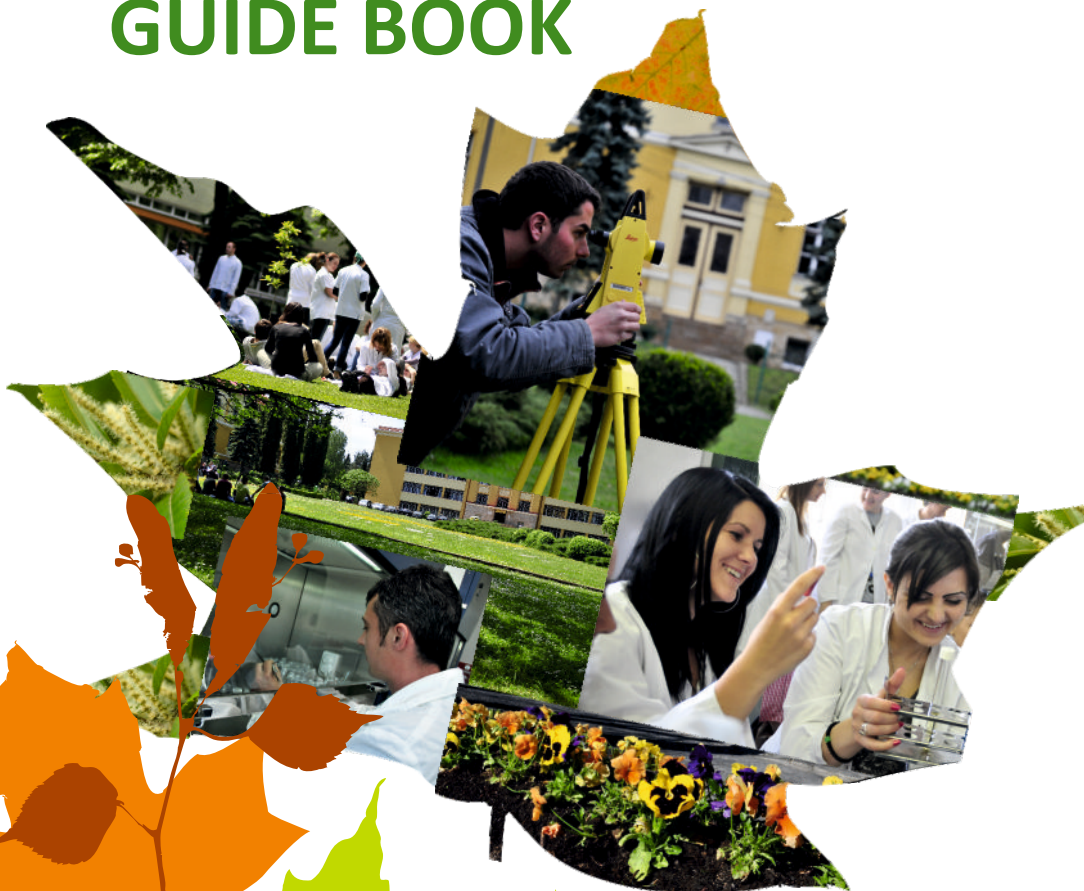


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Welcome

The University of Agricultural Sciences and Veterinary Medicine, Cluj-Napoca is pleased to welcome all Erasmus students which have chosen our University to complete their studies.

We are very honored with your choice and we will make sure that after this proof of confidence in our capabilities you will not be disappointed with your study experience here.

The mobility of students and professors within the university, apart from an enrichment of the curriculum offers the opportunity to experience other socio-economic and cultural environments and gain a cultural background, which has been recognized to be an added value when applying for a job.

We want to encourage your positive attitude and we will be there to support you in any step of your stay.

Romanians are known to be friendly, open and nice people, with a high sense of humor.

You will have a lot of fun! Here you can make friends for the rest of your life.

So...we invite you to step out of your world and experience a new culture and the excitement of becoming an Erasmus student at our university. Best of success and a pleasant stay!



10 Reasons to be our student

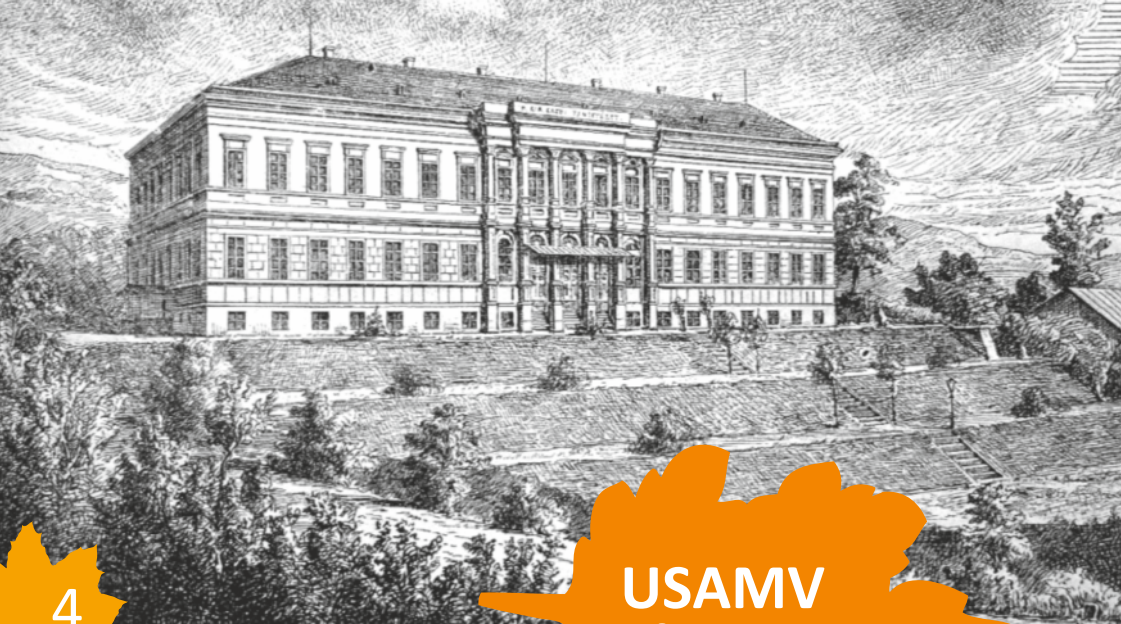
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1. -International scholarships and training courses; documentation grants
2. - Excellent conditions for studies and practicum training
3. - Over 50 modern laboratories for research activity
4. - The study of foreign languages
5. - Courses for computer literacy
6. - The possibility to get the driving license
7. - ECTS transferable credit system
8. - Participation to various national and international sports, cultural and artistic competitions and contests
9. - Take part in training activities useful to access European funds for agriculture and rural development
10. - Romanian University Center, Viterbo, Italy

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USAMV ranked in the top 5 universities of Romania

Advanced research and education university



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The University of Agricultural Sciences and Veterinary Medicine Cluj-Napoca

The University of Agricultural Sciences and Veterinary Medicine of Cluj-Napoca is the successor of the prestigious Higher School of Agriculture of Cluj, founded more than 140 years ago, in October 1869, under the name of Institute of Agronomic Studies, Cluj-Manastur. In 1906, the Institute reached the level of Academy, becoming the Academy of Agriculture of Cluj.

1918

For almost 50 years since its establishment, until the end of the second decade of the last century, the Agronomic School of Cluj was made up of one department - that of agriculture - with a three-year duration of studies.



1929

In 1929, after the reorganization and modernization of the higher agronomic education, the Agronomic School of Cluj became the Academy of High Agronomic Studies, Cluj.

1940

As a result of the Vienna Dictate, between 1940-1945, the Academy of Agriculture of Cluj (teaching staff, students and part of its inventory) took refuge in Timisoara, where they carried out their activity as the Faculty of Agronomy, Cluj-Timisoara. In 1945, the Faculty of Agronomy returned to Cluj. Since 1948, it functioned as the Agronomic Institute of Cluj, initially with one Faculty, that of Agriculture. In 1959,

the Faculty of Animal Science was created. As concerns the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, it came into being in 1962.

1977

In 1977, the Department of Horticulture was founded, and merging with the Department of Agriculture, they formed the Faculty of Agriculture and Horticulture.

1990

In 1990, the University was reorganized into four faculties (Agriculture, Horticulture, Animal Science, and Veterinary Medicine), and later on, new specializations were created within long term education (Bsc), master courses (MS), PhD studies (PhD), distance learning (DL), and part-time learning (PTL).

1991

In 1991, the Agronomic Institute changed its name to University of Agricultural Sciences, then, in 1995, to University of Agricultural Sciences and Veterinary Medicine Cluj-Napoca. The educational system has been aligned to Bologna Standards, and the ECTS credit system was introduced in 1998.



At present, the University of Agricultural Sciences and Veterinary Medicine of Cluj-Napoca is one of the most prestigious universities in Romania; it is a member in the Romania Consortium of Universities of Agricultural Sciences and Veterinary Medicine, a member in the Consortium of Universities of Cluj-Napoca and also a member in the European University Association, by which it was assessed in 2003.

The university's new strategy aims at:

- extending and promoting international relations
- modernizing the entire education process, both in teaching, research and outreach, fully complying with UE standards.

The four faculties host 7000 students, who study various domains which are adjusted to the new requirements of European agriculture:

Faculty of Agriculture: a new approach towards earth and life sciences and the biodiversity of the living world.

Faculty of Horticulture: a continuous diversification from economics and tourism to landscape science and forestry.

Faculty of Animal Sciences and Biotechnologies: based on modern breeding technologies; it includes a section of biotechnology based on outstanding know-how, the most efficient in our country.

Faculty of Veterinary Medicine: renowned for the quality of its education, it has European accreditation.



The curricula and the syllabus have been drawn up so that they meet the requirements, principles, criteria, standards and performance indicators of the ARACIS (The Romanian Agency for Quality Assurance in Higher Education) in order to ensure compatibility with the national educational system, as well as with similar study programs and syllabus of the E.U. states, in accordance with ECTS transferable credit system

The university owns:

- extended modern facilities for education, research and other activities
- centres for instruction and practical training for students.

The education facilities (lecture halls, laboratories, workshop rooms, research centers, micro-production pilot units, agricultural implement workshops) are endowed with:

- laboratory equipments, IT, multimedia appliances and internet access.

The access to information is provided by each chair's library and by the University's main library.

Practical training for students is organized at the University's Training Station – experimental fields of each department in the domains of research or production.





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FACULTIES

Faculty of Agriculture

It was founded in 1869. The faculty trains specialists in the field of agronomy, biology, food engineering and environmental protection having a rich experience in teaching and research.

It has become a center of education and research which is representative for our country; the specialists trained here are appreciated as great agronomists, wherever they perform their activity.

The Faculty of Agriculture offers the high-school graduates great opportunities to study intelligently in ways that suit the best everyone's personality, helping them in their efforts to achieve professional and personal success.



Faculty of Horticulture

Founded in 1977, the faculty provides a comprehensive academic offer: landscape science, forestry, agro-tourism, economic engineering in agriculture, topography and land registry etc.

The specializations available provide the undergraduate, master and PhD students with theoretical and practical training in accordance with the constantly growing needs of the labour market.

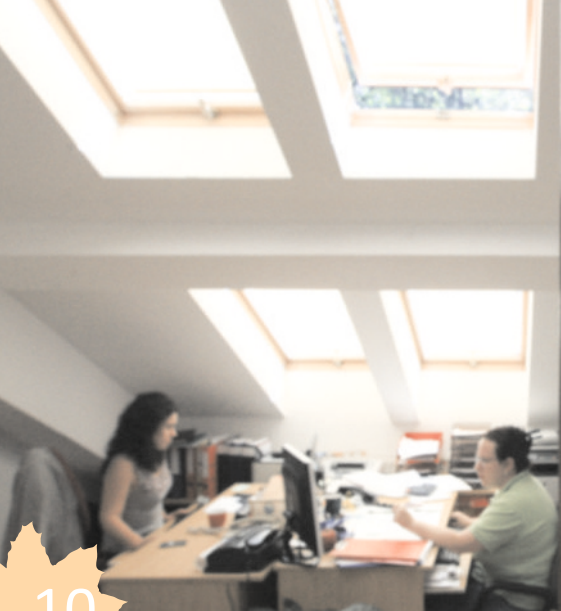
Faculty of Animal Science and Biotechnology

It was founded in 1968 as a distinct unit. Today it trains specialists in animal science, agricultural biotechnologies, fish farming and aquaculture, food biotechnologies, enjoying world-wide recognition for the high quality of education and research, for the competence of the teaching staff and for the excellence of its alumni.

Faculty of Veterinary Medicine

In its existence of over 45 years, the faculty has trained more than 3200 veterinarians, 120 of them coming from abroad. The variety and multitude of clinical cases which the clinic disciplines present to their students help them widen their knowledge and experience and to understand how a clinical case should be approached. It also helps them learn how to determine a correct diagnosis and how to apply a proper treatment. At the same time, case studies are completed with fieldwork for acquiring a better perspective of real-life situations.





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PRACTICAL INFORMATION

1. Registration procedure

The student has to:

- speak a foreign language (English mainly) and have a language certificate (given by the department of foreign language from home university) - level B1
- needs to be nominated by home university
- have a health insurance
- 2 passport-size photographs

Steps:

- 1 fulfill the application form
- 2 select the subjects in the learning agreement
- 3 complete the accommodation form

All papers must be send by email (scanned copy), by post (2 scanned copies). If the student fulfills all the requirements, the documents are signed and send to the home university by post and by email. Erasmus Office may issue the Letter of Acceptance in at least 2 weeks from the date of receiving the complete file.

All incoming students may benefit of a tutor (a student that will help the student to accommodate easier).

Deadline for application: For the spring semester and for the whole academic year: **30 May**. For the second semester: **30 November**.

2. Residence Permit

The student has to:

- Obtain a medical certificate from the Student Dispensary no.3
45 Hasdeu, Dormitory no.7
Timetable: Monday & Wednesday: 09.00-13.00
Tuesday & Thursday: 14.00-19.00
- Obtain a certificate from the Office for Comunitary Programs proving that the student studies at the University of Agricultural Sciences and Veterinary Medicine, Cluj-Napoca
- Obtain a certificate from the dormitory proving that the students lives there

With the 3 certificates mentioned above the student has to go to **Cluj Service for Immigration** (Serviciul pentru Imigrari Cluj) to obtain a RESIDENCE PERMIT.

The Service for Immigration

Iulius Mall (next to AUCHAN supermarket)
Gheorgheni, Alexandru Vaida Voievod Street.

The incoming students can benefit of accommodation in one of university's dormitories. The rooms are for two people.

Facilities:

bathroom in the room, internet connection;
10 minutes away from university and from the student restaurant.

Submission of documents

EU & SEE countries

Monday-Friday 08.30-10.00

(Non-EU) Third Countries

Monday-Friday 10.00-12.00

Delivery of residence permits

Monday-Friday 14.00-16.30
Wednesday 14.00-18.30

3. After the arrival in Cluj-Napoca

The student has to contact the Office for Communitary Programs - for administration (documents, confirmation of arrival, timetable, changes in the learning agreement, the student's book), to receive information about the university (map of the buildings, map of the city) and any other necessary information.



FACILITIES

Accommodation

Erasmus incoming students have the possibility to stay in one of our university dormitories during the Erasmus mobility, at the price of about 100 euro/person/month.

Student`s Restaurant (Restaurant Agronomia)

Special destined for students. Delicious food. Very good prices.

74-76 Motilor Street

Opened 15th of September - 20th of December, 5th of January- 20th of July

Timetable: 11:00-15:30 (Lunch)

18:00-21:30 (Dinner)

“Agronomia” Pub

Situated on 74-76 Moșilor Street. The only Student Pub in Cluj-Napoca, owned by a university and dedicated exclusively to students activities.

Cafeteria

The perfect place for students to relax between courses/lectures. Here you can enjoy a good coffee, tea or cold beverages. Sandwiches and good pastry products. Pleasant ambiance.

Timetable: 7:30-16:30

Sport

The university owns a tennis field and a football field. Besides sports classes, the fields are available for renting.

Multifunctional, equipped accordingly, the gym includes a basket field, a volleyball field and in the near future a fitness room.

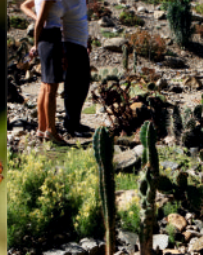
Erasmus Club

The perfect place for all the students who were, are, or want to become Erasmus students. For those interested, more information available at the Office for Community Programs.

http://www.usamvcluj.ro/club_erasmus_despre.php

Transport

Information regarding means of transportation in Cluj-Napoca is available at the Office for Community Programs.



Study facilities:

Library

With a surface of over 2000 square meters, it provides a reading room of 20 seats with free access to shelves, another reading room of 100 seats and 20 computers with internet access.

The Aquarium

The Aquarium hosts over 30 fish species: the Paradise fish, the Indian salmon, tilapia, gurami, the main attraction being piranha. It is destined for study and research. Open access for the public. The fishermen from all over Transilvania can expose their most interesting and performing captures here, free of charge.

The Botanical Museum

The Botanical Museum is subordinated to the Botanical Department. Here the visitors will find invaluable possession of the botanical tradition: an impressive collection of plants, archives, old photographs and herbariums, important volumes about medicinal plants and the founders of the discipline.

Agrobotanical Garden

On its surface of approximately 7 hectares there can be admired 1500 species, the most fascinating being the ones from the spontaneous flora. Agricultural plants can also be found here as a didactical material for students and research.

Free entrance. Timetable: 7:30-15:30

The orchard

Specially destined for student`s practicum and study. Here can be found species of apple, pear, cherry trees and grape vine.





Getting to know Cluj-Napoca

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Capital city of Cluj-County
Surface: 180 km²
Population: 500.000 inhabitants

Did you know?

- The name Cluj, comes from Latin, meaning a narrow place, closed between the hills
- It was recorded for the first time by the Greek geographer Claudius Ptolemy (AD 85-165) two thousands years ago
- Today Cluj is an important academic centre, a city of multiculturalism and diversity
- Every year 120.000 students come here to study
- It is the fourth largest city in Romania
- There are 6 state universities in Cluj: The University of Agricultural Studies and Veterinary Medicine, Babes-Bolyai University, Technical University, University of Medicine and Pharmacy Iuliu Hatieganu, University of Art and Design, Gheorghe Dima Music Academy
- And 3 private universities: Bogdan-Voda University, Dimitrie Cantemir University and Avram Iancu University

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www.clujonline.com

www.visitcluj.ro

www.clujnapoca.ro

www.cluj4all.com





Must-see Places in Cluj-Napoca

Whether you're here for a short period of time, or a longer period, there are certain places you can't miss. We recommend you to visit:

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The Botanical Garden

Founded by Professor Alexandru Borza in 1920. On a surface of 14 hectares of different geological configurations you can admire 10.000 plant categories. Special attractions: The Japanese Garden, The Roman Garden

Programme: daily between **8:00-19:00**, for the greenhouses between **9:00-17:00**
<http://www.ubbcluj.ro/en/structura/sport/botanica.html>

The Central Park

One of the main recreational places in Cluj-Napoca. It is over 180 years old and has a length of about 900 meters. It is located in the central area of the city, at the shore of Somesul Mic River.

The perfect place for relaxing, walking or jogging.

<http://www.clujtravel.com/en/548/parcul-central-simion-barnutiu-cluj-napoca>

The fortress Cluj

The ideal place for admiring the city from above. It is located on a hill in the central area of the city. Also there, you will find the Belvedere Hotel, an important symbol of the city.

The fortress of Cluj represents an attraction for the tourists because it offers a panoramic view of the city and also an attraction for couples because it's a romantic place with alleys you can take a walk on, a terrace and a bar from where you can admire the city lights.

<http://www.clujtravel.com/en/560/cetatuia-din-cluj-napoca>.





The History Museum

The museum has archeological, middle and new-age historical sections, roman and middle-age stone repository. The "treasury" of the museum is in two rooms where it can be seen over 4000 jewels, coins and decorations from different ages.

<http://www.istoria-transilvaniei.ro/>

The Art Museum

It was founded in 1951. It has an extraordinary valued patrimony of Romanian and European art paintings, graphics and decorative art (the 15th to the 20th centuries.)

<http://www.macluj.ro/>

The Ethnographical Museum of Transylvania

In the 8th decades of its activity, the museum gathered tens of thousands proofs of the traditional civilization in the Romanian space. The permanent exhibition Folk Culture in Transylvania – 18-20th centuries can be visited from Tuesday to Sunday between **9:00-17:00**.

<http://www.muzeul-etnografic.ro/en/>

Tailors Bastion

It is part of the Old Fortress of Cluj. The construction began in 1475 and its main role was to defend the city. Maintenance of the bastion was given to the tailor`s guild, being the most powerful guild in the city. In front of the tower is placed the statue of Baba Novac, the general of Mihai Viteazul, an important leader of the Romanian people, killed in the year 1600.

Visiting hours: Monday to Friday: **09-19**, Saturday to Sunday: **10-18** (Free entrance)

http://www.welcometoromania.ro/Cluj/Cluj_Bastionul_Croitilor_e.htm

Cluj Arena Stadium

The new home ground for FC Universitatea Cluj. The construction was finalized in October 2011 and it is ranked as UEFA Elite Stadium.

<http://www.clujarena.net/>

CFR`s Stadium

The home ground for CFR Cluj Team.

<http://www.cfr1907.ro/ro/site/13/info-utile/>



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1. The Rectorate Building
2. Cashier's Office, Secretary's office
3. International Relations
4. The Aquarium
5. The Botanical Museum
6. Library
7. "Mihai Șerban" Aula/Auditorium
8. Student's Building, Professional Training Department, Social Service, FAS – The Federation of Students Associations
9. Faculty of Horticulture
10. Cafeteria
11. Academic Press, Publishing House
12. The Faculty of Agriculture
13. Mechanization
14. The Faculty of Veterinary Medicine
15. The Clinical Veterinary Hospital and Veterinary Clinics
16. The Faculty of Animal Science and Biotechnology
17. The Institute for Life Sciences
18. The Research Centre for Biodiversity
19. Agrobotanical Garden
20. The orchard
21. Sports field
22. Gym
23. Biotechnologies
24. The pedology

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