



ERASMUS + STAFF TRAINING WEEK

15-19 May 2023, Vilnius University

PROGRAMME

Venue: Universiteto St. 3, 2nd floor, room 239

Monday
May 15, 2023

9:30-10:00	Registration. Welcome coffee	
10:00-10:05	WELCOME to Vilnius University <i>Dr. Artūras Vasiliauskas, Pro-rector for Partnerships</i>	
10:05-11:00	Introduction of participants	
11:00-11:30	„History of Lithuania – do we have to know it?“ <i>prof. L.Skurvydaitė, Faculty of History</i>	
11:30-12:00	"A bit of Lithuanian language and culture to taste" <i>E.Žurauskaitė, Faculty of Philology</i>	
12:00-13:00	LUNCH (Canteen, Faculty of History)	
13:00-15:00	Guided tour around VU old campus, VU Bell tower (optional)	
18:00-20:00	WELCOME DINNER <i>Restaurant: "Old Green House", L. Stuokos - Gucevičiaus st. 5</i>	
21:00	Guided tour " Vilnius at Night" (optional) (Meeting point: Bell tower in the Cathedral square)	

Venue: Saulėtekio 9, II building , 2nd floor TechHUB

Tuesday
May 16, 2023

Visit to Sauletekis campus & interactive discussion „Transforming universities and societies“		
08:30	Departure from main Campus (Meeting point: Main entrance of VU, Universiteto st. 3)	
09:30-10:30	Interactive discussion "Creating startups and spinn-offs in university: lessons learned?" <i>G.Rumšas, Vice-Dean, Faculty of Economics and Business Administration</i>	
10:45 -12:00	Workshop: "Sustainable development goals: will universities fit in?" <i>J. Savickė, Assistant professor & K.Jakutytė-Ancienė, Assistant professor, Faculty of Economics and Business Administration</i>	
12:00-13:00	LUNCH (Canteen, Faculty of Law)	
13:00-14:00	Visit to the VU library	Individual meetings in the faculties



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Workshop Intercultural Communication: challenges, obstacles, creative solutions ”

Lecturer: *assoc. professor Jolanta Guzaitė-Quintus, Faculty of Communication*

Wednesday May 17, 2023	10:00-10:50	Intercultural communication challenges in the globalized world. Why cultural diversity awareness is important?
	10:50-11:00	Coffee break
	11:00-12:00	Culturally diverse education systems. Culture and learning. What are key obstacles?
	12:00-13:00	LUNCH (Canteen, Faculty of History)
	13:00-14:20	Collaborative communication model. Key participants, their needs and communicational ways. Special situations and solutions
	14:20-14:40	Coffee break
	14:40-16:00	Practices and tools for effective intercultural communication: Empathic communication Active listening Creating common ground Giving feedback Solving conflicts

Venue: *Šiauliai Academy campus, Vytauto 84 Šiauliai*

Visit to VU campus in Šiauliai

Thursday May 18, 2023	7:15	Departure from main Campus (Meeting point: Main entrance of VU, Universiteto st. 3)
	07:15-10:50	Travel by bus to Šiauliai
	11:00-13:00	Chocolate workshop in Ruta chocolate museum
	13:00-14:30	LUNCH (“Rūta Café)
	14:30-16:00	Visit to Šiauliai Academy
	16:00-17:30	Guided tour around Šiauliai & Hill of Crosses
	18:30-21:30	Travel back to Vilnius

Friday May 19, 2023	10:00	Quiz: what we have learnt
	11:00-13:30	Farewell lunch & Certificates



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Intercultural communication: challenges, obstacles and creative solutions

Assoc. Part. Professor Jolanta Gužaitė – Quintus
Vilnius University

Our ability to understand different cultures, to collaborate and communicate effectively in the globalized world is essential. As universities are becoming international hubs, we experience that cultures have many different layers and hidden challenges.

The goal of this workshop is to build an understanding what role does culture play in international co-operation, how to work and build connections with people from different countries.

Participants will discuss practical situations and will try tools aimed at improving empathic communication skills.

SOCIAL PROGRAMME

Guided tour “ Vilnius at Night” – Discover Vilnius at night. True and made-up stories, myths and legends will take you many centuries back, and it will give you a chance to hear stories of royal love, and of monk intrigues and horrors of wars, and immerse yourself in the life of mystical Vilnius. See the authentic sacred stone of the Pagan gods, next to which rituals of the old faith are still taking place now-days, get yourself acquainted with the life of the city executioner and his influence in the Middle Ages, and hear about the true origins of myths and legends. Vilnius full of night shadows, beautifully lit churches, and dark streets and lanes that hide many unheard stories.

Chocolate workshop and visit to Ruta chocolate museum - to find out about the first chocolate and candy factories in Lithuania and take a closer look at RŪTA, the oldest operating candy factory in the country. Also – to discover how chocolates are produced, try your hand at production of chocolates and enjoy them right away.

Hill of Crosses (Šiauliai) – The Hill of Crosses near Šiauliai is a hill covered with thousands of wooden crosses. This is a place, reflecting Lithuania’s historical and cultural traditions and potent symbol of faith, hope and freedom. During the Soviet era, these crosses were removed by the authorities, but locals continuously replaced them. In 1993, Pope John Paul II prayed here, and he often mentioned the sacred site in his homilies and speeches. He later sent a crucifix to Lithuania which was placed on the hill, and today pilgrims begin and end their journeys at this location.



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PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Entrance to VU Central Building - Universiteto st. 3



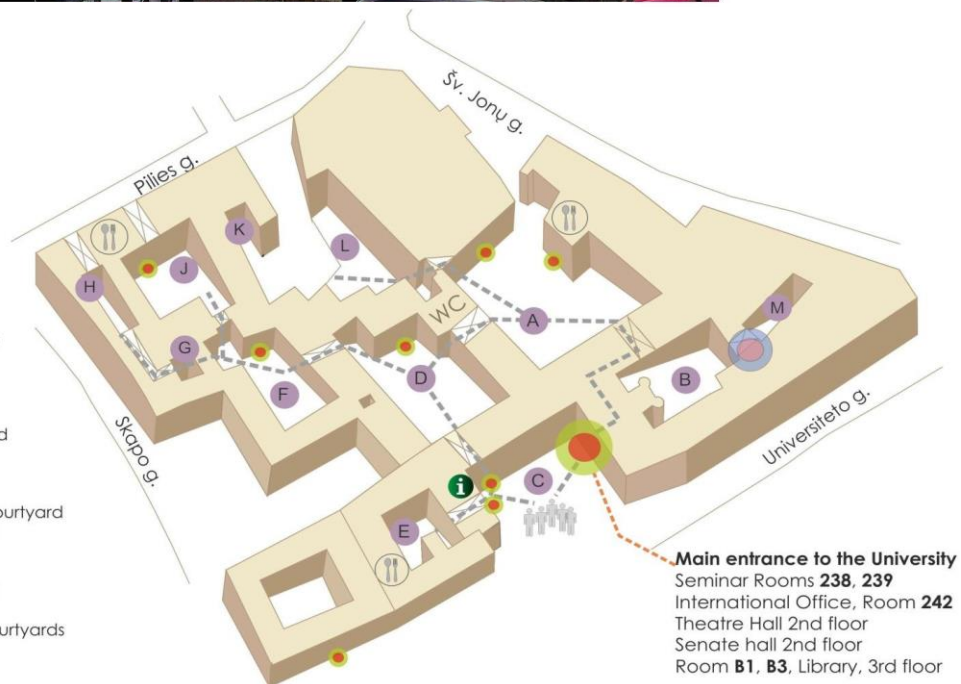
The Old Campus

- Entrance
- Food and Beverage
- Tourist Information Hub
- International Office

Courtyards of the University

- A Grand Courtyard
- B Observatory Courtyard
- C Library Courtyard
- D M. K. Sarbievijus Courtyard
- E M. Daukša Courtyard
- F S. Daukantas Courtyard
- G Arcade Courtyard
- H L. Stuoka - Gucevičius Courtyard
- J A. Mickevičius Courtyard
- K S. Stanevičius Courtyard
- L K. Sirvydas Courtyard
- M Printing House Courtyard

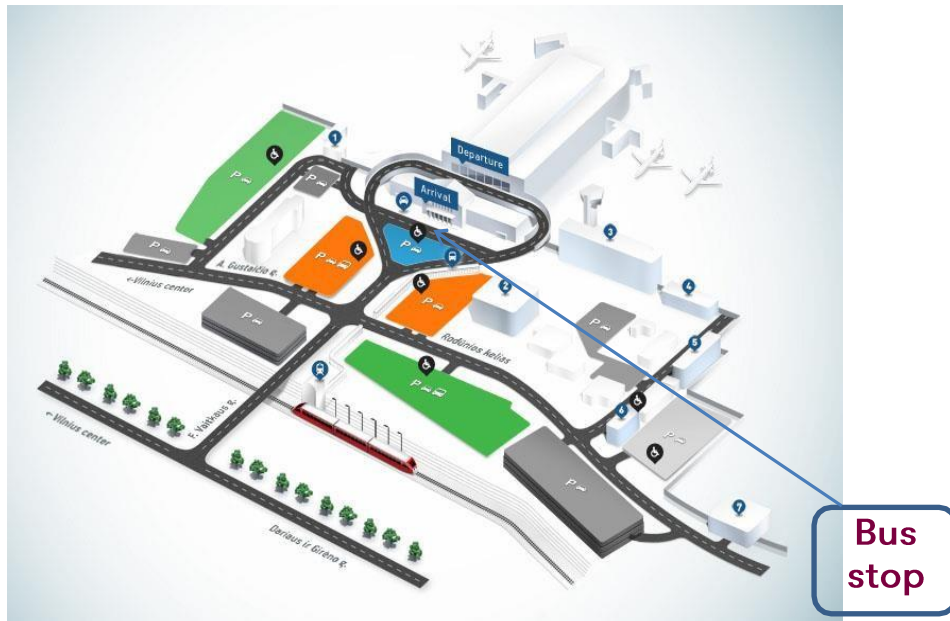
----- Route through Courtyards



Main entrance to the University
 Seminar Rooms **238, 239**
 International Office, Room **242**
 Theatre Hall 2nd floor
 Senate hall 2nd floor
 Room **B1, B3**, Library, 3rd floor

TRAVEL

If you are arriving at Vilnius Airport (VNO):
<http://www.vilnius-airport.lt/en/>



BUS

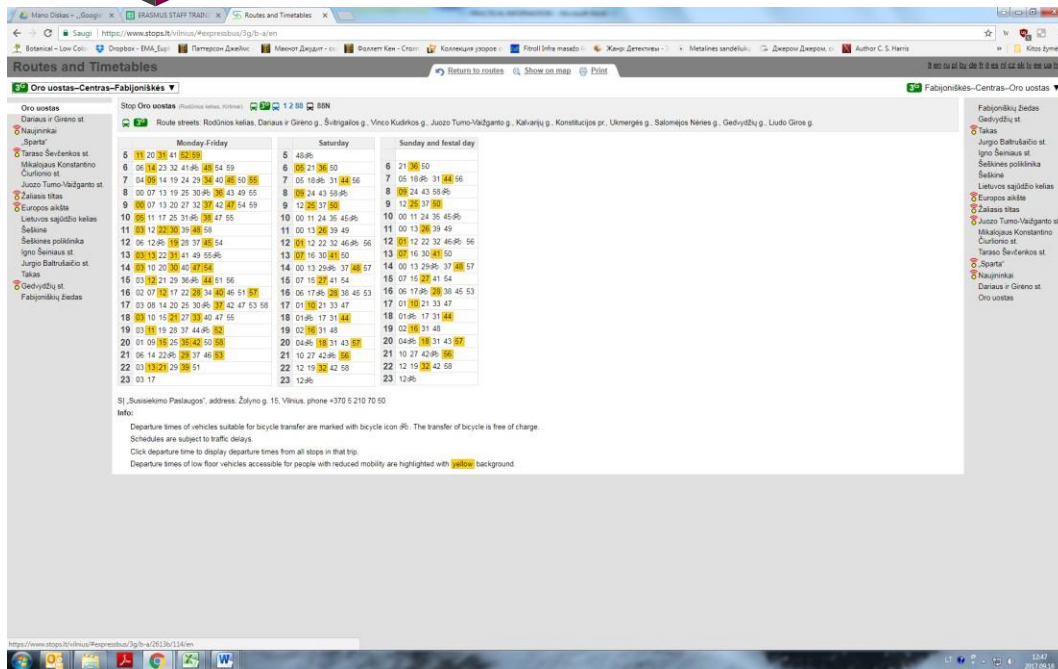
City buses **No. 3G**, **No. 1** and **No. 88** provide services from the airport to the city centre.

The routes and schedule can be found at:

<https://www.stops.lt/vilnius/#vilnius/en>



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Single ticket – **1 EUR**, you can buy it from the bus driver.

TAXI

Vilnius Airport approved taxi rank can be found just in front of the arrivals terminal. All taxi cabs accept cash and credit cards. Always ask for a printed receipt at the end of the trip. More information: <http://www.vilnius-tourism.lt/en/information/transport/taxi/>

Emergency Telephone

In case of emergency call **112**. No prefix necessary.

Medical emergency

In case of emergency call **033** or **+370 5 2638800** (emergency care is available free for everyone)

City Codes in Lithuania

To make a long-distance call within the country, dial **+370** or **00370**, the city code and the number you wish to reach.

VU International Office

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