



# University of Sarajevo

Welcome to the first, the traditional and the most prominent higher education institution in Bosnia and Herzegovina

● Location



# Bosnia and Herzegovina

is a heart-shaped land in the heart of Europe



# Sarajevo is the true bridge

between the Eastern and Western civilizations, which can be seen through our people, culture, tradition, religion, monuments, customs, cuisine, music, film, history, museums, stories ...



**University of Sarajevo is one of the oldest institutions in the region and the oldest one in Bosnia and Herzegovina.**



# Who are we?

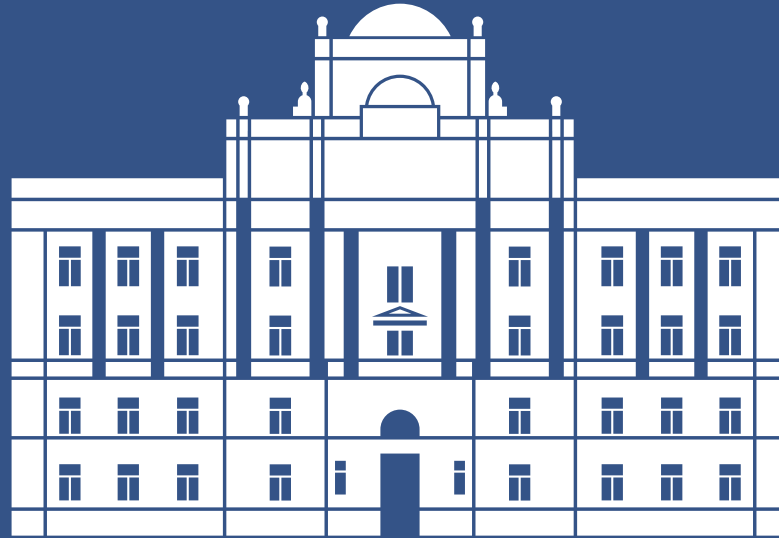
*Learn more about our university*



# We are a the first university in Bosnia and Herzegovina

*In 2024 we are celebrating 75 years of foundation*

# UNIVERSITY OF SARAJEVO - timeline



**1573** Ottomans founded the Gazihusrev-Bey's Library (member of UNSA)

**1888** National Museum of B&H is founded (member of UNSA)

**1940s** Faculties of Medicine, Forestry, Law and Agriculture are founded

**1949** University of Sarajevo is founded

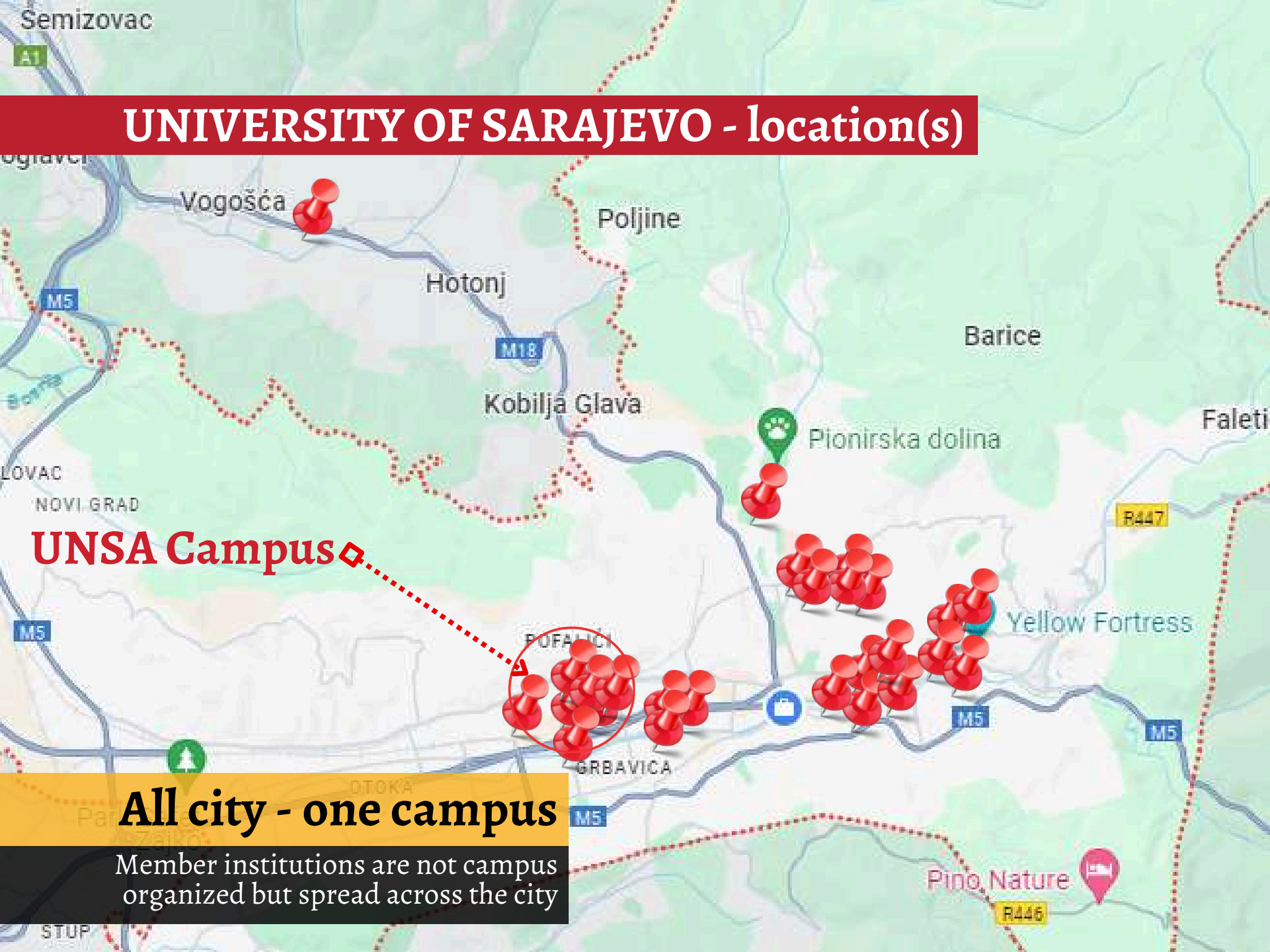


# **We are a city - university**

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*All city - one campus*



# UNIVERSITY OF SARAJEVO - location(s)



**UNSA Campus** ◆

**All city - one campus**

Member institutions are not campus organized but spread across the city





Faculty of Islamic Studies

Faculty of Catholic Theology

Academy of Music

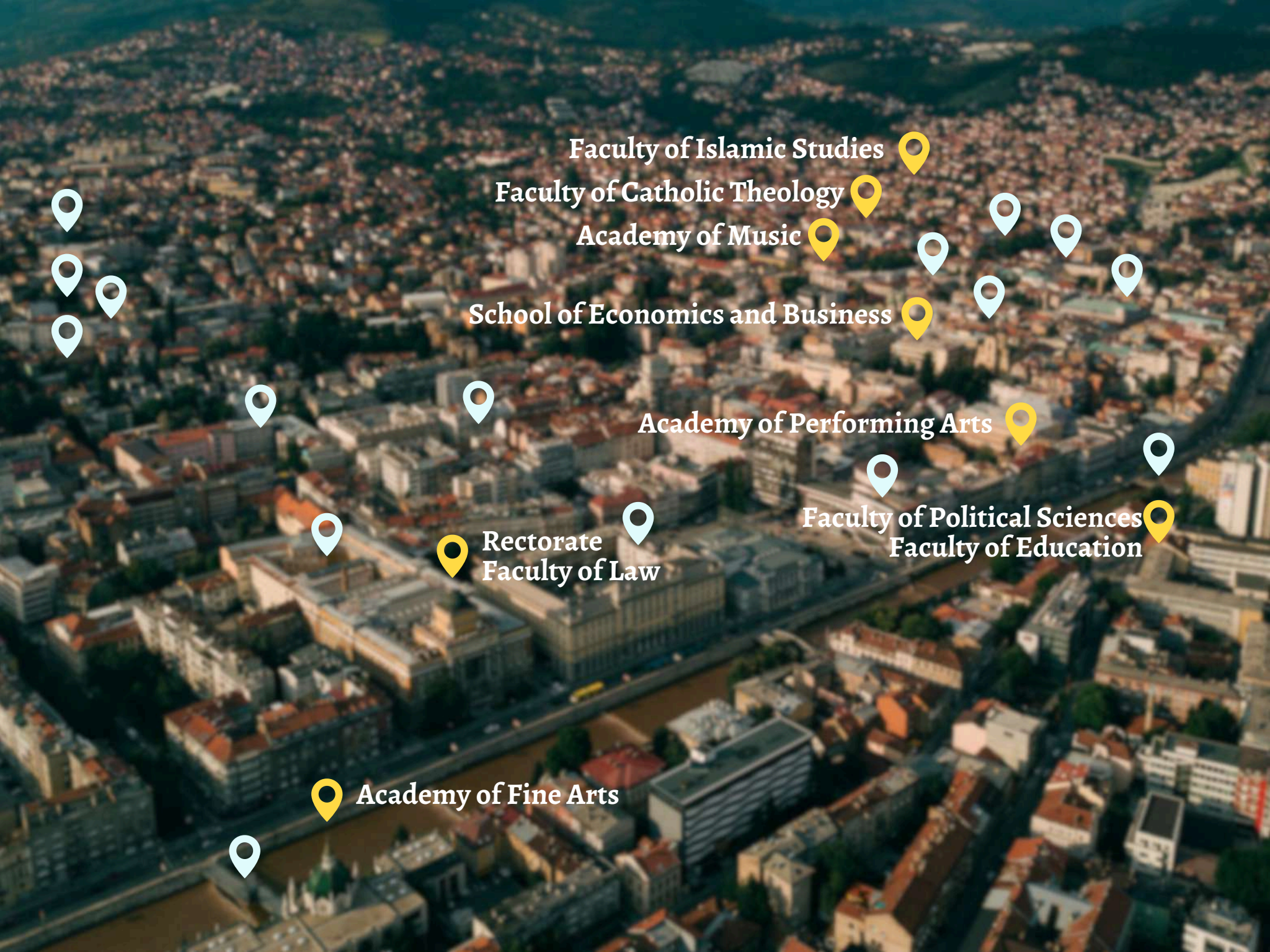
School of Economics and Business

Academy of Performing Arts

Faculty of Political Sciences  
Faculty of Education

Rectorate  
Faculty of Law

Academy of Fine Arts



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Rectorate  
Faculty of Law

Academy of Fine Arts



**We make Sarajevo - a student city**

*Actively contributing to the student life in Sarajevo*

# UNIVERSITY OF SARAJEVO - numbers



**~22.000**  
**STUDENTS**



**~2.640**  
**UNIVERSITY STAFF**



## Sarajevo is the largest student city in B&H



- 15% of Sarajevo's population are students
  - 93% are students from the University of Sarajevo



## UNSA staff

- Teaching staff
  - 1740
- Non-teaching staff
  - 900
- male 48% vs. female 52%





**We are an Olympic university**

*Erasmus is the new Olympics*

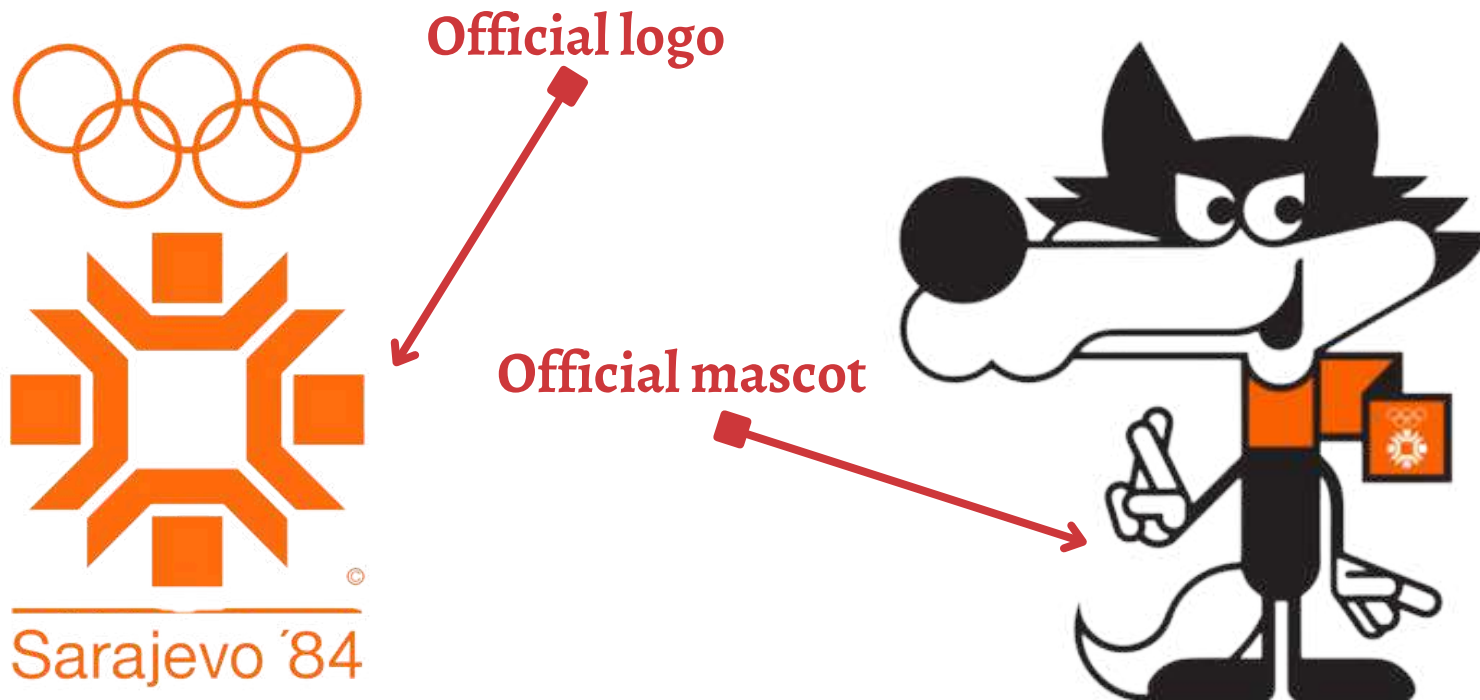


# 14th Winter Olympic Games

- 08-19 February 1984
- The first Olympic Games in a Slavic-speaking country
- 1272 athletes from 49 countries
- The 1984 Winter Olympics, considered a success, made it possible to modernize Sarajevo further and develop winter sports in Yugoslavia

# We are an Olympic university

- **UNSA's Faculty of Sport and Physical Education** contributed to supporting the organization and raising the Olympic spirit throughout the years to come



Location (check SCANAJEVO)

**Want to find out more?**



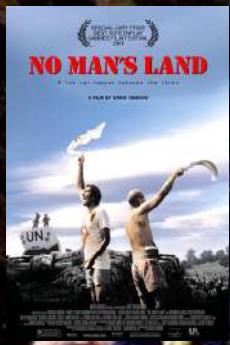
- **The Olympic Museum in Sarajevo** is a great treasure of memories of this event



**We are a winning university**

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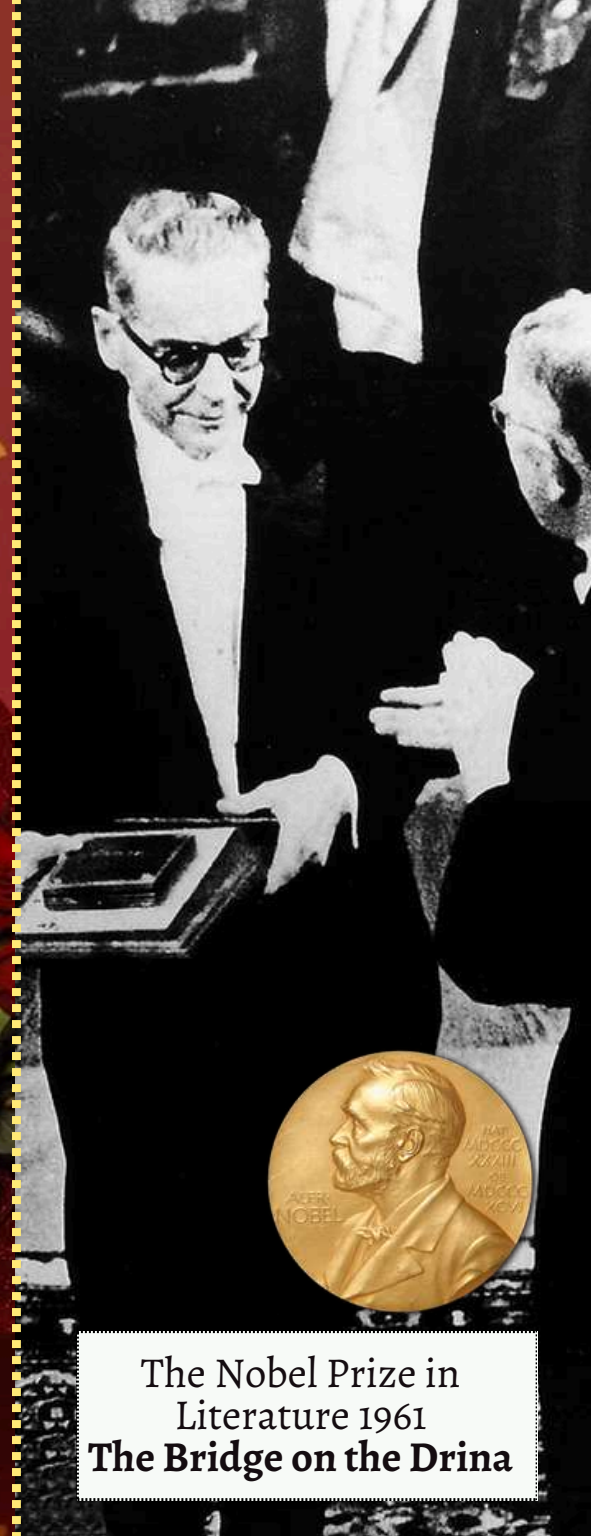
*Meet our notable Alumni*



Academy Award for the Best Film Movie 2002  
**No Man's Land**



Golden Bear Award for the Best Film 2006: **Grbavica**  
Best European Film Award 2021:  
**Quo Vadis, Aida?**



The Nobel Prize in Literature 1961  
**The Bridge on the Drina**



**We are a comprehensive university**

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*We offer wide range of study fields*

# We are a comprehensive university

- The University of Sarajevo is comprised of:
  - 22 faculties
  - 3 academies
  - 5 research institutes
  - 4 university centres
  - 32 faculty institutes
  - 153 laboratories
  - 61 faculty centres
  - 40 specific units (clinics, galleries, studies)



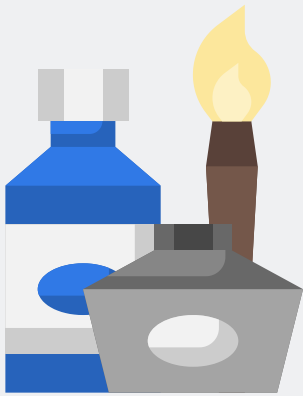


**We are a comprehensive university**

**ARTS**  
**HUMANITIES**  
**MEDICINE**  
**NATURAL**  
**SOCIAL**  
**TECHNICAL**

# We are an Artistic University

- UNSA hosts three Art Academies (*study group: ARTS*):



- Academy of Fine Arts
- Academy of Performing Arts
- Academy of Music



## ★ FUN FACT:

Academy awards and nominations are just the tip of the iceberg of quality program and recognition on the national, regional and world level.

# We are an Human University

- UNSA hosts seven units (*study group: HUMANITIES*):



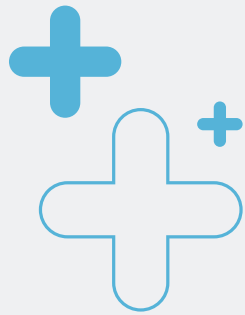
- Faculty of Islamic Studies
- Faculty of Philosophy
- Institute for History
- Institute for Language
- Faculty of Catholic Theology
- Oriental Institute
- Faculty of Education

## ★ FUN FACT:

UNSA's Faculty of Islamic Studies and Faculty of Catholic Theology and Faculty of Orthodox Theology of the University of East Sarajevo cooperate within the Joint Master's degree: Inter-religion studies and peace building.

# We are Medical University

- UNSA hosts five units (*study group: MEDICINE*):



- Faculty of Health Studies
- Faculty of Pharmacy
- Faculty of Medicine
- Faculty of Dental Medicine
- Faculty of Veterinary Medicine



## ★ FUN FACT:

Medicine and Dental Medicine offer full English-taught study degree program in English.

# We are Natural University

- UNSA hosts four units (*study group: NATURAL AND BIOTECHNOLOGY*):



- Institute for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology
- Faculty of Agriculture and Food Sciences
- Faculty of Natural Sciences and Mathematics
- Faculty of Forestry



## ★ FUN FACT:

Many Tempus and Capacity building projects were initiated from these disciplines

# We are Technical University

- UNSA hosts five units (*study group: TECHNICAL*):



- Faculty of Architecture
- Faculty of Electrical Engineering
- Faculty for traffic and communication
- Faculty of Civil Engineering
- Faculty of Mechanical Engineering

## ★ FUN FACT:

A lot of infrastructure in the Middle East and Africa was built by the UNSA alumni who got our degree in the 1970s and 1980s.

# We are Social University

- UNSA hosts seven units (*study group: SOCIAL*):



## ★ FUN FACT:

Strong focus in studies on candidacy and membership in the European Union

- School of Economics and Business
- Faculty of Political Sciences
- Faculty of Sports and Physical Education
- Faculty of Criminology, Criminology and Security Studies
- Faculty of Administration
- Institute for Research on Crimes against Humanity and International Law
- Faculty of Law

# Education System

- Bologna education system (since 2005)
- ECTS\*:
  - BA 180
  - MA 120
  - Phd 180
- 1 semester: 30 ECTS
- 1 academic year: 60 ECTS





# Double & Joint Degrees

- **European Regional Master in Democracy and Human Rights in South East Europe** (double Master degree)
  - UNSA's Centre for Interdisciplinary Studies "Dr. Zdravko Grebo" in cooperation with the University of Bologna, Italy
- **Management & Sarajevo Business School** (joint Bachelor degree)
  - UNSA's School of Economics and Business in cooperation with the Griffith College Dublin, Ireland
- **Southeast European Studies** (joint Master programme)
  - UNSA's Faculty of Political Sciences in cooperation with the University of Graz, Austria & University of Belgrade, Serbia
- **Business Administration** (double Master degree)
  - UNSA's School of Economics and Business in cooperation with the University of Ljubljana, Slovenia
- **Engineering, Entrepreneurship, and Resources** (joint Master degree)
  - UNSA's Faculty of Mechanical Engineering in cooperation with the Lappeenranta-Lahti University of Technology, Finland and TU Bergakademie Freiburf, Germany

# Summer Schools

- Many local, national, and regional Winter and Summer schools throughout the year
- **Comparative Public Health - Serbia and Bosnia and Herzegovina**
  - in cooperation with the Northwestern University, USA and University of Belgrade, Serbia
- **European Multilingualism International Summer School**
  - Faculty of Philosophy, UNSA



# Education System

- Study programs in English: **12**
- Modules for international students: **300+**
  - in **English**
  - in **English-friendly** (classes in the local language, but everything else can be provided in the language that the teacher and the student can understand - consultations, research, mentorship, exams, etc.)





# **We are Research University**

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*We are a pioneer and a leader in research in B&H*

# We are Research University

- UNSA is very active with local and international research projects
- Estimated: over **600** national and international research and development projects *per year*
- part of the 4-year strategy
- UNSA is a member of Enterprise Europe Network



## ★ FUN FACT:



HR EXCELLENCE IN RESEARCH

UNSA holds the Award for Excellence in Research (since 2019)

## ★ FUN FACT:



HORIZON EUROPE

UNSA is the leading institution in B&H within Horizon 2020/Europe program



# **We are an Alliance University**

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*We are part of European Universities Alliances*

# We are EUPeace



- The UNSA became part of the European university initiative called **EUPeace** (European University for Peace, Justice, and Inclusive Societies).
- Since **2023**
- Focus: increasing the effects of internationalization under the prefix of nurturing a peaceful and inclusive European society

# We are EUPeace



## Cooperation partners:

- **University of Marburg (Germany) - coordinator,**
  - Comillas Ponteficia University of Madrid (Spain),
  - Çukurova University of Adana (Turkey),
  - University of Giessen (Germany),
  - University of Calabria (Italy),
  - University of Limoges (France),
  - University of Mostar (BiH),
  - University of Sarajevo (BiH),
  - University of West Bohemia (Czech Republic)
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- More information: <https://www.eupeace.eu/>



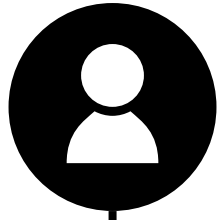


# **We are International University**

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*Meet the International Relations Office*

# International Structure at UNSA



**Rector (legal representative)**



**Vice-Rector for International Relations**



**International Relations Office**



**Academic coordinators at the member units (vice-deans, coordinators and officers for international relations)**

# International Relations Office does:

**MOBILITY**

**NETWORKS**

**BILATERAL**

**ERASMUS+**

**CEEPUS**

**STAFF WEEK**

**BOSNIAN  
LANGUAGE  
SCHOOL**

**SCHOLARSHIP  
FAIR**

**SOCIAL MEDIA**

**SCANAJEVO**

**ESN**

**WBAA**

# UNSA's Internationalisation timeline



**1965**

First signed International Agreement with University of Greiswald, Germany



**1970s**

Organized Summer schools with partner universities from the USA



**1980s**

Accepting degree students from Africa and the Middle East

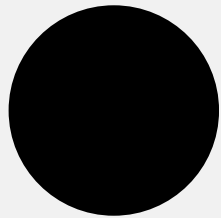
- UNSA signed Magna Carta Universitatum in 1988



**1984**

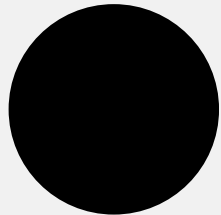
The 14th Winter Olympic Games have brought significant attention to Sarajevo

# UNSA's Internationalisation timeline



**1992**

The aggression at B&H and Sarajevo brought great loss in humans and infrastructure. It is estimated that 90 million \$ loss UNSA has suffered in destroyed buildings, classrooms, and laboratory equipment. It also influenced the loss of 50% of staff as well as brain drain.



**1995**



**1996**

B&H (UNSA) enters many EU-funded programs (Tempus, Phare, Cost, FP5, Cards, etc.).



**2007**

Bosnia and Herzegovina and the University of Sarajevo are given the Erasmus experience by entering ERASMUS MUNDUS ACTION 2 External Window

# UNSA's Internationalisation timeline



**2014**

Bosnia and Herzegovina (and UNSA) enters Erasmus+ program 2014-2021



**2021**

Bosnia and Herzegovina (and UNSA) enters the second phase of Erasmus+ program 2021-2027



**2023**

**UNSA signs Erasmus+ Charter in Higher Education 2021-2027**



**2023**

UNSA enter European Alliance - EUPeace

# UNSA's Networks & Associations

- UNSA's membership in international networks and associations strengthens European and global research institutions and contributes to developing the institution's international profile.

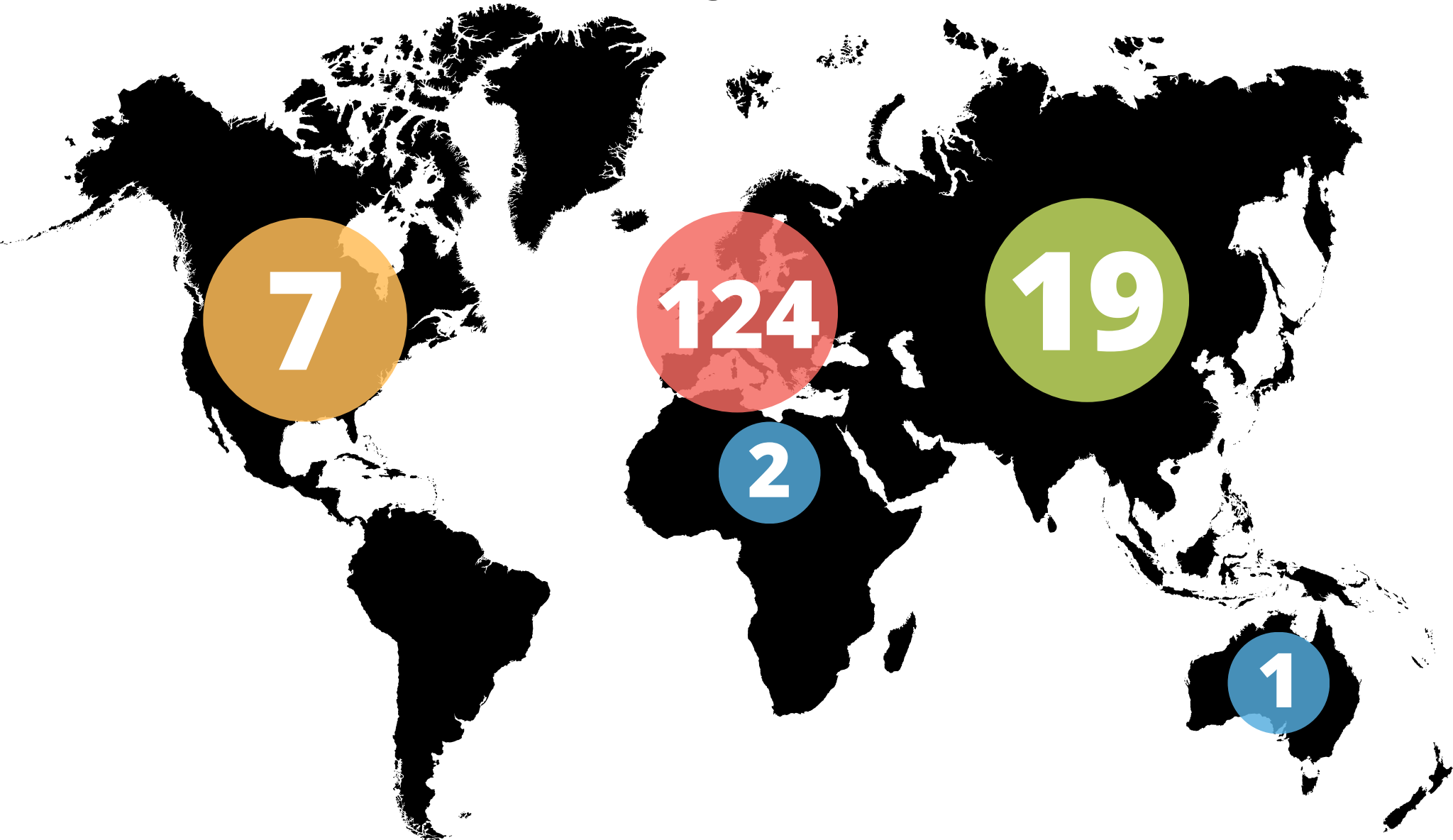


# UNSA's Bilateral Agreements

- Our university fosters cooperation with many higher education institutions in Europe, America, Africa, the Middle, and the Far East through various programs, projects, associations, and bilateral cooperation.
- The first agreement was signed in **1965**.
- **153 active bilateral agreements (Memorandum of Understanding)**



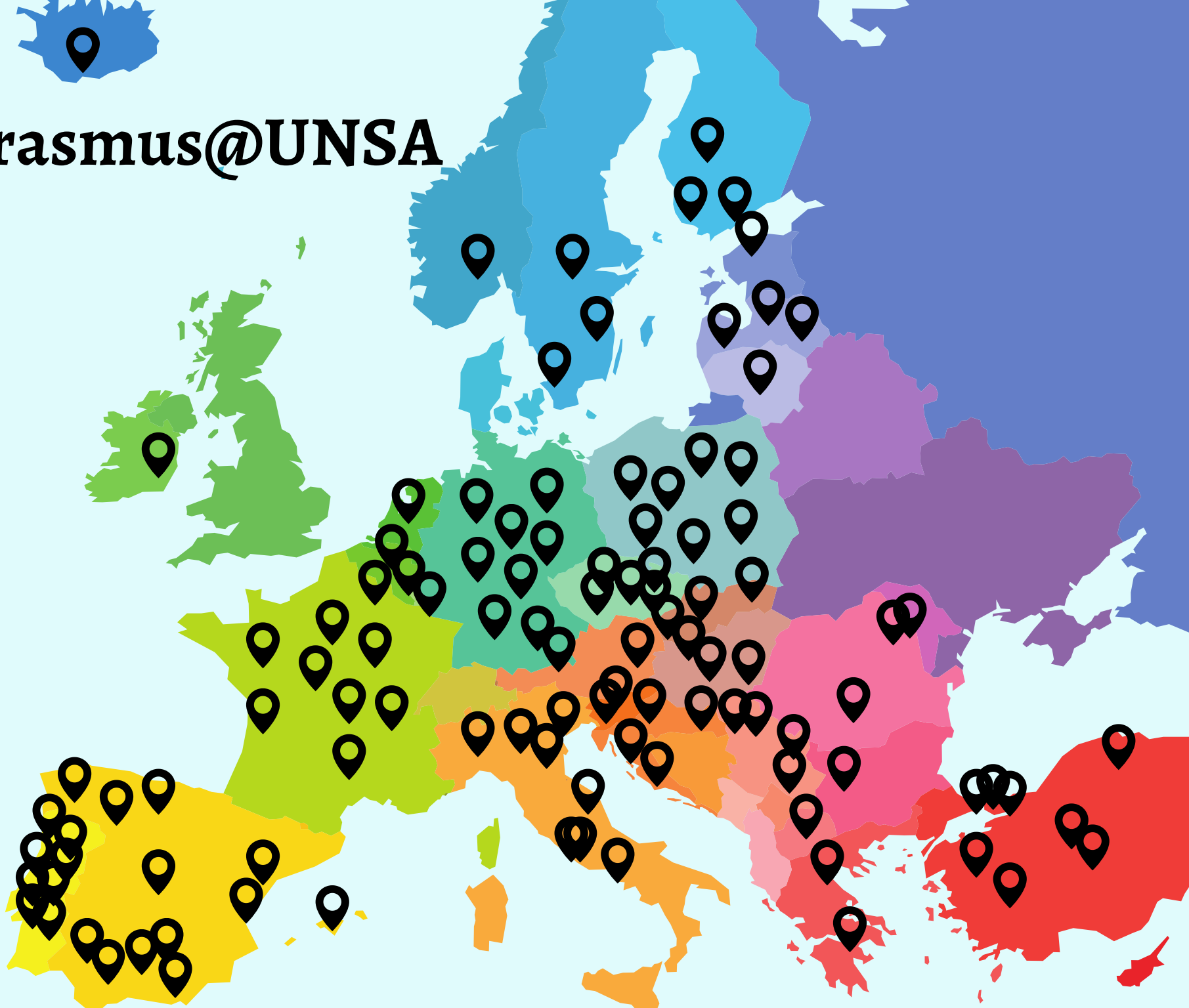
# UNSA's Bilateral Agreements



# Erasmus@UNSA

- Bosnia and Herzegovina entered the Erasmus+ program in 2013
- Status: “partner country” or “**third country not associated with the program**”
- Not all activities are available to apply
  - ICM - as partner
  - CBHE - as applicants or partner
  - JM - as applicants or partner
- International Credit Mobility:
  - KA103 / 131 - NO
  - KA107 / 171 - YES
- Phase 1 (2014-2021): **220 partner HEIs**
- Phase 2 (2021-2027): **150+ partner HEIs**

# Erasmus@UNSA



# CEEPUS countries

Albania  
Austria  
Bosnia and Herzegovina  
Bulgaria  
Czech Republic  
Croatia  
Hungary  
Kosovo

Moldova  
Montenegro  
North Macedonia  
Poland  
Romania  
Serbia  
Slovakia  
Slovenia



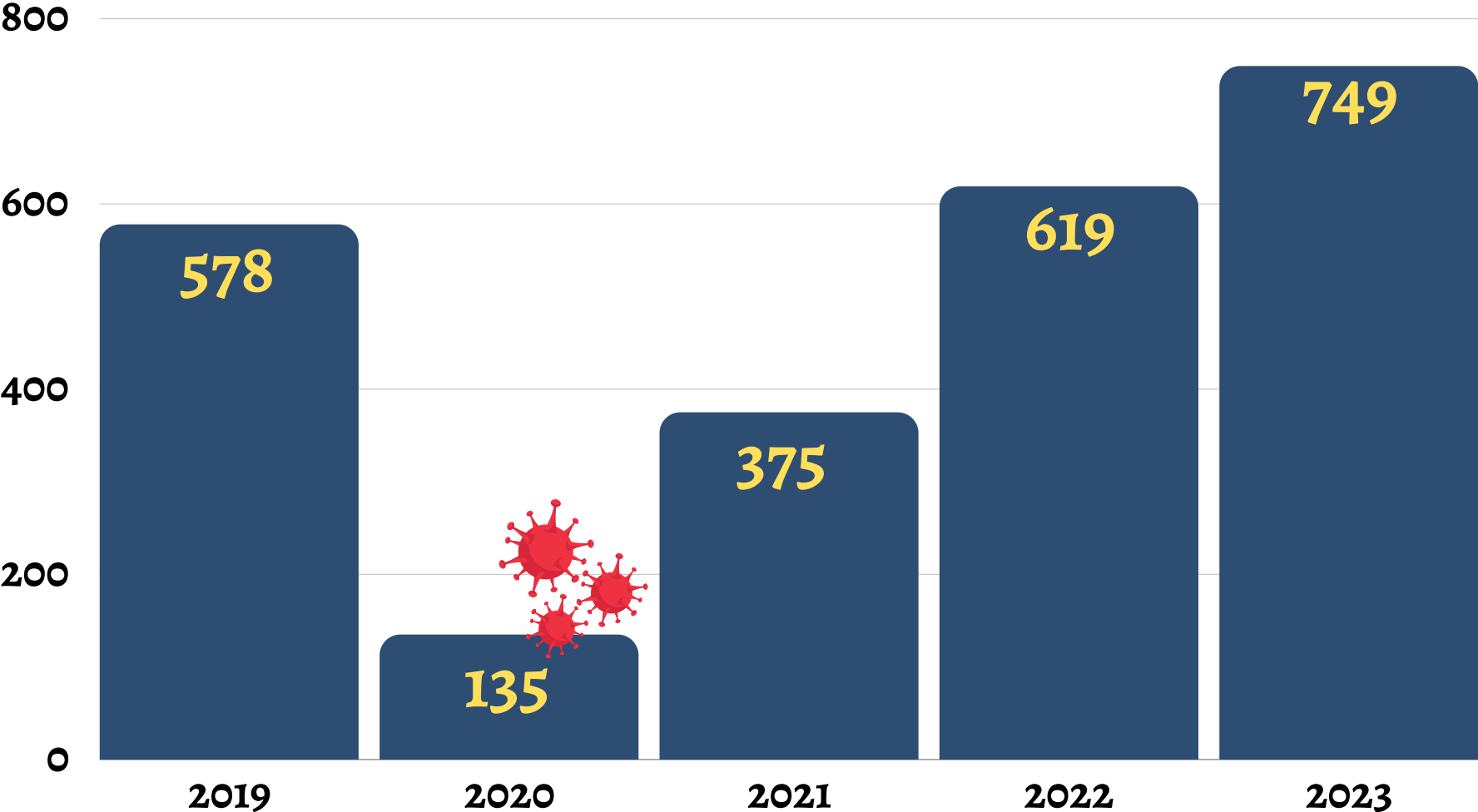
CENTRAL EUROPEAN EXCHANGE  
PROGRAMME FOR UNIVERSITY STUDIES



# Mobility@UNSA

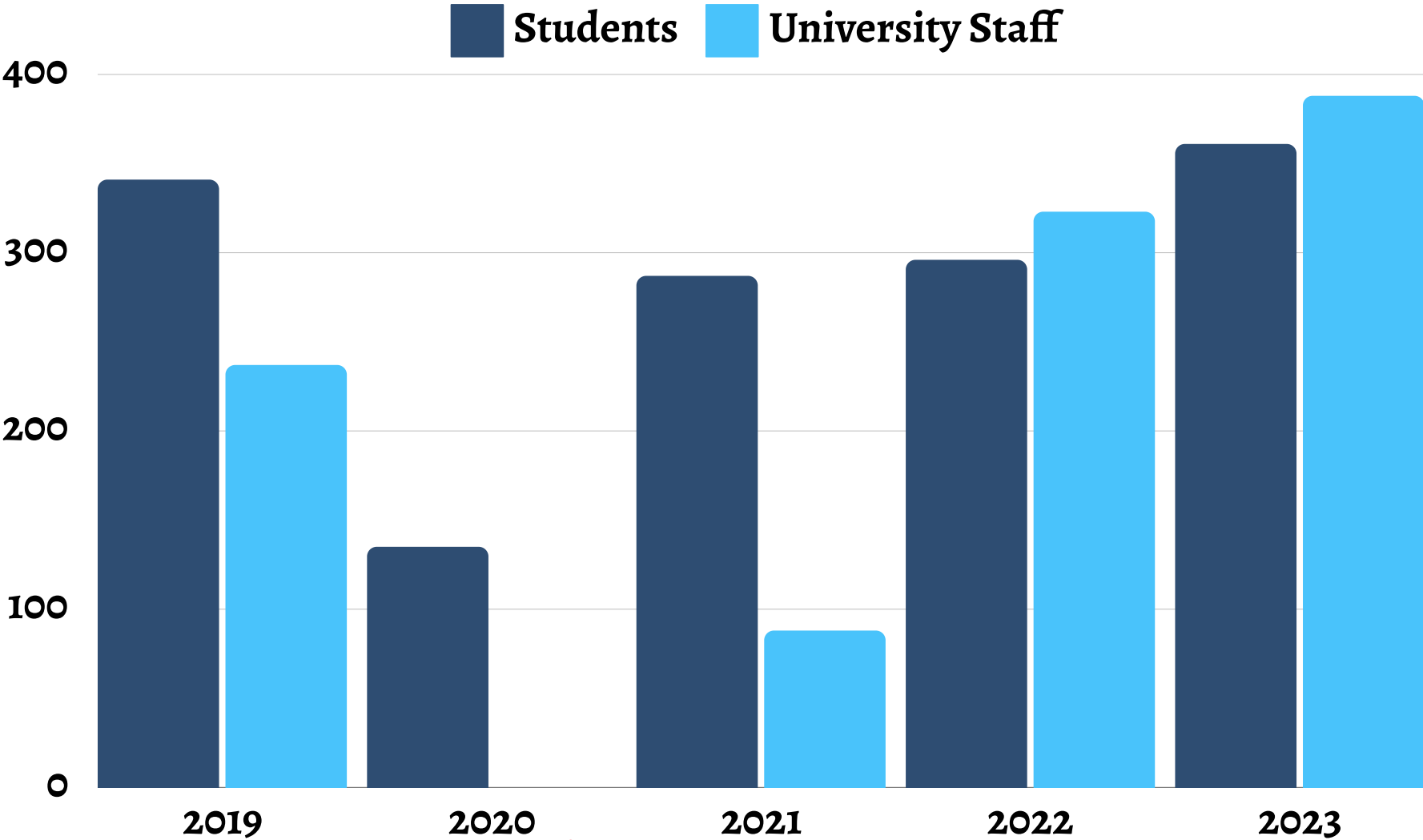
- Mobility of students and staff members **is not a centralized process at UNSA.**
- It can be coordinated:
  - at the university level
  - at the departmental level
- IRO prepares **yearly reports** on international relations activities and projects throughout the year and collects information on all implemented mobilities
- Most popular mobilities are through **Erasmus+** and **CEEPUS** programs

# Mobility@UNSA (outgoing)

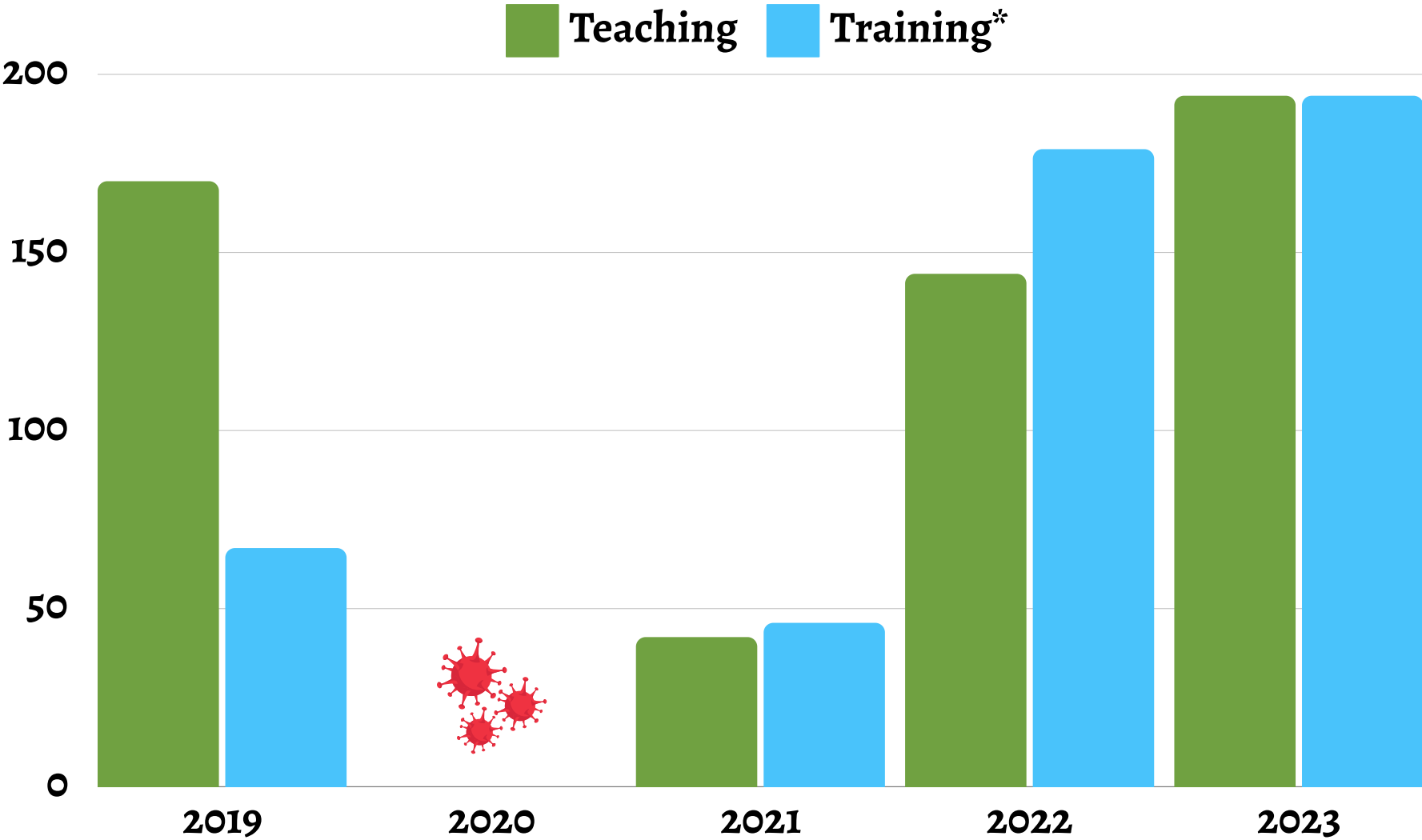


Popular host destinations:

# Mobility@UNSA (outgoing)



# Mobility@UNSA (outgoing)





# Mobility@UNSA (outgoing)

- Support services for outgoing mobility:
  - preparing **IAs**
  - opening **the calls**
  - **promotion** (info session, scholarship fair, online session, consultations)
  - **nominations procedures**
  - **pre-departure sessions**
  - **Guidelines:**
    - Outgoing Student Guide
    - Outgoing Staff Guide
  - Monitoring
  - Testimonial

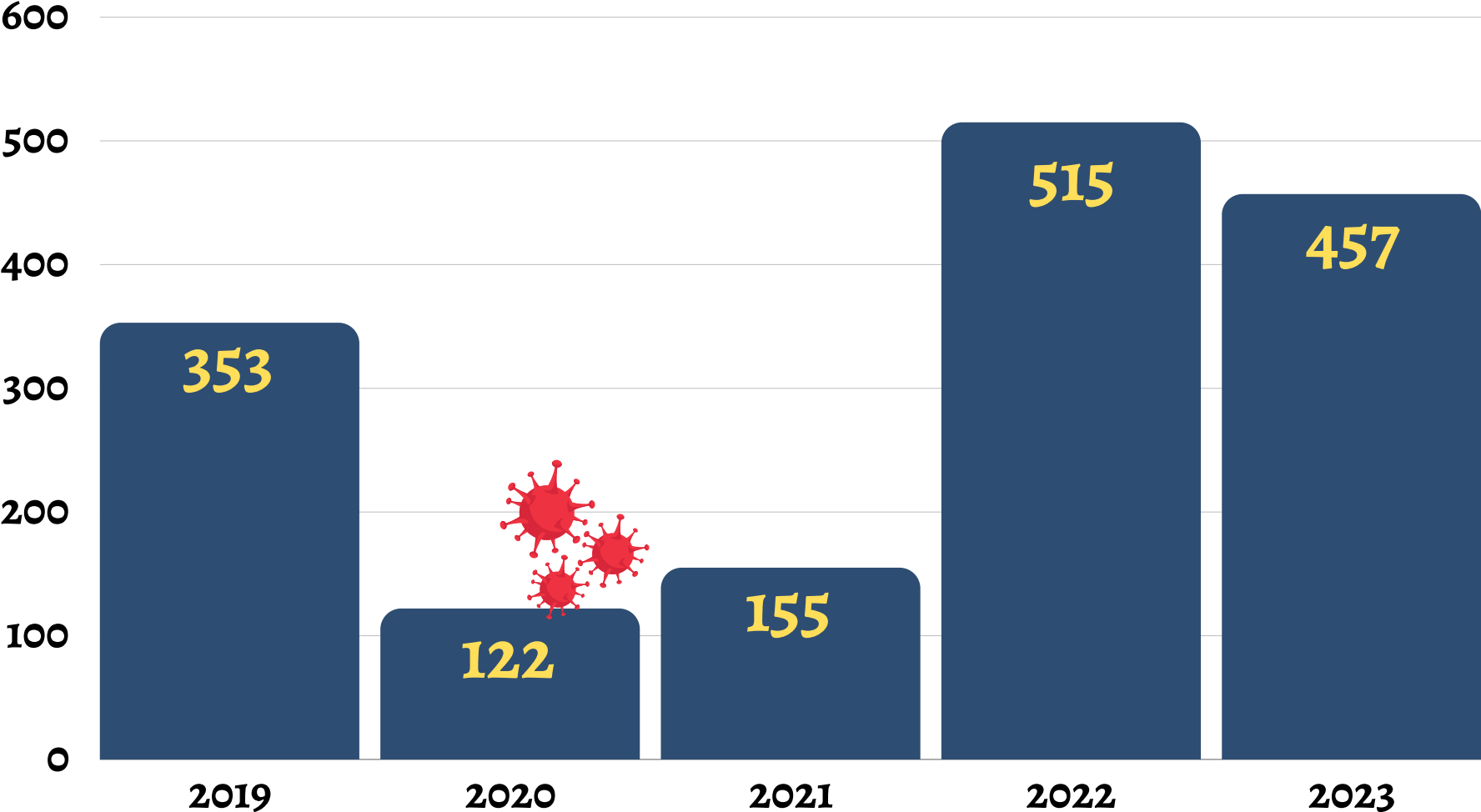


# Mobility@UNSA (outgoing)



- **Rulebook of mobility**
  - created and adopted in **2018** (revised in 2023)
  - regulates **outgoing and incoming mobility** for students and staff members
  - The rulebook stipulates **maximum flexibility in recognition process**

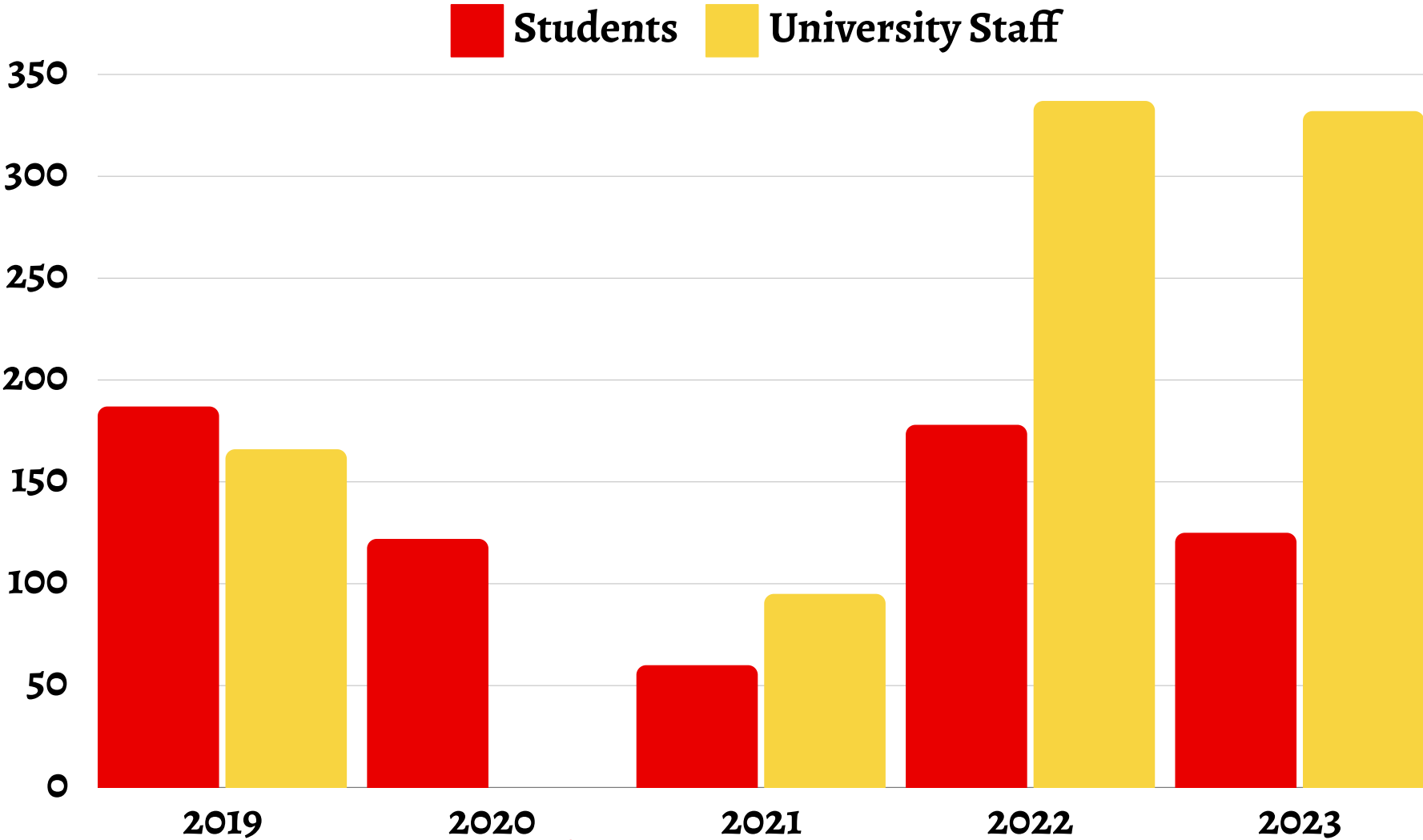
# Mobility@UNSA (incoming)



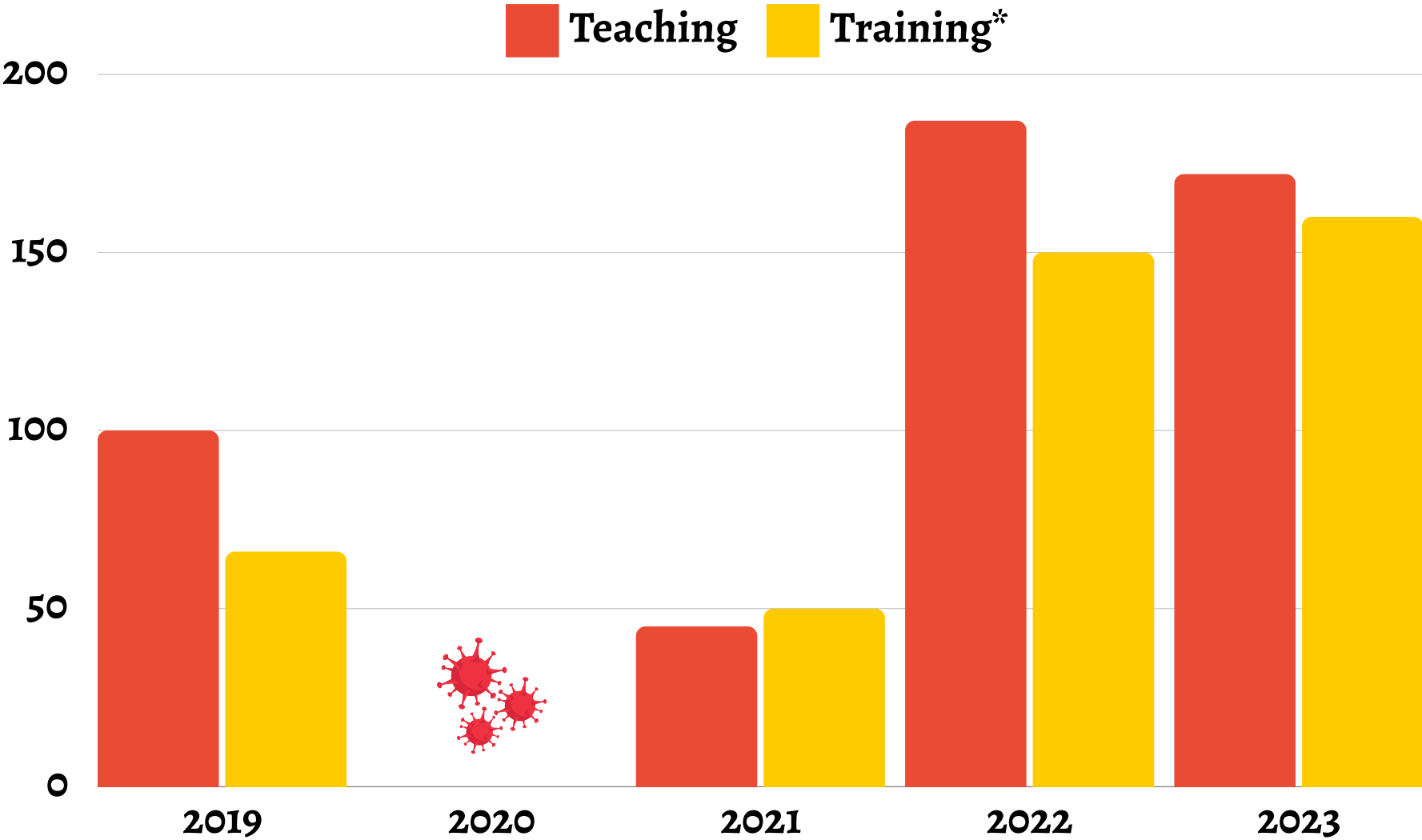
Popular home origin:

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# Mobility@UNSA (incoming)



# Mobility@UNSA (outgoing)



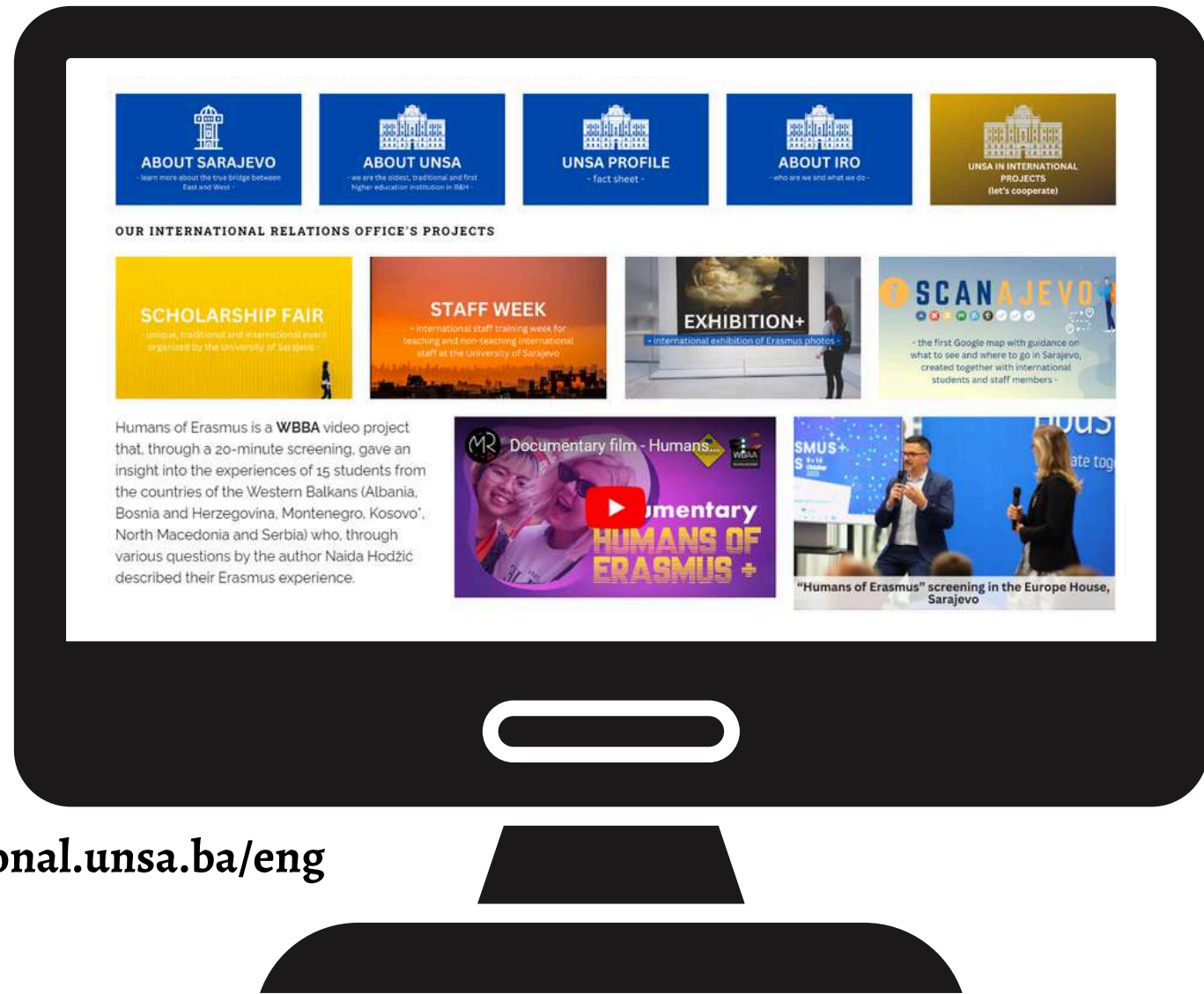
# Mobility@UNSA (incoming)

- Support services for outgoing mobility:
  - preparing **IAs**
  - receiving nominations and forwarding to the departmental coordinators
  - **promotion** (info session, scholarship fair, online session, consultations)
  - offering of English and English-friendly modules
  - **pre-arrival sessions**
  - **Guidelines:**
    - Incoming Student Guide
    - Incoming Staff Guide
  - Welcome Day
  - Monitoring
  - Bosnian Language School
  - Testimonial & Survey
  - Traineeship
  - Scholarship fair
  - International Staff Training Week



IRO projects

# Specialized Website for incoming students and staff



<http://www.international.unsa.ba/eng>

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# Incoming Student and Staff Guide



## Welcome to the University of Sarajevo 2024-2025!

Thank you for choosing our university and the city of Sarajevo as your next Erasmus+ destination. Based on reactions from the previous generations we hosted, we are sure you will have fruitful mobility, exciting adventure and a productive study period at the University of Sarajevo (UNSA).

If this is your first time visiting (and staying) in Sarajevo and Bosnia and Herzegovina, we have prepared some practical and academic information for your comfortable staying and study mobility. Please **read carefully** and use this **student-friendly guidance** to navigate through different administration processes to fulfil needed bureaucratic procedures for your enrolment into the UNSA system. Following these *bits of advices*, you will ensure trouble-free follow of classes, taking exams and at the end, receiving needed final documents, such as transcripts of records.

If you are reading this guidance, this means that the first phase of your nomination (through an existing inter-institutional agreement or as a freemover) and evaluation by our academic coordinators is done – in your favour. Your mobility at the UNSA has been accepted, and now you need to prepare for the second phase, which is pre-mobility documentation and preparation.

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# Welcome Day



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# International Staff Training Week

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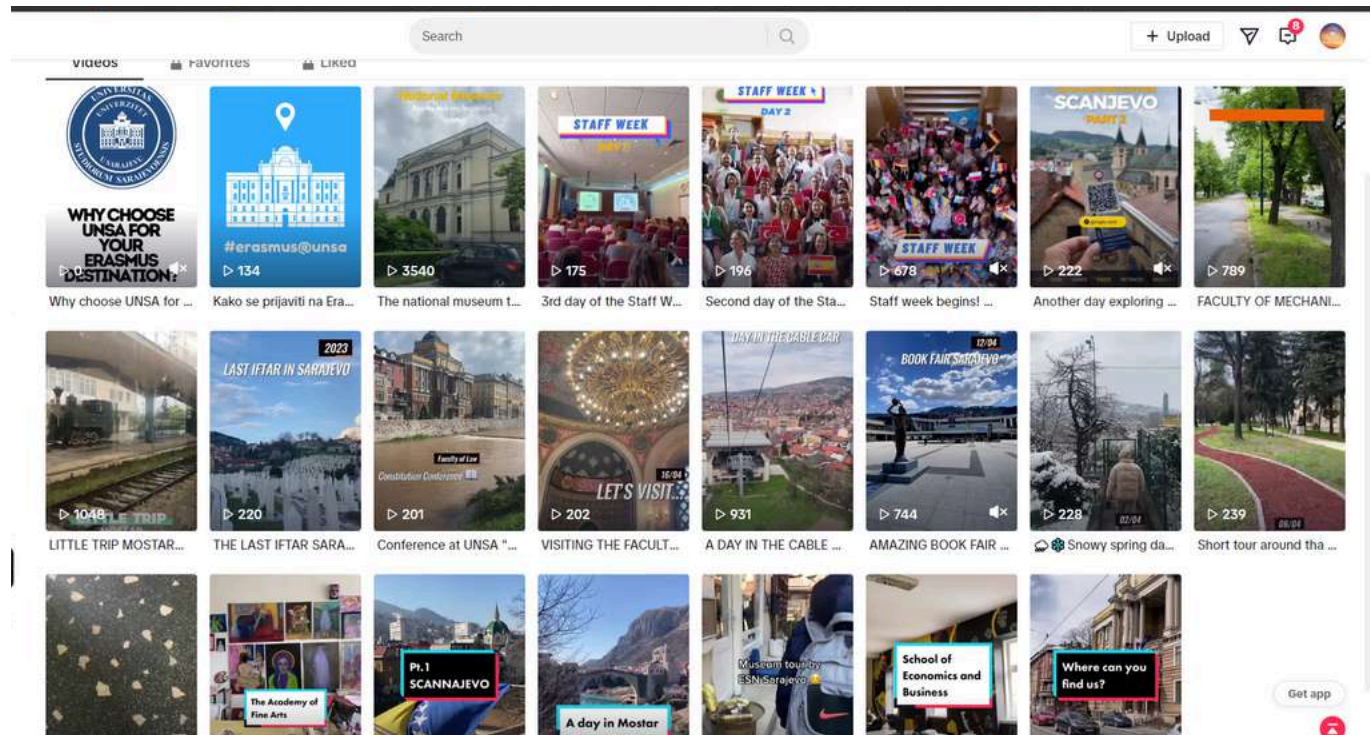
# International Scholarship Fair



# Social media: TikTok and Instagram



TikTok





IRO projects

# Exhibition+






**ATROIS**  
**MARIBOR**  
**POZNAN**  
**WROCLAW**  
**BERLIN**  
**GLIWICE**  
**JUVASKYLA**  
**HEIDELBERG**  
**PORTO**  
**BARCELONA**  
**RIGA**  
**JAEN**  
**MARBURG**  
**ROME**  
**ANCONA**  
**ADANA**  
**BOLOGNA**

*A picture, indeed,  
is worth a thousand words*


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## EXHIBITION+

**PAVIA**  
**LONDON**  
**LISBON**  
**ALMERIA**  
**GLASGOW**  
**WARSAW**  
**KAUNAS**  
**ATROIS**  
**MARIBOR**  
**POZNAN**  
**WROCLAW**  
**BERLIN**  
**GLIWICE**  
**JUVASKYLA**  
**HEIDELBERG**  
**PORTO**  
**BARCELONA**  
**RIGA**

**OPENING NIGHT**  
**16 OCTOBER, 2019**  
**19:00h**

**ACADEMY OF FINE ARTS**  
**Obala Maka Dizdara 3**


Erasmus+



Dejan Zonjić, University of Sarajevo



Photo by Dejan Zonjić, DTP, Anđana Kuhnrić, WS: (International Relations Office University of Sarajevo), 2019 (WBAA project: Exhibition)

# J U S T D O I T !

I have noticed that the youth is insecure about participating in exchange programs. I see around me people are dissatisfied, everyone wants to go somewhere, go through experience and knowledge, to change the world, and yet no one starts off and does nothing about it. As someone ambitious and eager for the challenge, **University of Porto** gave me all that - I dared myself to change my life for the best.





Small informational plaque on the wall to the left of the painting.





Lejla Katana, University of Sarajevo

Photo by Lejla Katana, DTP, Adrian Balirani, SNS (International Relations Office University of Sarajevo), 2019 (WBAA project Exhibition)

# LEAVE YOUR COMFORT ZONE

Staying at the **Artois University** placed on the northern France helped me to be introduced not only with French culture, customs and different lifestyle, but also cultures, languages and customs of many nations, thanks to other international students.





Photo by Adil Peljto, DTP, Adnan Rahimić, MSc (International Relations Office, University of Sarajevo), 2019 (WBAA project: Exhibition)

# D E S T I N Y

I think it was the destiny that gave me this opportunity and I am happy that I have used it. The worst part of my Erasmus+ experience at the **University Delle Marche in Ancona** was that it ended and that you have to face with that it will not repeat again.



Nela Džomba, University of Sarajevo



Photo by Nela Džomba, DTP - Adnan Rahimić, MSc (International Relations Office / University of Sarajevo), 2019 (WBAA project Exhibition)

# B R A V E R Y

Although it seems in the beginning a bit scary to go to new country, to start new life in the new environment, it's the opportunity to live your life just like you always imagined makes you brave. Thanks to my Erasmus+ experience at the **La Sapienza University of Rome**, I have experienced Italian way of life, their food, customs, as well as every-day-exploring of Rome.





Iman Krnjić, University of Sarajevo

Photo by Iman Krnjić, DFP, Alina Robinson, WBA (International Relations Office, University of Sarajevo), 2019 WBAA Project Exhibition\*

# C H A N G E

You do not feel the change while you are there - kilometers away. You feel it upon your return to your safe haven where everything started. This change teaches you walk bravely toward your once given goals, without fear, without hesitation. My mobility at the University of Barcelona was *spanish village*\* in the beginning, and as soon as you get used to it, it is time to return.

\* - unknown, strange





Adnan Rahimić, M



Adnan Rahimić, MSc, University of Sarajevo

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# C A R P E D I E M

**University of Almeria** (Staff week) - you apply, to get nominated, you get the mobility, agree on the dates, prepare promotional materials to bring with you, book a flight, book a accommodation, sit in the crowded plane, bus or a train, change 5 different transports, finally arrive to the destination, memorize the map of the city, find where university is, register, finally meet your colleagues, make new contacts, meet new people, present your university, discuss about potential cooperation, participate in workshops, follow instructions, provide feedback, meet your students, meet international students, go to the city-tour, try host's cuisine, ... in all that active mobility - use your time to relax in country's beauty and geography. *Seize the day!*

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- Bastion
- City Hall
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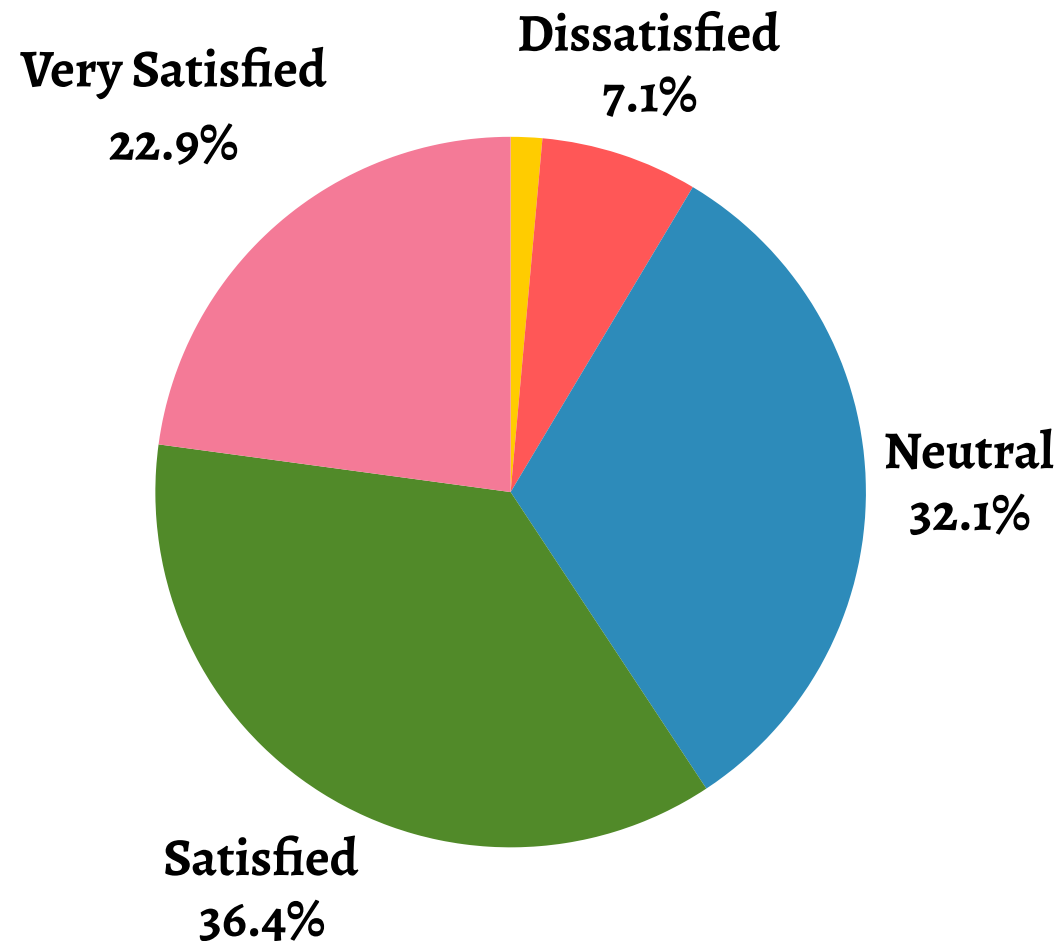


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# Satisfaction Survey

- Online survey
- The level of mobility satisfaction and academic atmosphere at the UNSA, focusing on:
  - classes,
  - lessons,
  - integration into the local academic community,
  - information received,
  - digital support,
  - environment.



**The End**

**That's All Folks**