



UCU SECURITY REPORT, APRIL, 2014

School of Ukrainian Language & Culture
Ukrainian Catholic University

1. Brief Overview of Program, Enrollment, and Facilities

The Ukrainian Catholic University serves about 400 International students by offering programs and courses in history, political, business, art, religion, culture, and languages each year. In summer semester 2014, the School of Ukrainian Language & Culture will host approximately 150 students for different summer programs. We do our best to ensure the 24/7 care, supervision and safety to all our participants.

The University Campus is located near Strytsky Park, approximately 15 minutes by bus from the city center, and offers University residents living and academic space with a conference room, dining room, cafeteria, and lounge area. The school staff consists of 3 full-time employees, 4 part-time student interns, 9 language teachers, and several part-time faculty members.

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2. Safety & Support Network

The School of Ukrainian Language & Culture provides 24-hour academic and student life support to all students participating in the summer programs in Lviv and serves as a bridge to other community-based resources, including emergency services, medical services, and local law enforcement.

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3. Classes & Excursions

All classes take place at the new, University Campus at Kozelnytskoho Street 2A

Sample schedule:

9:00am-12:00pm	– Morning Classes
12:30pm-1:30pm	– Lunch
1:30pm-4:00pm	– Interactive Classes, Guest Speakers, Workshops, or Field Trips
4:30pm-6:30pm	– Afternoon Activity or Excursion Downtown
6:30pm-7:30pm	– Dinner
7:30pm-10:00pm	– Sports or Evening Activity
10:00pm-7:00am	– Quiet Time

Students are accompanied by the program manager on all educational excursions. The program manager and tour guide will accompany participants on the tour, and to and from the University campus.

4. Facilities & Access

Academic Facilities: The program academic facilities consist of 4 classrooms, an office suite, and a student lounge, which are located on the 2nd Floor of the new academic building. Each floor is outfitted with modern security cameras and a security guard is on the premises 24/7. The university premises feature alarms and motion detectors. [[Link to photo of University Classroom/Office facility:](#)]

Accommodations: The UCU Residence is a full-service residential student dorm. Entry to the building is by electronic card for students and employees. One-bedroom rooms are shared by two students (there are a limited number of single rooms available). Front desk reception is staffed 24/7. The modern apartments are fully equipped for fire emergencies, with smoke detectors and emergency exits (3 per floor) are clearly marked in every room and hallway. There is a videophone system, including a security camera, at the front entrance and on every floor. Every participant must attend a safety and fire safety orientation session at the beginning of every program.

International students live together in the dormitory with Ukrainian students and university staff.

WiFi is available at all on-campus sites, including student rooms. [[Link to photo of UCU University Residence](#)]

5. Safety Procedures

Every student attends a safety orientation session during the first days of their program, where health, safety, security, and emergency procedures are explained by program staff and emergency contact information and reporting procedures are discussed with participants.

All students are given the program's 24/7 emergency contact numbers and are encouraged to add these numbers on their cell phones.

The Site Manager maintains regular and timely communications with every program participant. Onsite staff members regularly update faculty, staff, students, and program participants with news, alerts, or warnings that may impact participant safety or the day-to-day programming operation.

6. Lviv Region is Safe for Travel

Lviv is situated about 1100 kilometers away from the flashpoint regions of Crimea, Kharkiv, Donetsk, and Luhansk (roughly the same distance to Prague & Munich). Lviv is by all accounts a safe city. Even throughout the turmoil during the MAIDAN protests, there were no incidents of violence directed at civilians or foreigners.

Lviv remains one of the top tourist destinations in Eastern Europe and is currently bidding to become the host city for the 2022 Winter Olympic Games. The picturesque city is full of new restaurants, and summer café patios, situated on our historic cobblestone roads, are now welcoming tourists from all over the world. Much of the tourist infrastructure was renovated prior to the EURO 2012 football tournament, of which Lviv was a host city, including the train station and international airport. New museums and tourist infrastructure, including bicycle rentals and routes, are opening every month. Lviv welcomes tourists year round, however the April-August season is considered to be busiest. To see what is happening on Lviv's iconic Svobody Ave. – the main street in downtown Lviv – follow this link: [[web camera from Svobody Avenue](#)– city center].

7. MAIDAN, the Crimean Peninsula, & Ongoing Security Concerns

The Ukrainian Catholic University maintains close contact with the embassies of countries where the majority of our students and participants come from (USA, Canada, UK, Germany, etc.) to ensure the complete safety of everyone involved with UCU.

The Ukrainian Catholic University warns all of our international students and guests to defer all non-essential travel to the Crimean Peninsula and eastern regions of Kharkiv, Donetsk, and Lugansk due to the presence of Russian military forces in the Crimean Peninsula, and in Russia near the Ukrainian border. Russia continues to take actions to support its attempt to annex the Crimean Peninsula and is likely to continue further actions in the area and Eastern Ukraine. The United States, European Union, Ukraine, and most countries in the world do not recognize the annexation and the U.S., Canadian, German, U.K., and Polish Embassies in Kyiv and Lviv and have limited ability to provide assistance to their citizens in these areas.

There are ongoing security risks in these regions that change rapidly from day-to-day. Embassies provide frequent updates to the security situation in those regions. Be sure to keep updated and to follow your embassy's advice.

Watch the video from US Embassy YouTube Channel about situation in Ukraine after Maidan. [\[Russian disinformation or Ukrainian peaceful reality\]](#)

Addresses of Embassies

- *United States Embassy*: 4 Sikorsky St., Kyiv, Ukraine, 04112 (<http://ukraine.usembassy.gov>)
- *Canadian Embassy*: 13A Kostelna St., Kyiv, Ukraine, 01901 (<http://www.canadainternational.gc.ca/ukraine/index.aspx>)
 - *Canadian Consulate – Lviv*: #4, 2 Bohomoltsya St., Lviv, Ukraine, 79000 (<http://canadainternational.gc.ca/ukraine/offices-bureaux/lviv.aspx?lang=eng>)
- *German Embassy*: 25 Bogdan Khmelnytsky St., Kyiv, Ukraine, 01901
 - *German Consulate – Lviv*: 6 Vynnychenka St., Lviv, Ukraine, 79000 (<http://www.kiew.diplo.de>)
- *Australian Embassy*: #11, 18 Kominterna St., Kyiv, Ukraine, 252032 (<http://australia.visahq.ua/embassy/ukraine>)
- *United Kingdom Embassy*: 9 Desyatynna St., Kyiv, Ukraine, 02000 (<https://www.gov.uk/government/world/ukraine>)
- *Polish Embassy*: 12 Yaroslaviv Val St., Kyiv, Ukraine, 01034
 - *Polish Consulate – Lviv*: 108 Ivana Franka St., Lviv, Ukraine, 79011 (<http://lwow.msz.gov.pl/pl>)

