

ESTONIAN LANGUAGE AND CULTURE COURSE (ESTILC) 2019/2020

ORGANISING INSTITUTION'S INFORMATION FORM

NAME OF THE INSTITUTION:	EESTI KUNSTIAKADEEMIA / <i>ESTONIAN ACADEMY OF ARTS</i>	
ADDRESS:	PÕHJA PST 7, TALLINN, 10412, ESTONIA	
COUNTRY:	ESTONIA	
ESTILC LANGUAGE	ESTONIAN	
LEVEL COURSES ORGANISED:	LEVEL I (BEGINNER) X NUMBER OF COURSES: 1 DATES: 8.-24.01.2020	LEVEL II (INTERMEDIATE) ① NUMBER OF COURSES: DATES:
WEB SITE	HTTP://WWW.ARTUN.EE/EN/	

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PART I: GENERAL INFORMATION

● DESCRIPTION OF TOWN

- SHORT HISTORY AND LOCATION

Tallinn, the capital of Estonia, is located in Northern Europe Baltic Sea region. Area of Tallinn - 159,2 km² (Estonia 45 227 km²). Population: appr. 435 000 people.
In 1154 Tallinn was marked on the world map. During medieval ages the town belonged to the Hanseatic league which was a commercial and defensive union including a number of market towns along the coastal areas of Northern Europe including Lübeck, Hamburg, Krakow, Antwerp, Riga, London, etc.
On 24 February 1918 the independence manifesto was proclaimed in Tallinn, followed by German occupation

and a war of independence with Russia. On 2 February 1920 the Tartu Peace Treaty was signed with Soviet Russia, wherein Russia acknowledged the independence of the Estonian Republic. Tallinn became the capital of the independent Estonia. After World War II started, Estonia was occupied by the USSR in 1940, and later occupied by Nazi Germany in 1941-44. After Nazi retreat in 1944, it was occupied by the USSR again. After the annexation into the Soviet Union, Tallinn became the capital of the Estonian SSR. In August 1991 an independent democratic Estonian state was re-established and a period of quick development to a modern European capital ensued. Tallinn became the capital of a de facto independent country once again on August 20, 1991.

Tallinn's Old Town, belonging to UNESCO's World Heritage list, is a magnificent blend of a medieval streetscape and modern convenience, with cafes, restaurants, shops, museums and street fairs all easily accessible inside the impressive city walls. Through the ages, Tallinn's culture has been moulded by its many rulers from east and west. Today the dynamic life of the city pays tribute to its various historical influences.

Different neighborhoods offer various experience for people who wish to understand Estonian culture: Kalamaja with its hipster atmosphere, Kadriorg's beautiful park and castle, Piritä and Rocca al Mare seaside etc.

- MAIN LOCAL/CULTURAL EVENTS

Winter in Estonia is cold, dark and usually snowy time. Therefore people like to stay inside with fireplace on and cup of tea in their hands. But that doesn't mean there are no events going on in Tallinn. Numerous cultural events are taking place every week, which you can find in culture calendar (<http://www.culture.ee/en/>). Also when properly prepare you can have fun in snow like skiing, snowboarding, ice skating or just making a big snow man.

- HOW TO REACH TOWN (LINKS FROM THE NEAREST AIRPORT, TRAIN OR COACH STATIONS)

Arrival by aircraft: Tallinn airport locates within a 3 km distance from the centre of town. Tram no 4 leaves the airport for the city every 10 minutes, and operates from 5.30 am until midnight. Schedule: <https://transport.tallinn.ee/> - tram/4/b-a/en

Bus no 2 leaves the airport for the city and port every 30 minutes, and operates from 7 am until midnight. A taxi stand is located in front of the airport. The fare from the airport to the city centre is about 10 eur. More information <http://www.tallinn-airport.ee/>

Arrival by bus: Tallinn bus station is in the centre of the city, from the bus station to the city goes tram no 2 or 4, bus no 17a, 23 or 23a. You can find schedule here: <https://transport.tallinn.ee/#tallinna-linn/en>
Information about international bus lines: www.ecolines.net and www.eurolines.ee. You can buy a ticket from internet.

Arrival by train: The railway station is near Old Town and harbour. From the railway station to the city tram no 1 or 2 or walk just 10 minutes through the Old Town.

Arrival by ship: Tallinn Old City Harbour is near the Old Town. <http://www.portoftallinn.com/>
Estonia also connects Finland and Sweden by ferry lines. The terminals are located within 10 minutes walking distance from the centre of town. The ferry lines include <http://www.vikingline.ee/> ,
<http://www.eckeroline.ee> , <http://www.tallink.ee>

- TRANSPORT IN TOWN (BRIEF INFORMATION ON THE MAIN MEANS OF TRANSPORT AVAILABLE)

Bus, Trolley and Tram: For public transport in town, please visit schedule here:

<https://transport.tallinn.ee/#tallinna-linn/en>

Public transport operates from 5.30-00.00.

Info about the transport tickets you can find here: <http://www.tallinn.ee/eng/pilet/transport-ticket-information>

Taxi service: Taxi stands are located at major intersections and in front of bigger hotels. Passengers can choose any of the available taxis at a taxi stand. Taxis can be also ordered by phone or hailed on the street. starting fare 1,90-4,50 eur, price for 1 km is about 0,50 eur. The price list for taxi services is determined by the taxi operator; that is, prices are not uniform for all taxis. In order to avoid misunderstandings, be sure that the approximate cost of the trip to your destination is clear in advance. You can also use driver's apps like Uber and Wolt in Tallinn.

Biking: For biking tracks, please see: <http://www.tallinn.ee/eng/bicycle>. For getting a used bicycle, please see here: <https://www.facebook.com/jalgratas>

Trains: For regional trains, please see <http://www.elron.ee/>.

● **SHORT DESCRIPTION OF THE ORGANISING INSTITUTION**

Estonian Academy of Arts (www.artun.ee) was established in 1914. It is the only university in Estonia who is providing BA,- MA- and PhD level higher education in art, design, architecture, media, art history and conservation fields. Estonian Academy of Arts is aiming to be the leading national and international innovative centre in the fields of visual culture. Currently we have more than 150 partner institutions globally, Erasmus+ programme is by far the most frequently used for student exchange.

At the moment there are appr. 1200 students studying at the Estonian Academy of Arts, many of whom improve themselves in foreign universities during their study period under Erasmus or other exchange programs. The EAA is a member of various international associations and networks.

Intensive language courses have been organized at the EAA since 2007.

Since 2018 August EAA is situated in new top-notch campus, in an inspiring environment at hip Kalamaja region next to Tallinn Old Town and 10 minutes walk from sea side and Telliskivi creative area.

● **ACCOMMODATION**

- SHORT DESCRIPTION OF THE ACCOMMODATION OFFERED (HOTEL, APARTMENTS, STUDENT HALLS, OTHERS; IF THERE ARE COOKING FACILITIES) AND ON THE RENT TO BE PAID PER WEEK

Unfortunately during winter course the Estonian Academy of Arts cannot offer accommodation at university's dormitory. Every student has to find a place on their own. The course coordinator can help with suggestions but bookings must be made by student him/herself.

● **MEALS**

- SHORT DESCRIPTION ON THE SERVICES OFFERED (UNIVERSITY CANTEENS, RESTAURANTS, BARS, OTHERS)

There are lots of eating places nearby the university. To point out some of them:

EAA's canteen – located on the ground floor of the EAA, you can have well-priced and delicious meals every day.

Balti Jaama Turg – freshly renovated market just few steps from the EAA. You can find fresh goods, antiques shops, different eating stands, a supermarket etc. Trading takes place on three floors inside the market hall and in the kiosks and stands outside the building.

Telliskivi Creative City – trendy and hip place among the young Estonians. Located in an old factory area close to Kalamaja area, it is Estonia’s biggest creative economic enterprise centre. Over there you can find different restaurants, indie shops, a theatre, organic ice-cream factory, start-up businesses, photographic art center etc.

Ülo – even though carrying a slightly old-fashioned Estonian men’s name, the restaurant itself is far from being outdated. Everything is modern – design, customer service and even menu which gives you surprising yet amazing taste experiences. Mainly vegan but also meat and fish lovers can find something for them.

Boheem – little café just next to Ülo. With their homely and warm atmosphere this is the place where to escape when the weather outside is snowy and cold. Pastas, salads, wraps, crepes etc are all delicious and reasonably priced.

● **RECEPTION OF STUDENTS**

- **MEETING POINT (PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF FIRST MEETING - FOR EACH COURSE WHERE DIFFERENT)**

8th of January at 10.00am in the EAA lobby.

● **EXTRA ACTIVITIES**

- **SITE VISITS**

Almost every day the students will have excursions and visits to culturally significant locations in Tallinn and its surroundings. Afternoon excursions during weekdays will introduce the students to Estonian art, culture, sports and way of living. We have planned walking tours in different city districts, visits to museums, and if possible then do some winter activities in the snow.

Field trips during the weekends will give an overview of Estonian nature and lifestyle in the countryside in the past and present.

- **SPORTS FACILITIES (SWIMMING, TENNIS, GYMNASIUM; OPENING DAYS AND AVAILABLE INFORMATION)**

The academy doesn’t have its own gym, but there are plenty of sport facilities around (spas, fitness centres). The closest one is in Balti Jaama Turg and named MyFitness (gym, pool, group trainings). It has clubs all around the city, many of them in the city centre. Also you can always take a walk to the beach. Jogging is possible in parks and along the coast of gulf of Tallinn (Pirita road).

- ENTERTAINMENT (CINEMA, THEATRE, ETC.; BRIEF INFORMATION ON PLACES AND STUDENT FACILITIES)

Since the EAA is located in the heart of Tallinn, it means you'll be in the hotspot of Tallinn's cultural life.

Information about cultural events: <http://www.culture.ee/en/>

Estonian Concert Hall: www.concert.ee

Cinemas in Tallinn: www.forumcinemas.ee; <http://www.apollokino.ee/eng/>; www.kino.ee; www.kinosoprus.ee Movies are usually shown in original language with Estonian subtitles.

Center for contemporary arts, estonia: <http://www.cca.ee/en/center>

Contemporary Art Museum of Estonia: <http://www.ekkm.ee/en/>

Von Krahl Theatre and Concert place (+ bar): <http://www.vonkrahle.ee/en/>

Photographic art centre Fotografiska (+ restaurant): <https://www.fotografiska.com/tallinn/en/>

Estonian National Opera and Ballet: <http://www.opera.ee/en/>

Art Museum of Estonia: <https://kumu.ekm.ee/en/>

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PART II: COURSE(S) DESCRIPTION

COURSE NO:

LEVEL:

I: Beginner course _____

II: Intermediate course _____

	FROM...	To...
PERIOD:	08.01.2020	24.01.2020

● **LANGUAGE COMPONENT**

- SHORT DESCRIPTION OF LANGUAGE COMPONENT: OBJECTIVES AND TEACHING METHODS

Objectives of the course: to give primary knowledge of Estonian language (numerals, weekdays, questions, basic verbs and nouns), implementation into communication. Introducing everyday culture and traditions of Estonians.

Teaching methods: communicative and interactive.

Language teaching shall be fixed in communication situations and role plays as well as through various associations with body language, rhyme, rhythm and song. Main study form is real-life communication.

Study materials: the EAA's language teacher Vilma Lang's communicative Estonian language dialogues collection for beginners. The dialogues have been translated into English and there is a dictionary and an exercise book available. Estonian song recordings are being used as teaching material. Texts and songs are available as audio material, besides, the teacher has created a short guide to Estonian grammar (not available at internet) which will be spread among the students.

During the course several other materials such as games, tables, maps, photos, etc are used.

- SUBJECT-SPECIFIC LANGUAGE ELEMENTS

***☞* YES X NO**

(e.g. special modules for students in particular disciplines)

IF YES, SPECIFY:

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- DURATION

TOTAL NUMBER OF CLASSES	12
HOURS IN CLASSROOM	75 academic hours
HOURS OF PRACTICE CONVERSATION/LANGUAGE LABORATORY	40 h.
OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	INDIVIDUAL WORK 10 H, EXAM 5 H TOTAL (HOURS + CREDITS): 130 HOURS,

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	5 ECTS
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- ASSESSMENT (SPECIFY IF THE ASSESSMENT IS MADE BY WRITTEN/ORAL EXAMINATION, ASSIGNMENT, ETC.)

Assessment: oral examination (group performance). Attendance (minimum 60%), activity in class, independent initiative will also be taken into consideration. Assessment result is either "pass" or "fail". Students who have successfully passed the exam, will receive 5 ECTS.

● **COURSE FACILITIES**

- TEACHING AIDS

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AUDIO/VIDEO MATERIALS
<input type="checkbox"/> COMPUTER/SOFTWARE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> HANDOUTS/PRINTED TEXTS
<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPARENCIES
<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER : (SPECIFY)

- LIBRARY

YES NO

IF YES, SPECIFY:

TIMES	10.-18.00; 11.-15.00
OPENING DAYS	MON-FRI; SATURDAY
ADDRESS	PÕHJA PST 7

- LANGUAGE LABORATORY

YES NO

IF YES, SPECIFY:

TIMES	
OPENING DAYS	
ADDRESS	
COST	

● **CULTURAL COMPONENT**

- SHORT DESCRIPTION OF THE CULTURAL ELEMENTS INCLUDED IN THE COURSE: OBJECTIVES AND TEACHING METHODS

During the language course a brief overview of historical and linguistic background will be given as well as an overview of Finno-Ugric languages; use of foreign words in Estonian language; influences of other languages. peculiarity of Estonian street and local names will be pointed out. One important objective is to get

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acquainted with Estonian contemporary everyday culture, practicing situations in immediate discussion. The structure of the course and each lesson is dynamic and flexible – besides grammar exercises, dialogs, readings, students will be introduced to folk singing and dancing (for example Estonian runo song and “kaerajaan” dance). National holidays and traditions will be introduced as well as national cuisines. cultural programme will be as much in accordance with the teaching programme as possible.

- DURATION

TOTAL HOURS OF ACTIVITIES	130 h.
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● TEACHERS AND SUPPORT STAFF

	NUMBER OF ...:
X TEACHERS	1
X ADMINISTRATORS	1
X STUDENTS	1