



INCOMING  
**EXCHANGE**  
STUDENTS' HANDBOOK

## LIFE IN TIRANA

Welcome to Tirana, the capital of Albania, a city pulsating with endless movement and energy. The warm hospitality towards tourists will mark your journey in the capital and throughout the country.

### Monuments to Visit in Tirana

Start your journey by visiting key museums and points of interest in the Albanian capital, such as **Skanderbeg Square**, where you can see the **Et'hem Bey Mosque** (built between 1798 and 1812) and the 35-meter-high Clock Tower, constructed in 1822 with a dome in the style of St. Mark's in Venice. The monumental tomb of **Kapllan Pasha Toptani** is worth visiting near Maritim Hotel Plaza and the **Tabak Bridge** (a bridge built in the early 19th century, located on Zhan D'Ark Boulevard). Tirana, the capital of Albania, offers tourists the most beautiful museums, theatres, and also many galleries representing national art.



A visit to the National Historical Museum, the Archaeological Museum, the Museum of Natural Sciences, and the National Gallery of Arts will leave you with beautiful memories. You can also spend a pleasant evening at the Opera and Ballet Theatre. Tirana offers a rich traditional cuisine and a variety of foreign dishes from Italian, Turkish, Greek, Chinese, Japanese, and even Indian kitchens.

### Bunk Art Museum

Bunk Art 1 & 2 is more than just a museum. It's a living testament to history! Once a colossal bunker constructed by the communist dictator to protect himself and the government during wartime, it has undergone a great transformation into a captivating and interesting museum. Exploring this unique space allows tourists to step back in time and truly immerse themselves in the intriguing narrative of its reality.



## UNYT STUDY PROGRAMS

### BACHELOR PROGRAMS

#### ECONOMY & BUSINESS

- **Business Administration**
  - › Business Administration
  - › Management
  - › Marketing
- **Economics & Finance**
  - › Economics
  - › Finance
  - › Accounting
- **Applied Banking & Finance**
- **Business Informatics**
- **e-Business & e-Commerce**

#### LAW & SOCIAL SCIENCES

- **Law**
- **Political Science and International Relations**
  - › International Relations
  - › EU Legislation and Politics
- **Psychology**
- **Turkish Language and Literature**

#### ENGINEERING & ARCHITECTURE

- **Computer Science**
- **Software Engineering**
- **Architecture**
  - › Graphic Design
  - › Interior Design

### MASTER PROGRAMS

#### ECONOMY & BUSINESS

- **MSc in Finance and Accounting**
- **MSc in Business Administration**
  - › General Route
  - › Management
  - › Marketing
  - › Human Resources
  - › Banking
  - › Management of Information Systems

#### LAW & SOCIAL SCIENCES

- **MSc in International and Commercial Law**
- **MSc in Internal Relations**
- **MSc in Psychology**
  - › Clinical Psychology
  - › School Psychology
  - › Legal Psychology
- **MSc in Balkan Studies**
- **MP in Turkish Language and Literature**

#### ENGINEERING & ARCHITECTURE

- **MSc in Computer Science**
- **MSc in Data Science & Business Analytics**
- **MSc in Artificial Intelligence**

UNYT bachelor's and master's degree programs are accredited by the respective European and American accrediting bodies.



## SUNY ESU BACHELOR PROGRAMS

#### ECONOMY & BUSINESS

- **Business Administration**
  - › Business Administration
  - › Management
  - › Accounting
- **Business, Management and Economics**
  - › Marketing
  - › Economics
  - › Finance

#### LAW & SOCIAL SCIENCES

- **Public Affairs**
  - › International Relations
- **Psychology**

#### ENGINEERING & ARCHITECTURE

- **Science, Math, and Technology**
  - › Computer Science



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## ABOUT UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK TIRANA

The University of New York Tirana (UNYT), is an English-speaking university, founded in 2002 and is the first private University in Albania. The diversity of diplomas offered at UNYT includes dual Bachelor degrees conferred in Tirana by the State University of New York - Empire State University (SUNY/ESU), USA. Through this innovative and flexible approach to international education, students studying in Albania earn fully accredited American degrees. All courses at UNYT are 100% in English.

### Why an Erasmus+ Programm is important for you?

Education without borders:  
Looking for the Right Erasmus opportunity?

Studying abroad can be a life-changing experience that allows students to gain a new perspective on the world and enhance their personal and academic growth.



**FUN Fact: University of New York Tirana is the NR 1 university in Albania with the highest number of international students.**

## STUDENT EXCHANGE INFORMATION

Beginning and End of Semesters	Semester 1: Starts: Mid-October Ends: Late-February	Semester 2: Starts: Late February Ends: Late June
Expected arrival dates	Semester 1: Starts: Mid-October	Semester 2: Late February
Orientation Dates	Semester 1: First Week of November	Semester 2: First Week of March
Examination Period	Semester 1: Midterms: Mid-November Finals: Early February	Semester 2: Midterms: Mid-April Finals: Early June

\*All dates will be confirmed in a letter prior to the student's arrival.

## APPLICATION PROCEDURES AND DEADLINES

1) Nominations	Home university shall announce the names of the selected students to the University of New York Tirana by completing every data requested in our Excel data sheet "Announcement" and returning it by:  Email to: <a href="mailto:iro@unyt.edu.al">iro@unyt.edu.al</a> before June 15th for October enrollment and before December 15th for February enrollment.
2) Application	For application, please contact: <a href="mailto:iro@unyt.edu.al">iro@unyt.edu.al</a>
Relevant documents to be sent with application form	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Official transcript of record (translated in English or Albanian)</li> <li>Photocopy of Passport (notarized &amp; translated)</li> <li>2 passport-size photos</li> <li>English Language Certification Nomination Form</li> </ul>

## OTHER HELPFUL PROGRAMS

Student Counseling Center

Academic Writing Center

Academic Support

Career Office

Mathematical Center

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

A full description of the necessary procedures and documents is available on:	
Visa Requirements	The Ministry of Foreign Affairs website with information for foreign citizens: <a href="https://e-visa.al/apply">https://e-visa.al/apply</a>
Residency Permit	Residency Permit information: <a href="https://e-albania.al/eAlbaniaServices">https://e-albania.al/eAlbaniaServices</a>
Insurance	Law nr. 7870, date 13.10.1994, Neni 8/2A
Housing	UNYT facilitates exchange students in finding appropriate accommodation at walking distance from UNYT's campus.

## FEES AND OTHERS

Do students need to pay any other fees?	No
Monthly costs (estimations)	Housing: 250-300 EUR (monthly approx.) Meals: 200 EUR (monthly approx.) Transportation: 15 EUR (monthly bus pass)
Is arrival pick-up service provided to exchange students? If yes, how do they apply?	If any incoming students would like to be picked up at the airport, please email <a href="mailto:iro@unyt.edu.al">iro@unyt.edu.al</a> to make the arrangement.

## BUDDY PROGRAM

UNYT fosters meaningful connections among students through its buddy program, a delightful initiative designed to cultivate socialization.

In this beautifully crafted buddy program, UNYT students are thoughtfully paired with other students who will be their companions throughout their academic journey. This exceptional initiative involves a simple yet efficient process where students can fill out a carefully curated Google form to be matched with a supportive buddy who will be there to provide guidance, encouragement, and friendship every step of the way.