

GENERAL INFORMATION

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Świętokrzyski College in Kielce is a private college founded in 2003. The Faculty of Pedagogy and Health Care provides following degrees:

- Pedagogy with specialization: therapist, mediation, resocialization and career counselor
- Social work with specialization: assistant of families, street worker, helping people with disabilities

ACADEMIC AUTHORITIES

Rector of the university: Dr. Wojciech Turski

Dean of the faculty: mgr Zdzisław Kulczyński

Chancellor: mgr Krzysztof Zuber

ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2020/2021

WINTER SEMESTER

- 01.10.2020-07.02.2021- winter semester in the academic year of 2020/2021
- 01.11.2020- holidays (polish celebration)
- 11.11.2020- holidays (polish celebration)
- 24.12.2020-03.01.2021- Christmas break
- 06.01-07.01.2021- holidays (polish celebration)
- 27.01-07.02.2021- exams

SUMMER SEMESTER

- 17.02- 20.06.2021- summer semester in the academic year of 2020/2021
- 10.04-14.04.2021- Easter break
- 01.05.2021- holidays (polish celebration)
- 11.06.2021- holidays (polish celebration)
- 08.06-19.06.2021- exams

DEGREE OFFERS

- Pedagogy
- Social Work

ACCOMMODATION

Świętokrzyski Colledge offers two accomodation possibilities for incoming students.

- Dormitories of Politechnic in Kielce on Al. Tysiąclecia 17
- Dormitories on Jagiellońska 90 (Further from citycenter)

STUDENT CARDS- DISCOUNTS

Foreign students that are coming to University of Social Sciences will get their temporary student cards from us after they send us via mail their personal details:

- Name and the surname
- Date of birth
- Major of studies and level of studies
- Identification number of an ID/passport
- Polish temporary address
- Scan of an ID/passport

*Moreover, every foreign student **MUST** also prepare before coming to Poland an ISEC card which is International Student Exchange Card.*

It qualifies you for special discounts and benefits worldwide.

More information on the Website- <https://www.isecard.com/>

COSTS OF LIVING

Costs of living in Poland are lower than in most of other western European countries:

<https://www.polandunraveled.com/cost-of-living-in-poland/>

https://www.numbeo.com/cost-of-living/country_result.jsp?country=Poland

<http://go-poland.pl/cost-living-poland>

<http://www.expattarrivals.com/europe/poland/cost-living-poland>

INSURANCE

Medical care in Poland is not free of charge. Health insurance is mandatory for all students for the entire duration of their stay in Poland. The students from non-EU/EEA countries are recommended to buy medical insurance in their home country or immediately after their arrival in Poland. Otherwise students are required to pay for any health service they get. Foreign students are also advised to purchase third party liability insurance and accident insurance.

EU citizens staying in Poland are eligible for free health service, providing they present their European Health Insurance Card (EHIC). EU citizens not having insurance in their country of residence and non-EU citizens may sign insurance agreement with the Polish Health National Fund (NFZ – Narodowy Fundusz Zdrowia) and purchase insurance for the monthly fee of 40 PLN.

More information can be found on The National Health Fund website - www.nfz.gov.pl

VISA

Non EU/EEA students need to arrive in Poland with a student's visa obtained at a Polish Embassy or Consulate in their country of residence. It is important to remember that visas are granted for a maximum of three months.

For further assistance students are strongly urged to contact the International Relations Office of their university. More practical information about: coming to Poland, legalizing your stay, medical care and insurance, driving license, addresses of diplomatic missions of in Poland is available at www.msz.gov.pl (Polish Ministry of Foreign Affairs).

TRANSPORT

For longer journeys between Polish cities and also trips abroad:

BUS:

- **Lux Express**- <https://www.luxexpress.eu/en>
- **Flix Bus** - <https://global.flixbus.com/>

TRAIN:

- **Polish State Railways**- <http://rozklad-pkp.pl/en>

Public buses/trams:

Single-use ticket for students - around 1,50 ZI (during the control inspection, you need to show your student card)

Single-use normal ticket – around 3,50 ZI

Kielce's website- <https://ztm.kielce.pl/en/>

Warsaw's website- <https://www.ztm.waw.pl/?l=2>

Cracow's website- <http://www.mpk.krakow.pl/en/>

Lodz's website- <http://www.mpk.lodz.pl/lang.action?lang=en>

MOBILE PHONES

If you have a SIM-lock free mobile you can get a starter SIM card such as "Play" for 5 ZI which is 1,25 Euro from any newsagent's and you'll have a Polish number. If you top it up with another 5 ZI it will be valid for a year. Virgin mobile has currently offer with FREEMIUM plan, free you get 30 minutes 30 SMS and 300MB, every month. You can buy simcard anywhere, but to be able to use it you have to show your ID in mobile operators office and register simcard to your name. This regulations have been imposed lately.

For more details, please check the website- <https://www.play.pl/en/>

MONEY EXCHANGE

The Polish currency is Zloty (1 euro = aprox.4,35 Zloty). Be aware that the exchange offices in the airport may charge a different rate for exchanging Euro to Zloty, usually not convenient for you and at a very bad rate.

Search via Internet the best money exchange offices.

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