (clinical work with dental patients) and self-training. The practical training is conducted by practical studies during the semester training, training practices and pre-graduation practice. The practical instruction of students includes specific volume of practical therapeutic activity.

Under the tutelage of highly trained and productive scientists, the student acquires a solid foundation in biomedical sciences. This knowledge forms the basis for understanding the wide variety of diseases that a dentist must diagnose and treat; it also forms the foundation for the effective practice of preventive dentistry. Skillful and experienced clinical teachers guide the student in acquiring technical skills and developing clinical judgement. Instructors with qualifications in the basic and clinical sciences assist the student in applying basic science knowledge to clinical problems. This integrated system of instruction results in a broadly trained clinician with a strong biomedical background.





The pre-graduation internship/practice (third stage) is performed in cycles in prosthetic dentistry, conservative dental treatment, periodontology and diseases of the oral mucosa; oral and maxillofacial surgery, pediatric dental medicine, orthodontics. Every cycle (stage) ends with a state examination.

Upon graduation, students obtain the professional qualification of “Master-Doctor in Dental Medicine” and education and qualification degree “Master”. The possession of that degree enables the holder to practice dental medicine in EU countries, as well as in many other countries worldwide. A European supplement to the diploma of completed higher education, issued in English is also provided to graduates of the Programme upon graduation.

Situated in the center of Varna, the Faculty of Dental Medicine benefits from a large pool of patients who seek dental treatment at its modern clinics and the only one in Bulgaria University Medical and Dental Center, equipped with cutting-edge technologies.

Since its founding in 2006, the Faculty of Dental Medicine at the Medical University of Varna has been committed to excellence in education, patient care, research, and community service.

With each incoming class we dedicate ourselves to the achievement of these goals!

*Hello, I am Alexander and a dentistry student at MU-Varna.*

*I have successfully completed the admission procedure and now I have the opportunity to realize my dream. If you study hard for the entrance test you don't have to be afraid of anything, everything is fair. I am very happy in my studies and everything is going well. The teaching is innovative and interesting, the lecturers are always helpful and eager to impart new knowledge to the students. Life in Varna is very diverse, there is a wide range of leisure activities for students, from various sports activities such as soccer, cheerleading or gyms to beach volleyball on the beautiful beach right by the sea. The culinary diversity that is offered here should be mentioned, from small and neat pastry shops that offer their handmade cream cakes to rocky bars that serve burgers, everything is represented, everyone will find good here. The students in Varna lead an uncomplicated and beautiful life. Of course, we have to work hard, but that is part of it to reach the goal.*

*Alexander, Germany  
/student/*

DISCOVER OUR DMD PROGRAMME IN ENGLISH

# OVERVIEW OF DENTAL MEDICINE CURRICULUM

*Duration of 6 years, incl. 10 semesters; state clinical practice (internship) after the 10th semester - 135 working days (1080 hours) and two training practices of 30 calendar days (150 hours) after the 6th and 8th semester*

## I year

Study Subjects	Number of Teaching Hours (Lectures & Seminars)	ECTS Credits
1. Chemistry	60	4
2. Physics	60	4
3. Human Biology, human genetics	105	6
4. Latin Language	60	5
5. Computers	30	4
6. Cytology, General Histology and Human Embryology	45	4
7. Anatomy and Human Histology	150	7
8. Biochemistry	60	5
9. Biophysics	30	3
10. Dental Materials	60	8
11. Sport	60	1
12. Functional Anatomy of the Masticatory System, Dental Morphology and Occlusion	120	9
13. General Bulgarian language – A1/A2	300	2

## II year

Study subjects	Number of Teaching Hours (Lectures & Seminars)	ECTS Credits
1. Anatomy and Human Histology	105	8
2. Biochemistry	60	5
3. Foreign Language	60	5
4. Human Physiology	150	5
5. Social Medicine and Medical Ethics	60	2
6. Medical Psychology	30	2
7. Medicine in Disastrous Situations	30	2
8. Pharmacology	45	3
9. Pathological Anatomy	45	3
10. Sport	60	4
11. Propaedeutics Prosthetic Dentistry	195	12
12. Propaedeutics Pediatric Dentistry	30	3
13. Propaedeutics Conservative Dentistry	30	3
14. General Bulgarian language – B1/B2	270	2



### III year

1.	Pharmacology	45	4
2.	Pathological Anatomy	45	3
3.	Propaedeutics Prosthetic Dentistry	60	2
4.	Propaedeutics Pediatric Dentistry	30	3
5.	Propaedeutics Conservative Dentistry	150	7
6.	Hygiene and Epidemiology	60	4
7.	Microbiology	90	6
8.	Pathophysiology	60	5
9.	Surgery incl. Anesthesiology and Emergencies	75	3
10.	Otorhinolaryngology	30	2
11.	Public Dental Health	105	5
12.	Propaedeutics of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery	120	6
13.	Dental Prophylaxis	30	2
14.	Roentgenology (general and special)	60	3
15.	Clinic of Prosthetic Dentistry	105	5
16.	Clinic of Pediatric Dentistry	45	3
17.	Terminology and Communication in Dental Medical Practice	180	2
18.	Practice after 6-th Semester	150 hours	-

### IV year

1.	Dental Prophylaxis	30	4
2.	Roentgenology (general and speci c)	45	4
3.	Clinic of Prosthetic Dentistry	120	6
4.	Clinic of Pediatric Dentistry	90	4
5.	Internal Medicine (General Pathology)	90	4
6.	Pediatrics and Infectious Diseases	60	3
7.	Forensic Medicine	30	2
8.	Obstetrics and Gynecology	30	2
9.	Oral Pathology	30	2
10.	Dental Allergology	30	3
11.	Clinic of Conservative Dentistry	180	8
12.	Clinic of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery: Clinic, Policlinic	210	6
13.	Orthodontics	105	7
14.	Periodontology and Diseases of Oral Mucosa (DOM)	90	5
15.	Physiotherapy (general and speci c)	30	2
16.	Practice after 8-th Semester	150 hours	-

### V year

1.	Clinic of Prosthetic Dentistry	120	9
2.	Clinic of Conservative Dentistry	180	9
3.	Clinic of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery: Clinic, Policlinic	180	9
4.	Clinic of Pediatric Dentistry	105	9
5.	Orthodontics	120	8
6.	Periodontology and Diseases of the Oral Mucosa (DOM)	150	8
7.	Dermatology	45	2
8.	Neurology and Psychiatry	30	2
9.	Ophthalmology	30	2

**Pre-graduate clinical practice (internship) after the 10th semester – 135 working days (1080 hours)**

Nº	State Clinical practice (Internship)	Days
1.	Prosthetic Dentistry	30
2.	Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery	30
3.	Conservative Dentistry	30
4.	Pediatric Dentistry	15
5.	Orthodontics	15
6.	Periodontology and Diseases of the Oral Mucosa	15

Nº	State Examinations	ECTS Credits
1.	Prosthetic Dentistry	14
2.	Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery	14
3.	Conservative Dentistry	11
4.	Pediatric Dentistry	8
5.	Orthodontics	8
6.	Periodontology and Diseases of the Oral Mucosa	5

**ELECTIVES (not all offered in English)**

Nº	Subject	Number of Lectures & Seminars	ECTS Credits	Allocated to Semester
1.	Nanomaterials and Nanotechnology in Dentistry	15	2	IV
2.	Dental Implantology	15	2	X
3.	Psychoanalysis	30	2	II
4.	Phytotherapy	30	2	II
5.	Obstructive sleep apnea and snoring. Diagnostics. Treatment. Prevention	30	2	X
6.	Pathophysiology of some socially significant diseases	30	2	VI
7.	Immunology	15	2	VI
8.	Dental photography	15	2	I
9.	First Aid at Home and in the Office	15	2	II



*“It is very nice that you have a lot of practice here - we do start from first year here working with teeth and preparing for dentistry. It is great that we have really good contact between the students and the teachers which is really nice and useful. Another advantage is that the groups are small.”*

*Wiktoria, Poland  
/student/*



# OVERVIEW OF THE PROGRAMME IN PHARMACY

The training in Pharmacy in English is full-time only and lasts 5 years: the course of study together with two training practices with 6 calendar days duration each (each training covers 48 hours) after the fourth and the sixth semester is four and a half years (nine semesters), followed by pre- graduation internship in a pharmacy after the 9th semester (120 working days or 720 hours).

During the first two years, students are trained in basic chemical, physical, biological and medical subjects. Except for the fact that instructions, labs, lectures and examinations are conducted in English, the curriculum of the five-year Programme in Pharmacy taught in English is identical with the coursework pursued by Bulgarian pharmacy students. Learning Bulgarian language is also compulsory during the first two years of the program. Students are required to learn Bulgarian in order to be able to communicate with the patients and in order to avoid the misunderstanding in their future work.

The theoretical training is conducted by obligatory, optional and facultative disciplines, in form of lectures, seminars, practical exercise and self-training. The practical training includes the two training practices in botany and pharmacognosy and pre-graduation internship in a pharmacy.

Under the tutelage of highly trained and productive scientists, the students acquire a solid foundation in chemical and biomedical sciences. This knowledge forms the basis for understanding the wide variety of diseases that a pharmacist must treat. Skilful and experienced teachers guide the students in acquiring theoretical and practical skills and developing professional judgement.

The pre-graduation internship is performed in a pharmacy (community or hospital). After the internship, the education ends with four national state examinations for acquiring the professional qualification Master in Pharmacy.

Upon graduation, students obtain level of qualification “Master of Science in Pharmacy” and educational and qualification degree “Master”. The possession of that degree enables the holder to practice in a pharmacy in EU countries. A European Supplement to the Diploma of completed higher education, issued in English language is also provided to graduates of the programme upon graduation.

Situated in the centre of Varna, the Faculty of Pharmacy benefits from its modern nine- storey building with a modern and spacious auditorium, laboratory and office area, research laboratories in nutrigenomics, biopharmacy and pharmacokinetics, chromatography and spectrophotometry, molecular biology, cell cultures in pharmacognosy and pharmaceutical botany, chemistry of food and environment, two own training and manufacturing pharmacy stores, a library, computer halls, herbarium and warehouse.

Since its founding in 2008, the Faculty of Pharmacy at Medical University of Varna develops at a rapid pace and has its own unique profile committed to excellence in education, research and patient care.

*We like the dreams of the future better than the history of the past!*



# PROGRAMME OF PHARMACY CURRICULUM

*Duration of 5 years, incl. 10 semesters; pre-graduation internship in a pharmacy after the 9th semester –120 working days (720 hours) and two training practices of 6 calendar days each (48 hours each) after the 4th and 6th semester*

## I year

	Study subjects	Number of Teaching Hours (Lectures & Seminars)	ECTS credits
1.	Biology	604	
2.	Mathematics and Information Technologies	757	
3.	General and Inorganic Chemistry	908	
4.	History of Pharmacy	302	
5.	Latin Language and Medical Terminology	604	
6.	Human Anatomy	454	
7.	Physics and Biophysics	757	
8.	Statistical Methods in Pharmacy	304	
9.	Organic Chemistry	12010	
10.	General Bulgarian language*	30010	
11.	Analytical Chemistry	454	
12.	Sport	604	

## II year

	Study subjects	Number of Teaching Hours (Lectures & Seminars)	ECTS credits
1.	General Bulgarian language*	2709	
2.	Analytical Chemistry	756	
3.	Biochemistry	908	
4.	Human Physiology	757	
5.	Physical Chemistry and Colloid Chemistry	909	
6.1	Pathophysiology	454	
6.2	Pathoanatomy	303	
7.	Microbiology and Virology	12010	
8.	Pharmaceutical Botany	607	
9.	Sport	604	
10.	Practical Training in Botany after 2nd year	6 days/48 hours <sup>2</sup>	



### III year

Study subjects	Number of Teaching Hours (Lectures & Seminars)	ECTS credits
1. Hygiene and Ecology	452	
2. Medical Devices	454	
3. Pharmaceutical Botany	604	
4. Introduction to Medicine	302	
5. Medical Genetics	302	
6. Pharmaceutical Technology 1st part	2105	
7. Social Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Legislation	754	
8. Pharmaceutical Chemistry	21015	
9. Pharmacology	905	
10. Pharmacognosy	1356	
11. Practical Training in Pharmacognosy after 3rd year	6 days/48 hours	2

### IV year

Study subjects	Number of Teaching Hours (Lectures & Seminars)	ECTS credits
1. Pharmaceutical Technology 2nd part	21013	
2. Pharmacognosy	1206	
3. Toxicology	906	
4. Clinical Chemistry	302	
5. Pharmacology	905	
6. Social Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Legislation	755	
7. Pharmaceutical Analysis	21013	
8. Pharmacoeconomics	604	
9. Pharmacotherapy	756	

### V year

Study subjects	Number of Teaching Hours (Lectures & Seminars)	ECTS credits
1. Biopharmacy and Pharmacokinetics	9010	
2. Pharmacotherapy	759	
3. Pharmaceutical Care	755	
4. Basics of Clinical Pharmacy	454	
5. Radiopharmacy	302	
6. Pre-graduation Internship in a Pharmacy after the 9th semester	120 days/ 720 hours	30

Final State Examinations	ECTS credits
1. Pharmaceutical Chemistry and Pharmaceutical Analysis	3
2. Pharmacognosy, Pharmacology and Toxicology	6
3. Pharmaceutical Technology and Biopharmacy	3
4. Social Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Legislation	3

## ELECTIVES (not all offered in English)

	Study subjects (Lectures & Seminars)	Number of Teaching Hours	ECTS credits
1.	Calculations in Pharmaceutical Technologies	304	
2.	Food safety and Nutrition Values	304	
3.	Environment and Health	304	
4.	Functional Foods and Nutraceuticals	304	
5.	HPLC Analysis of the Pharmacologically Active Substances	304	
6.	Technology of Medicinal Cosmetics	304	
7.	Addictions	304	
8.	Basics of Homeopathy Therapy	304	
9.	Pathophysiology of Some Socially Significant Diseases	304	
10.	Molecular Biology in Pharmacy	304	
11.	Poisonous Plants and Animals	304	
12.	Pharmaceutical Marketing	304	
13.	Chemistry of Antibiotics	302	
14.	Biological Role, Mechanism of Action and Pharmacological Application of Macroelements and their Salts	304	
15.	Organizational Culture and Management of the organization in the Pharmaceutical Sector.	302	



DISCOVER OUR MPHARM PROGRAMME IN ENGLISH



# ACADEMIC YEAR







The academic year at MUV starts in September and consists of two semesters (winter and summer ones and the duration of each semester is 15 training weeks).

Every semester is followed by 2 exam sessions (regular and retake ones) – the period when students sit in accordance with the programme curriculum and according to developed schedule by the relevant faculty of the national semester exams. The duration of each regular exam session is approximately 1-1.5 month.

Breaks are available at the end of the exam sessions. The summer holiday lasts from the middle of July to the middle of September. Detailed academic calendar listing all the breaks (Christmas, Easter, one between the semesters and national holidays) is available online for each academic year.

## ACADEMIC YEAR



## PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS

Medical University of Varna is welcoming applications for admission by aspiring and committed applicants!

It is **mandatory** that the prospective applicants:

1) have completed upper secondary education - hold a Diploma / secondary school leaving certificate / GCE A-levels (3 A-level subjects), which enables them to continue their studies in higher institutions and universities in the country in which the upper secondary education has been completed.

\* For applicants following the British curriculum, it is required to have 3 A-level subjects, two of them to be Biology and Chemistry. Where A-levels have a separately graded practical component, this is required and must be passed. We do not consider BTEC and Foundation programmes.

2) have studied, completed and obtained grades in **Biology and Chemistry subjects** in the secondary school. It is required each of those two mandatory subjects to be studied at least one high school year. Medical University-Varna welcomes applications by applicants with strong academic performance (grades A-C) in these two mandatory for us high school subjects

2.1. Applicants who have **negative** evaluation (failing marks) in any of the **above mentioned two subjects** in their secondary school (transcripts and Diploma) will not take part in the selection process.

2.2. For **NON-EU** applicants it is obligatory for the average mark in Biology and Chemistry subjects from the Diploma of secondary education to be not less than 65% of the possible maximum of the grading system in the respective country.

\* Applicants who are UK citizens shall follow the requirements for international (Non EU) students

2.3. Biology and Chemistry high school courses marked in the Diploma as optional will not be accepted.

2.4. Biology and Chemistry courses taught on a degree programme/University level or in a pre- med programme and respectively obtained grades on those subjects shall not be accepted in place of the required courses and grades on high school level.

2.5. Science subject/natural sciences/ will not be sufficient for application purposes and considered as an alternative to Biology and Chemistry subjects, unless the cases where the high school law in the relevant country does not stipulate the obligatory training in Biology and Chemistry in one subject.

\* For inquiries please contact us at **admissions@mu-varna.bg** so we can assess your eligibility. 3)

Applicants interested in the **programmes taught in English - Medicine, Dental Medicine and Pharmacy** sit the Biology and Chemistry Entry Tests in English.

Details about the Entry tests (guidelines how to prepare, topic list, sample tests, etc) can be found on the University website in the area devoted to admission and how to apply.

Applicants who failed the preliminary Biology and/or Chemistry Entry tests in English or who get a **low pass (or simply are not satisfied with the obtained Entry tests results)** would have the chance (upon their written request, sent to the Office of Admissions) to resit the entry test/s during the announced regular (following) test dates.

Those applicants who have failed any of the Entry tests will not participate with failing grades in the ranking/s for admission.

4) Applicants for the Programmes with English language of instruction shall meet the **English language requirements**.

The English language competence of the applicants is proved either by submitting one of the certificates on the required level listed on the University website, in the area devoted to admissions or passing an **English language proficiency test for medical specialties** conducted the same day as the Biology and Chemistry Entry tests.



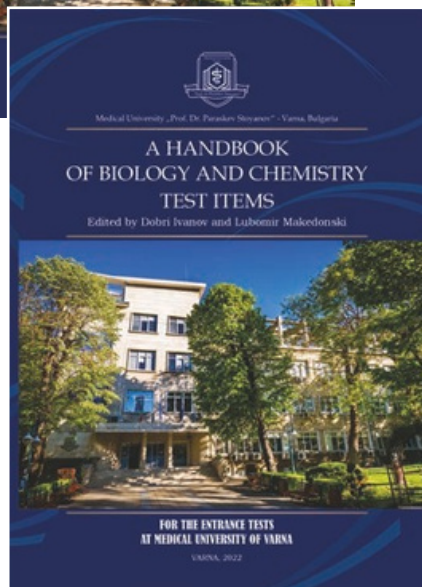
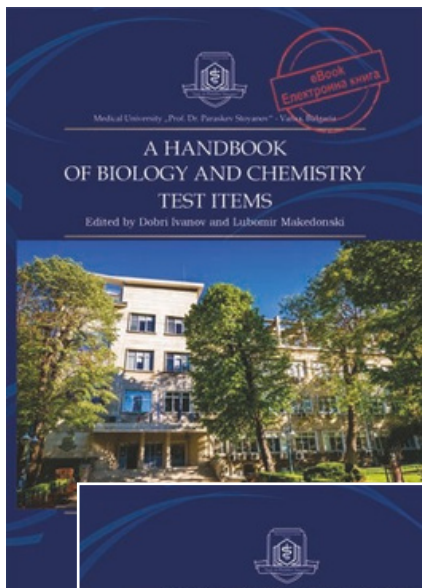


# ONLINE ENTRY TESTS



## ➤ 2022 ONLINE ENTRY TESTS DATES ◀

The Entry tests in Biology and Chemistry for Fall 2022 intake are organized **online** a couple of times on different dates during the application period. Applicants can choose one suitable for them date, register and **sit the online Entry tests** on any of the following announced dates, **even before obtaining their high school diploma.**



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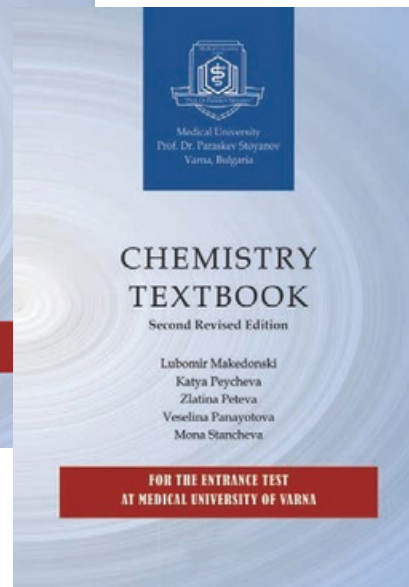
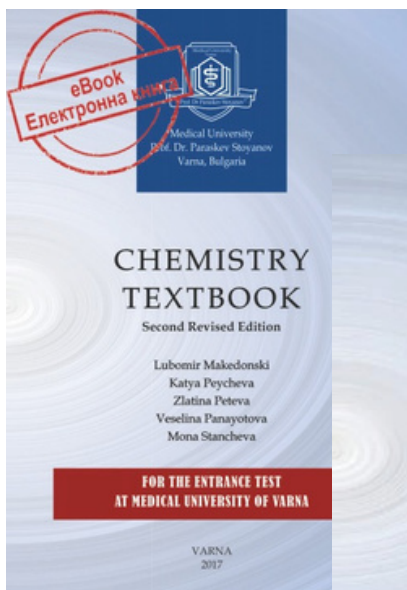
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ONLINE ENTRY TESTS

**Step 1:** Complete the online application form and register for the entry tests (<http://e-application.mu-varna.bg>).

**Step 2:** Prepare & sit the Entry tests.

**Step 3:** Submit the following paper-based supplementary documents along with your application:

1. Completed, printed and signed by the applicant application form.
  2. A copy of the document for completed upper secondary education (diploma/A-levels or secondary school leaving certificate). Please note that we cannot accept the IGCSE, O-Levels or AS-Levels as an entrance qualification.
  3. A copy of the official transcript of all studied subjects in secondary education (high school) as well as the obtained final marks in the subjects.
  4. A document issued by an authorized body (the applicant's high school) certifying the right (eligibility) of the applicant to continue his/her education in higher institutions and universities in the country in which the latter has acquired his/her secondary education.
- \* Prospective candidates from India (Indian nationals, following the Indian high school system of education abroad (e.g. in Qatar, Oman, etc)) must submit Eligibility Certificate for admission to the MBBS course. The said certificate shall be issued by National Testing Agency (NTA) established by The Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD), Government of India (GOI). The Eligibility certificate will be required by the Bulgarian Ministry of Foreign Affairs in order of issuing visa type "D".
5. An original medical health certificate, issued within a month before the date of application, stating that the applicant is in good physical and mental health to pursue a training course at the Medical University of Varna.

**All of the above-listed documents (2, 3, 4 and 5) must be legalised (attested) along with apostille stamps, translated into Bulgarian and certified in accordance with the provisions of the international treaties of the Republic of Bulgaria with the host/issuing state. In the absence of such provisions – the general procedure for legalization, translation and certification of documents and other papers is applicable.**

**This means:** certified true copies (where applicable) by the Ministry of Education or the issuing secondary school (only for documents 2 and 3), where not applicable by a Notary Public, certified with the Apostille stamps from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs - for documents 2, 3, 4, 5 and translated into Bulgarian language (as per the official requirements below).



For more information regarding the **apostille stamp** and the authorities, authorized to issue apostille, please refer to <http://www.hcch.net> or [www.apostilleinfo.com](http://www.apostilleinfo.com)

If the country of the applicant is not a member of the Hague Convention ( did not sign it) the documents must be legalized by the Ministry of Education (Ministry of Health) and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in the country of residence of the applicant and the Consular section of the Embassy of the Republic of Bulgaria in the respective country.

Legalised documents (documents with apostille stamps – 2, 3, 4 and 5) need to be translated into Bulgarian in one of the following two ways:

by a consular or a diplomatic official in the country where the document is issued;

or

by a translation agency authorized by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Bulgaria (translation offices in Bulgaria are offering this along with the translation service).

**Note: All authentications (apostilles and seals) must be original (wet stamps and seals are required on the application documents), which are to be submitted at Medical University of Varna. Photocopies of legalised documents will not be accepted!**

6. A copy of the valid ID / international passport of the applicant (only those pages with the photo and data). The provided copy will be deleted after the information has been verified.

7. Five recently taken color photos /passport size/

8. If the name of the applicant on any of the application documents (high school diploma or higher education eligibility letter) differs from the name in the applicant`s passport, a document confirming the change of the name/s – name affidavit (legalised and translated into Bulgarian as per the above-described order) must be submitted along with the rest of required application documents.

9. For citizens of countries, which are **not members of the EU and EEA** - a declaration by the applicant`s parent(s) for financial support during his/her studies in the Republic of Bulgaria at the Medical University of Varna, legalized by a Notary Public and accompanied by its official translation into Bulgarian;

10. **Two** simple photocopies of already legalized and translated required application documents (**from 2 to 4 incl.**).



Application documents of the interested prospective students are submitted:  
 personally to the MU-Varna Office of Admissions;  
 by an authorized representative of the applicant (in this case, an official power of attorney is required; the latter must be legalized and officially translated into Bulgarian in the above-described order);  
 or  
 sent by post to the Office of Admissions no later than the **deadline**.

**Our mailing address is:**

Office of Admissions  
 Medical University “Prof. Dr. Paraskev Stoyanov” - Varna  
 55 Marin Drinov Street, 9002 Varna, Bulgaria

**We advise interested candidates to apply and submit the whole set of application documents as early as possible!**

The application process involves verification of secondary school diploma and credentials by the Local Directorate of Bulgarian Ministry of Education.

The documents of **NON-EU applicants** are also submitted by MUV to the Bulgarian Ministry of Education for approval. They issue a Certificate, necessary for applying for visa type “D”. The issuance of this document may take up to a month.

**N.B. Accepted students cannot defer the beginning of their studies until the following year/intake as the application and the admission are for the particular academic year (the academic year you applied for).**

Application documents (legalized and translated into Bulgarian language) are returned to the applicants who were not accepted or withdrew/cancelled their application to MUV upon their written request and within one year after their application date at MUV. Applicants are responsible for collecting the application documents back or covering the postage.

**WE ARE HERE FOR YOU**

If you need more information in any step of your application process, our friendly admission counselors would gladly take your inquiries by e-mail or you could give us a call!

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# AFTER YOU APPLY

The applicants' results from the Biology and Chemistry entry tests along with the obtained final grades in Biology and Chemistry from high school studies/diploma/certificates will be considered in the final ranking/s of applicants for admission place. The higher the grades, the better the chances for admission! As MU-Varna receives annually more applications than we can admit, you need to be as competitive as possible in our applicant pool.

\* Applicants with diplomas issued from Bulgaria please contact us at [admissions@mu-varna.bg](mailto:admissions@mu-varna.bg) for additional information.

**Important!** Only applicants who have submitted the whole set of the required application documents (legalised and translated into Bulgarian language as per our requirements) – would be included in the final ranking/s of the applicants!

Selection process is based on evaluating the applicant's grades in the required mandatory subjects (Biology and Chemistry) from the secondary school, the results in Biology and Chemistry entry tests as well as the English language proficiency test.

Upon completing of the application process, applications will be evaluated and the admission decision will be communicated with the candidates in a due course via an e-mail/letter. The application status could be also tracked through our online application system.

*My experience so far at the Medical University Varna has been wonderful! The admission process was very smooth and the admissions team was very helpful with any difficulties I had. The medical program is well-structured and the lessons are very engaging. One thing I love about the teaching method at this university is the seminars, they are for small group teaching which is good so that everyone can get a chance to participate, moreover, the professors are very supportive and are very passionate. The university is very diverse with many students from all over the world. The student life here is great, there many extra-curricular activities you can join in such as football, sailing, etc. The University is located near the beach where often students like to go, it's also the vicinity of the sea garden, museums, and many restaurants. I would highly recommend MU-Varna for anyone who wishes to pursue a future in the medical field.*

*Asha, Sweden  
/student/*





The annual tuition fees for the academic 2022-23 for the Programmes in English ( Medicine and Dental Medicine) are 8000 euro, Pharmacy in English- 6000 euro, payable in two equal installments before the beginning of each semester (September and February).

**The annual tuition fee covers:**

participating in and attending scheduled lectures, seminars and practical lab classes;  
conducting examinations (mid-term tests, colloquiums, final semester examinations);  
use of lecture halls, rooms, laboratories, clinics and equipment during the academic year.

Indeed, one of the best advantages to living in Bulgaria is the low cost of living in comparison to other EU countries. An international student can live very comfortably and enjoy a affordable university education with 350 to 550 euro/month. Home and mobile phone bills may vary according to usage. Clothes, stationary and food are comparatively inexpensive.

Below are **approximate monthly student living costs** in Bulgaria.

**Private apartment:** 150 – 300 euro/month. You can find way cheaper accommodation, especially if you live with 2 or 3 other people.

**Food:** 200 – 300 euro

**Internet:** 15 euro

**Transport:** 40 euro

**Extras:** 75 euro

As the number of places in the University student hostels is limited, another option for accommodation which our foreign students prefer, find convenient and the majority of students take, is the **private rented flats and shared rooms**. For independence, a shared house or flat is the perfect choice. The city of Varna offers plenty of well and newly furnished, reasonably priced apartments near the University.

Student life at Medical University of Varna is absolutely awesome and dynamic. The events and initiatives, taking place here follow the line “by students for students, with a strong desire and willingness, and with the full support of the academic management”. The main engine is the Student Council – an academic management structure and a students’ representative body, supporting the majority of the social activities.

**Research** - Annual scientific events such as the International Symposium of Young Scientists (BSYSB) are also held here. Plenty of health campaigns on the occasion of the world day to combat AIDS, oral cavity cancer, breast cancer, free diabetes tests are organised, with the participation of the student associations (the Association of Medical Students, the Association of Dental Students and the Association of Students of Pharmacy), whose members our student are. Students and lecturers donate blood during the blood donation campaigns. A children’s event under the international project Teddy Bear Hospital is carried out annually.

**Student Media** – Our students actively maintain and develop their own publications and sources of information – a website and a bilingual student newspaper. They are authors of specialized content texts, leaflets and educational materials related to different health and volunteer campaigns.



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**Community and International Service** - Plenty of health and socially significant campaigns and international projects are organized: campaigns to combat diabetes, anti-AIDS campaigns, Healthy Children's Teeth Campaign, "Live long, Eat healthy" Campaign, the Teddy Bear Hospital Campaign – an international children project, campaigns for prevention of oral cavity cancer, breast cancer, etc.

**Volunteer Campaigns** – Annual traditions have become the voluntary Blood Donation Campaign; the charity campaigns "Let's Reach Out to Young People in Need"; "Give a Christmas Card, give Life to a Child With a Rare Disease", where students create and sell Christmas cards and decorations; "March Charity Bazaar" for raising money by selling handmade martenitsi, etc.

The students of MU-Varna study hard and have fun, combining their love of knowledge and science with zeal and passion in sports, music, folk dances, theatre, cooking, etc.

At the University there is **volleyball, basketball and football teams and tennis**, who can boast professional coaches, in addition to their passionate players of international origin. You will have the opportunity to compete in various sports disciplines with colleagues from the other universities in the city and the country during the annual sports tournaments "Universiade", "Rector's Cup", "Summer University" and "Winter Universiade".







There is a **theatre group** and a **rock band** in our University. Students organise Talents' Nights, as well as a number of charitable campaigns such as Christmas Bazaar, March Bazaar and Easter Bazaar, creating and selling for charity cards, decorations and handmade martenichki. Everyone has the opportunity and freedom to show their artistic skills and talents; **“International Food Evening”**, where representatives of all the countries at the University present the traditional cuisine and customs of their own country; **“Miss and Mister Medical University”**, Graphic Design Contest, Video Game Competition, Halloween party, Beach party, Christmas party, rock concerts, etc.



*I'm currently a third year student of medicine at medical university of Varna. Since the admission, the university has been great to me, for example the admission process was extremely smooth. The admissions department helped me to submit the documents according to the requirement and the students' o ce ensured a smooth enrolment. The teachers are really competent and patient with students. The education system is really strong here, I really like the teaching style. I nd Varna really beautiful and the people here are very friendly as well, which makes it feel like home. I'm very satis ed with my decision to be in Medical University of Varna. I'm thankful that this university gave me a chance to go into my dream career.*

*Aastha, India  
/student/*

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# O-WEEK

The Orientation Week at the Medical University of Varna includes introductory presentations on different topics as well as many team events. It offers a great opportunity for all new students to become familiar with the city of Varna, Bulgarian culture and the University - its departments, policy, regulations, life and spirit as well as to meet senior student advisers and be welcomed by representatives of the student governing body at the University. The Orientation Week also aims at providing the new incoming students with useful information regarding the new environment and at facilitating your transition to it.

Participation (it is not obligatory but recommended) in the Orientation Week will provide you with an insight of the new challenging environment both in a foreign country and at the University, will give you useful advice on how to cope with the cultural shock you might experience and, of course, will offer a wonderful time in friendly and fun setting.

ORIENTATION WEEK



# HOW DO THE STUDENTS AT MU – VARNA FACE THE CHALLENGES ARISING FROM THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

Despite the great challenges of the severe epidemiological situation that everyone has been facing, the students at MU – Varna have achieved significant success and coped with it with dignity. The University has managed to reconcile the containment measures with the students' expectations regarding the educational process. The main objective has been to keep up the quality of training, whether on-line or distance learning.

The training process at MU – Varna has proceeded in a normal way, both in electronic and face-to-face environment, thanks to the excellent technological equipment of the University, and the innovative and adaptive behaviour of the lecturers. The experience, gained over the previous years, of using the Blackboard e-Learning platform has helped to quickly transfer the training process into a virtual classroom under the new conditions. The platform has become a key technology for conducting lectures, exercises and examinations, with diverse content of electronic aids, accessible both through personal computers and mobile phones. Students have been actively involved in the training process through the opportunities for discussions, the options for understanding the teaching material, and the feedback form that the system provides.

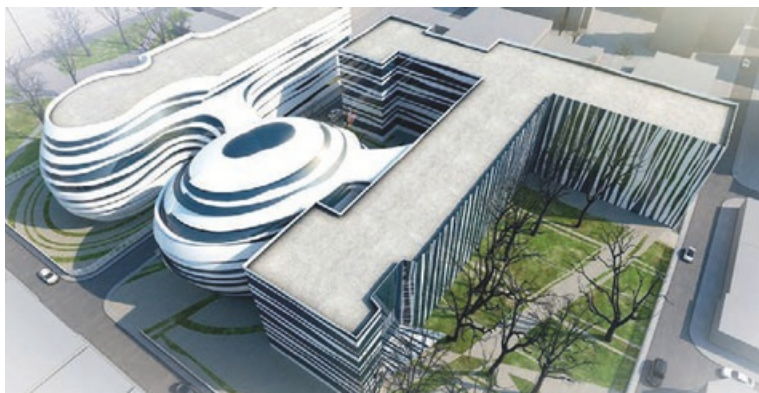
With the assistance of the University television, the training process has been enriched with author's video recordings of clinical cases, experimental tasks, lectures and exercises. E-based learning has also made it possible to respond effectively to the needs of international students, a substantial part of whom have stayed at their homes and due to the time difference, got up very early in the morning to attend classes.

THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

*When I graduated from school and knew that it would not be possible for me to study medicine in Germany. My mother works in a hospital where she met a 6th year student from Varna, who told her a lot of impressive and good things about the University. So in March I signed up for the entry test and did it a month later, it consists of a Biology, a Chemistry and an English test. The admission process is not as complicated as you might think in the first moment and also the admissions office is very helpful, they even have a German speaking employee. I am now in third year and my experience until now is very good. But sadly the current Covid-19 situation is very exhausting and also kind of destroys the normal nice study environment.*

*But I think the university gives its best to give proper online lessons and we also have a lot of classes in person again. The students' life is probably the best you can have, you have the beach, you have some bars, the weather is mostly nice and it's much cheaper to live here, than in Germany.*

*Cosima, Germany  
(student)*



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never stop setting ourselves still higher and higher goals ...  
pursuing them with perseverance, will and desire  
for the sake of a better future!***

***COME TO OUR FUTURE!***

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