



NICOLAE TESTEMITANU STATE UNIVERSITY OF MEDICINE
AND PHARMACY OF THE REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA



WELCOME TO NICOLAE TESTEMITANU UNIVERSITY

Dear prospective student,
I'm glad to welcome you to *Nicolae Testemitanu State University of Medicine and Pharmacy of the Republic of Moldova (Nicolae Testemitanu University)* - the single institution of higher education in our country that trains specialists in medicine, stomatology and pharmacy.

Accredited at the national level and assessed by international bodies, University offers optimal conditions of undergraduate and postgraduate training. Renowned doctors and experts are ready to present you the great mysteries of medicine and help you become a good specialist. The training process involves advanced methods of teaching-learning-evaluation by using modern technologies. Here you'll have the possibility to be involved in research activity, master new languages, participate in traineeships abroad, participate in different sport activities, cultural events, etc.

The University is recognized far beyond our country for the values it produced in the field of higher education, medical sciences and medical care. We tend to become one of the best universities in Eastern Europe, an objective that can be achieved together with our staff and students.

Over the years, we've managed to conserve and develop beautiful traditions, that you are invited to meet here. The University was founded in 1945 and it was named after Nicoale Testemitanu in 1990 – famous scientist, talented teacher and educator, statesman, experienced organizer in public health field, who contributed substantially to the organization and development of health care in our country.

More than 5700 students, including over 2100 international students from about 35 countries (such as Israel, India, USA, Romania, Sweden, Greece, Finland, Norway, UK, Russia, Ukraine, etc.) are studying yearly at *Nicolae Testemitanu University*.

You are invited to become part of our big family!



*Rector Emil Ceban,
Professor, MD, PhD*

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Why choose *Nicolae Testemitanu* University?

- 75 years of activity in the field of education of local and international students;
- An institution of higher education of international fame;
- National accreditation of all study programs;
- International accreditation according to the standards of World Federation of Medical Education (WFME);
- Medical education focused on practical training in accordance to modern concepts and international requirements;
- Well-prepared teaching-staff;
- Well-equipped laboratories and classrooms;
- University chairs (departments) located in over 70 modern clinics with more than 6000 beds;
- University Center for Simulation in Medical Training – a state-of-the-art facility that replicates real world scenarios;
- The opportunity to study in 4 languages: Romanian, English, Russian, French;





- Modern Medical Library;
- Collaborations with many medical universities, hospitals and scientific centers abroad;
- Various extracurricular activities;
- Opportunities to participate in scientific events;
- Low costs for studying and living.





Programs of study (specialties)

In *Nicolae Testemitanu* University there are following undergraduate programs of study: Medicine, Public Health, Optometry, Nursing, Stomatology and Pharmacy. Foreign citizens may apply for Medicine, Stomatology and Pharmacy programs in Romanian, English, French

or Russian languages of training. All of the students learn compulsory Romanian language. Before joining to undergraduate course, foreign students can opt for a preparatory course, which include basics of biology, chemistry and physics in Romanian or English language.

University provides postgraduate programs and also Master or PhD training for advanced scientific education in the fields of Medicine, Stomatology and Pharmacy in diverse specialties in Romanian language.

Study Programs	Length	Study type	Credits (ECTS)	Degree
Medicine	6 years	Full-time	360	Diploma of higher education in Medicine
Stomatology	5 years	Full-time	300	Diploma of higher education in Stomatology
Pharmacy	5 years	Full-time	300	Diploma of higher education in Pharmacy

At the University the study process includes modern training approaches like theoretical courses, practical

activities, clinical training in hospitals, problem-based learning, case-based learning, simulation activities,

computer training, role-playing, elements of distance learning teaching and individual activities. Students

are taught in small groups by using up-to-date equipment, intensive and interactive teaching. Our students are learned to think critically, analytically and solve problems. We consid-

er team working and training in the field of communication with the patients very important.

The academic year lasts 34 weeks (5 working days each), divided into two

equal semesters and two examination sessions.

Autumn semester (1 st semester)				Spring semester (2 nd semester)				
Courses	New Year holidays and Christmas	Examination session	Vacation	Courses	Easter holidays	Examination session	Summer practical training	Summer vacation
September-December	One week	January (2 weeks)	January (1 week)	February – June	One week	June –July (2 weeks)	July – August (4 weeks)	August

The study process includes:

- > Theoretical courses;
- > Practical activities (seminars, laboratory classes, clinical training at university facilities);
- > Practical training.



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Program of study Medicine

Program of study Medicine is performed at two faculties: Medicine no. 1 (languages of training Romanian, Russian and French) and Medicine no. 2 (language of training English). The duration of studies is 6 years. Students start their studies mainly with pre-clinical subjects in the first II years. Clinical disciplines are included gradually and are carried out at the University Chairs (Departments) based in hospitals, where students develop their communication and practical skills.

The curriculum meets the recommendations of the WHO and Association of Medical Schools in Europe concerning the medical education. In 2018 the Medicine study program was accredited by National Accreditation Board and in 2019 was accredited according to the World Federation of Medical Education (WFME) requirements.

There are more than 4000 students at the program of study Medicine (including 2000 international students). International students have optimal conditions for studying medicine (simulation center, well equipped laboratories, up-to-date information resources, and access to the patients).

After graduation, international students usually have to pass a screening test in the country of origin.



Read more on: <https://medicina2.usmf.md/ro>



3 Program of study Stomatology

The students of the program of study Stomatology are trained at the Faculty of Stomatology, and have their clinical practice at different clinical setting, including two university dental clinics, equipped with modern devices and medical manikins that are used to help simulate medical, surgical, or clinical scenarios.

The duration of studies is 5 years. Clinical training starts from the first year of

studies, and from the third year, students develop their practical skills by working with patients in the university dental clinics.

In 2018 the Stomatology study program was accredited by National Accreditation Board and the California Dental Board (USA).

There are more than 800 students at the program

of study Stomatology (including over 250 international students).

The Faculty is continuously improving the study process by developing international collaboration with dental faculties in Romania, Ukraine, Russia, USA, France, Czech Republic and other countries.

Read more on <https://stomatologie.usmf.md/ro>



4 Program of study Pharmacy

The students of the Pharmacy program of study are trained at the Faculty of Pharmacy, furnished with modern equipment that meets all the requirements for training. The practical skills are developed at the Pharmaceutical Center, drug stores (including University Pharmacy) and the Scientific Center of Medicinal Herbs Cultivation.

The duration of studies is 5 years. There are near 400 students at the program of study Pharmacy. The curriculum meets the standards and is based on the requirements of the European Directives in the field of pharmaceutical education. In 2018 the Pharmacy study program was accredited by National Accreditation Board.



<https://farmacie.usmf.md/ro>

Read more on:

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Scientific Medical Library

Our University has a modern and well-stocked Scientific Medical Library that offers support for the educational and scientific processes and provides a range of information services for beneficiaries.

The Library offers access to more than 900 000 publications (in Romanian, English, Russian, French and

other languages) in the lecture halls and for home loans (textbooks and scientific publications). The Library provides online access to the programs: HINARI, OARE, ARDI and various medical databases like Scopus, Cochrane Library, Cambridge Journal Online, STAT!Ref, OncologySTAT, etc. and offline access to a representative collection of CDs and DVDs.

Open 7 days a week, the University Library has 5 reading rooms and 4 information centers equipped with computers and Internet connection, located in different regions of the city (near the campus and hospitals).

The electronic catalogue, the Institutional Repository and the Didactic Virtual Library can be accessed *on* <https://library.usmf.md>



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University Center for Simulation in Medical Training

The University Center for Simulation in Medical Training (CUSIM) of *Nicolae Testemitanu* University is one of the most advanced centers in Eastern Europe, according to the proposed range of services in the field of medical training and sophisticated scientific and training equipment. Its mission is to improve the safety of medical process and that of the patient by application of modern teaching methods and medical practices based on simulation.



Here are provided courses for students and medical specialists at all levels of continuing training, where you can get: communication skills with patients, the basic practical medical and surgical skills, advanced individual dexterity, ability to communicate and work in team, leadership abilities, knowledge of resource and crisis management.

In the CUSIM training is provided on the basis of curricula programs and extra-curricular courses organized in several modules:

- Programs for Medical Maneuvers and basic surgical techniques;
- Programs for Internal Medicine;
- Programs for Standard Patients and Communication;

- Programs for Surgery;
- Programs for Anesthesiology and Intensive Care;
- Programs for Emergency Medicine;
- Programs for Mother and Child;
- Programs for Endoscopy;
- Programs for Medical Imaging.

The Society in Europe for Simulation Applied to Medicine presents CUSIM as a model of a simulation center in its network.

<https://cusim.md>



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What do you need to know?

How to apply

Students are enrolled twice per year: autumn batch (July-August) and spring batch (December-January).

In order to be admitted to the entrance contest, the applicants must submit by email (to: foreign@usmf.md) the following scanned documents:

- Application form;
- A copy of the foreigner's national passport valid not less than one year;

- A notarized copy of the birth certificate;
- A copy of the school leaving certificates: Bacalaureate Diploma or its equivalent, a legalized translation of it into Romanian, Russian or English language and with an apostille from Ministry of Justice (Education) from the applicant's country;
- Police certificate;
- Passport size photo.

After approving of all documents, the candidate has to pass an interview and an evaluation test. In order to enter the Republic of Moldova, citizens of some countries may require visa, which is issued in diplomatic missions of the Republic of Moldova abroad.

Entry requirements for the foreign candidates:

- B2 level for the teaching language
- completed secondary education
- at least 18 years old

Tuition fee

The tuition fee has to be paid in advance for the entire academic year

and remains unchanged throughout the period of studies.

The tuition fee covers: attendance of the courses (practical and theoretical), library entrance and use of the resources, use of the laboratories and the equipment during the academic year.

The tuition fee does not include the costs of accommodation, admission fee, registration and legalization of temporary residence in the Republic of Moldova.

More information on fees can be found here: <http://admitere.usmf.md/en/>

Tuition cuts

The best students may have a cut of 15% from the tuition fee.

For more information about admission and tuition fees, please contact the department responsible for international students admission either by calling +373 22 241 777 or +373 22 242 333, or writing an e-mail to foreign@usmf.md



8 Students about us



"What I especially like about Nicolae Testemitanu University is the kindness and knowledge of teachers and their willing to help, the ability to do good practice in important subjects, like Anatomy, and also the small groups of study at seminars."

Gluzman D., Israel, General medicine

"I have chosen to study in Moldova because my cousins recommended Nicolae Testemitanu University to me. They told me the country is safe, people are nice; the university teaches in English and is very hands-on. After searching for myself, I found everything they said to be true and I'm happy I came to study here."

Alexandra M., USA, General medicine

Students in 3 words about Nicolae Testemitanu University

Opportunity for succeeding

Hard but fun

Very good university

Knowledge, relationship, professional

Place for us

Working hard together

9 Living here

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Although it is a small country, Moldova as a destination has a lot to offer - beautiful places and landscapes, a rich history and traditions.

Chisinau is the capital of Moldova. It is the largest city of the country and its political, administrative, economical and cultural centre. The capital of Moldova is considered to be one of the greenest cities in Europe. There are many parks in the city and trees grow on almost every street.

The city offers possibilities of active cultural life. In all there are 15 theatres and concert halls, 7 cinemas, 13 museums, 9 parks, 10 stadiums and sport complexes in the town. Additionally, there are 12 libraries and reading halls always at the disposal of citizens of Chisinau and foreign visitors. Also, Chisinau holds annually national and international festivals.

Chisinau is a city of youth due to more than 100 000 students who study at different educational institutions. For entertainment Chisinau offers various options with its many cafés and restaurants that present cuisines on everyone's taste.

Chisinau is a totally new experience and You are invited to try it!

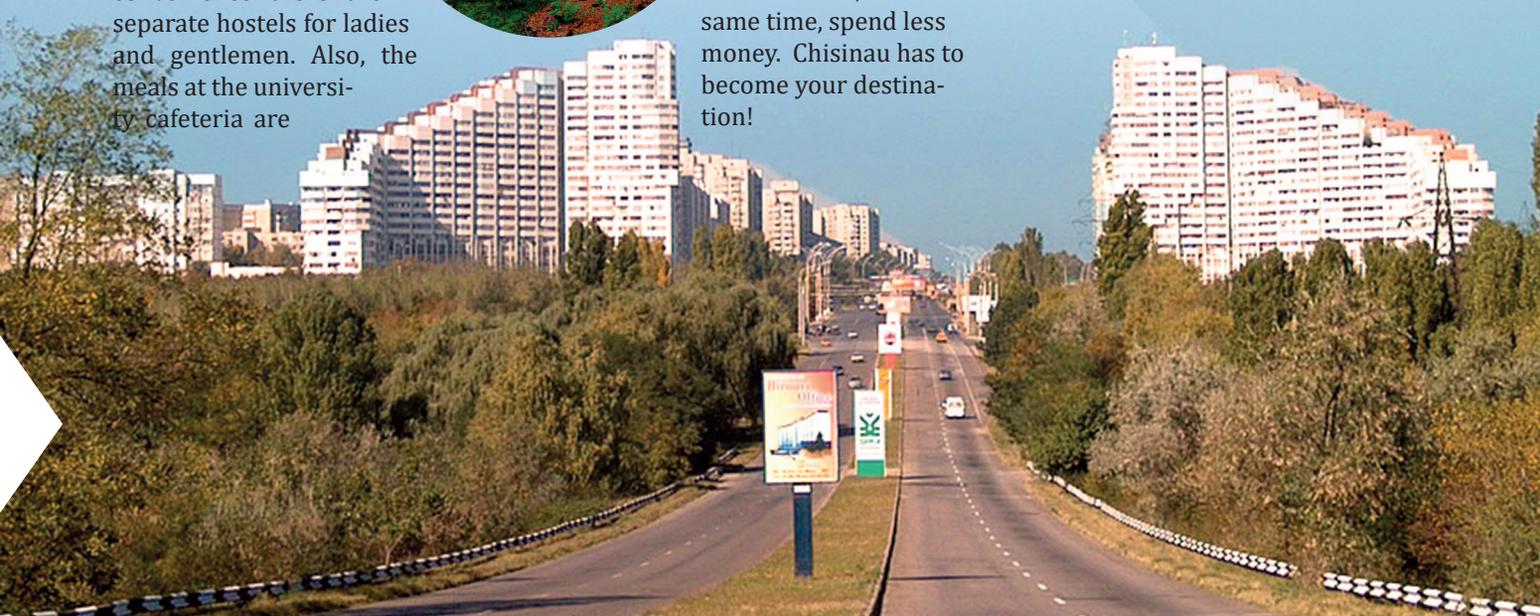
10 Accomodation

Chisinau is one of the cheapest cities in Europe, according to a survey conducted by the ECA International. Usually, students need an amount of about EUR 500 per month in order to pay their apartment, food, transport, leisure and other. There is a possibility to save some money by choosing to stay in the university hostels, located nearby the hospitals where the university departments (chairs) are placed. The infrastructure includes security, social and community assistance. For students convenience there are separate hostels for ladies and gentlemen. Also, the meals at the university cafeteria are

cheaper than in the city restaurants and cafes. In the students campus there are several canteens, which provide local food, Indian food, etc.

On arrival at the University, students are permanently assisted in all formalities connected with their stay in our country, in order to get used to the new conditions of life and study.

Moving to another city is not an easy decision to make. Chisinau seems to be the perfect destination for those who want to get quality studies, meet pleasant people, have fun and, at the same time, spend less money. Chisinau has to become your destination!



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Invest in knowledge!

The interest of international students in studying at *Nicolae Testemitanu* University is growing each year. You are welcome to join our community and become a famous doctor or pharmacist. All you need is willingness and dedication. By coming to *Nicolae Testemitanu* University you invest in future, you invest in knowledge!

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