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students from **5 continents**

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in the World for Blockchain & Digital Currency

Ranked

301+

in Times Higher Education University Impact Rankings

Research

Centres

Largest University in Southern Europe that teaches primarily in **English**

Bachelors Masters Doctoral

Degrees

400 + Student mobility
University partners

Building **Modern Urban** University Campus #106

by QS World **University Rankings** (EECA Region)







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WELCOME BY THE RECTOR

Welcome to the University of Nicosia, a modern and innovative university, guided by its commitment to excellence in education.

Located in Cyprus, a European Union member state, the University is committed to inclusive access to Higher Education, providing an equal-opportunity student-centred system that extends its educational boundaries, from its modern campus hub in Nicosia, to the most remote places of the world.

To this end, the University offers more than 100 conventional face-to-face (on campus) and distance learning online programmes at the Bachelor, Master and Doctorate level, hosting more than 12,000 students from all over the world.

Our state-of-the-art premises, and our innovative e-learning platform that provides access to extensive online learning resources, help foster a multicultural learning environment that promotes cooperation, friendship and understanding.

As an entrepreneurial digital university, we respond to, and shape the needs of, the knowledge-based society we live in. Both our core educational services and our administrative support operations employ advanced Information Communication Technology. We thus provide a fully digital educational environment that promotes teaching and learning innovation, inspired by technology and driven by pedagogy.

Teaching and learning is, therefore, the focus of our work, and our students are always at the centre of our attention. In line with this, we facilitate a student-centred learning environment that promotes active self-learning and imparts lifelong learning skills and competences to our students. Our high quality and dynamic international teaching and research staff brings innovative knowledge into our learning spaces, emanating from significant European and locallyfunded research projects, as well as through extensive collaborations with local and international industries.

We are committed to conducting high quality basic, applied, and interdisciplinary research that will benefit society on a national and global scale. Our teaching and research staff excel in many subject areas and are acknowledged for their contribution to the creation and advancement of knowledge and technology transfer.

Our focus on implementing the "Knowledge Triangle" through the active engagement of our University with research centres, industry, and society, ensures that all our programmes are designed, developed and enhanced in close collaboration with industry stakeholders and relevant

professional associations. This results in programmes that meet industry needs and are accredited by all relevant professional bodies. Our alumni statistics are indicative of the high employability of our graduates, both in Cyprus and abroad

Our strong commitment to internationalisation and quality guide us in offering cross-border education, through joint/double programmes with other prestigious universities in Europe, ranked among the best in the Times Higher Education World University Rankings.

Since 2016, the U-Multirank university ranking system consistently places us high in various clusters. U-Multirank covers key clusters such as: International Orientation; Regional Engagement; Research; and Teaching/Learning. Similarly, our University received the highest rating (5 QS Stars) by the QS Intelligence Unit in the fields of: Teaching; Facilities; Inclusiveness; Social Responsibility; Internationalisation; while also becoming the first university in the EU to be recognised with a 5-Star rating for Online/Distance Learning.

We are the first university in Cyprus to be ranked by QS World University Ranking in 2019. This ranking milestone was followed up in the expanded 2020 Emerging Europe and Central Asia (EECA) Rankings, with the University now recognised for two years running, at number 106 and 91, among 1,800 tertiary institutions across 24 countries. These ranking achievements are a strong testament to the quality of our faculty members; to the University's continued focus on research and innovation; and to our growing international reputation.

Our global impact has also been recognised by Times Higher Education (THE), as the University of Nicosia ranked among the top 201-300 universities for Quality Education and in the top 301+ universities overall in the inaugural THE University Impact Rankings in 2019. These rankings are the first to measure global universities' success in delivering the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

We offer you an academically stimulating environment, and we are confident that your studies with us will meet your intellectual queries, fuel your aspirations, and positively shape your future career. We are also certain that your student life at the University of Nicosia, and in Cyprus, will be a once-in-a-lifetime experience. I look forward to welcoming you into the University of Nicosia community.

Professor Philippos Pouyioutas

≀ector

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THE UNIC ADVANTAGE

The University of Nicosia (UNIC) is the largest university in Cyprus, and the largest university in Southern Europe that teaches primarily in English, welcoming 12,000+ students from over 70 countries across the globe.

UNIC has been investing in developing programmes, including with partner universities, focusing on global careers, building research capabilities in areas relating to the 4th industrial revolution, and improving the student experience both on-campus and online. These efforts have been recognised in our most recent ranking achievements.

Consistently Ranked Among Leading Universities In EECA Region

QS World University Rankings has recognised UNIC for two years running in the Emerging Europe and Central Asia (EECA) Region, with the University ranking at numbers 106 and 91 among 1,800 tertiary institutions across 24 countries.



Academics Programmes designed for global careers

COMPREHENSIVE UNIVERSITY

UNIC is a comprehensive university with over 100 conventional on-campus and online/distance learning programmes of study, with particular strengths in medicine, health sciences, blockchain, law, accounting, architecture, international relations, education, computer science, and engineering.

1st AND LARGEST MEDICAL SCHOOL

UNIC founded the first and largest Medical School in Cyprus by offering the St George's, University of London Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS) graduate-entry programme. Building on this experience, the School has since added an undergraduate-entry medical programme and a number of postgraduate degrees, and also established global partnerships with renowned clinical hospitals in Chicago, Baltimore, Tel Aviv and Barnsley.

EUROPEAN LEADERS IN ONLINE/ DISTANCE EDUCATION

Our University has been a pioneer in online/distance learning education in Europe, supporting both its own degree programmes, as well as those of its joint degree partners. UNIC is the first university in the European Union to be awarded a 5-Star QS rating for Online/Distance Learning by the QS Intelligence Unit.

#1 IN BLOCKCHAIN EDUCATION WORLDWIDE

UNIC offers the top blockchain/cryptocurrency academic programme in the world. It was the first university globally to offer a course and degree programme in the field and is regularly recognised as a global leader.

JOINT DEGREE PARTNERSHIPS

We offer joint or double degrees with partner universities with complementary expertise, including Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Panteion University, University of Peloponnese, University of Patras, Hellenic Open University, University of Padova, University of Zagreb, Western Sydney University, and University of Oviedo.

ENHANCED LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

Our University provides a student-focused learning environment with small class sizes (average 13:1 student/faculty ratio), a wide range of laboratories for hands-on student experience, and innovative teaching methods (including problem-based learning).



HORIZON2020 PROJECTS

UNIC is currently a coordinator or partner in multiple Horizon2020 research consortiums, the EU's flagship research projects. These entail tackling contemporary societal challenges and enhancing Europe's global competitiveness, in collaboration with partners that include some of the leading research universities in the world (University of Cambridge, University of Barcelona, Telecom Paris Tech, University of Münster, and Hebrew University of Jerusalem).

DIGITAL CURRENCIES AND BLOCKCHAIN

UNIC is widely regarded as having the most developed university Blockchain and Cryptocurrency Initiative in the world. In addition to teaching, it has made significant progress in research and development in key areas such as digital credentialing, decentralized social networking, blockchain transaction analytics and other key areas of certificate issuance.

M-COMPETITIONS

The M5 (Makridakis 5) is the latest edition of the premier academic forecasting competition in the world, featuring hundreds of teams from across the globe. The revolutionary M-Competitions have substantially contributed to improving forecasting accuracy and informing practitioners on the most appropriate forecasting method to use for their specific needs.

NEUROLOGY AND GENETICS

UNIC works closely with the Cyprus Institute of Neurology & Genetics (CING) in the field of biomedical sciences. The partnership has a strong focus on research, as well as activities relating to academic programmes (teaching, international student recruitment, and common student and faculty services), particularly as relates to CING's Cyprus School of Molecular Medicine.

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

UNIC's AI Lab aims at developing cutting-edge technology as well as state-of-the art research in the fields of Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, and Data Science.



20 MODERN UNIVERSITY BUILDINGS

UNIC's modern campus is made up of 20 purpose-built and customised buildings situated amid the urban landscape in the upscale neighbourhood of Engomi in Nicosia. Over the last few years, UNIC has invested over €100 million in our campus infrastructure.

UNIC RESIDENCES

The newly built UNIC Residences consist of three separate complexes - SIX, U and TRIANGLE - and are some of the most stunning and architecturally distinct student residences in the world. They will house a total of 864 students, with first-year incoming students at the University guaranteed accommodation.

70+ RESTAURANTS AND SHOPS WITHIN WALKING DISTANCE

The UNIC City neighbourhood is oriented towards student life, allowing for a unique social experience, characterised by community interaction, diversity, learning and fun. With a variety of on and off-campus facilities and a wide choice of restaurants, cafés, shops, nightlife, and other entertainment, you can enjoy a fantastic social life.

NICOSIA: A UNIVERSITY CITY

Nicosia was ranked by the Financial Times as the top small city in Europe for human capital and lifestyle, ahead of Cambridge, Oxford and Geneva. It offers a terrific student life and a multicultural community that boasts tens of thousands of students from over 70 countries.

CYPRUS: THE SAFEST COUNTRY IN THE WORLD FOR STUDENTS

Cyprus was ranked as the safest country in the world for young people (World Health Organisation - WHO, 2017). It hosts 30,000 university students and has an affordable cost of living. It is one of the sunniest countries in Europe, with over 300 days of sunshine annually, and is one of the top tourist destinations in the Mediterranean, within easy reach of Europe, Asia and Africa.



21. Barcelona

22. Florence

23. London24. Paris

26. Shanghai27. Beijing

25. Buenos Aires

28. Washington DC



The University of Nicosia has its own teams in numerous cities worldwide, and has over 400 other University partners for student study abroad and exchange or research partnerships.

University of Nicosia
The University

UNIVERSITY SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

Social responsibility is fundamental to the University of Nicosia and is demonstrated by our substantial and varied contribution to society. At the core of our University Social Responsibility (USR) campaigns and initiatives is our concern and pursuit to bring about positive change in six key areas:

- 1. Access to education
- 2. Social and environmental sustainability
- 3. Economic development
- 4. Investing in people and the community
- 5. Advancement in research and technology
- 6. Contributing to informed public debate

The UNIC community shares our institutional values and the vision for a sustainable future, actively supporting the University's endeavours to promote it.

Some highlights of giving back to our community this year are our ongoing refugee/humanitarian initiatives; the activities of our MENTOR Youth Guidance Programme, which has emerged; and our efforts in protecting the Cyprus eagle.

Refugee/Humanitarian Initiatives

The ongoing European migrant crisis has multiple dimensions. It is, first and foremost, a humanitarian crisis for the refugees and migrants involved, but it has also revealed areas for improvement in European infrastructure and services. Our initiatives in this area focus on both

dimensions, supporting individual, while also working with public bodies to improve support services.

- UNIC collaborates with the United Nations High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR), to award a series of scholarships to refugees and immigrants.
 Mr Damtew Dessalegne, former Representative of the UNHCR in Cyprus, characterised this as being "of immense value for the particular individuals, who would not otherwise have the opportunity to pursue higher education."
- UNIC is also the coordinating institution of the Migrant Information Centres (MIC) in Cyprus, which provide supportive services and information to migrants, irrespective of their immigration status or country of origin, ethnicity, religion, gender, sexual orientation, age or disability; to facilitate their active integration into local society.
- Under the scope of Erasmus+, UNIC participates in the
 "Digital Tools for Inclusion of Refugees, Asylum Seekers
 and Migrants" project, which focuses on the current
 refugee crisis in Europe, and provides digital tools for
 education and training in line with the Europe 2020
 Strategy. Through this, refugees, asylum seekers and
 migrants actively improve their basic skills and key
 competences for better inclusion into EU society on the
 basis of transnational cooperation.



MENTOR Youth Guidance Programme at UNIC

MENTOR is a structured, award-winning community engagement initiative, serving both the University's social outreach pillar and broader societal needs. MENTOR brings together children from underprivileged families with university students, who act as mentors, providing personal care to the children and serving as role models. In this way, it serves both short and long-term social benefits, linked to the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

The mentoring relationships fostered along the way protect and prevent the children (tomorrow's citizens) from delinquent behaviour, therefore enhancing their opportunities for personal and professional success. At the same time, Mentors experience some of the country's most important social problems. With that, they understand and cultivate the social responsibility that, as tomorrow's leaders, they will be called upon to incorporate into their professional positions.

The programme at UNIC, now under the auspices of the Cyprus Commissioner for Children's Rights, has been approved by the The Cyprus Antidrug Council as a preventive programme for children from vulnerable groups. Moreover, MENTOR is the first mentoring programme from Cyprus to become a member of the European Centre for Evidence Based Mentoring, while it collaborates closely with Perach International and a number of related agencies and organisations locally (e.g. Cyprus Ministry of Education, Culture, Sport and Youth, Social Welfare Services of the Ministry of Labour and Social Insurance, Parent's Association for Primary Schools, Secondary School Parent's Association).



The University of Nicosia provides the necessary resources, including human resources, financial support and necessary infrastructure for the effective implementation of the programme. In recognition of the programme's contribution to the community, MENTOR received a "Community Engagement" award at the inaugural Cyprus Education Leaders Awards in 2019. In the same year, during the 12th Corporate Social Responsibility Conference, the University received a Sustainability Good Practices Award for the design and successful implementation of the MENTOR programme.

MENTOR's biggest achievement yet is being awarded as the "Community Engagement Initiative of the Year" (First Place) at the 2020 Asia-Pacific Triple E Awards. Initiated by the Accreditation Council for Entrepreneurial and Engaged Universities (ACEEU), these Awards recognize leaders in entrepreneurship and engagement in Higher Education across the region. MENTOR excelled in a field with over 300 entries, and 60 finalists from 20 countries, which showcased some of the most innovative and inspiring initiatives and individuals who have left an indelible mark on the lives of students, colleagues, children and citizens at large.



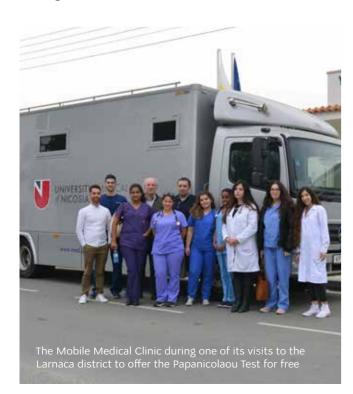
Mobile Medical Clinic with Pancyprian Action

The Medical School of the University of Nicosia is particularly active in society. Through its social responsibility programme, the Mobile Clinic travels all over Cyprus offering free diagnostic examinations to people in need, including residents of remote areas, senior citizens, refugees, foreign domestic workers, asylum seekers, but also to the wider public, during various philanthropic events.

As an example, the Mobile Medical Clinic has been implementing a campaign against cervical cancer since 2018, working alongside the Pancyprian Association of Business Women with the support of the Ministry of Health. The School's Gynecologists have been offering the Papanicolaou Test to women in remote areas without charge, with 380 women having benefitted from this service thus far.

Moreover, through the Mobile Clinic, the Medical School is taking part in rECORD, an epidemiological study of the 'Prevalence of rheumatic and musculoskeletal diseases in Cyprus and their impact on daily functionality and quality of life'. Other partners in this include the Cyprus Rheumatology Society and the Rheumatology Patients Association

Furthermore, the Mobile Clinic is active in raising awareness on specific health issues, offering presentations to groups of students and senior citizens, for both governmental and non-governmental organisations engaged in promoting key health issues such as the importance of vaccinations and breast feeding.



UNIC CEO Joins CSR Europe's New Deal

UNIC CEO, Antonis Polemitis, was among the first to join now over 370 other CEOs from a wide variety of companies and industry sectors throughout Europe in their appeal for a New Deal for Europe – focused on accelerating sustainable growth, tackling climate change, and creating inclusive prosperity. Brought together by CSR Europe, the leading European business network for Corporate Sustainability and Responsibility, the CEOs are raising their voices to enhance dialogue and strengthen interaction with Politics, Civil Society, as well as with their Business and Industry peers.

More specifically, they are raising their voice for a Europe in which:

- The rule of law, and cooperation between enterprises, civil society and governments are recognised as the greatest assets in responding to public concerns for Europe's future
- Business uses the UN Sustainable Development Goals as a driver for sustainable innovation and transformation that create value for society

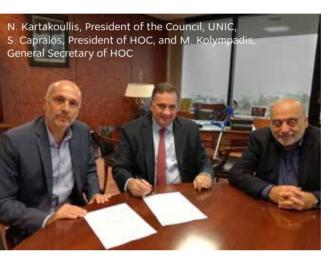


The New Deal for Europe aims to engage companies into more impact-oriented action, with the development of a European Sustainability Industry Alliance. It calls on companies and industry sectors, civil society and policy, to engage in trust-building dialogues, and to create collaborative platforms and finance models to implement a sustainable circular and digital economy that fosters lifelong employability and social cohesion. The overall purpose is to co-build with European leaders and stakeholders an overarching and effective strategy for a Sustainable Europe 2030.



Academic Cooperation with Hellenic Olympic Committee

The University of Nicosia and the Hellenic Olympic Committee (HOC) have joined their forces to provide educational support and to contribute to the development of top caliber Greek athletes and members of the Olympic team. Over the next 3 years, the University of Nicosia will be the academic partner of the Hellenic Olympic Committee. The academic cooperation includes, among other activities, offering a series of UNIC scholarships to high performance Greek athletes.



UNIC | FIFPro Education Initiative

UNIC and FIFPro, the worldwide representative organisation for professional footballers, have launched a global initiative that will allow 1,000 professional footballers from around the world to study Business Administration, online. The objective is to better prepare players for a long and fruitful career after their playing career, studying at their own pace wherever they are.

The initiative is intended to motivate and reward professional footballers who are members of one of FIFPro's 60 player unions, providing for full scholarships to exceptional active professional players, as well as hundreds of other partial scholarships, totalling up to €2 million per year.



Partners in Protecting the Cyprus Eagle

As the University's mascot, the Bonelli's Eagle occupies a special place for us. It is one of the rarest birds of Cyprus avifauna, and the only indigenous species of eagle found on the island. It thus requires monitoring and protection, as it was in danger of disappearing not long ago.

UNIC is working alongside organisations that play a role in the protection of this unique Cyprus eagle, including BirdLife Cyprus, to ensure that the Bonelli's Eagle will recover and flourish for future generations.



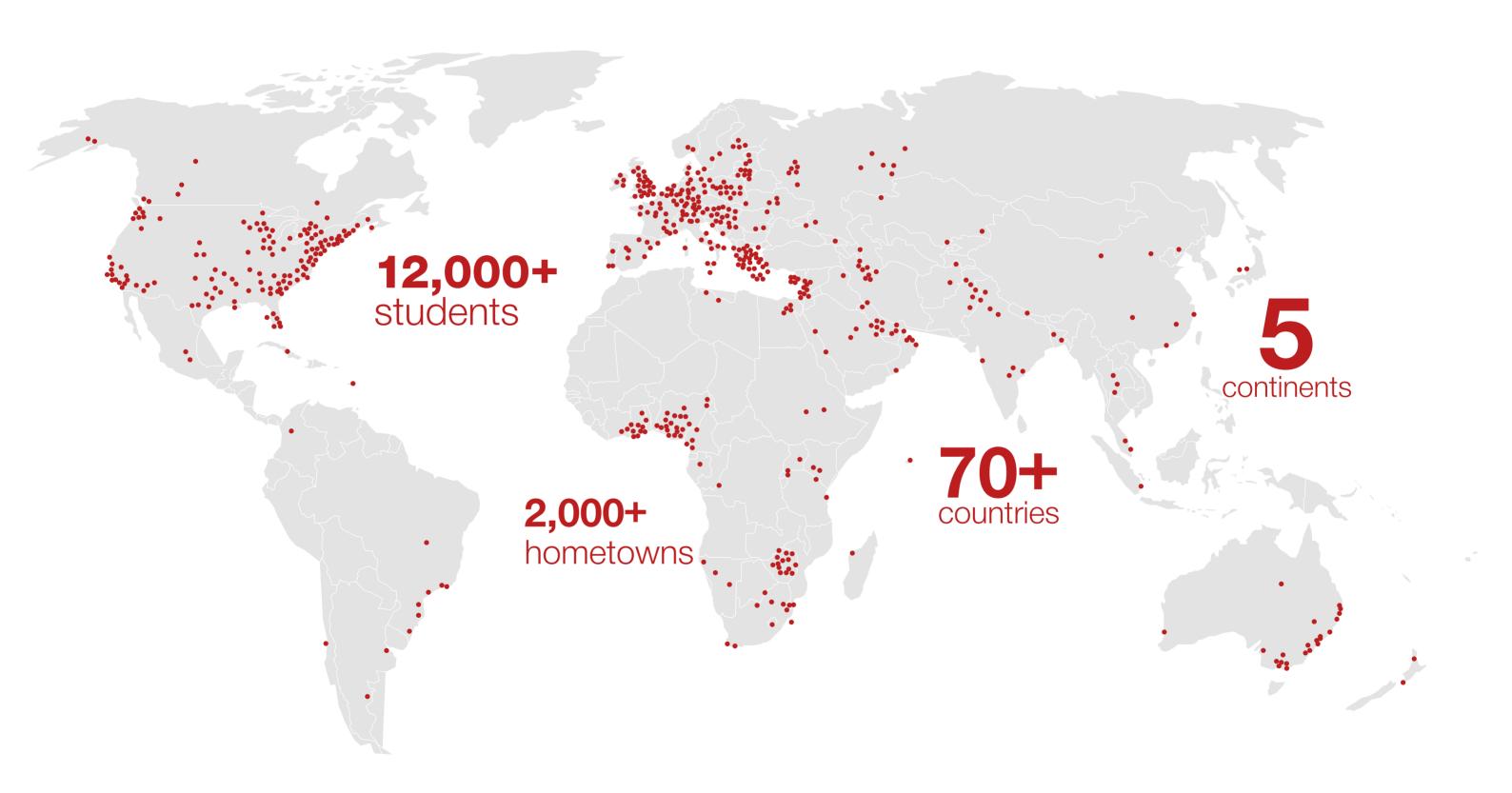
"ONE DREAM. ONE WISH. THINK BIG."

The University of Nicosia stands alongside the Cyprus Association "ONE DREAM. ONE WISH." in bringing to life the wishes of children who suffer from cancer and other related diseases. In line with this, the University has created a series of special greeting cards on behalf of the Association, with all proceeds from sales going towards the realisation of these children's wishes.

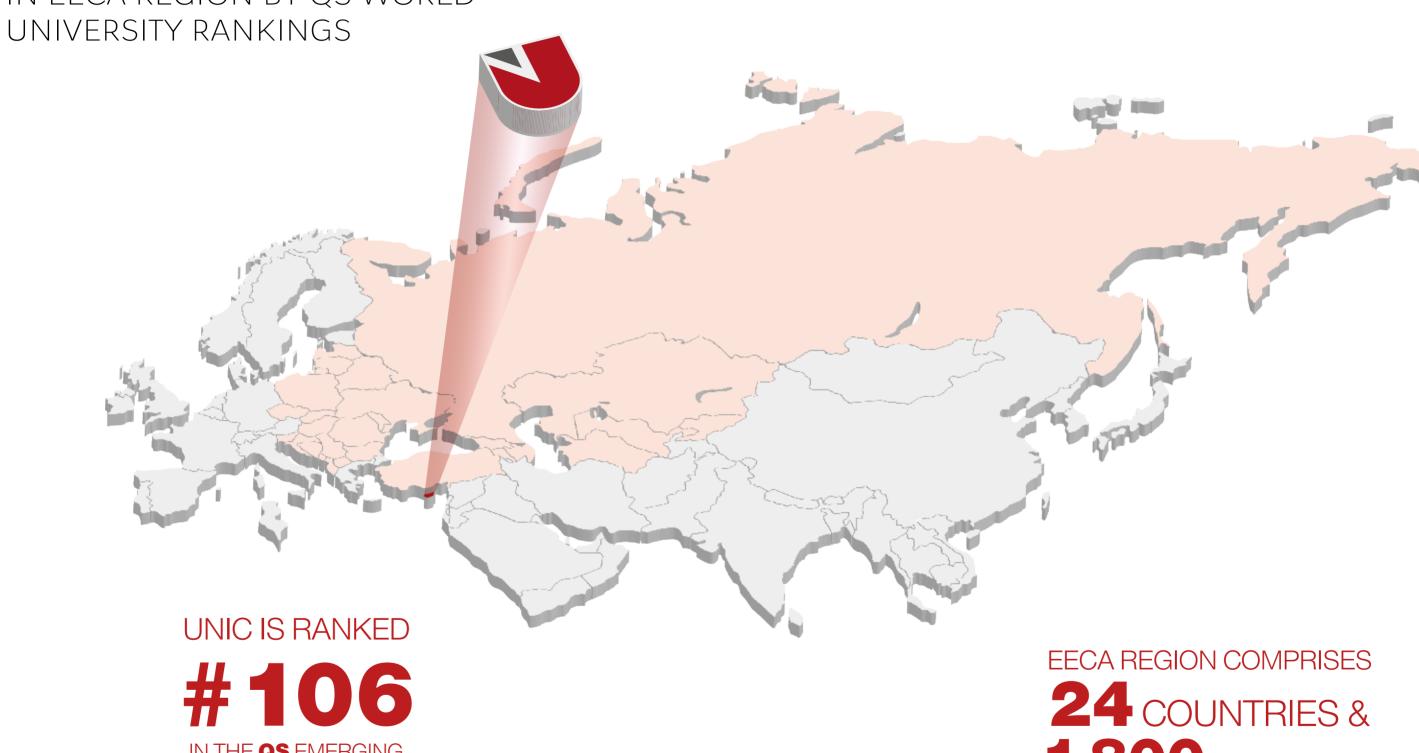
The series consists of five celebratory cards in various designs and colours, the central element being the star, which is a main element of the logo of the Association and which symbolises the wish of each child.



A MULTINATIONAL STUDENT BODY



RANKED AMONG TOP UNIVERSITIES IN EECA REGION BY QS WORLD



IN THE QS EMERGING **EUROPE AND CENTRAL** ASIA (EECA) REGION LIST 1,800 UNIVERSITIES

UNIC CONSISTENTLY RANKED AMONG LEADING UNIVERSITIES IN EECA REGION

QS World University Rankings has recognised UNIC for two years running in the Emerging Europe and Central Asia (EECA) Region, with the University ranking at numbers 106 and 91 among 1,800 tertiary institutions across 24 countries. The results are noteworthy in a region characterised by dynamic growth in higher education, particularly when contrasted against the large number of other universities counted in the broader EECA region.

Landmark Ranking Success Reinforced

The 2020 "QS World University Rankings: EECA" once again rank the University of Nicosia as one of the leading universities in the region, which includes Russia, Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland, Croatia, Romania, Estonia, Lithuania, Turkey, and Ukraine. More specifically, UNIC was ranked for a second consecutive year by the global rankings agency, placing 106 out of the 568 universities that had applied and were assessed (and, ultimately, 354 ranked) this year.

Last year's landmark ranking success, which saw UNIC become the first university in Cyprus to be ranked by QS World University Rankings, was followed up with excellent results in indicators relevant to the University's internationalisation and research efforts. Indeed, UNIC maintained its relative standing in this year's expanded EECA Rankings list, which saw the addition of 53 new entrants.

The QS EECA Rankings are based on 10 indicators and rely heavily on Academic and Employer Reputation, arrived at through an annual survey conducted by QS, designed to evaluate the perceptions of academics and employers around the world. This year, over 94,000 responses were recorded for the Academic Reputation Survey and over 45,000 responses for the Employer Reputation Survey. UNIC's top scoring indicators especially reflect its dynamic internationalisation efforts over the past few years, scoring particularly high in the International Faculty and International Student categories.

"Placing number 106 in this year's expanded EECA Rankings is a strong testament to the quality of our University; to our continued focus on research and innovation; and to our growing international reputation".

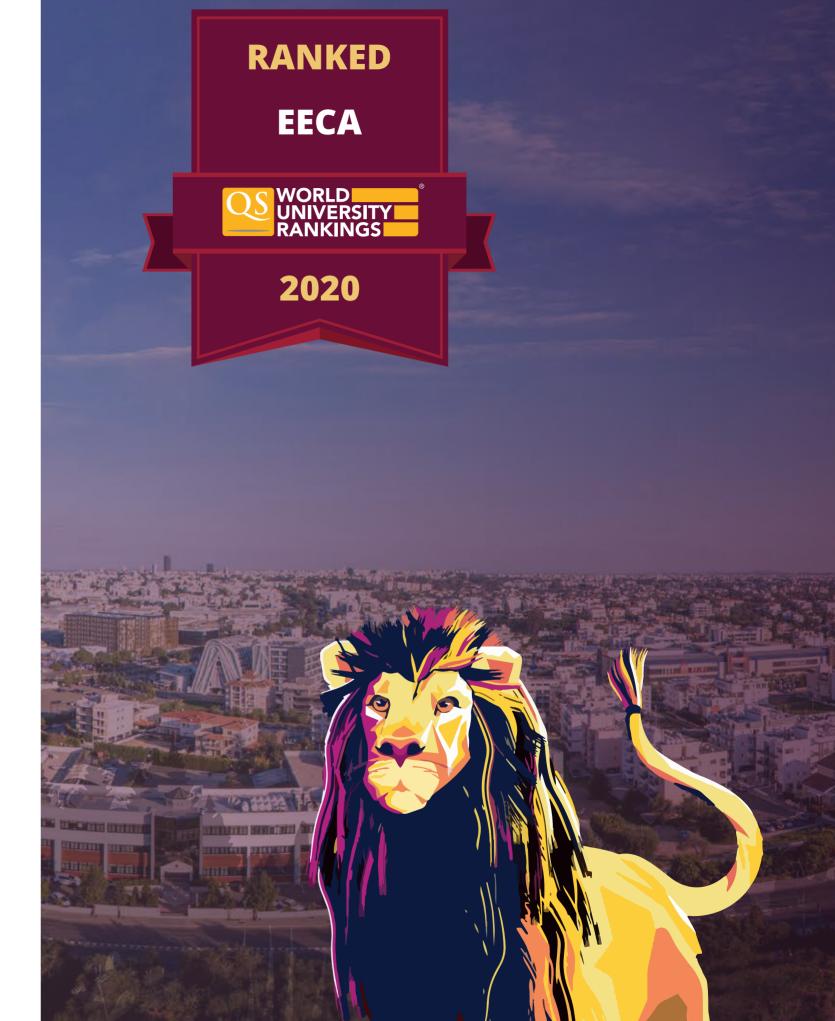
Professor Philippos Pouyioutas Rector

"The QS ranking results reinforce the University's global outlook and are a testament to the University's research and internationalisation achievements".

Professor Dimitris Drikakis Vice President of Global Partnerships

"We are especially proud of our continuing placement among the leading universities in the region, particularly after having been assessed alongside an expanded base of more than 560 eligible applicants".

Professor Constantinos N. Phellas Vice Rector for Faculty and Research



UNIC RECOGNISED BY TIMES HIGHER EDUCATION FOR ITS GLOBAL IMPACT

The inaugural Times Higher Education (THE) University Impact Rankings recognised universities across the world for their social and economic impact, with UNIC ranking among the top 201-300 universities for Quality Education and in the top 301+ universities overall.

UNIC Ranked 301+ for its Global Impact

The first ever THE University Impact Rankings rank the University of Nicosia among the top 301+ universities globally in terms of their social and economic impact. Hundreds of universities across 76 countries, including strong representation by the US, the UK, Japan and the Russian Federation, took part in the new THE ranking, which is the first to measure global universities' success in delivering the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

The UN Sustainable Development Goals and targets stimulate action over the next fifteen years in areas of critical importance for humanity and the planet. UNIC is committed to making a contribution to these, and the excellent result of the THE University Impact Rankings is a reflection of our impact worldwide.

This inaugural edition of the Impact Rankings included metrics based on 11 of the 17 Sustainable Development Goals, with UNIC ranking across all defined categories in the major areas of: Good Health and Well-being; Quality Education; Gender Equality; Decent Work and Economic Growth; Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure; Reduced Inequalities; Sustainable Cities and Communities; Responsible Consumption and Production; Climate Action; Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions; and Revitalising Global Partnerships for the Goals.

The ranking by THE, one of the most important rankings in the world, reaffirms the University's leading international position, in all three pillars underpinning a modern university, namely research, teaching/learning, and contribution to society.

"The results clearly demonstrate our vital role in improving the overall quality of life for Cypriots and non-Cypriots residing in the country, in line with the UN SDGs. At the same time, this latest ranking success signifies that UNIC is recognised by THE as a leading higher education provider with a strong commitment to Social Responsibility".

Professor Nicos Kartakoullis
President of the Council

University of Nicosia

RANKED 301+





QS STARS: UNIC AWARDED 4-STAR RATING

Following a rigorous audit, the University of Nicosia secured a 4-Star (QS Stars) institutional rating, placing it among the top universities in the world.

Moreover, UNIC is the first university in the EU to be awarded a 5-Star rating for Online/Distance Learning and is the 13th university in the world to receive such a distinction.

Along with its groundbreaking achievement in Online/Distance Learning, UNIC also received the highest (5-Star) rating by the QS Intelligence Unit in the fields of: Teaching, Facilities, Inclusiveness, Social Responsibility, and Internationalisation. This reinforces the results of previous prestigious ratings and high-profile assessments, including for related clusters in the U-Multirank university ranking system.

QS Stars is a rating system that allows students to obtain an overall view of an academic institution's qualities, examining everything from teaching, to facilities, to community engagement. The QS Stars audit evaluates institutions against 50 different indicators, and awards them between 1 and 5 stars over eight broader fields, as well as an overall rating.

Commitment to Excellence

The QS Stars rating is the latest testament to the University's commitment to delivering quality distance learning/online programmes, by investing heavily in the requisite people and infrastructure for a worldclass offering. Indeed, only 12 other universities in the world have been recognised in this way by the QS Intelligence Unit. With this latest recognition, UNIC reaches a triple certification milestone in Online/Distance Learning Education, having also been awarded the premier European quality assessment awards in this domain. This includes being labeled as an E-xcellence Associate in Quality (2015), by the European Association of Distance Teaching Universities (EADTU), Europe's leading body in lifelong open and flexible learning. UNIC had also achieved the UNIQUe Certification for Quality in e-Learning and Excellence in use of ICT in Higher Education (2014), awarded by the European Foundation for Quality in e-Learning (EFQUEL).

"This recognition is a reflection of our University's strong commitment to excellence in education, while serving as an endorsement of our global presence. These developments pave the way for continued excellence in the future, in line with our philosophy to continually Think Big. Looking ahead, we remain focused on strengthening our core offerings in a shifting academic, technological and societal landscape, and on preparing our students to effect real change in society".

Professor Constantinos N. Phellas Vice Rector for Faculty & Research

Awarded **FOUR STARS**for Institutional Excellence by QS Stars







RANKINGS, AWARDS AND ACCREDITATION

Accreditation

- UNIC programmes are accredited by the Cyprus Agency of Quality Assurance and Accreditation in Higher Education (DIPAE)
- UNIC has full professional certification in Cyprus for relevant programmes by the Cyprus Scientific and Technical Chamber (ETEK)
- The 4-year graduate entry Medical Degree awarded by St George's, University of London is recognised by the UK General Medical Council as a UK Primary Medical Qualification (PMQ)
- The Postgraduate Diploma in Family Medicine has received educational accreditation from the UK Royal College of General Practitioners (RCGP). The UNIC Medical School has also been accredited by the RCGP to deliver the MRCGP International exam in Cyprus leading to International Membership of the RCGP

Recognition

- QS World University Rankings recognised UNIC for two years running in the Emerging Europe and Central Asia (EECA) Region, ranking it at number 106 and 91
- Ranked among the top 201-300 universities globally by Times Higher Education (THE) University Impact Rankings for Quality Education
- First university in Europe to receive a 5-star rating for online/distance learning by QS Intelligence Unit
- Awarded 4 QS Stars for Institutional Excellence by QS Intelligence Unit
- Member of the Magna Charta Universitatum, jointly created by the European University Association (EUA) and the University of Bologna to safeguard core university values and principles
- High assessment by the U-Multirank University Ranking System in International Orientation; Regional Engagement; Research; Teaching/Learning
- First university in Cyprus and Greece to achieve the European Foundation for Quality Management (EFQM) "Recognised for Excellence - 5 Star" distinction (in 2014 and again in 2016)
- European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS) Label
- Diploma Supplement (DS) Label
- "UNIQUe Certification for Quality in e-learning and Excellence in use of ICT in Higher Education", awarded by the European Foundation for Quality in e-Learning (EFQUEL)
- "E-xcellence Associate in Quality", awarded by the European Association of Distance Teaching Universities (EADTU) for continuous improvement in e-learning performance









































ACADEMICS AT UNIC

UNIC is a comprehensive university with over 100 conventional on-campus and online programmes of study, with particular strengths in medicine, the health sciences, education sciences, blockchain, computer science, law, accounting, architecture, and international relations. In this respect, many of our degree programmes and departments were the first of their kind in Cyprus and the wider region.

Internationalisation is a central component of our strategy. In line with this philosophy, UNIC founded and operates the first and largest medical school in Cyprus, in partnership with St George's, University of London, the only university in the UK dedicated to medicine, healthcare and science. We also offer a series of innovative joint degrees with other leading universities in Europe.

Moreover, UNIC has been a pioneer in online education in Europe, supporting both its own degree programmes, as well as those of its joint degree partners throughout the region. In this regard, UNIC was awarded a 5-Star QS rating for Online/Distance Learning, becoming the first university in the European Union to be recognised in this way by the QS Intelligence Unit.

UNIC also stands out for a number of global university firsts in its dynamic initiative in cryptocurrency and blockchain technology. More specifically, it was the first university in the world to: (a) offer a course and Master degree programme in the field; (b) deliver graduates from a programme of this type; (c) publish academic certificates and diplomas on the blockchain.



University of Nicosia Academics at UNIC

TOP CALIBRE FACULTY



Professor Dimitris Drikakis

Vice President Global Partnerships | Executive Director, Research & Innovation Professor - Science & Engineering and Medical Schools (cross-appointment)

Professor Dimitris Drikakis

Dimitris Drikakis is the Vice President for Global Partnerships at the University of Nicosia and a Professor in the School of Sciences and Engineering as well as the School of Medicine. Prior to that, he held academic and executive management posts as Professor, Head of Department, and Executive Dean at various UK universities for 25 years. He has received (twice) the William Penney Fellowship Award by the UK's Atomic Establishment (AWE Plc) for his contributions to compressible flows and the Innovator of the Year Award (2014) by the UK's Innovation Institute for his nanomaterial invention for carbon capture. To date, he has co-authored two books and published 417 papers in journals and conference proceedings in the fields of engineering science (aerospace, mechanical and biomedical) and computing; and graduated 45 PhD students. He is a Fellow of the Royal Aeronautical Society, Senior Life Member of the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA), and a Life Member of the American Physics Society. He has served on the Fluid Dynamics Technical Committee of AIAA; has been a member of the Board of Directors of the European Aeronautics Science Network (EASN); Deputy Chair of the European Research Council (Engineering) panel; and Chair of the academic panel of the UK's Oil and Gas Technology Centre.



Professor Tao Papaioannou

Head of the Department of Communications
Associate Professor of Communication

Professor Tao Papaioannou

Tao Papaioannou is Head of the Department of Communications at the University of Nicosia. She previously taught in the Department of Communication at the University of Arizona and worked at the National Geographic Society of America. Her current research interests include digital media and political and civic participation, media literacy and education and social media and youth practice. She is author/co-author of many journal articles and book chapters on these subjects. She has served as a guest editor of two special journal issues - for Media Studies on critical insights in European media literacy research and policy with Sonia Livingstone and for Cyprus Review on media representation and the 2013 Cypriot financial and political crisis with Michael Hadjimichael. Her latest book, Media representations of anti-austerity protests in the EU: Grievances, identities and agency, with Suman Gupta, was published by Routledge in 2018. She has received a number of large grants from the EU/Cyprus Institute for the Promotion of Research and has served on advisory boards and management committees of EU funded research actions and projects including, most recently, the Cypriot expert panel for FRANET and the Horizon Project Europe.



Professor Maria P. Michailidis

Professor in Management (Organisational Behaviour/
Human Resources)

Director, the Makridakis Open Forecasting Center

Professor Maria P. Michailidis

Maria P. Michailidis is a Professor at the Department of Management and MIS of the University of Nicosia, and Director at the Makridakis Open Forecasting Center. She served as Dean of the School of Business between 2012-2017, and Head of the Department of Management and MIS between 2008-2012. She has been educated in the USA, where she obtained her Doctorate from the University of Massachusetts. She specialises in Management, Social and Clinical Psychology, Educational Leadership, and Psychotherapy in the Person-Centered Approach (PCA). Dr. Michailidis is the author of many journal articles and book chapters, as well as the editor of several books. In addition, she possesses considerable industrial and teaching experience through her work in the US and Cyprus. In addition to her research, Professor Michailidis is also a regular speaker at international conferences. Her research interests include topics related to industrial organisational psychology and her work has been supported by European grants, including projects such as Leonardo da Vinci, Socrates/Erasmus Thematic Networks and Grundtvig Multilateral Projects and COST Actions. She is a member of the Board of Directors of the Elpida Foundation for children with cancer and leukemia and of the A.G. Leventis Foundation Scholars Association



Professor Panayiotis Angelides

Vice Rector for Academic Affairs (elect)

Dean of the School of Education

Professor of Education

Professor Panayiotis Angelides

Panayiotis Angelides is Dean of the School of Education and acting Vice Rector for Academic Affairs. He has served as a teacher in primary education. He is a graduate of St. John's University, NY (BSc in Elementary Education and MSc in Education) and of the University of Manchester (MSc in Educational Research and PhD in Education). His research interests focus on finding associations between inclusive education, teacher development and school improvement. His research focuses on the development of cooperative approaches that have a direct impact on teachers' practice. He has published extensively in international journals in the above areas of research and has presented papers at numerous international conferences. He has also participated as a coordinator or as a partner in many research programmes. He has edited and published many books, including the 'Pedagogies of Inclusion' (Diadrasi, 2011) and, more recently, the 'Europeanisation and Intercultural Education' (Diadrasi, 2018).



SUCCESS STORY

Anna Rangelova

Director Client Service, Nielsen Consumer Neuroscience, Nielsen, Geneva, Switzerland

Tourism, Leisure and Events Management, Class of 2008

MBA - Concentration (Management), Class of 2010

From UNIC to Nielsen Cyprus to Nielsen Global

Moving to Cyprus in order to join UNIC was one of the biggest stepping-stones in my life. At the age of 16/17, I spent a tremendous amount of energy trying to figure out "What is next?"! Knowing that my university years would be the building blocks of my future, I came up with a rather strict compilation of prerequisites. The final list looked something like this: unbeatable world-class education, hands-on working experience, ongoing personal growth. My high expectations led me to Cyprus and the University of Nicosia (UNIC).

Little did I know at the time that the next 6 years spent at UNIC would not only meet, but also totally exceed, my anticipations. From a dreamer and planner, I turned into a doer.

UNIC provided me with far more than just education. The University doesn't teach you hard skills and the insideouts of a domain only. More impressive is how much attention they pay to developing the soft skills in order for you to grow as both a professional and a well-rounded individual. The books taught me what I need to know in order to get a job, the programme structure at UNIC taught me agility, confidence, persuasion, teamwork, integrity, empathy, negotiations, public speaking- in other words the skills needed to keep that job, turn it into a career and a splendid lifestyle.

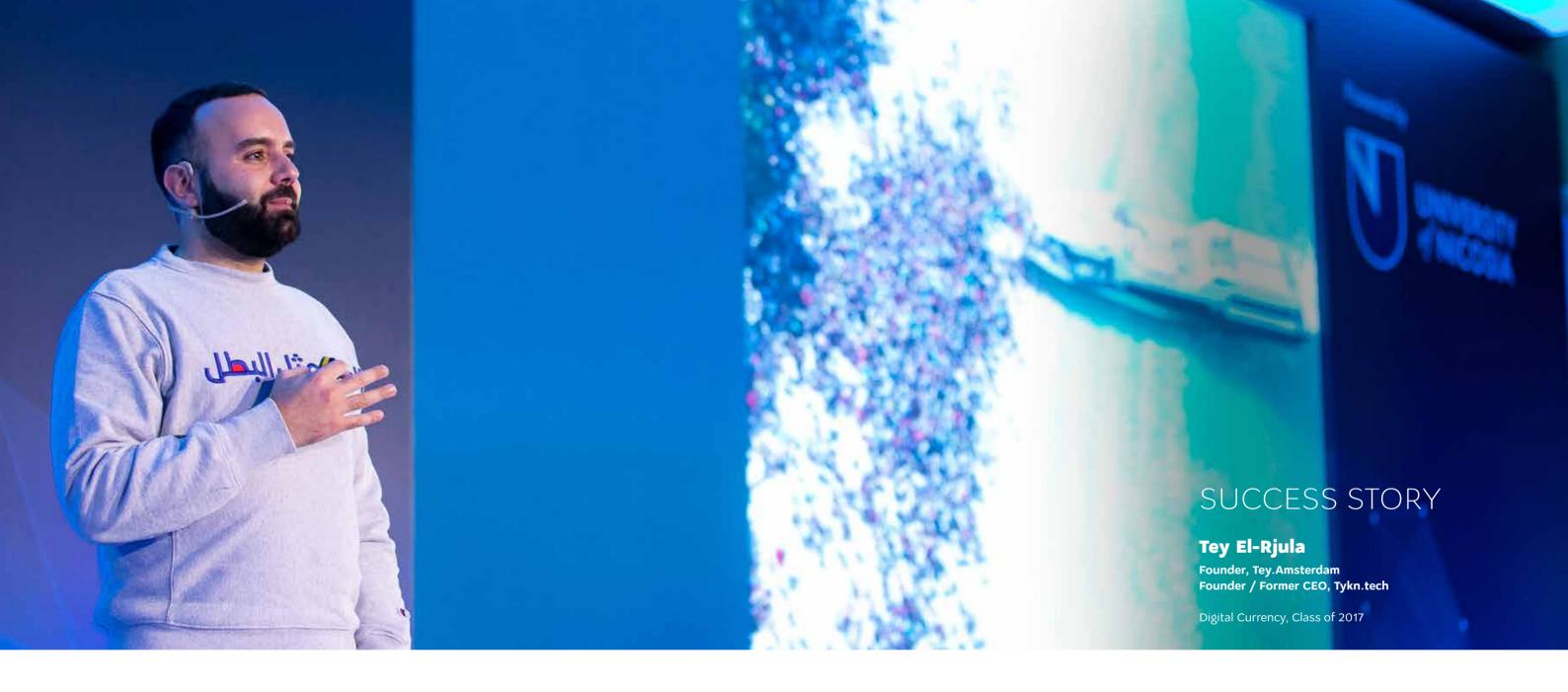
For me, the tremendous emphasis on soft skill development provided by the University, together with the hard skills, made it a unique place – THE place – to study!

At UNIC, you are made to see that the sky is not the limit! There are no limits when your foundations are as deep and strong as they can get, empowering you to be the very best version of yourself.

I studied Hospitality and Tourism, followed by an MBA. I currently work in the field of Consumer Neuroscience at AC Nielsen's Global Markets HQs in Geneva. Nielsen is in the biggest market research company globally. What does my degree and time at UNIC have to do with my current status quo - EVERYTHING!

UNIC's contribution to my career and new style of life do not end with my professional and personal development. The Career Office at UNIC is who assisted me in finding and molding me for my first job at Nielsen almost a decade ago. From a fresh graduate with an entry-level position, today, I lead Global Consumer Research for Multi-billion Dollar Brands while working with C-level executives and representatives of The Fortune 100 Most Powerful Women.

Education is not preparation for life. It is life itself. However, while education is a never-ending process, it is the foundations I acquired at UNIC that made the difference for me. I learned! I think BIG! What about you?



From a refugee camp in Amsterdam to UNIC

On 23 September 2014, I was on a date with destiny. My life changed in 24 hours after my skilled labor contract was not renewed in the Netherlands. As a Syrian National, my life stood still and the only option to stay in the Netherlands was to apply for asylum. I closed down my crypto start-up and upscaled mining operations to ask for refuge at the Asylum centre in North Holland.

Handing over all my documents, all that I was left with was my smartphone, internet connection, and bitcoin wallet. As the days passed by waiting for immigration's decision to determine my future in the country, I stayed loyal to Bitcoin and the community, following up on price movements and the latest developments. Through social

media forums, I heard about the MOOC course at the University of Nicosia.

I decided to make use of my free time and join the MOOC to study Digital Currencies and Blockchain Technology. I didn't realise at the time that it would be the best investment I ever made in the crypto markets.

From my first day and the very first lecture on the "History of Money", I got hooked and realized the value that this unique certificate could bring me personally. It served as proof of goodwill that I could be useful in the Dutch community, and was an incentive for the Dutch Immigration authorities to grant me the right of asylum. This proof is in a form of a tamper-proof and tamper-evident certificate issued by an acknowledged and accredited university in Europe.

I finished the MOOC with top marks, and was granted asylum in the Netherlands. But these were not the reasons I immediately celebrated.

A few weeks after I received my MOOC certificate, the University offered me a full scholarship to pursue their MSc in Digital Currency. An act that has changed my life forever as I became globally distinguished with a set of skills very few can acquire. The knowledge I gained allowed me to expand my horizons and think of solutions to world-class problems impacting the lives of millions of people. Group projects and weekly online meetups gave me the skills needed to sharpen my tools and build one of the rising startups in Europe, tykn.tech, which received multiple awards including the Chivas Global Ventures Award for 2019 (top 5).

Startup life is a roller coaster, as I'm sure you've heard before. The ride was fun and ended in Dec 2019, to signal the start of the Invisible Man. The Invisible Man is a motivational experience for entrepreneurs, athletes, and artists aspiring to be billionaires, not purely in terms of money but through influencing the lives of billions positively. The Invisible Man is a true story of resilience and learning, and of the opportunities that changed me for the better.

Throughout my journey, I have inspired hundreds of people to join the UNIC MOOC and pursue the MSc in Digital Currency. It is a unique chance to make the best investment in cryptocurrencies — Education. Invest in Education and learn about Alternative Applications to Blockchain, Regulation, Cryptography and much more. It is truly a UNIC experience.



From Cyprus to the UK

I am currently an Academic Clinical Fellow in General/ Transplant Surgery at Addenbrooke's Hospital, which is part of Cambridge University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust in the UK, an internationally renowned teaching hospital and research facility. Having successfully completed my Foundation training at St Mary's Hospital (part of Imperial College Healthcare NHS Trust) and at Hillingdon Hospital in North West London, I took up the role of the academic surgical trainee. This highly competitive role is split between clinical work (75%) and academic work (25%) allowing me to engage in pioneering medical research that might have a direct impact on patient care in the future. The transplant unit at Cambridge is one of the busiest units in the UK carrying out more than 300 solid organ transplants per year, including pancreas, liver and multi-visceral organ transplantations. This exceptional clinical exposure is an opportunity not experienced by many surgeons at first hand

The St George's, University of London graduate-entry MBBS programme, delivered by the University of Nicosia

Medical School, equipped me with the background knowledge and skills required of a newly qualified doctor to practise in the UK. The progressive curriculum, novel teaching methods, such as problem-based learning, and the early clinical exposure, made the programme ideal for learning medicine. The passionate faculty, who are well-established health professionals in their perspective fields, provided exceptional teaching across all clinical placements. From early on, I felt that I was part of the team assessing and treating patients in every placement, both in the private and in the public sector hospitals. This

gave me a more accurate representation of the life of a consultant doctor. From my experience so far, this is not offered by any other medical school in the UK, and this makes the University of Nicosia Medical School a unique place in which to study and experience medicine.

I could not have asked for a better start for my medical career, and I am glad and proud that I am an alumnus of the St George's programme offered by the University of Nicosia Medical School.



Milena Domanova

Manager, Global Compliance Europe, Deloitte Global Tax Centre (Europe)

Business Administration, Class of 2008 MBA - Concentration in Finance, Class of 2012



From Cyprus to Deloitte Global

When I look back, I regard my choice to spend my student years in Cyprus and at UNIC, in particular, as an important landmark in both my personal and professional development. The international environment and the opportunity to combine first-class studies and training with practical knowledge was a great approach and an extraordinary experience, which fully prepared me both for the hurdles one faces as an adult and the challenges in the globalised business world we now live in.

The terrific professors, the modern classrooms and facilities, the international student body, the various events that tap into different cultures, and the excellent cafeteria, which was an amazing 'social space'... were all an integral part of my time at UNIC. This was not only an unforgettable memory, but a guiding light to the path I was to follow.

Thanks to the ongoing support from UNIC, I had the unique opportunity to start my professional experience in my third year of studies. Since then, I have been working in the business world, undertaking various positions and travelling around the globe to work on various business

and consultancy projects. Starting out as a statutory auditor and consultant for international entities, my path finally led me to Brussels.

Presently, I manage large multinational organisations as a Manager at the Deloitte Global Tax Centre (Europe), helping them to meet all their financial reporting and tax compliance obligations in EMEA, as well as being their first point of contact and preferred advisor in times of global restructurings, the adoption of international financial reporting standards, and cross border mergers and acquisitions. I also have the opportunity to work closely with, and follow the work of, the various EU

Institutions. Last but not least, I travel across different continents and work with international and global teams on a daily basis.

It is because of UNIC that I was prepared for all the challenges that appear post studies. Leaving university for the work arena is not easy. If you have gained the right knowledge, if you possess the proper tools and attitude, if you are armed with the relevant experience and confidence, and if you make the right choices with the proper support, you have nothing to fear. I went through that and succeeded. You can do it, too. You just have to make the right choice — the UNIC choice!

LEADERS IN MEDICAL EDUCATION

Over the past two decades, the University of Nicosia has led the development of Life and Health Sciences programmes in Cyprus and the wider region. This culminated in the first medical programme in Cyprus, in 2011, by offering the St George's, University of London Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS) graduate-entry programme and, thereafter, to the establishment of the first Medical School in Cyprus.

Pioneering Partnership with St George's, University of London

The collaboration marks the first time that the St. George's MBBS degree is delivered outside of the UK, offering students a unique opportunity for an exciting international experience in medical education.

The MBBS programme caters to a select group of talented students from across the globe, while St George's 280 years of history and excellence in medical education ensures a rich learning experience for MBBS students.

St George's medical students in Cyprus benefit from state-of-the-art facilities and resources, including access to the e-learning resources available to all MBBS students, whether in London or in Nicosia. The innovative and student-centred curriculum allows for the early development of clinical skills and behaviours, and promotes collaborative learning, critical thinking and reflection, skills that are essential for a career in medicine.

Upon completion, graduates receive the same degree as their counterparts in London - one that is recognised and valued worldwide.

Centre of Excellence in Medicine

More than 740 students from 58 countries around the world are enrolled in the Medical School, with the largest student population hailing from the United States, the UK, Canada, Australia, Israel and Lebanon.

Building on experiences with the MBBS, the University of Nicosia Medical School now also offers a 6-Year MD programme designed for high school leavers; an MSc in Family Medicine for practicing primary care physicians; a Master of Public Health; a Master of Science in Health Services Administration; and a PhD in Medical Science.

Both the Medical School and its MD programmes are listed in the World Directory of Medical Schools, and accredited by the Cyprus Ministry of Education and Culture.

In addition to the School's achievements in medical education and research, students also benefit from world-class faculty members, experienced and supportive staff,

international partnerships, and state-of-the-art facilities and learning resources. The student-centred curriculum allows for the early development of clinical skills and reasoning, and promotes collaborative learning, critical thinking and reflection, skills that are essential for a future career in Medicine.

Successful Student Outcomes

Graduates are practising as doctors across the world, including the USA, Canada, the UK, other EU countries, Israel and Lebanon. Moreover, graduates have secured training positions in some of the best hospitals in the world, including Harvard-Massachusetts General Hospital, Thomas Jefferson University Hospitals in Philadelphia, Mount Sinai Hospital in New York City, John Radcliffe Hospital in Oxford, University College London Hospital, the Sheba Medical Center in Tel Aviv, and the American University of Beirut Medical Center.

"Candidates are among a select group of talented students from across the globe who are benefiting from the partnership between St George's and the University of Nicosia, allowing them to pursue a graduate-entry MBBS degree from one of the UK's premier medical schools at the leading independent university in Cyprus. [...] Successful candidates receive the same degree as their counterparts in London - one that is recognised and valued worldwide".

Professor Andreas Charalambous Executive Dean, Medical School



Clinical Placements in 4 Countries

With fully integrated clinical training programmes spanning three continents, the Medical School offers a truly international educational experience. The first two years of study for the MBBS programme and the first four years of study for the MD programme take place in Cyprus, with students gaining initial clinical experience at the country's leading hospitals.

Students are allocated to various teaching hospitals during their last years of study depending on the programme of study and nationality of the student. More generally, we offer clinical placements in the USA, the UK, Cyprus and Israel.

MBBS students training in Cyprus who are interested in experiencing the US healthcare setting are able to spend from 10 to 17 weeks in several hospitals in the United States.

There are licensing exam requirements that vary across clinical sites and countries. The Medical School offers comprehensive academic support for these exams, including personal advice, full practice tests, as well as student study groups.

"The results demonstrate the success of the support system provided by the Medical School which guides and advises all students from Year 1 to their Graduation year and beyond in order to ensure that everyone has a clear idea of their career aspirations and how best to achieve them. It is also a testament to the hard work of our graduates, and their recognition by the international medical community, as well as the quality medical education that they have received at our School"

Sue Chrysostomou Senior Careers Adviser, Medical School



FEATURED MEDICAL SCHOOL FACULTY



Professor Sir David Haslam

Professor of General Practice at the University of Nicosia Medical School

Chairman of the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE) in London, UK

Professor Sir David Haslam

Sir David Haslam is Chair of the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE). He is also past president of the Council of the UK Royal College of General Practitioners, past president of the British Medical Association, and past vice-chairman of the Academy of Medical Royal Colleges. He was a practicing GP for many years and an expert member of the British NHS National Quality Board. Professor Haslam has written 13 books, mainly on health topics for the lay public, which have been translated into 13 languages, and over 1,000 articles for the medical press. In December 2017 he was appointed a member of the Board of the State Health Services Organisation (OKYY) by the Cyprus Council of Ministers. OKYY is charged with overseeing hospital autonomy as the first step toward the implementation of the National Health Scheme in Cyprus.



Sir Sabaratnam Arulkumaran
Professor of Obstetrics and Gynaecology
Past President of the International Federation of
Gynaecology and Obstetrics (FIGO)

Professor Sir Sabaratnam Arulkumaran

Sir Sabaratnam Arulkumaran is Professor Emeritus of Obstetrics and Gynaecology (O&G) at St George's, University of London, and a Visiting Professor at the Institute of Global Health at Imperial College. He has served as President of the British Medical Association (2013-2014) and the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists in the UK (2007-2010). Professor Arulkumaran was awarded the Knight Bachelor by Her Majesty, the Queen of the United Kingdom, in recognition of his Services to Medicine and Health, in June 2009.

Sir Arulkumaran is the author of 270 indexed publications, 32 books and 164 book chapters. He is currently serving as editor-in-chief of the popular postgraduate series 'Best Practice and Research in Clinical Obstetrics & Gynaecology' and of the free web-based educational resource 'Global Library of Women's Medicine'.

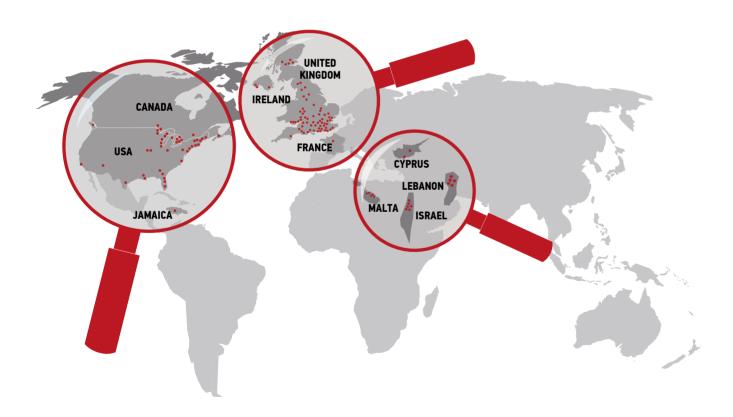
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EXCELLENT PLACEMENT RATE AT TOP GLOBAL MEDICAL CENTRES

University of Nicosia Medical School graduates are practising as doctors at top global hospitals, including John Radcliffe Hospital in Oxford, Addenbrooke's Hospital in Cambridge, St Mary's Hospital, King's College Hospital and the University College Hospital in London, Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston (Harvard University affiliated), Thomas Jefferson University Hospital in Philadelphia, Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota, Mount Sinai in New York, the University of Toronto and Dalhousie University in Canada, Sheba Medical Center and Hadassah University Hospital in Israel, and the American University of Beirut in Lebanon.

356 GRADUATES
OUT OF 358 (2015-2019), OR
99.4%
HAVE BEEN OFFERED
POSITIONS AT OVER

MEDICAL CENTRES
AROUND THE WORLD



RESEARCH CENTRES, INSTITUTES AND RESEARCH GROUPS

Centre for Neuroscience and Integrative Brain Research (CENIBRE)

The Strategic Vision of CENIBRE is to investigate the nervous system in health and disease, and develop novel preventive, diagnostic and therapeutic strategies to improve neurological and mental health.

The Centre of Medical Education (CME)

CEM focuses on various aspects of undergraduate and graduate medical education that include, but are not limited to: teaching, assessment, course evaluation, faculty development, student support, cultural competence, psychological interventions, behaviour change and maintenance of behaviour change in the context of medical education.

The Ultrasound Institute

Committed to providing medical students, clinical faculty and practicing physicians, with the opportunity to develop and apply ultrasonography skills to primary care and to develop research projects in this field.

The Epidemiology Research Group

It aims to advance epidemiological and public health research in Cyprus, to inform local trends and determinants of health and to improve the health of the local population.

The Cancer Prevention and Holistic Management Research Group

The Research Group serves as a multi-disciplinary umbrella for faculty interested in the development and implementation of multi-disciplinary research projects in the field of cancer.



UNIVERSITY PRIMARY CARE CENTRE (UPCC)

The University Primary Care Centre is the first of its kind in Cyprus, operating under the Cyprus General Healthcare System (GHS).

Model Primary Care Centre Serving the Needs of the UNIC Community and beyond

The UPCC serves the primary health care needs of the University of Nicosia community, their families, and the population at large. It is a model primary care centre providing high-quality services based on the UK system of a comprehensive, holistic and evidence-based approach to primary care practice.

In addition to the primary care services offered, the Centre is involved in research work covering the fields of family medicine and public health, while also serving as a training ground for the University of Nicosia medical students.





University of Nicosia

Academics at Unic

PIONEERS IN DISTANCE EDUCATION

We offer 32 innovative distance learning programmes at the Bachelor and Master level, and use the most up-to-date technologies and state-of-the-art learning design theory to deliver our courses.

An integral part of our approach to the learning design of these courses is our commitment to help our students develop higher-order skills of critical analysis,

reflection, and problem-solving. We also support our learners in building knowledge collaboratively and engaging in social learning.

As a testament to the quality of our online programmes, our University has been awarded the highest accolades for e-learning and distance learning education excellence

ONLINE PROGRAMMES

School of BusinessInterdepartmental Programmes

Business Administration (MBA)

Department of Accounting

Banking, Accounting and Finance (MA)*
 Joint Degree with the Hellenic Open University

Department of Hospitality, Tourism and Sports Management

Hospitality Management (BBA)

Department of Management and MIS

- Business Administration (BBA)**
- Digital Currency (MSc)

School of Education Department of Education

- Education Sciences Arts in Education (MEd)*
- Education Sciences Educational Leadership and Administration (MEd)*
- Education Sciences Educational Technology (MEd)*
- Education Sciences Music Education (MEd)*
- Education Sciences Special Education (MEd)*
- Education Sciences Teaching of Language and Literature (MEd)*
- Education Sciences Teaching of Mathematics and Physical Sciences (MEd)*
- Education Sciences Theory, Practice and Evaluation of Teaching (MEd)*
- Special Education (MEd)* Joint Degree with the University of Patras

School of Humanities and Social Sciences Department of Architecture

• Computational Design and Digital Fabrication (MSc) In collaboration with the University of Innsbruck

Department of Languages and Literature

- Teaching Greek to Speakers of Other Languages (MA)
- TESOL Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (MA)

Department of Social Sciences

- Psychology (BSc)
- Criminology (MSc)*
- Educational Psychology (MSc)*
- Social Work (MSc)*

Department of Theology

Theology (MA)*

School of Law Department of Law

- Law (LLM)
- Law and Politics in the EU (MA)
- Law of the Economy and of the Enterprises (LLM)*
 Joint Degree with the Hellenic Open University

Department of Politics and Governance

- International Relations and European Studies (MA)**
- Public Administration (MPA)*

Medical School

- Family Medicine (PG/MSc)
- Health Services Administration (MHSA)
- Public Health (MPH)

School of Sciences and Enginnering

Department of Computer Science

• Computer Science (MSc)**

Department of Life and Health Sciences

• Drug Regulatory Affairs (MSc)



QS Stars Rating

The University of Nicosia is the first university in Europe to receive a 5-star rating for Online/Distance Learning. This distinction was awarded following an assessment by the QS Intelligence Unit, a leading, independent, global university-rating agency.



EADTU E-xcellence Label

Our University was also awarded the "E-xcellence Label", by the European Association of Distance Teaching Universities (EADTU), Europe's leading institutional association in Online, Open and Flexible Higher Education, which is at the heart of the modernisation agenda of European universities.





EFOUEL Certification

Our University has been awarded the "UNIQUE Certification for Quality in e-learning and Excellence in use of ICT in Higher Education", by the European Foundation for Quality in e-Learning (EFQUEL). The award confirms the quality standards, as well as the strategy, infrastructure, expertise and human resources required for the excellent delivery of distance learning/e-learning programmes.

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distance learning
programmes
at the Bachelor and
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Use of the most up-to-date technologies and state-of-the-art

and state-of-the-art learning design theory for delivering the DL Courses

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in the EU to be recognised
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Online/Distance Learning

Joint Degrees with top Greek universities such as the University of Pat

such as the **University of Patras** and the **Hellenic Open University**

* Programme only offered in Greek

** For concentrations please consult our website

JOINT AND PARTNER DEGREES

Our strategy for internationalisation includes partnerships for degree programmes, student mobility, and opportunities for students after they graduate in academia or industry, in order to share knowledge and capabilities across countries.

The first and largest medical programme in Cyprus was formed in partnership with St George's, University of London. Today, the Medical School attracts over 700 students from around the world. In Greece, we offer several joint Masters degrees with the top Greek universities: Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, University of Patras and the Hellenic Open University. These are some of the most popular degree programmes in Greece. We intend to actively continue our partnerships with leading universities around the world, on both the academic and research front.



St George's, University of London is ranked amongst the top 250 universities in the world and top 125 in clinical, pre-clinical and health by the Times Higher Education World University Rankings. It is the only university in the UK dedicated to medicine, healthcare and science. In its 250-year history, St George's has achieved groundbreaking advances in medicine and health.

MBBS Programme

- St George's, University of London

In 2011, the University of Nicosia, in collaboration with St George's, University of London, launched the 4-year graduate-entry MBBS programme, the first Medical programme in Cyprus. Students successfully completing the MBBS (Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery) programme earn a degree awarded by St George's. This innovative British medical degree is quality assured by the UK General Medical Council, and has a well-deserved reputation as a popular and competitive choice for students applying for Medicine.



The Aristotle University of Thessaloniki is ranked amongst the top 500 universities in the world and 97th for BRICS & Emerging Economies by the Times Higher Education World University Rankings. It is the largest university in Greece with over 70,000 students, 40 schools and more than 2,000 faculty.

Joint Programme

- Master in Criminal Law and Addictions

The University of Nicosia and the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki collaborate in offering a specialised Master in Criminal Law and Addictions. The purpose of this joint degree, which is offered on campus at both universities, is to highlight and enable the study and research of the legal framework regarding addictions, as well as the prevention, tackling and treatment of addictions, with particular emphasis on recent developments.



The University of Patras is one of the top higher education institutions in Greece. It ranks as one of the top 600 universities globally and 153rd for BRICS & Emerging Economies by the Times Higher Education World University Rankings. The University is highly regarded in the international scientific community. It engages in pioneering research in areas such as the Environment, Health, Biotechnology, Mechanics, Electronics, Informatics and Basic Science.

Joint Programme

- Master in Special Education

The University of Nicosia and the University of Patras offer a joint online Master in Special Education. The collaboration is based on UNIC's strong expertise in delivering an online Master in Education and the University of Patras' experience and track record in supervising a practicum in the subject area. The purpose of the programme is to equip students with the necessary knowledge in the field of Special Education through: (1) relevant pedagogical courses; and (2) the study of relevant bibliography.



A renowned multi-school public university, the Hellenic Open University is the only higher education institution in Greece to offer distance learning programmes at the undergraduate and postgraduate level. The University is also active in developing technology and methodologies in the context of improving the distance learning experience and engaging in scientific research.

Joint Programmes

- Master in Law of the Economy and of the Enterprises

- Master in Banking, Accounting and Finance

The University of Nicosia and the Hellenic Open University combine their know-how and expertise in online education, with their technical infrastructure, software, platforms and interactive learning material, ensuring the provision of quality, student-centred online education.

The Master programme in Law of the Economy and of the Enterprises is aimed at Law, Business Administration, and Finance degree holders. Graduates will be equipped with the necessary theoretical and practical knowledge to pursue a career in Law and work in various environments, including law firms, public organisations and private companies.

The Master programme in Banking, Accounting and Finance is aimed at Business Administration, Finance, Accounting, and Law degree holders. Graduates will be equipped with the necessary skills and culture to propel them into leadership positions in the financial sector, working in accounting and consultancy firms. Both programmes are offered in Greek.







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The University of Nicosia has partnered with:

- the University of Padova, the fifth oldest operating university in the world, founded in 1222
- the University of Zagreb, the largest university in Croatia, established in 1669
- the University of Western Sydney in Australia, ranked in the top 2% in the world by Times Higher Education

Joint Programme

- PhD in Human Rights, Society and Multilevel Governance

The University of Nicosia has entered into an interuniversity agreement with these four historic universities that includes the awarding of a joint PhD degree in "Human Rights, Society and Multilevel Governance". The Joint Doctorate is coordinated by the University of Padova.

The programme aims to produce researchers with an interdisciplinary profile in the area of human rights studies, covering theoretical dimensions and practical analyses of legal, political, social, philosophical and economic approaches, and methodologies in different geographical areas. It is organised around the fundamental dimensions of contemporary multi-level governance: the global dimension under the current UN legal and institutional framework; the European regional context, its global impact, and other regional systems; as well as the national level with the possibility of a comparative approach or in-depth local level analyses of community actors and dynamics.

DELOITTE, UNIC, CASS BUSINESS SCHOOL AND GLOBALTRAINING JOIN FORCES

In another global first, this time as relates to cooperation between one of the 'Big Four' professional services firms and international universities, the University of Nicosia has joined forces with Deloitte, Cass Business School (Cass) of City University of London and Globaltraining, to offer an innovative study route in Accounting and Finance, which will allow its graduates to markedly distinguish themselves in today's globally competitive professional environment.

International Collaboration in Accounting and Finance will help students fast track their global career

The international collaboration in Accounting and Finance is ideal for students intending to pursue a career in the accounting profession and professional services industry (Auditors, Tax Advisers, Risk Management Consultants, Data Analysts) or in any other specialty where financial accounting is a central element.

The aim of the study route is to maximize the learning and experience of students, through two years of academic studies at UNIC at the "BSc Accounting" programme, followed by two years at Cass, during which they will participate in business workshops and engage in rich internship experiences at Deloitte. The collaboration that offers candidates the opportunity to transfer to Cass and obtain the City University of London (Cass Business School) Bachelor Degree "BSc Accounting and Finance", while building their professional skills working alongside Deloitte professionals.

The study route sets the trend for collaboration between academia and the industry

This new offering with Cass, one of the top Business Schools in the world, is a milestone in the history of the University and an honour for the School of Business and the Department of Accounting. Moreover, it marks the first collaboration of its kind that Cass is offering with a European partner and a global company.

The vital component of this, namely the practicum offered via Deloitte, one of the world's largest leading professional services firms, complements the academic component and offers candidates in related fields the means to truly fast track their global career. Working closely with Deloitte, students will gain practical experience through internships at Deloitte offices in Cyprus and throughout the Middle East, in a truly international environment which spans across 150 countries worldwide.

Moreover, this venture serves as a prime example of how academia and industry can join forces to develop great programmes and curricula that address evolving labour market needs, while at the same time ensuring top academic quality. Indeed, it is envisioned that the study route and its format could set the trend for further cooperation between big professional services firms and international universities going forward.













"This venture serves as a prime example of how academia and industry can join forces. This study route in Accounting and Finance adds to our impressive portfolio of collaborations [...] in line with our strategy of partnering with renowned universities. It is also indicative of our focus on actively promoting cross-border education".

Professor Philippos Pouyioutas Rector, University of Nicosia

"This collaboration provides a new, exciting opportunity for undergraduate students wanting to pursue a career in accountancy. With two internships at Deloitte and a truly international education, graduates will have the potential to become thought leaders in their field".

Dr. Dirk Nitzsche Associate Dean for International Relations, Cass Business School, City, University of London "Upon graduation, the successful candidates will bring to the market a combination of outstanding academic knowledge, coupled with the everevolving business skills and experience required to succeed in our field internationally [...] we're creating leaders from inception".

George Pantelides
Consulting Leader and HR Partner,
Deloitte

"We are delighted that Deloitte is actively promoting the marriage between accounting training and academic education in this way [...] Graduates will be eligible for a graduate job with Deloitte and have the opportunity to complete their professional qualification studies with Globaltraining, either online or in the classroom".

Odysseas Christodoulou CEO, Globaltraining

STUDENT-FOCUSED TEACHING ENVIRONMENT

UNIC strives to cultivate an academically stimulating environment that is student-centred and promotes active self-learning, imparting lifelong learning skills and competences to our students through smaller than average class sizes, a wide range of laboratories and innovative teaching methods.

Low Student-Faculty Ratio

We facilitate a student-focused learning environment, which, for many of our programmes, means smaller than average class sizes (average student-faculty ratio is 13:1). Our Architecture programme, for instance, offers one of the lowest student-to-faculty-ratios in Europe. Fields as diverse as Languages and Literature, Engineering, and Medicine offer similar classroom sizes, delivering a uniquely personalised education to our students.

Wide Range of Laboratories

We provide a wide range of laboratories for hands-on student experiences. With our continuous investment in campus infrastructure over the last decade and our commitment to technological advancement, our laboratories have developed into innovative spaces, whose cutting-edge facilities and resources support teaching and research.

Innovative Teaching Methods

We provide a digital educational environment inspired by technology and driven by pedagogy. To this end, we employ advanced Information Communication Technology in our curriculum delivery. Our e-learning platform provides access to extensive online learning resources for our thousands of online/distance learning students around the world. In a more collaborative context, our Medical School follows a student-centred Problem-Based Learning (PBL) curriculum, promoting collaborative learning and critical thinking.



LAB INFRASTRUCTURE

With our continuous investment in campus infrastructure over the last decade and our commitment to technological advancement, our laboratories have developed into innovative spaces, whose cutting-edge facilities and resources support teaching and research.

IT Labs

- 14 PC computer labs
- 1 Macintosh Multimedia lab
- Total capacity 483 workstations

Engineering Labs

- Civil Engineering
- Chromatography
- Electrical & Computer Engineering
- · Mechanical Technology
- Mechanical Testing & Manufacturing
- Physics & Prototyping
- Oil & Gas Engineering
- Radio-Communications
- Refrigeration & Air-Conditioning
- Renewable Energy Sources
- Vehicle Technology
- Welding

Architecture Labs

- · Custom, flexible use facility
- Specialised library
- Digital design and fabrication
- 2D/3D & parametric modelling
- Animation and rendering
- CNC, 3D printing, laser cutting

Multimedia and Digital Communications Labs

- TV production studio with full digital workflow
- Digital post-production studio with 16 -Avid workstations (largest installation in the Eastern Mediterranean)
- Radio studio and audio production studio
- Outdoor recording systems

Art and Design Studios and Labs

- Painting and Drawing
- Sculpture and Ceramics
- Printmaking and Typography
- Photography and Dark Room Labs
- Virtual and Augmented Reality Lab; Stop Motion Animation Studio
- Graphic and Multimedia Design Studios
- · Computer Labs with specialised sofware



Psychology Labs

- · Control and experimental rooms with two-way mirror
- Psychophysiological response monitoring equipment
- Automated blood pressure monitor
- · Full audiovisual monitoring and recording
- Centre for Therapy, Training and Research (KESY)

Hospitality Management Labs

- Fully equipped professional kitchen and cooking auditorium
- 80-seat professional restaurant on campus

Performing Arts

- Dance studios
- Music practice and performance studios

Life and Health Sciences Labs

- Biology/Chemistry
- Human Nutrition
- Human Performance
- Nursing
- Pharmaceutics
- Physiotherapy

Medical Labs/Library

- Clinical Skills
- Anatomy
- Histology
- Microbiology/Molecular Biology
- Specialised library

Library

- 100,000+ print books
- 500,000+ e-books
- 30,000+ e-journals

University of Nicosia Schools and Departments

SCHOOLS AND DEPARTMENTS

The University of Nicosia comprises six schools offering more than 100 conventional on-campus and online programmes of study, with particular strengths in medicine, health sciences, education sciences, blockchain, law, accounting, architecture, and international relations. In fact, many of our degree programmes and departments were the first of their kind in Cyprus and the wider region. We provide a fully digital student-centric educational environment that promotes teaching and learning innovation, inspired by technology and driven by pedagogy.

We founded the first and largest medical school in Cyprus. We are also a recognised global leader in certain fields, such as our very successful initiative in Digital Currency/Blockchain Technology. In fact, we were the first University in the world to offer a course and a Master degree in these areas. We are also the first university in Europe to receive a 5-Star rating for online/distance learning by the QS Intelligence Unit, a leading, independent, global university-rating agency.



- **▼** Department of Accounting
- Department of Economics and Finance
- Department of Hospitality, Tourism and Sports Management
- Department of Management and MIS
- Department of Marketing



- Department of Education
- Department of Music and Dance



- Department of Architecture
- **▼** Department of Communications
- Department of Design and Multimedia
- Department of Languages and Literature
- Department of Social Sciences
- Department of Theology



- **▼** Department of Law
- Department of Politics and Governance



- Department of Basic and Clinical Sciences
- Department of Primary Care and Population Health



- Department of Computer Science
- Department of Engineering
- Department of Life and Health Sciences

DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

Our commitment to education in Accounting mirrors the importance of the field to the island. Cyprus is a global accounting services hub and a perfect location to study Accounting, boasting the world's highest per-capita rate of chartered accountants. Through the years, we have dedicated ourselves to providing top-quality education in the fields of accounting, banking and finance, and, today, we consider ourselves one of the top universities in the region in Accounting. Our tradition of academic and professional successes extends to the ACCA and ICAEW exams. Our Accounting programmes will provide you with the ability to implement business critical thinking, problem solving and financial decision making within a complex and changing global business environment. You will graduate with a degree that equips you with the theory and practical accounting skills that employers want, enhancing your employability.

WHY STUDY ACCOUNTING AT UNIC

- 1 One of the leading departments in Accounting in the region
- 2 Innovative programme of studies which prepares students for world-class professional qualifications in the industry (ACCA and ACA)

- 3 9 exemptions from ACCA (Certified Accountants), the highest possible number of exemptions
- 4 Learning Partner of ICAEW, with graduates eligible for exemptions (ACA, Chartered Accountants)
- 5 Pioneering partnership in the field of Accounting and Finance, offered in collaboration with Cass Business School, with an in-built practicum via Deloitte

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- 6 Accounting Lab Workshop offers practical training and entrepreneurship opportunities
- 7 Joint Masters Programme in Banking, Accounting and Finance with the Hellenic Open University
- 8 PwC Chair in Business Research connects the academic and research community to the business world

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DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS AND FINANCE

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

Cyprus is a thriving global business hub, whose strong investment opportunities, modern and robust tax and legal systems, advanced local infrastructure, strategic location, and an economy that is growing faster than the EU average, make the island an ideal choice for investors worldwide. Key to the competitive advantages that Cyprus offers is its top-quality human talent, comprised of highly educated and skilled individuals, adept in the intricacies of business. These factors make Cyprus an ideal destination to study Finance and Economics and is why we are committed to providing a premium education in these fields. Our department produces sought after business graduates who have the ability to implement the knowledge and skills they attain through our degrees in any business environment. Our programmes provide you with an intrinsic understanding of the economic and financial framework within which a business operates, as well as the ways in which domestic and international economic conditions affect business decision making. You will learn to put the above into practice, making you an appealing prospect for future employers.

WHY STUDY ECONOMICS AND FINANCE AT UNIC

- 1 Innovative curriculum that equips students with a critical understanding of the economic and financial framework in which firms operate globally
- 2 Faculty members that are engaged in extensive research in fields such as Capital Markets, Wealth Management, and European Integration
- 3 Ongoing academic collaboration with the Central Bank of Cyprus

- 4 Student participation in the annual Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) Research Challenge, with the 2019 student team winning first prize
- 5 Internship opportunities in Cyprus and abroad
- 6 Cyprus has a sophisticated and advanced financial services sector, including investment management
- 7 Over 40 local and international banks operate in Cyprus



DEPARTMENT OF HOSPITALITY, TOURISM AND SPORTS MANAGEMENT

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

We are pioneers in the fields of Hospitality, Tourism and Sports Management, as the first university in Cyprus to offer accredited degrees in all three areas, as well as the first university in the region to offer a degree concentration in Casino Management and a degree in Tourism, Leisure and Events Management. Our contemporary curriculum reflects current industry best practices, delivered by lecturers with industry-relevant working experience. Our academic programmes will equip you with the relevant skills and practical knowledge necessary to thrive in these fields. Besides standard classroom theory, the programmes also include guest lecturers, field trips, laboratory sessions, and practical training (internships), all in an effort to ensure a comprehensive education and competence.

WHY STUDY HOSPITALITY, TOURISM AND SPORTS MANAGEMENT AT UNIC

- 1 First university in Cyprus to offer accredited degrees in Hospitality, Tourism and Sports Management
- 2 First department in the region with a degree specialisation in Tourism, Leisure and Events Management
- 3 First department in the region with a degree specialisation in Casino Management
- 4 Sports Management degree is developed in line with European Observatoire of Sport and Employment (EOSE) standards
- 5 Excellent Graduate Employability rate graduates find work within a year of graduating

- 6 Over 3 million tourists visit Cyprus every year
- 7 Cyprus has one of the most developed tourism infrastructures per-capita in the world, with over 1,000 hotels, resorts and hotel apartments



DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT AND MIS

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

The Department of Management and MIS has made history on multiple occasions in the emerging fields of Cryptocurrency and Blockchain technology. It also boasts competitive strengths in Management, MIS, and Business Administration, with a series of exciting and sought-after concentrations. Our faculty members are highly active in research in their respective fields, with publications in well-known journals, participation in funded research, prominent positions in Strategy and Advisory Groups, and collaboration with local and international industries. We are innovators and our undergraduate and postgraduate programmes reflect the vigorous dynamics of innovation in business and technology, by providing outstanding education, up-to-date research, and service to our students and the academic and business communities. We are committed to equipping you with the necessary knowledge, skills, and competences for a fast-paced, challenging and stimulating career with astonishing opportunities, to become successful leaders, entrepreneurs, managers, and IT professionals.

WHY STUDY MANAGEMENT AND MIS AT UNIC

- 1 World-leading department in Blockchain education
- 2 MIS represents a dynamic field that aligns perfectly with today's technological, economic, and social challenges
- 3 Four concentrations for the BBA and 9 concentrations for the MBA

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- 4 First department in the world to publish academic certificates on the Blockchain
- 5 First Energy, Oil and Gas Management programme in the region
- 6 Dynamic and intensive MBA programme which prepares students to become effective professionals in today's globally competitive environment

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7 Department programmes are re-engineered annually to maximise employability



DEPARTMENT OF MARKETING

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

Marketing is among the most rapidly growing disciplines of businesses and not-for-profit organisations, aiming to communicate better with customers and the public, to build their brand image, and to expand their markets. Due to its evolving character, the demand for and employment of competent graduates is increasing and the professional and managerial prospects of marketing graduates are evident and most positive. Our programmes provide students a comprehensive, all-round business education in marketing management, by blending high-level academic education with professional knowledge. Students acquire practicable marketing competencies, trained to apply theoretical foundations to real-life marketing operations, while developing critical thinking on marketing theory and approaches. The department's established ties with the industry and strong research profile ensures that Bachelor, Master or Doctoral level graduates, are well equipped for a successful career in Marketing with long-term rewards, opportunities to work in diverse roles, companies and countries, and to connect with people.

WHY STUDY MARKETING AT UNIC

- 1 The first undergraduate Marketing programme in Cyprus accredited by the (UK) Chartered Institute of Marketing
- 2 Chartered Institute of Marketing (UK) Graduate Gateway, with CIM exemptions
- 3 Chartered Institute of Marketing (UK) University Partner
- 4 Accredited by the Cyprus Advertising Agencies Association
- 5 Strong ties with industry through collaboration with local and international businesses

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6 Faculty with an extensive research record and publications in international scientific journals and participation in conferences

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7 Internship opportunities in Cyprus and abroad



DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

SCHOOL OF FDUCATION

We are strong believers in the effective use of technology to advance education and it is only fitting that the first academic department to fully embrace this vision would be that of Education. Today, the Department of Education at the University of Nicosia is a leader in online education in Europe. Through our Masters programmes in Education Sciences, we are educating thousands of aspiring teachers by using the most up-to-date technologies and learning design theory. The department also supports the UNESCO Chair at UNIC, focused on intercultural dialogue. A degree programme through our department will equip you with the necessary knowledge to pursue a rewarding career as an involved partner in the cognitive development of young children through teaching and learning. You will gain a deep understanding of the fundamental aspects of education and develop the skills needed to be an educator in both the physical as well as the virtual classroom environment.

WHY STUDY EDUCATION AT UNIC

- 1 Joint online Masters degree in Special Education, in partnership with the University of Patras, a top 600 ranked university
- 2 Strong capability to organise hundreds of practicum placements for students
- 3 Largest student body at the University
- 4 UNESCO Chair, focused on "Cultural Diversity and Intercultural Dialogue for a Culture of Peace"

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- 5 Innovative use of the latest technologies in education delivery
- 6 Bachelors degrees in Primary and Pre-Primary Education
- 7 Contemporary Masters degrees in Education Sciences



DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC AND DANCE

SCHOOL OF FDUCATION

Since it was founded, our department has grown to an unparalleled position of leadership in the performing arts in Cyprus. Our eight full-time faculty members are complemented by more than 30 adjunct instructors, all of whom are among the leading musicians, dancers, and researchers in Cyprus. We realise that you will be entering a rapidly changing and unpredictable professional world that demands increasingly high standards of theoretical and practical training, artistic and professional adaptability, and above all, an entrepreneurial outlook. We have therefore designed our programmes to provide the emerging generation of artists, teachers, and scholars with a rich and diverse educational experience, founded upon the dynamic interaction of performance excellence and academic rigour. This includes numerous opportunities to perform with faculty members as musicians and dancers, with over 70 performances having taken place in the last 3 years.

WHY STUDY MUSIC AND DANCE AT UNIC

1 World-renowned full-time faculty members complemented by adjunct instructors, who are among the leading musicians, dancers and researchers in Cyprus

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- Well-balanced innovative programmes in practice, theory and research
- The first Bachelors in Dance in Cyprus
- 4 The only Bachelors in Music in Cyprus, with concentrations in classical or jazz music performance, music education, and creative music technology

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- 5 The only Masters in Music in Cyprus focusing on performance and pedagogy
- 6 Collaborations with international artistic and education organisations
- 7 Numerous opportunities to perform in a variety of music concerts and dance productions



DEPARTMENT OF ARCHITECTURE

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

The vibrant Department of Architecture occupies an award-winning renovated shoe factory, now known as the Architecture Research Centre (ARC). The department has gained a successful reputation in the region, by offering a highly-personalised education that prepares you for the ever-changing future. Our faculty are internationally acclaimed architects, dedicated to teaching, professional practice, research, and community service. Our mission is to create critical thinkers, who are intellectually acute, socially aware, and technically skilled architects that can meaningfully contribute to contemporary architectural discourse. A strong design-based education will equip you with both a hands-on approach and advanced knowledge and understanding of cutting-edge digital tools and technologies. Global issues are addressed and merge with local conditions of culture, climate, the local market/ industry and social needs. Ecological and sustainable thinking are highly valued, providing the necessary tools of context, comprehension and application of social, environmental, and cultural aspects. The combination of knowledge and technical expertise makes our graduates some of the most highly valued in the local and international market

WHY STUDY ARCHITECTURE AT UNIC

- 1 Award-winning faculty with 20 awards in the last 3 years (State Architecture Award, European Architectural Competition, Nomination for Mies Van de Rohe Award)
- 2 More than 30 International Student Awards in the last 3 years
- Full professional certification by the Cyprus Scientific and Technical Chamber (ETEK) and the EU (Directive 2005/36/EC)
- 4 Programmes offer one of the lowest student-to-faculty ratio in Europe
- 5 State-of-the art digital fabrication facilities
- 6 Graduates go on to prestigious international universities and are employed by renowned architecture and design practices locally and abroad
- 7 International and local city visits & field trips, collaborations, workshops, exchange activities, summer programmes



DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATIONS

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

With academic and professional strengths across the fields of media and communication, the Department of Communications offers structured and versatile programmes of study, preparing you to achieve your career objectives in your chosen fields. Taught areas include digital/social media studies, journalism, radio, television and digital broadcast media, film and creative media production, and public relations and promotion. These are structured around practical courses, delivered by leading industry professionals. Focusing on current and emerging theories, methods and practices, the department has been at the forefront of programmes in communications for decades and aspires to continue to lead in the area through its innovative and industry-relevant Bachelors, Masters and Doctoral degrees.

WHY STUDY COMMUNICATIONS AT UNIC

- 1 Innovative curriculum offering specialisation in all major areas of communication and media
- 2 The first MA in Digital Media and Communications in Cyprus
- 3 Critical focus on Media Research, in association with affiliated Institute of Mass Media and Communication (IMME)

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- 4 Mediazone, the audiovisual hub of UNIC, provides an opportunity for hands-on practical experience, working alongside media industry professionals
- 5 Fully-equipped digital media production labs, with 16 video editing post-production workstations

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6 The first university-level pathway specialising in filmmaking in Cyprus

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7 Strong ties to the filmmaking community and collaborations with festivals in Cyprus and abroad



DEPARTMENT OF DESIGN AND MULTIMEDIA

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Our department is committed to educating critical thinkers, artists, creative designers, and responsible citizens. We encourage ongoing research and experimentation, so that you can successfully move forward into a future that is constantly evolving. The programmes offered by our department provide a broad innovative education that is an optimal balance of practical, technological and theoretical learning at undergraduate and postgraduate level. The courses build strong foundations in art practice, design and production methods, and will equip you with the tools necessary to conceive, develop, and manage the fine art, graphic design, and multimedia projects of tomorrow. The department's interdisciplinary approach fosters the critical, theoretical and creative exploration of fields such as screen typography, electronic publishing, and design for visual communication, interaction and interface design, virtual reality, computer game development, animation and visual effects, photography, painting, sculpture and printmaking, and other pertinent areas. You are always at the centre of learning, with our faculty helping you to reach your maximum potential and bring your talent to the surface.

WHY STUDY DESIGN AND MULTIMEDIA AT UNIC

- 1 Pioneering faculty research in Virtual Reality, Graphic Communication and Art
- 2 Innovative and interdisciplinary curriculum, including a focus on Interactive Multimedia Design
- 3 Student participation in international assessment schemes, competitions and animation festivals, with 3 student prizes in the last 3 years

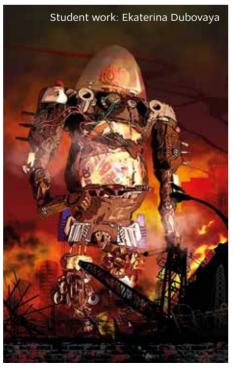
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- 4 20+ exhibitions, as well as numerous seminars, workshops and conferences, annually
- 5 Virtual Reality research paper award in 2016
- 6 Training and work placement abroad opportunities, through Erasmus+ and International Association for the Exchange of Students for Technical Experience (IAESTE)
- 7 High rate of full-time employment after graduation







DEPARTMENT OF LANGUAGES AND LITERATURE

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

As a student of Languages and Literature at UNIC, you will join a lively community of international students, You will be taught by renowned faculty, with a long list of publications in their respective areas of interest and a good track record of involvement in high-quality research. Our department offers comprehensive degrees, providing training in three key areas: foreign language teaching and linguistics; analysis of humanities subjects, including literature, culture, philosophy and digital writing; and content management, editing and publishing in English. We provide you with a wealth of transferable skills that can be applied in a variety of professions, including language teaching, linguistics, literature, social media writing and management, market research, translation and interpretation, cultural services and publishing companies. Our graduates also benefit from a high rate of employment across a range of sectors.

WHY STUDY LANGUAGES AND LITERATURE AT UNIC

- 1 Innovative curriculum specialising in Foreign Language Teaching, Linguistics, and Literature
- 2 Faculty members publish with high-impact publishers (Cambridge University Press, Routledge, Macmillan)
- 3 Faculty serve on the Editorial Board of Journals, such as Teaching English with Technology
- 4 Faculty have been awarded significant EU funding to participate in a Quality Assurance Project for Teaching English
- 5 Small classes of students promoting excellence in teaching and learning
- 6 Internship opportunities in foreign language teaching, translation, publishing companies, cultural services, or the tourism industry
- 7 Over 90% of graduates find employment within 1 year of graduation

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DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

The Department of Social Sciences offers competitive programmes in a range of sought-after areas in the disciplines of Psychology, Social Work, and Criminology. The department has always been a pioneer in its field of expertise in Cyprus, where it established the first postgraduate degree in Clinical Psychology, the first university mental health training clinic (KESY), and the first postgraduate degree in Criminology. We provide an innovative education for future mental health professionals, which ensures that they will have a significant and positive impact in people's lives, empowering individuals, families, groups, and communities at large. Faculty are highly involved in industry, practice, research, and policy making, participating in key organisations in their field, both nationally and internationally (EU and UN bodies). With a modern teaching approach to contemporary psychosocial issues and a strong research-oriented curriculum, you will acquire critical knowledge, skills, and conceptual understanding that will enable you to become a catalyst for change in these sectors.

WHY STUDY SOCIAL SCIENCES AT UNIC

- 1 Programmes are designed to reflect a contemporary approach to current issues
- 2 Comprehensive degree offering clinical placements and practical training
- 3 Faculty are highly involved in industry, practice, research, and policy making
- 4 The first Research Centre for Social Work and Social Policy in Cyprus was founded by our department
- 5 The Centre for Therapy, Training and Research (KESY) acts as a training site where our Psychology students carry out their practicum
- 6 Internationally recognised curriculum in Psychology meeting the requirements of European (EuroPsy)
 American (APA), and British (BPS) guidelines
- 7 Postgraduate degrees lead to a practitioner's license in Cyprus and the EU



DEPARTMENT OF THEOLOGY

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

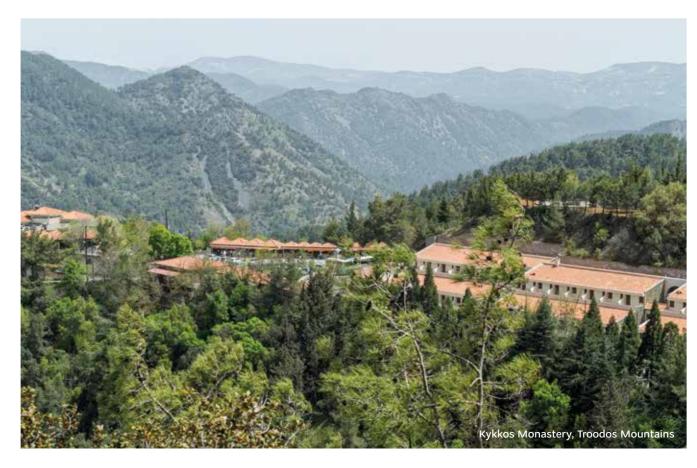
UNIC offers a Master of Arts (MA) in Theology and a Doctoral programme in Theology. The programmes are open to graduates of a number of fields and sciences, and the Masters programme is offered both on-campus and online. The courses are taught by distinguished professors of our University, and other associated universities. The department regards research as the basis of its programmes and is, thus, associated with various research centres and educational institutions, and is involved in research activities in Cyprus and abroad. Research interests include: Biblical Studies, Ecclesiastical History in general, and the History of the Church of Cyprus, Greece, the Balkans, Russia, and the Patriarchates, in particular; Pastoral Theology and the Missionary work of the Church; Modern Sociology and Ethics; Ecclesiastical Law, including the relationship between Church and State; Worship and Byzantine Art.

WHY STUDY THEOLOGY AT UNIC

- 1 High-quality postgraduate interdisciplinary training in the context of Theology
- 2 Access to a dedicated Research Centre of Theology and Culture
- 3 Access to the Centre for Scientific Studies of Kykkos Monastery specialised library
- 4 The Church of Cyprus is one of the oldest Eastern Orthodox autocephalous churches (with several UNESCO World Heritage sites)
- 5 Cyprus' vast religious and cultural heritage provides a real-life learning laboratory for students

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6 Cyprus was the first country to convert to Christianity, with an ancient Christian and Byzantine heritage



DEPARTMENT OF LAW

SCHOOL OF LAW

The Department awarded the first Law degrees recognised by the Republic and the Cyprus Legal Council. Our degrees have achieved international accreditation by Quality Assurance agencies in the UK, Greece, Canada, and other Commonwealth states. We are also members of top academic international consortia such as the European Law Faculties Association. Our undergraduate law programme is offered in a unique configuration of separate common law, continental law, and mixed law perspectives that respectively cater to the needs of international, Greek, and Cypriot audiences. Our courses are offered in both English and Greek, and they are delivered both conventionally in-class and through an innovative distance learning system that facilitates global outreach. The same applies to our Master of Laws programme which additionally offers specialisations in European business law and human rights and social justice. Our objective is to provide a distinctive academic environment where our dynamic and growing faculty impart their extensive knowledge and academic skills in all areas of legal education and research, especially at the doctoral level. Our faculty has achieved international recognition such as membership in the European Academy of Sciences and Arts, management roles in numerous European and national bodies in relevant fields, and leadership of large-scale research projects at the international, regional, and national levels. Our students gain a competitive edge in a prestigious selection of professional careers as advocates, judges, legal consultants, in-house counsel, managers in private and multinational corporations, and public officials amidst the multitude of career paths that a well-rounded legal education provides. As a result, many of our graduates have gone on to excel in the legal sector in countries across the globe.

WHY STUDY LAW AT UNIC

- 1 The department is internationally unique, offering comparative legal education from a common law, continental law, and mixed law perspective
- 2 Innovative curriculum taught by leading legal experts and practicing lawyers

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- 3 Joint PhD with leading international universities: Padova, Zagreb and Western Sydney
- 4 PhD in Law in any major area of legal research under the supervision of experts in the field

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- 5 Joint postgraduate degrees with Aristotle University Thessaloniki and Hellenic Open University
- 6 Cooperation with Unidroit and Max Planck Institute for Foreign and International Criminal Law, and a full member of the European Law Faculties Association (ELFA)
- 7 Partnership with the Centre for European Constitutional Law – Tsatsos Foundation, and the Tassos Papadopoulos Centre for Studies
- 8 Large number of practicing lawyers and judges enrolled in our Masters programmes

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DEPARTMENT OF POLITICS AND GOVERNANCE

SCHOOL OF LAW

The economic, political and social issues surrounding Cyprus, the Eastern Mediterranean and the broader region, the EU and the international arena are in a state of constant flux. The programmes offered by the department aim to address the impact of these issues by focusing on specialised areas that enable students to pursue a career in the field of International Relations, European Studies and Public Administration. We provide thorough grounding in the knowledge and skills that the students need to become professionals in a variety of relevant employment settings. Graduates can follow careers in international organisations, government, multinational companies, and educational institutions. The department has established an international reputation on European Union and Eastern Mediterranean studies. It has a senior-level faculty pool and the leading International Relations research team in Cyprus, which has been heavily represented on the Cyprus National Geostrategic Council. It provides remarkable opportunities for degree-seeking students looking to specialise in the region, or for study abroad/exchange students aiming to enhance their skills and capabilities in a concentrated manner.

WHY STUDY POLITICS AND GOVERNANCE AT UNIC

- 1 Study in an EU member state at the heart of the strategically important Eastern Mediterranean
- 2 One of the leading departments in the world on Eastern Mediterranean issues, centred on the Eastern Mediterranean Studies Initiative (EMSI)

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- 3 One of the leading departments in the region in International Relations
- 4 Publishes the Cyprus Review, the premier Englishlanguage peer review journal on original Cypriot related research

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- 5 A founding member of the Black Sea and Eastern Mediterranean Academic Network (BSEMAN) and a partner of the Trans European Policy Studies Association (TEPSA)
- 6 Was awarded a Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence on EU Politics, and a Jean Monnet Chair in EU Integration by the European Commission

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7 Launched an academic project with MGIMO, the leading university in Russia, offering Master degrees



MEDICAL SCHOOL

Over the past two decades, the University of Nicosia has led the development of life and health sciences programmes in Cyprus. In 2011, the University launched the first medical programme in Cyprus by offering the St George's, University of London Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS), a 4-year graduate-entry British medical degree that is quality assured by the UK General Medical Council. Our Medical School also offers a 6-Year MD degree programme designed for high school leavers, an MSc in Family Medicine for practicing primary care physicians, a Master of Public Health and Master of Science in Health Services Administrations for both working professionals and new graduates, and a PhD in Medical Sciences for research in all disciplines or specialties of Medicine. Students also benefit from worldclass faculty members, experienced and supportive staff, international partnerships, and state-of-the-art facilities and learning resources. The student-centred curriculum allows for the early development of clinical skills and reasoning, and promotes collaborative learning, critical thinking and reflection, skills that are essential for your future career in medicine. Our graduates are practising as doctors across the world, including the USA, Canada, UK, other EU countries, Israel and Lebanon.

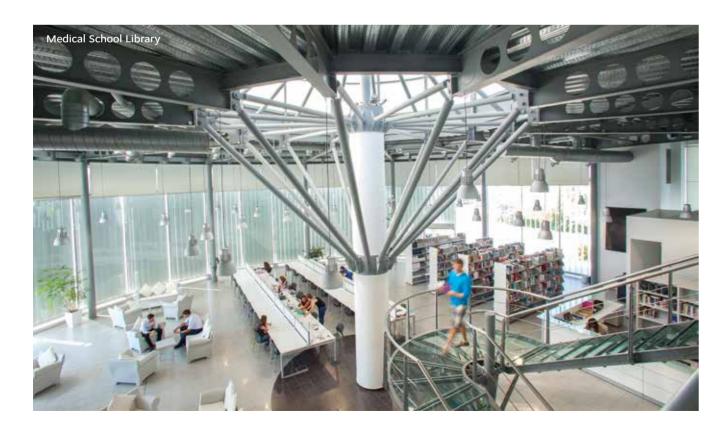
WHY STUDY MEDICINE AT UNIC

- 1 First and largest medical school in Cyprus
- 2 740+ students, from 58 countries, primarily from the USA, the UK, Canada, Australia, and various European countries
- 3 MBBS programme in collaboration with St George's, University of London the UK's 2nd oldest medical school, among Top 250 universities globally and Top 100 for medical education
- 4 Innovative curriculum with early clinical exposure and a focus on Problem-Based Learning (PBL)

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- 5 Partner hospitals for clinical placements in the USA, UK, Israel and Cyprus
- 6 99% placement rate with many students at top hospitals affiliated with Oxford, Cambridge, Harvard and Mount Sinai
- 7 New, high-tech facilities, including Clinical Skills and Anatomy Labs

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DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE

SCHOOL OF SCIENCES AND ENGINEERING

Technology and the application thereof is advancing at a rapid rate. This is having a direct impact on the speed at which the fields of Computer Science and Mathematics are expanding and the profound influence that they both have in modern societies and economies. The Department educates students so that they can contribute to changing the landscape of computing and mathematics. You will be exposed to current and emerging trends, become involved in cutting-edge research relating to, amongst others, Artificial Intelligence, Virtual Reality, Data Science and the Internet of Things (IoT), and develop the capacity to solve complex problems so that you are prepared for a career in related area. UNIC has probably the largest academic, student and alumni teams in the world in the areas of blockchain technology and cryptocurrency, which are among the most important developments of the next decade. It is a great starting point for students to launch their careers in this field.

WHY STUDY COMPUTER SCIENCE AT UNIC

- 1 Renowned faculty with international exposure and impact
- 2 Innovative curriculum with concentrations in current and emerging trends in the field
- 3 Student involvement in cutting-edge research such as Cyber Security, Internet of Things, Artificial Intelligence and Virtual Reality

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- 4 UNIC is the world leader in university education for blockchain technology
- 5 Student participation in international competitions (Hackathon, PentestCyprus, Imagine Cup), resulting in global awards: World Semi-Finalists in Microsoft Imagine Cup (2015), Facebook Creativity Award (2016)
- 6 Earn a degree in one of the most in-demand job fields globally, with an estimated 756,000 unfilled vacancies for ICT professionals in Europe by 2020

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7 Full professional certification in Cyprus by the Cyprus Scientific and Technical Chamber (ETEK)



DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING

SCHOOL OF SCIENCES AND ENGINEERING

The Department offers degrees in major disciplines of Engineering: Electrical Engineering, Computer Engineering, Civil & Environmental Engineering, Mechanical Engineering and Oil & Gas Engineering. Engineering is subject to continuous technological evolution due to new discoveries, emerging technologies and innovative applications with significant impact on society and economy. Each of the Programmes are supported by internationally renowned faculty members with long-term experience in teaching and research, as well as by fully equipped high-tech laboratories that promote handson experience and technical training. The department produces well-educated and motivated engineering graduates who will be employable across all major engineering industries.

WHY STUDY ENGINEERING AT UNIC

- 1 UNIC graduates are employed by renowned companies working on major engineering projects with huge impact on society and economy
- 2 The first university in the area to offer programmes at all levels (BSc, MSc, Phd) in the field of Oil & Gas Engineering
- Faculty with strong publication record and, through research collaborations with industry, universities and research centres, participation in externally funded research projects

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- 4 Engineering industries require graduates to work in a multi-cultural environment, equipped with excellent communication skills and knowledge of the English language. UNIC delivers the taught material and lectures primarily in English, thus preparing graduates to work in any engineering industry around the world
- 5 Access to state-of-the-art experimental laboratories and computer facilities

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- 6 Access to emerging technologies through UNIC's research network with industry, universities and research centres around the world
- 7 Small classes of students (fewer than 20 students) promoting excellence in teaching and learning



DEPARTMENT OF LIFE AND HEALTH SCIENCES

SCHOOL OF SCIENCES AND ENGINEERING

The biomedical arena is an incredibly exciting one to be in with major global medical breakthroughs happening at a rapid pace. Pivotal focus is still being given to stem cell therapy, genomic epidemiology, and the cure of diseases that affect intellectual abilities. Further, the unveiling of the human genome and the explosion of new techniques and technologies, as well as tailored medicine and applications for the treatment of cancers and diseases are quickly becoming a reality. This makes a degree in this field an exhilarating one, opening doors to a broad range of exciting employment opportunities in healthcare, research, and education in communities everywhere. Our programmes will give you the chance to participate in exciting and ground-breaking scientific research, and set you on your path in raising the standards of public health and health care in Cyprus and abroad. The department has a close working relationship with the Cyprus Institute of Neurology and Genetics, one of the leading research centres in the region in these important fields.

WHY STUDY LIFE AND HEALTH SCIENCES AT UNIC

- 1 Renowned faculty actively involved in research in a wide variety of areas, with more than 50 publications annually
- 2 Largest department of its kind in Cyprus, with an innovative curriculum consisting of dynamic contemporary programmes
- The Human Biology programme is the first of its kind to be offered in Cyprus and Greece, with an option to specialise in Cell Biology, one of the fastest growing fields in biological research

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- 4 The Pharmacy and Sports Science programmes are the largest programmes in Cyprus in terms of student enrolment
- 5 Programmes fully recognised by the relevant professional registration bodies in Cyprus and the EU
- 6 State-of-the-art teaching and research laboratories
- 7 First Sports Science programme in Cyprus
- 8 High employability rate after graduation in Cyprus and abroad



PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

Globaltraining is a professional training organisation that is affiliated with the University of Nicosia, specializing in the financial sector. Globaltraining is a pioneer in education and training in Europe and the rest of the world. With over 25 years of experience and success in international professional education and training, Globaltraining has become an internationally renowned Centre of Excellence. The head offices are in Cyprus, whilst there are also operations and offices in Greece and Romania.

Globaltraining is a distinguished tuition provider for international professional qualifications such as the ACCA (Chartered Certified Accountant), ACA (Chartered Accountant), CPA (Certified Public Accountant), CFA® (Chartered Financial Analyst), CIA (Certified Internal Auditor), ADIT (Advanced Diploma in International Taxation), CMA (Certified Management Accountant) and for the preparation for the CySEC exams.

Globaltraining is an ACCA Platinum Learning Provider and an ICAEW Partner in Learning. The organisation has also recently become an exclusive learning provider of the International Compliance Association in Cyprus providing a range of compliance related certificates and diplomas. Other collaborations include a strategic exclusive partnership with Bangor University of Wales for the Chartered Banker MBA. Globaltraining is also a strategic partner with CIFS (Cyprus Institute of Financial Services)



co-organising events and training programmes aimed at the banking sector and financial sector at large.

More than 300 seminars are organised each year, both as open and in house, for individuals seeking to gain knowledge in a new area of specialisation and as part of their Continuing Professional Development (CPD). Globaltraining is among the few professional training organisations in the region that has heavily invested in online delivery of many of their programmes. Trainings are delivered both as ground-based and online, reaching out further to the international market.

Globaltraining has trained company Presidents, Chairpersons, CEOs, CFOs, Directors of top financial, accounting and auditing firms, major investments banks and multinational companies. Globaltraining's focus on ensuring quality and commitment to excellence is constantly being proved through the students' exceptional achievements with numerous national and international prizes. Over 60 international prizes have been awarded to Globaltraining students from international professional bodies (ACCA, ICAEW) in the last twenty-five years.



22,000+
graduates and students

organisation
in the world
to offer the
ACA (ICAEW)
qualification
outside the UK

300 + seminars annually

centres in Cyprus, Greece, Romania and online 1,800 professional CPD seminar attendees annually

professional programmes

international and national prize winners in the last 26 years



RESEARCH AT UNIC

The University of Nicosia participates in a wide field of research, with local and international interest.

Recognising that the research challenges of the future are multidisciplinary, with modern problems requiring solutions with a range of approaches; UNIC seeks to combine the potential of multiple disciplines and synergies with other universities and research centres.

In light of the above, UNIC actively participates in a variety of programmes, including those undertaken by the European Commission regarding the future of Europe. Examples include UNIC's participation in four Horizon2020 research projects, in collaboration with major universities and research centres in Europe and Israel, with the most recent research project (DIALLS) falling under the guidance and coordination of the University of Cambridge.

Through its participation in various research projects, as a partner or coordinator, UNIC has developed a broad base of knowledge and expertise in terms of producing research, and the management of the entire research process. UNIC researchers focus on exploring modern challenges, including new technological and scientific advancements, as well as humanities and social sciences.

In the context of its vision of becoming a pioneering institution in education and research, UNIC has created 25 research centres and related academic institutions.

Research Centres and Networks

- University of Nicosia Research Foundation (UNRF)
- Institute for Quality Assurance and Enhancement of Education (IQAEE)
- Institute For the Future (IFF)
- Defence and Security Research Institute (DSRI)
- Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence
- Diplomatic Academy
- Makridakis Open Forecasting Centre (MOFC)
- European Documentation Centre (EDC)
- Eastern Mediterranean Studies Initiative (EMSI)
- Pedagogical Support Unit (PSU)
- Distance Learning Pedagogical Support Unit (ePSU)
- ΔIIal
- Centre for Public and Cyber Security

Chairs

- Royal Commonwealth Society Cyprus
- UNESCO Chair
- PwC Chair in Business Research
- Dialogue Chair in Middle Eastern Studies

Academically Affiliated Institutions

- Centre for European and International Affairs (CEIA)
- Centre for the Advancement of Research and Development in Educational Technology (CARDET)
- Cyprus Medical Research Institute (CMRI)
- Mass Media & Communication Institute (IMME)
- Mediterranean Institute of Gender Studies (MIGS)
- Cyprus Centre for Intercultural Studies (CCIS)
- Mediterranean Institute of Hydrocarbons Technology (MIHT)
- American Center



Research Centres

Research in
Artificial Intelligent
Machine Learnin

Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning & Data Science

AR/VR Research in

augmented & virtual reality in education

active
Horizon 2020
projects

Global Competitions improving forecasting accuracy

UNIVERSITY OF NICOSIA RESEARCH FOUNDATION (UNRF)

Research at UNRF focuses on global and local issues including health, complex networks, social sciences, education, ICT, engineering, and environmental sustainability. Researchers at UNRF are interested in examining challenges to modern life from a wide range of perspectives, including technological and scientific advances, modern culture and thought, and apply their expertise derived from addressing local, regional and national issues to global challenges and develop teams to bring disciplinary strengths together to approach key issues with global impact.



UNRF's researchers have substantial experience in the management and implementation of research projects, funded by the European Union and the Research and Innovation Foundation.

"UNRF promotes research that shapes thinking and influences policy across a breadth of disciplines. Under UNRF, Researchers are engaged in asking difficult questions and providing answers that give insight and value in our lives".

Professor Constantinos N. Phellas President of the Board, UNRF

Featured Research Projects

Maritime Cognitive Decision Support System (MARI-Sense) | INTEGRATED/0918/0032

Principal Investigator: Ioannis Kyriakides

Sustaining the high activity levels of maritime and coastal tourism and maritime transport and shipping sectors demands: a) smart management of the limited capabilities and resources of Cyprus; and b) agile planning, prevention, and mitigation measures. The primary general objective of the MARI-Sens project is the integration and adaptation of existing knowledge and applications in cognitive systems to develop the MARI-Sense Cognitive Decision Support System for Maritime Activities Planning, Emergency Response and Planning, and Maritime Spatial Planning. The secondary general objective of this project is the contribution to smart, sustainable, and inclusive growth, by establishing effective plans of growth powered by the diverse capabilities of members of the quadruple helix and general public.

The effect of pharmacology teaching on diverse learners in a problem-based learning medical curriculum (PharmPBL) | EXCELLENCE/0918/0289

Principal Investigator: Dr. Persoulla Nicolaou

Reducing medication errors remains a significant challenge. Medication errors compromise patient safety and significantly increase health care costs. Problembased learning (PBL) has been introduced to counteract the limitations of traditional, passive teaching in medical education disciplines, including pharmacology. However, there is a lack of high quality studies that address the effectiveness of pharmacology teaching in an integrated PBL-based curriculum. The diverse student characteristics that may impact learning include age, gender, previous experience with PBL, ethnicity, educational background, language, academic ability, learning style and approach to learning. The current project is thus aimed at investigating whether a PBL based pharmacology curriculum is able to satisfy the diverse learning needs of medical students in pre-clinical years and contribute to the development of prescribing skills in clinical years. The findings will help identify students who are 'under-served' by the current educational approach, subsequently informing changes to the curriculum to better support student learning.



Professor Constandinos X. Mavromoustakis

Professor Mavromoustakis is currently a Professor at the Department of Computer Science. He received a five-year dipl.Eng (BSc, BEng, Meng/KISATS approved/accredited) in Electronic and Computer Engineering from Technical University of Crete, Greece; an MSc in Telecommunications from University College of London, UK; and his PhD from the department of Informatics at Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece.

He is leading the Mobile Systems Lab. (MOSys Lab.) at the Department of Computer Science at UNIC, and he is the Chair of the IEEE/ R8 regional Cyprus section since Nov. 2019, serving as the Chair of C16 Computer Society Chapter of the Cyprus IEEE since May 2009.

He has a dense research output in Mobile and Wearable computing systems and the Internet-of-Things (IoT), consisting of numerous refereed publications, including several Books (IDEA/IGI, Springer and Elsevier). He has served as a consultant to many industrial bodies (including Intel Corporation LLC), and he is a management member of IEEE Communications Society (ComSoc) Radio Communications Committee (RCC) and a board member the IEEE-SA Standards IEEE SCC42 WG2040. He has participated in several FP7/H2020/Eureka and National projects. He is a cofounder of the IEEE Technical Committee on IEEE SIG on Big Data Intelligent Networking (IEEE TC BDIN SIG) and currently serves as a Vice-Chair.

Mavromoustakis is also the Principle Investigator (PI) under UNRF for the following: (a) Smart and Healthy Ageing through People Engaging in Supportive Systems (SHAPES); (b) Cypriot and Slovenian IoT farm pilots and Post farm use cases from Greece (CYSLOP).

vINCI: Clinically-validated INtegrated Support for Assistive Care and Lifestyle Improvement: the Human Link

vINCI proposes the development of an integrated and validated evidence-based Internet of Things (IoT) framework to deliver non-intrusive monitoring and support for older adults to augment professional health care giving. By integrating proven open-data analytics technology with innovative user-driven IoT devices in four standardized kits, and with business models, vINCI aims to assist caregivers and provide smart care for older adults at out-patients clinics and outdoors. To verify, test (clinical validation), and identify its added value, two multi-disciplinary controlled pilots (in Romania and Cyprus) and two open-call validations (in Poland and Slovenia) will be deployed in controlled environments for real-life use cases involving older adults across Europe. The final goal is to demonstrate a systematic approach to ensure the highest level of quality control, automated monitoring, and data governance.



EXPECTED RESULTS AND IMPACT

vINCI does not only improve older adults' QoL through reinforcing their mood, but also by satisfying the general needs of the adult. vINCI will provide technologies to support more independent living, helping older adults feel more secure when taking a walk in the park, doing daily activities at home, or enjoying an independent life style. The technology will blend in their surroundings, putting little pressure on the older adults' experience (when seniors are afraid that they will be unable to handle technology, they are unlikely to use it). At the same time, the caregiver (or assisting personnel) does not need to accompany the older adult, giving them an advanced sense of freedom. A major impact is reflected on budgetary resources, minimizing the constraints imposed by the constant caregiving activities, because the medical staff is able to monitor constantly more than one adult for their usual daily activities.

INSTITUTE FOR THE FUTURE (IFF)

The Institute For the Future (IFF) at UNIC was founded to explore the hypothesis that technological progress will cause rapidly accelerating societal change over the coming decades. A wide range of technologies — artificial intelligence, biotechnology, nanotechnology, robotics, augmented and virtual reality, blockchain, drones, computational medicine, modern space exploration — will start reaching commercial viability soon. Each one of these technologies will be individually disruptive. In aggregate, these technologies will have a compounding effect on the economy, social structures, legal systems, income distribution, governance, education, and warfare — and raise fundamental questions on how society is organised.

Research Focus for 2020

We have three main focal areas of study: Blockchain (where UNIC is already a global leader), Artificial Intelligence, and Augmented and Virtual Reality. We aim to ask and study provocative questions like "How does Bitcoin compare to Central Bank digital currencies?", "What do self-driving cars mean for zoning requirements, insurance companies and public transportation?" and "When will robots acquire legal rights?" The goal is to push students, faculty (at our University and others), policy-makers and business leaders to prepare for these changes and aim for societally beneficial outcomes. The Institute's mission is interdisciplinary by nature and it works across Schools and Departments to support academic programmes, research, training and conferences. Given the emerging nature of these fields, it welcomes collaborations with other universities and institutes focused on similar areas.



















AI Object Tracking System developed by Ioannis Kyriakides, Associate Professor, Department of Engineering

Research at IFF

Through the Institute For the Future (IFF), the University of Nicosia pursues applied research in the emerging fields relating to the 4th Industrial Revolution, in line with the Institute's declared research focus.

This entails partnering with industry, academia and research centres to carry out joint research, funded either by industry or by competitive research grants (like the European Commission's research and innovation programmes). As of the end of 2019, IFF is involved in eight research projects (five of which are EU-funded), with a total funding in excess of €40 million for all partners in these projects. Some of these projects are the following:

HORIZON 2020 Projects

EUNOMIA: User-oriented, secure, trustful & decentralized social media. The project will address which social media user is the original source of a post, how this information has spread and been modified and how likely it is trustworthy.



BLOCKPOOL: Pooling SME adoption and deployment of Blockchain and other DLTs. The project aims to build and strengthen SMEs' and intermediaries' Blockchain and Distributed Ledger Technologies capacity in a cross-value chain fashion, in order to strengthen both supply and demand sides through 1) a Blockchain "deployment pool" and 2) other generic support activities.

INFINITECH: Tailored IoT & BigData Sandboxes and Testbeds for Smart, Autonomous and Personalized Services in the European Finance and Insurance Services Ecosystem. A project by global leaders in ICT and finance, that joined forces towards lowering the barriers for BigData/IoT/AI driven innovation, boosting regulatory compliance and stimulating additional investments.

PARITY: Pro-sumer AwaRe, Transactive Markets for Valorization of Distributed flexibilITY enabled by Smart Energy Contracts. The project will address the "structural inertia" of existing distribution grids by delivering a transactive grid and market framework that will increase the durability and efficiency of the electrical grid and facilitate the penetration of RES beyond 50% of the generation mix in the distribution network.

Other Research Projects

DLT4ALL: A Knowledge Alliance for Blockchain in Academic, Entrepreneurial and Investment Training. An Erasmus+ project addressing the lack of European entrepreneurs, students, angel-investors and incubator managers in understanding and exploiting Blockchain and Distributed Ledger Technologies.



ABC: Austrian Blockchain Center. An one-stop-shop for Blockchain (and related) technologies to be applied in industrial applications like industry 4.0 / IoT as well as financial, energy, logistics, government and administrative applications.



BLOXBERG: The Trusted Research Infrastructure. A secure global blockchain established by a consortium of leading research organisations and led by Max Planck to provide scientists with decentralized services worldwide.



UBRI: Ripple's University Blockchain Research Initiative. An initiative funded by the Ripple Impact Fund, an advised fund of Silicon Valley Community Foundation, for increasing the Institute's academic, research and outreach activities on Blockchain technologies that can significantly transform multiple industries.



University of Nicosia Research and Initiatives

BLOCKCHAIN TECHNOLOGY AND DIGITAL CURRENCY

UNIC is regarded by most measures, and according to most observers, to have the most developed university blockchain and cryptocurrency initiative in the world. We were the first university to offer a free online "Introduction to Digital Currencies" MOOC, which, since 2014, has been followed by over 35,000 students from 100 countries across all continents.

In parallel, UNIC offered the first academic degree in the world in this domain, its MSc in Digital Currency. Offered online in English, it is widely considered the most comprehensive degree in this innovative technological field – as attested in Blockchain industry publications, such as "The Merkle" (January 2017). Graduates from our programme have been involved in leading blockchain organisations worldwide.

Moreover, UNIC was the first university in the world to publish all diplomas of its graduating students (Bachelors, Masters, doctoral degrees) on the Bitcoin blockchain, as of the graduating class of Spring 2017, and to offer instant online verification of degree authenticity.

DECENTRALIZED

As part of our wider engagement with this emerging technology and its applications, UNIC established DECENTRALIZED, a series of global business and academic conferences relating to the technical and societal implecations of decentralization, cryptocurrency and blockchain technology.

The conference takes place annually and features hundreds of speakers from academia, industry and government, and thousands of participants. In this way, it aims to provide a platform to collectively work towards harnessing the latest innovations and tackling the challenges that lay ahead in this expanding ecosystem.

In addition to the flagship annual conference, IFF has established Decentralized Chapters, aiming to bring together like-minded individuals engaged in Blockchain technology and to promote related knowledge around the world. The expanding community consists of 25 Chapters to date, with further Chapters underway.

More information regarding the DECENTRALIZED conference and chapters can be found at: www.decentralized.com.





Global Press Coverage

"We might be seeing the advent of the Internet of money right before our eyes,"

said Dr Christos Vlachos, the University's Chief Financial Officer.

THE WALL STREET JOURNAL.

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Recent Rankings by Blockchain Industry Publication

Currency

#1 University of Nicosia

#2 New York University #3 Stanford University #4 Princeton University #5 Duke University

The Merkle, January 2017













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Instant Online Degree Authentication

UNIC was the first university in the world (Spring 2014) to publish academic certificates on the Bitcoin Blockchain, a decentralized and distributed digital ledger, while also utilising the technology to create a secure digital environment in which to verify the authenticity of the diplomas it awards. UNIC is now the first university globally to move from trials to full implementation of this pioneering new technology, for all graduating students, on an ongoing basis.

All UNIC certificates are now digitised and available to our students online. Each certificate fingerprint is also added to Bitcoin's blockchain, offering users (e.g. potential employers or other universities) immediate, secure and digital authentication via an easy-to-use online verification tool.

UNIC is now offering this solution to other academic and governmental institutions on an open-source/free basis. Other universities (for example, the British University in Dubai) have already adopted the technology developed by UNIC to electronically authenticate their degrees through blockchain.

The credentialing technology behind this advancement was developed by the dedicated blockchain research team at UNIC's Institute For the Future, under the guidance of Professor George Giaglis, and has now been commercialised through IFF's first spin off company, Block.co.

Ripple: University Blockchain Research Initiative

UNIC actively participates in Ripple's newly-announced multiyear, multi-million dollar University Blockchain Research Initiative, through which Ripple is funding basic and applied research at some of the leading universities in the field of blockchain technology and cryptocurrency, including UNIC, MIT, Stanford, Princeton, Wharton, UCL and others.

The initiative between the elite consortium of universities and Ripple was established to collectively accelerate academic research, technical development and innovation. The Initiative includes collaborative research between the university partners, with Ripple also providing strategic and technical support to each university's research agenda and areas of focus, as needed.

Within this framework, Ripple has joined UNIC's Institute For the Future (IFF) as a founding corporate member; and is funding the Ripple Graduate Fellowship for post-doc blockchain research at UNIC, as well as the Ripple Scholar Scheme for UNIC's MSc in Digital Currency.



FEATURED FACULTY

Professor George M. Giaglis

Professor Giaglis is the Executive Director of the Institute for the Future (IFF) at the University of Nicosia (UNIC), as well as a leading expert on blockchain technology and applications and advisor to many blockchain projects and technology start-ups. Prior to joining UNIC, he was Professor at the Athens University of Economics and Business (2002-2017), where he also served as Vice Rector (2011-2015). Giaglis has been working on digital currencies and blockchain since 2012, with his main focus being on new forms of industrial organisation (programmable smart contracts, decentralized applications and distributed autonomous organisations) and new forms of corporate financing (tokenised assets and the token economy). He has been one of the first academics to research and teach on blockchain, having: designed the curriculum of the world's first full academic degree on blockchain (MSc in Blockchain and Digital Currency at UNIC); led the development of blockchain credentialing technology that has resulted in the first ever publishing of academic certificates on the blockchain; taught on the disruptive innovation potential of blockchain, both at academic programmes and in executive seminars worldwide; organized a number of prominent blockchain conferences and events, including the annual European conference series Decentralized. Throughout his career, he has published twelve books and more than 170 articles in leading scientific journals and conferences, while he is frequently interviewed by media and invited as keynote speaker or trainer in events across the globe. He is the Chief Editor for Blockchain Technology at the Frontiers in Blockchain Journal and member of the Editorial Board at Ledger.

THE MAKRIDAKIS OPEN FORECASTING CENTER (MOFC)

Forecasts are essential for practically all business decisions: From setting up appropriate inventory or service levels and credible budgets, to evaluating long-term, strategic investments. The first objective of the expanding field of forecasting is to offer accurate predictions contributing to the success of such decisions. Its second, equally important goal is to provide precise estimates of the uncertainty inherent in all predictions and how to be able to deal with the resulting risks.

Delivering Improved Forecasting Accuracy

The vision of the MOFC is to improve, as much as possible, the accuracy of forecasting, as well as the correct estimation of uncertainty, and to offer specific suggestions on how such improvements can be made and how to rationally deal with the ensuing risks. Its mission is to expand the utilization of forecasting in business firms, by identifying their needs; suggesting the most appropriate way of fulfilling them; demonstrating its benefits in reducing costs and/or improving profits; while also avoiding untested practices.

Forecasting accuracy is a critical factor for reducing costs and providing better customer service. Yet the knowledge and experience for improving such accuracy is not always utilized. Empirical studies in the field have compared the post-sample forecasting accuracy of various methods so that their performance can be determined in an objective, measurable manner.

M-Competitions

M-Competitions are such empirical studies that have compared the performance of a large number of major time series methods using recognized experts who provide the forecasts for their method of expertise. Once the forecasts from each expert have been obtained, they are evaluated and compared with those of the other experts, as well as with some simple methods used as benchmarks. Forecasting competitions assure objectivity while also guaranteeing expert knowledge.

"The M-Competitions, organized by Spyros Makridakis, have had an enormous influence on the field of forecasting. They focused attention on what models produced good forecasts, rather than on the mathematical properties of those models. For that, Spyros deserves congratulations for changing the landscape of forecasting research through this series".

Rob J. Hyndman Professor of Statistics, Monash University



M-COMPETITIONS

M-Competitions are the brainchild of Professor Spyros Makridakis, a pioneer in the field and, for many, the father of forecasting. The revolutionary initiative began almost four decades ago, with M-Competitions taking place in 1982, 1993, 2000 and 2018. They have substantially contributed to improving forecasting accuracy and informing practitioners on the most appropriate forecasting method to use for their specific needs.

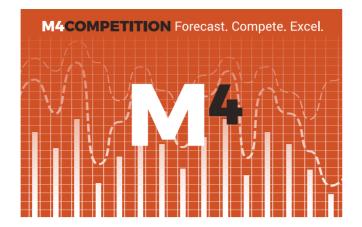
The latest edition of the competition was organised by the Institute For the Future (IFF) of the University of Nicosia (UNIC), with the support of the Forecasting & Strategy Unit at the National Technical University of Athens (NTUA).



FEATURED FACULTY

Professor Spyros Makridakis

Professor Makridakis is a faculty member at the University, where he is also a Director of the Institute For the Future (IFF) and Director of the Makridakis Open Forecasting Center (MOFC). He is an Emeritus Professor of Decision Sciences at INSEAD, as well as the University of Piraeus, and one of the world's leading experts on forecasting, with many journal articles and books on the subject. He was one of the founders and the first editor-in-chief of the Journal of Forecasting and the International Journal of Forecasting, a publication of the International Institute of Forecasters (he also served as editor-in-chief from 1982 to 1987). "Forecasting is indispensable for scheduling, planning and strategic decisions for both business firms and government organisations, so any effort to improve its accuracy is of great practical value. It is unquestionably a critical factor for, among other things, reducing costs and providing better customer service. For this reason, business firms in particular are encouraged to participate"



About the M4

The M4 is the latest edition of the premier academic forecasting competition in the world, featuring 248 teams from 48 countries, with a large number of participants hailing from the USA, the UK, Brazil, Australia, Malaysia, and Greece. The five major findings of the M4 Forecasting Competition are as follows:

- The combination of methods was the king of the M4. Of the 17 most accurate methods, 12 were "combinations" of mostly statistical approaches.
- The biggest surprise was a "hybrid" approach that utilised both statistical and ML features. This method produced both the most accurate forecasts and the most precise PIs, and was submitted by Slawek Smyl, a Data Scientist at Uber Technologies. According to sMAPE, it was close to 10% more accurate than the combination benchmark.
- The second most accurate method was a combination of seven statistical methods and one ML one, with the weights for the averaging being calculated by a ML algorithm that was trained to minimise the forecasting error through holdout tests. This method was submitted jointly by Spain's University of A Coruña and Australia's Monash University.
- The most accurate and second most accurate methods also achieved an amazing success in specifying the 95% PIs correctly. These are the first methods we are aware of that have done so, rather than underestimating the uncertainty considerably.
- The six pure ML methods that were submitted in the M4 all performed poorly, with none of them being more accurate than Comb and only one being more accurate than Naïve2. This supports the findings of the latest PLOS ONE paper by Makridakis, Spiliotis and Assimakopoulos.

A Special Issue of the prestigious International Journal of Forecasting (IJF), exclusively devoted to the M4 Competition, has been published, including 35 papers by top academics from universities around the world and practitioners from Google, Amazon, Microsoft, Uber, SAP and SAS.

M4 Conference in New York

The two-day M4 Conference which took place in December 2018 at the Tribeca Rooftop, one of New York City's premier event venues, assembled 20+ distinguished speakers from high-tech giants and software firms, including Google, Microsoft, Amazon, Uber and SAS, as well as leading academics from top-tier universities, such as world-renowned Professors Nassim Nicholas Taleb at NYU and Yael Grushka at the Harvard Business School.

The M4 Conference, organised by Professor Spyros Makridakis under the aegis of the University of Nicosia and with the support of NYU Tandon School of Engineering, elaborated on the findings of the global M4 Forecasting Competition. To this end, the speakers discussed the implications of these findings at length, as well as their practical applications by business and other organisations in their effort to improve forecasting accuracy and correctly assess future uncertainty.

The presentations covered all critical aspects of forecasting, including a new hybrid approach, combining statistical methods and introducing judgmental adjustments, placing special emphasis on the comparison of Machine Learning and Statistical forecasting methods, as well as the assessment of uncertainty.

The conference was attended by a discerning audience of 150+ data scientists, financial managers, government officials, hedge fund managers, production managers, inventory managers, logistics and transportation officials, as well as academics and students in the field of forecasting.

M4 Conference at the Tribeca Rooftop, NYU 2018



M5COMPETITIONForecast. Compete. Excel.



About the M5

The upcoming M5 is scheduled to run between 2 March and 3 June 2020, and will go further than the previous competitions in two major directions. First, it will include explanatory and exogenous variables to improve forecasting accuracy. Second, it will use hierarchical, high frequency, daily data that would also require predicictions for intermittent demand.

More specifically, the M5 will use actual/authentic data made available by Walmart and will be implemented using Kaggle's Platform. As in the M4, there will be substantial monetary prizes (totalling \$100,000), with tech giants endorsing it.

Given the standing of M-Competitions in the forecasting community, as well as the significant contributions these have delivered throughout the years, fundamentally changing the field, the M5 is expected to be the largest international competition of its kind; attracting upwards of 2,000 participants and teams.

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

The AI Lab of the University of Nicosia aims at developing cutting edge technology as well as state-of-the art research in the fields of Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, and Data Science.

The Lab consists of professors, Post-Doctoral researchers, PhD Students, as well as undergraduate students that conduct research and run projects related to a plethora of challenging topics like: Data Science (Data Stream mining, Deep Learning), Artificial Intelligence (Machine Learning, Uncertain Reasoning, Bayesian Networks), Smart Cities (Learning from Urban Data), Computational Social Science, Sentiment Analysis, Social Network Analysis.

This team of Data Scientists and Artificial Intelligence experts works on real world applications and problems, to complement and augment human intelligence, while keeping up with advances in AI, exploiting its advantages while addressing its drawbacks. They focus on interdisciplinary topics, and work with external collaborators in the areas of Political Science, Social Science, Journalism and Health. In addition to its research objectives, the group provides high-quality teaching on relevant topics (e.g. Artificial Intelligence, Data Mining, and Machine Learning). The directors of the lab are Ioannis Katakis and Athena Stassopoulou, both professors at the Computer Science department of UNIC.







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Dr Ioannis Katakis

Dr Katakis is an Associate Professor and co-Director of the Artificial Intelligence Lab (ailab.unic.ac.cy) at the Department of Computer Science at UNIC. Born and raised in Thessaloniki, Greece, he studied Computer Science and holds a PhD in Machine Learning for Text Classification (Aristotle University, 2009). After his postgraduate studies, he served as a lecturer and senior researcher at multiple

Recently, Ioannis has been included on the "Ioannidis list" of "Top 45 young Greek scientists" based on the impact of his work. His research interests include Mining Social, Web and Urban Data, Smart Cities, Sentiment Analysis and Opinion Mining, Deep Learning, Data Streams and Multi-label Learning. He has published papers in International Conferences and Scientific Journals, organised multiple workshops, and special issues and is an Editor at the journal Information Systems. His research has been cited more than 5,800 times in the literature. He has extensive experience in European research projects where he participated as a Quality Assurance Coordinator and a Senior Researcher. He regularly serves on the programme committee of international conferences and evaluates articles in top-tier journals.

DEFENCE AND SECURITY RESEARCH INSTITUTE (DSRI)

The newly-established Defence and Security Research Institute (DSRI) at the University of Nicosia undertakes related research and training activities in collaboration with partners in government; industry; and other academic and research centres, nationally and internationally.

The Institute's mission is fully aligned to the European Union's action plan to invest in the common development of technologies and equipment of strategic importance for defence capabilities and cyber security. DSRI aims to work closely with the Cyprus government, particularly with the Ministry of Defence, Ministry of Finance, and Ministry of Foreign Affairs, to contribute to a series of research and development challenges:

Multidisciplinary Research and Development

Defence challenges need cross-disciplinary solutions from scientists, analysts and engineers. As such, DSRI encompasses a wide range of multidisciplinary research and training focal points relating to:

- Research and technology across a range of defence applications pertinent to land, air, sea, and space capabilities
- Emerging and disruptive technologies with applications to defence and security

Areas of priority include:

- Advanced modelling and simulation methods
- Physics-based models
- Unmanned systems
- · Artificial Intelligence
- Virtual and Augmented Reality
- Simulation and Visualisation tools for training,
- systems design, development and integration
- Chemical Biological Radiological Nuclear
- (CBRN) prediction capabilities
- Cybersecurity and Cyber Warfare
- Space Situational Awareness
- Maritime surveillance

Dual-use Science and Technology

The impact of DSRI's work goes beyond conventional military technology enhancement, founded on the understanding that defence science and technology has a dual-use for its developments, thus contributing to the economic activity of nations, to the workforce, and to the advancement of research and innovation

Training

As a research-led institute, DSRI's training is intrinsically linked to the state-of-the-art methods and techniques pertinent to the defence and security sectors. The educational component covers Master programmes, including distance learning options. Moreover, the Institute draws capabilities and expertise from across UNIC's Schools and Departments, as well as from UNIC's international strategic partnerships.







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LIFE AND HEALTH SCIENCES

HORIZON 2020

The University of Nicosia is Project Coordinator of "OActive", which has received €5 million in funding under the European Union's Horizon 2020 Research and Innovation Programme.

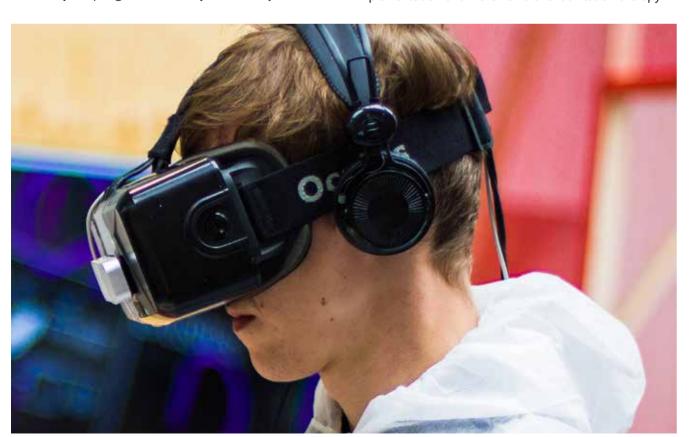
The project is comprised of 13 partners from 9 European countries and includes academic institutions such as KU Leuven, University of Patras, Liverpool John Moores University; research centres such as LEiTaT and Ri.MED; as well as other small to medium-sized enterprises. Coordinators of OActive are Dr Kyriakos Felekkis and Dr Christoforos Giannakis from the Department of Life and Health Sciences at UNIC.

The project aims at using a combination of advanced mechanistic computational models, simulations and big data analytics to simulate and predict optimised personalised treatments to patients with Osteoarthritis. Osteoarthritis is a degenerative disease of the joints and the most common form of arthritis in a person which causes pain and reduced mobility, thereby significantly impacting quality of life.

OActive seeks to provide effective treatment of the disease by adopting a holistic analysis, whereby



personalised data from patients will be combined with environmental and sociological data to create effective forecasting tools for personalised patient-specific interventions. The project endeavours to use computing models with the ability to predict the progression of the disease and to provide a better diagnosis. Augmented Reality (AR) interventions will be developed in a way that will make personalised treatment more enjoyable, to boost a patient's motivation and dedication to the treatment. AR will also assist health care practitioners to better monitor their patients' progress and allow for the implementation of a more flexible rehabilitation therapy.



NEUROLOGY AND GENETICS

The University's Department of Life & Health Sciences has partnered with the Cyprus School of Molecular Medicine, a school of the Cyprus Institute of Neurology & Genetics (CING).

The two collaborative institutions have joined forces in the discipline of biomedical sciences, which over the last few decades has had a surge in research output and knowledge application to diseases, while also growing in popularity as an academic discipline in the wider region.

CING has been at the forefront of diagnostic, research and postgraduate academic activities in biomedical sciences in Cyprus since its establishment in 1990 and has reinforced its place further as a leader in the sector, with the establishment of the Cyprus School of Molecular Medicine in 2012. This ties in well with UNIC's initiatives in this field, having made our mark on the provision of education in Cyprus to both local and international students with a range of academic programmes, facilities and overall infrastructure. Our pre-Med programme, Medical School and MSc in Biomedical Sciences, provide common ground for the implementation and future development of the co-operation.

The partnership has a strong focus on research, as well as activities relating to academic programmes, including teaching, international student recruitment, and common student and faculty services.



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BUSINESS **ADMINISTRATION**

The School of Business at the University of Nicosia plays an active role in the promotion of research in the field of Business Administration. Its commitment to top-quality education and research serves as the foundation for the School's extensive involvement in a variety of business, economic and social activities.

Faculty members receive external funding from competitive research funding programmes in a wide range of subjects related to Business Administration, engaging in broad scientific research in an ever-evolving business landscape.

In parallel, the School maintains close ties to the business world through the School of Business Advisory Board, which comprises executives from leading organisations, as well as through the affiliated PwC Chair in Business Research.

PwC Chair in Business Research

The PwC Chair in Business Research at the University of Nicosia was founded in 2002 within the framework of the wider social contribution of PwC. The Chair's activity includes a series of collaborations, connecting the academic and research community to the business world.

The Chair promotes an integrated information, research and documentation system in the fields of accounting, shipping, tourism, finance, human talent and corporate social responsibility, at both the local and regional level

The Chair actively contributes to the enhancement of the business sector in Cyprus, assisting in the provision of high-quality education and training to students and facilitating opportunities for direct contact with the business world, as well as support for business research.

Euromed Journal of Business

The School of Business of the University of Nicosia founded the "Euromed Journal of Business" (EMJB), an academic double-blind review journal, currently published by Emerald, the world's leading publisher of management research.

The Journal stimulates dialogue between European-Mediterranean researchers and encourages research from this region. It aims to reveal and emphasise the best practice and research of developed and developing countries in the area, contributing to the development of knowledge and understanding for contemporary advances in management, trends, and challenges.

The Journal contributes to generating and sharing understanding of different business environments and trends in European and Mediterranean countries. It aims to provide a platform for the thinking, theory and practice of business and a forum for debating issues as they arise. In this way, the Journal seeks to provide readers with an updated overview of emerging business practices and assist both academics and practitioners keep up-to-date with business developments in relevant countries.

The EuroMed Journal of Business is the official journal of the EuroMed Research Business Institute.



EDUCATION

HORIZON 2020

UNIC, through its School of Education, is one of eight universities across Europe and Israel to participate in DIALLS (Dialogue and Argumentation for Cultural Literacy Learning in Schools), a three year project funded under the Horizon 2020 Understanding Europe - Promoting the European Public and Cultural Space call. The project, with €4,4 million in funding, is coordinated by the University of Cambridge. UNIC is working alongside leading universities, including the University of Münster, University of Barcelona, and the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, to further one of the main objectives of the European Commission. More specifically, the consortium is engaging its network of partner schools (pre-primary, primary and secondary) in both urban and



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Dr Maria Evagorou

Dr Evagorou is an Associate Professor at the University of Nicosia. Her scholarly activity focuses on exploring and enhancing young students' and pre-service teachers' argumentation skills within socioscientific issues. More specifically, the emphasis of her work is on students' and teachers' talk when they engage in the discussion of SSI and aims to explore ways in which teachers can be supported in their effort to include SSI in their teachings. She has worked as a principal investigator and senior researcher on various EU and local projects, served as a member on the JRST editorial board, and as a strand coordinator for ESERA, and has published widely

rural contexts, to develop young people's cultural literacy in formal education through the teaching of dialogue and argumentation as a means to understand European identities, cultures and diversities.

UNESCO Chair for Cultural Diversity and Intercultural Dialogue for a Culture of Peace

The first UNESCO Chair in Cyprus was inaugurated at the University of Nicosia in 2005. Its purpose is "the promotion of a comprehensive framework of educational activities, research, the provision of information and documentation in the area of cultural, linguistic and religious diversity, and the intercultural dialogue for a culture of peace, on a local, national and regional level".

Over the years, the UNESCO Chair at UNIC has organised and participated in a multitude of activities and events aimed at serving its declared objectives. The Chair has further built a wide network of collaborations, both within Cyprus and abroad, promoting research and joint activities.

UNESCO Chairs operate under the auspices and direction of UNESCO, whose headquarters are in Paris. Through the UNESCO Chair, UNIC has adopted and actively contributes towards the UNESCO vision of making our region a better place.







Educational, Scientific and • and Intercultural Dialogue Cultural Organization • for a Culture of Peace

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INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Cyprus is involved in the complex international relations and geopolitics of the region, yet it also provides a safe, modern environment with a high standard of living. This makes Cyprus an ideal laboratory for the study of issues pertaining to European and international relations, diplomacy and developments in the Eastern Mediterranean. The University of Nicosia has established important affiliated Centres through which it is able to promote research in the areas mentioned above.

Eastern Mediterranean Studies Initiative (EMSI)

The Eastern Mediterranean Studies Initiative (EMSI) at the University of Nicosia aims to enhance international collaboration among scholars, researchers and practitioners interested in issues pertaining to the geopolitics, societies, economics, development, energy, and environmental sustainability of the Eastern Mediterranean. EMSI members collaborate on research, conferences and seminars, and student exchange and study abroad programmes.





Diplomatic Academy

The Diplomatic Academy (DA) is an independent nonprofit institute, affiliated with the University of Nicosia, established in 2011 to provide training and promote education, information and analysis on diplomatic and international relations developments. Towards this goal, the Academy organises and hosts events with professionals, representatives from trade, commerce, the military, the diplomatic community, and governmental and non-governmental organisations. Among other activities, the DA has organised a Model United Nations and set up an annual international Summer School that focuses on conflicts and regional geopolitics. Furthermore, through its collaboration with high-level academics and journalists, the Academy hosts and promotes expert analysis on the developments in the volatile region of the Eastern Mediterranean, as well as on European Union-Russia relations.



Black Sea and Eastern Mediterranean Academic Network (BSEMAN)

The University of Nicosia is a founding member of the Black Sea and Eastern Mediterranean Academic Network (BSEMAN). The Network is an association of over 50 universities in the broader region, aiming to strengthen co-operation between participating institutions in undertaking joint research projects; to develop and enrich a common communication database; to publish journal articles and organise scientific workshops and conferences; as well as to develop their educational collaboration overall.



The Dialogue Chair in Middle Eastern Studies

The Middle East today is the main source of energy globally and hosts the holiest places of worship for the three Abrahamic religions. As the birthplace of great civilizations, the region has obviously much to offer humanity. With a turbulent history, the Middle East now suffers from economic under-development, overpopulation, lack of social cohesion, political instability, undemocratic practices and more. Cyprus, located between three continents and rich with heritage and culture that can relate to the Middle East, as well as Europe, is well placed to undertake studies on this vast cultural and geographical terrain. It may be a useful bridge between Eastern and Western civilizations and can be a forum, where culturally and politically, the meeting of minds can take place. In this regard, The Dialogue Chair in Middle Eastern Studies was established at the University of Nicosia in 2003 to explore various aspects of regional developments in the context of contemporary international relations.

The Cyprus Center for European and International Affairs (CCEIA)

The Cyprus Center for European and International Affairs is an independent non-profit think tank, associated with the University of Nicosia. Since its establishment in 1993, the Center has sought to advance research, contribute to the study and analysis of important economic, political, social and strategic issues of concern to Cyprus, the Eastern Mediterranean and the European Union. These include issues of European political and economic integration, ethnic conflict and governance in bi-ethnic and multi-ethnic societies and energy geopolitics. Special attention is also given to the Cyprus problem and its different dimensions, other Cyprus-related issues, Greco-Turkish relations, as well as security and cooperation in the Eastern Mediterranean and the broader Middle East.





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Professor Andreas Theophanous

Professor Theophanous is a Professor of Political Economy and President of The Center for European and International Affairs and of the Department of Politics and Governance of the University of Nicosia. He studied Economics and Political Sciences at Susquehanna University with a Fulbright scholarship, graduating in 1983 with distinction (Valedictorian). He continued his studies with a scholarship from Pennsylvania State University, where he received MA and PhD degrees in Economics in 1985 and 1988 respectively. He was a Financial Affairs Advisor to the President of the Republic of Cyprus (1990-1993). He has visited a number of universities and think tanks as a Visiting Professor, senior scientific associate and/or guest speaker in Europe, USA, Canada, the Middle East, Japan and Australia. He is a writer and co-editor of many books on political and economic issues, on Cyprus, the EU and the wider East Mediterranean region. He has also organised numerous international symposia and conferences, and is a scientific co-ordinator for major research projects. At the beginning of 2010 he introduced the new series of Political Texts of The Center for European and International Affairs of the University of Nicosia and in 2004 the electronic bimonthly publication, In Depth, of which he is also an Editor.

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LAW

UNIC's Law School has a dynamic faculty with extensive diplomatic, governmental, teaching and research experience and influence. Faculty members act as advisers or appointed members of state committees and other important public bodies. They have received external funding from competitive research funding programmes, including the prestigious Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence and Jean Monnet Cahair Ad Personam. They have also secured funding for research from bodies such as the European Parliament, the Cyprus Research Promotion Foundation, the Fundamental Rights Agency, the UNDP/UNOPS, the EEA, as well as from funding programmes such as the FP7, Socrates, Euclid, Archimed, Grundvig, Interreg, Smart and Civil Justice. They have also been entrusted with research programmes by the Cyprus government, House of Representatives, as well as semipublic bodies.

The Law School is host to major research centres such as the Cyprus Center for European and International Affairs, the Royal Commonwealth Society Cyprus Branch and the Dialogue Chair in Middle Eastern Studies.

Members of the School serve as administrative officials in pan-European research initiatives, such as the European Consortium for Church and State Research, the European Network for Conflict Research, and the European Network for Interdisciplinary Research on Climate Change, Food Insecurity, and Political Instability.



Conferences and Events

The School of Law also organises a series of lectures and international conferences on key legal issues. Indicative examples that took place during the 2018-2019 academic year include: a two-day colloquium on the "Political History of Cyprus after 1974", a panel discussion on "Multifaith and Multiculturalism in Education" co-organised with the High Commission of Cyprus in London and RCS Cyprus, a conference on the "Criminal and Psychosocial Aspects of Toxic Addictions" in collaboration with the Cyprus Police, an one-day workshop on "The Future of Work" co-organised with the Ministry of Labour, Welfare and Social Insurance, on the occasion of the 100 years from the founding of the International Labour Organisation (ILO).

Digital Bibliography of Cypriot Law

The creation of the Digital Bibliography of Cypriot Law by the Dean of UNIC's Law School, Prof. Achilleas K. Emilianidis, is one of the best and most successful examples of applied research, combining legal science and modern technology.

The main body of this work contains more than 1,500 bibliographic references, divided into 30 main categories, established with the intent of facilitating the researcher. The categorisation aims at achieving legal accuracy, but also in making it easy to find material for further research. The result of years-long bibliographic research, this digital platform is continuously updated with the latest bibliographic developments. Within the framework of the EU's declared open access objective, it remains available to the public free of charge, enhancing the efforts to maximise research activity in the field of Cypriot law.

Multidisciplinary Research

The School of Law is also actively involved in cross-sectoral research with a multidisciplinary focus. One of the latest examples is the Marie Skłodowska-Curie (MSCA) Widening Fellowship awarded to Dr Maria Hadjiathanasiou, the School's Research Associate, by the European Commission under the Horizon 2020 Research & Innovation Programme. Widening fellowships help to close the still apparent research and innovation gap within Europe. The specific twoyear funded research project on British, Greek and Turkish Cultural Diplomacy in Cyprus, (CuDiCy) will contribute to the discussion about the conceptualisation of power, politics, authority and governance, as well as on the formation and transformation of identity. The results are expected to enrich and expand the discussion on global cultural diplomacy significantly, shedding light on a little researched region, with substantial implications on what constitutes successful cultural diplomacy today.

Royal Commonwealth Society Branch (RCS Cyprus)

The Cyprus Branch of the Royal Commonwealth Society (RCS Cyprus) was established in April 2017 and is part of the international network of local and regional branches of the Royal Commonwealth Society, an organisation established in London in 1868.

RCS Cyprus is closely affiliated to the University of Nicosia, where it is also based, with Dean Emilianidis serving as its president.

Through its activities, the Branch aims to promote Commonwealth principles and values, as well as to strengthen relations between its member states. These activities include, but are not limited to:

- The organisation of conferences, seminars, discussions and lectures
- The organisation of cultural, philanthropic and other events and activities, in line with the spirit of the Royal Commonwealth Society Charter
- Providing networking and exchange opportunities among the local and international RCS Cyprus network

HRH Prince Michael of Kent delivered the Keynote address at the RCS Cyprus Branch launch, highlighting the opportunities and challenges for business and investment in the Commonwealth and the importance of the establishment of RCS Cyprus at this critical juncture.







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Professor Achilles C. Emilianides

Professor Emilianides is Dean of the School of Law. He holds a PhD, LLM and LLB from the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki and an LLM in European Law and Integration from Leicester University. He teaches in the Department of Law, where he served for six years as Head of Department. He has published more than 20 monographs with international publishing houses and over 100 papers in journals. He is a practicing barrister, having appeared in leading cases before the Supreme Court of Cyprus. He was the lead counsel for the petitioners in the first ever preliminary reference submitted by a Cypriot Court to the European Court and has acted as the lead legal advisor of the Republic of Cyprus, representing the Republic before the working groups of the Council of the EU. During the Cypriot Presidency of the Council, he was appointed by the Republic of Cyprus and acted as the Chairman of two working groups on EU draft regulations. Prof. Emilianides is a recipient of the Anny Tsatsos award from the Centre of European Constitutional Law in Athens. More recently, he was elected as one of the 12 founding members and first Secretary-General of the Cyprus Academy of Sciences, Letters and Arts, home to the most distinguished Cypriot scientists, intellectuals and artists. This follows his election as a member of the European Academy of Sciences and Arts (Academia Scientiarum et Artium Europaea), in recognition of his international academic and scientific work. He is the first Cypriot jurist to receive this honour.

SOCIAL WORK

The Social Work programme at the University of Nicosia conducts significant research in areas of social concern. UNIC, in collaboration with the Institute of Child Health (ICH) - Greece, Defence for Children International (DCI) - Italy, and the Kazimieras Simonavicius University - Lithuania, has been funded by the European Union's Rights, Equality and Citizenship programme 2014-2020 for the implementation of the project "ASOP4G - Alliance for Children on the Move - Standard Operating Procedures for Guardians". The purpose of the project is the creation and adoption of a joint training programme for Guardians of unaccompanied children in all four countries.

Within the framework of the programme, activities such as networking and training sessions, as well as research that will provide a better understanding of the needs of unaccompanied children and of the national guardianship systems will be implemented, all with the purpose of establishing a sustainable and effective training programme for Guardians (professional and institutional officers). Upon completion of the training, the Project will provide trainees with the opportunity to participate in monthly supervisory meetings, as well as train the trainers' workshops to ensure the sustainability of the training.

MIGRANT INFORMATION CENTRES (MIC)

For a third consecutive year, the University of Nicosia implements the Migrant Information Centres (MiHub) project, which is co-funded by the European Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund of the Republic of Cyprus. The aim of the project is to support vulnerable migrants across Cyprus, ensuring they are informed, protected and able to move forward with their lives. MIC has developed services based on the core values of protecting, respecting, understanding and supporting vulnerable migrants and refugees. Its four offices across Cyprus employ highly trained personnel ready to respond to a variety of needs and requests. MIC has filled a huge 'gap' in the integration services available and makes a positive impact in the lives of thousands of foreigners residing in Cyprus. MIC facilitates migrant access to services and resources and gives emphasis on building new skills towards their effective adjustment to the Cypriot cultural and social environment.



MIGRANT ENTREPRENEURSHIP FOR SOCIAL INCLUSION (MESI)

The University of Nicosia participates in project MESI with Krinova Incubator and Science Park - (Sweden), SYNTHESIS (CY), VIFIN (Denmark), LH Magdeburg (Germany) and CSCI (Italy). MESI is funded by Erasmus + within the field of Strategic Partnerships for Adult Education. The project aims to develop a training curriculum and an e-course specifically designed to tackle the educational and training needs of migrants, by equipping adult education professionals, trainers and professionals working with migrants with the tools to engage them in entrepreneurial initiatives, as well as increasing their participation in such activities. The curriculum will increase the capacity of professionals in designing outreach activities to support entrepreneurial activities created by migrants. The project will be supported with the in-service training toolkit and a learning activity, which will equip adult educators, trainers and professionals with the skills needed to promote entrepreneurship among migrants and engage migrants in educational initiatives and training opportunities on entrepreneurship.



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Dr Despina Cochliou

Dr Cochliou is Lecturer of Social Work at the University of Nicosia. She has extensive research and academic as well as professional experience. Her research interests lie in the administration and organisation of social care organisations and in social policy planning and management. In this respect, she has worked and researched in various fields such as trafficking and exploitation, asylum and migration, as well as unaccompanied children guardianship policies. She has also worked extensively as an advisor of social care NGOs and local authorities' social services.

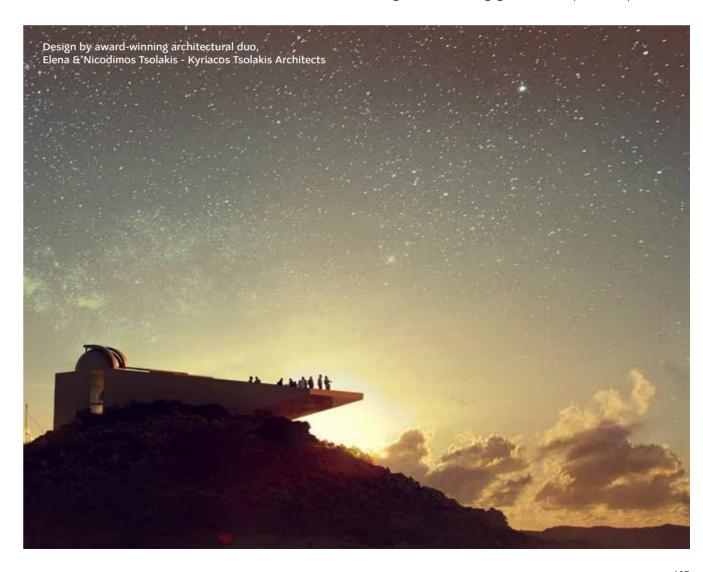
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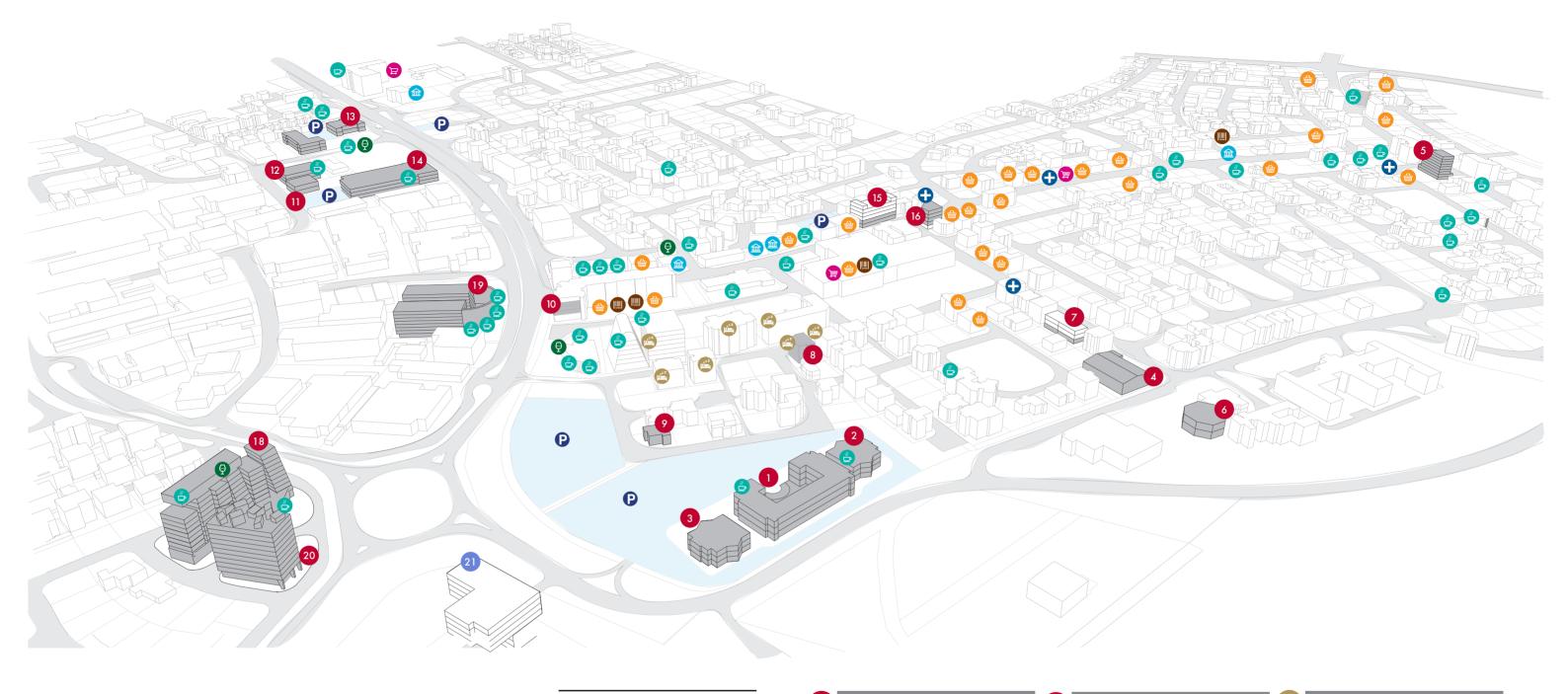
The University of Nicosia Research Foundation (UNRF) is a key contributor to a consortium that has undertaken the creation of an Observatory in the Agridia community, located in the heart of the Troodos mountain range. Consortium participants also include the Republic of Cyprus, the Hellenic Republic, the Community of Agridia, the Municipality of Sitia in Crete and the University of Crete.

UNRF, together with the University of Nicosia, have a permanent focus on science and technology as a means of progress and development, for our students and the University itself, but also more generally for Cyprus and the wider Mediterranean region.

The Observatory project was submitted and approved by the relevant European Union body, as part of its Interreg line of EU-funded programmes, and is on track to open in 2021. The creation of an Observatory accessible to the public is the realisation of a decades-long ambition for the country. It will provide both Cypriots and visitors to the island a unique window into the fascinating world of astronomy and space. Moreover, the Observatory is expected to be used in both secondary and tertiary education, to develop and enhance general interest in science and astronomy, as well as to support tourism initiatives as part of the wider economic and environmental rejuvenation projects taking place in the Troodos region.

The deeper understanding, study and observation of outer space, concurrent with corresponding international initiatives, poses one of the main challenges confronting humanity over the next few years. Setting up an Observatory on the island is an essential first step towards firmly establishing the study of space in Cyprus and encouraging new generations to engage with this important topic.







UNICCITY

UNIC PREMISES:

- EDICAL SCHOOL BLOCK C / STANCE LEARNING UNIT

- PRIVATE RESIDENCES

- UNIC STUDENT RESIDENCES:

SIX RESIDENCE

CAFES & RESTAURANTS

- TRIANGLE RESIDENCE

- SEARCH & TECHNOLOGY ILDING / PRIMARY CARE CENTRE |
 - COLLABORATIVE INSTITUTE:
- CYPRUS INSTITUTE
 OF NEUROLOGY & GENETICS
- ELECTRONICS

UNIC RESIDENCES

The University of Nicosia's official student residences redefine modern student living. They consist of three separate complexes – SIX, U and TRIANGLE – which are among the most stunning student accommodations ever constructed in Europe. It is worth noting that SIX Residence has been nominated for the European prize for Contemporary Architecture 'Mies van den Rohe' Award, which is granted every two years to acknowledge and reward quality architectural production in Europe.

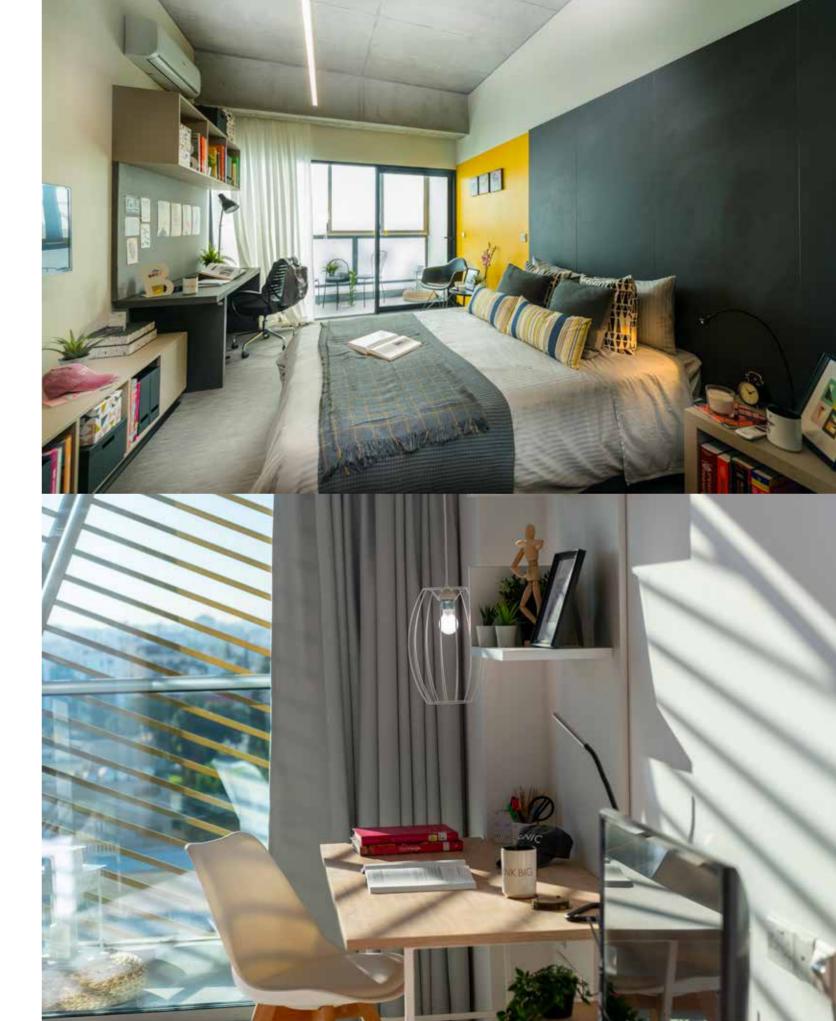
UNIC Residences provide a multitude of dining, relaxing and entertainment options for residents, including 6 restaurants and cafes, an exclusive rooftop bar and lounge, gyms, TV rooms, games areas and more.

Located in the upscale neighbourhood of Makedonitissa, in Nicosia, the residences are surrounded by UNIC's vibrant, urban campus that, in addition to 20 university buildings, is home to more than 70 restaurants, coffee shops, pubs and bars, all within walking distance.









SIX Residence

SIX Residence is a landmark building in Cyprus and the region. Split among 6 distinctive towers, SIX's 307 luxury student residences rise 12 stories above Nicosia and offer spectacular views of the University of Nicosia campus, Nicosia and the surrounding region.

SIX is topped-off by the exclusive UNIC Club, a jewel-like, all-glass 12th floor rooftop restaurant, lounge and pool, open only to the UNIC community, and an ideal place for residents of SIX to relax in one of the most appealing settings in Cyprus.

SIX is an official UNIC residence, located on the UNIC campus, one of the most attractive areas in Nicosia. It is only a 2-minute walk to the central UNIC campus buildings, and a short 5 to 10-minute walk to most of the other UNIC buildings (academic buildings, library, gym, etc.) and amenities of the bustling broader UNIC campus (restaurants, cafés, retail shops, supermarkets).

Residence Amenities

- Access to the 12th floor rooftop UNIC Club with restaurant, lounge, and infinity pool suspended in mid-air (Target opening date: Fall 2020)
- Restaurants and cafés
- Mini-market
- Gym
- Study room
- TV room
- Games area
- Laundry room
- 24-hour reception/security
- Electronic Access Controls
- CCTV System
- Parking garage
- Bicycle racks

Room Features

- Fully equipped single occupancy luxury studio apartments with en-suite bathroom and kitchen
- Private balcony
- En-suite bathroom with walk-in shower
- Individually controlled A/C and heating
- Broadband internet access
- Double-sized bed
- 3 door wardrobe with drawer
- Armchair and side table
- Desk and desk chair
- Shelves above desk bookcase
- 32" flat-screen TV with cable access
- Kitchenette
- Refrigerator
- Stovetop
- Microwave/grill
- Mirror



U Residence

U Residence features an ultra-modern design with 399 rooms across 7 floors, as well as four restaurants and cafés catering to a variety of tastes. Its single occupancy studios provide all conveniences, from an en-suite bathroom to a kitchenette and a private balcony. U also offers the possibility of sharing a 2-bedroom apartment for those looking for a roommate.

Residence Amenities

- Restaurants & cafés
- Gym
- Study room
- TV room
- Games area
- Laundry room
- 24-hour reception/security
- Electronic Access Controls
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- Parking garage
- Bicycle racks

Room Features

- Fully equipped single and double occupancy luxury studio apartments with en-suite bathroom and kitchen
- Private balcony
- En-suite bathroom with walk-in shower
- Individually controlled A/C and heating
- Broadband internet access
- Double-sized bed
- 2-door wardrobe with drawer
- Desk and desk chair
- Bookcase
- Cabinets
- 32" flat-screen TV with cable access
- Kitchenette
- Refrigerator
- Stovetop
- Microwave/grill
- Mirror



TRIANGLE Residence

Triangle Residence complements SIX with an additional 153 modern and spacious rooms.

Residence Amenities

- Gym
- Study room
- TV room
- Games area
- Laundry room
- 24 hour security
- Electronic Access Controls
- CCTV System
- Parking garage
- Bicycle racks

Room Features

- Fully equipped single occupancy luxury studio apartments with en-suite bathroom and kitchen
- Private balcony
- En-suite bathroom with walk-in shower
- Individually controlled A/C and heating
- Broadband internet access
- Double-sized bed
- 3 door wardrobe with drawer
- Armchair and side table
- Desk and desk chair
- Shelves above desk bookcase
- 32" flat-screen TV with cable access
- Kitchenette
- Refrigerator
- Stovetop
- Microwave/grill
- Mirror





LEARNING FACILITIES

At UNIC, we are committed to providing a learning environment that best serves our global student community and faculty. This is why we continue to invest in our campus, buildings, facilities and technology to enhance the overall learning experience, thereby ensuring student satisfaction.

Our use of the latest technology in curriculum delivery to inspire and support learning, combined with our drive for pedagogical advancement, makes UNIC an innovative place to study. Ongoing investment in our modern campus and teaching infrastructure offers you an inspiring and contemporary student-centred learning environment, with access to some of the top resources in higher education.

Learning Spaces

UNIC is home to a large number of amphitheatres and classrooms located across campus, many of which are also used as breakout spaces for local and international conferences, seminars, workshops and events.

Library

Our newly renovated Library and Information Centre aims to provide quality resources that support the educational and research goals of the University community. The Centre is a well-resourced academic space, with an impressive collection of print books and thousands of electronic resources.

- 100,000+ print books in all relevant areas of study
- 500,000+ e-books
- 30,000+ full-text e-journals from various publishers

Study Areas

We have made every effort to provide both quiet and social study areas throughout our campus, tailored to student needs and desires, so as to encourage dynamic learning. Whether you prefer studying silently or in a group, we provide student spaces to meet all your needs.





RESTAURANTS, SHOPS AND ENTERTAINMENT

Eating Out

There is no shortage of restaurants and cafeterias situated across our campus and in the surrounding urban area. Engomi is a vibrant neighbourhood in Nicosia, in which the University is located.

It is home to more than 70 restaurants, coffee shops, pubs and bars, all within walking distance, where you can enjoy a meal, grab a quick coffee, take in some live music or sports events, or just wind down and relax with some friends.

Popular chains like McDonald's, KFC, Bennigan's, and coffee shop favourites like Starbucks, Caffè Nero and many more are in close vicinity to our campus and usually packed with students coming together between classes.

UNIC Clubhouse

(opening in 2020)

The exclusive UNIC Clubhouse is a jewel-like, all-glass 12th floor rooftop restaurant, lounge and pool, open only to the UNIC community, and an ideal place for residents of SIX to relax in one of the most appealing settings in Cyprus.

Entertainment

You won't be lacking for choice with the multitude of entertaining social activities, events and nightlife that exists on and off campus and which cater to all tastes and student budgets.

A mix of nightclubs, parties, cinemas (including our on-campus Cine Studio movie theatre), excursions and other adventures are a great way to meet people, find new hobbies or even get involved in social societies and initiatives, gaining some valuable skills and experience along the way.

COFFEEOLOGY101

COFFEEOLOGY101 is our relaxing modern student lounge for students to gather between classes to unwind or study. It comprises comfortable couches, a built-in study area, an outdoor bar, multiple WiFi access points, vending machines and game equipment.

The snack options at COFFEEOLOGY101 are diverse, and the coffee has been upgraded to Hausbrandt coffee, the oldest Italian coffee roasting brand and one of the best-selling Italian coffee brands in the world.

COFFEEOLOGY101 also stays open as a study area from 8pm until midnight, Monday to Friday.

Shopping

Other amenities like the Mall of Engomi, supermarkets, popular retail outlets and boutiques, and a variety of stores are conveniently located nearby. Getting from place to place in Engomi is very easy, with almost everything within just a few minutes' walk.

There is also a regular bus service, with a stop on the doorstep of our main campus and other stops just outside the other campus buildings, that allows you to travel anywhere in central Nicosia within 10 to 20 minutes.

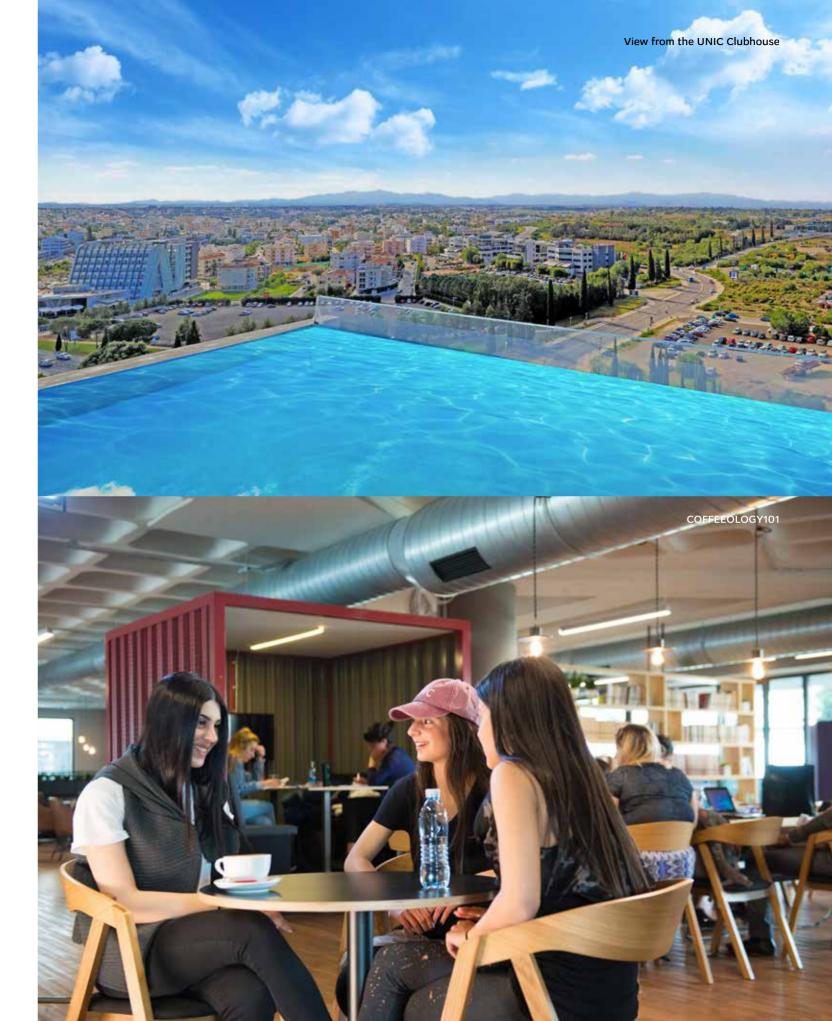
UNIC Store

Our new on-campus UNIC Store offers a great selection of modern UNIC and Eagles clothing, sportswear, gifts and accessories that are very popular among students, faculty and visitors.

This assortment of official merchandise is the perfect way to show off your UNIC pride, be it as a current student, alumni or avid team supporter.

Inspired by the adoption of the Bonelli's Eagle as our official mascot, 2% of all sales from the UNIC Store will be donated to BirdLife Cyprus to support their efforts in protecting the birds of Cyprus.





FITNESS FACILITIES

Our newly constructed UFIT Fitness Centre is all about keeping you fit and healthy with its brand new, state-of-the-art equipment, innovative classes and experienced instructors.

A full range of other indoor and outdoor sports facilities are available in the broader neighbourhood.

UFIT Fitness Centre

The University's state-of-the-art UFIT Fitness Centre is a leading gym in Cyprus, offering excellent services under the professional guidance of health and sports science specialists. UNIC students benefit from special rates.

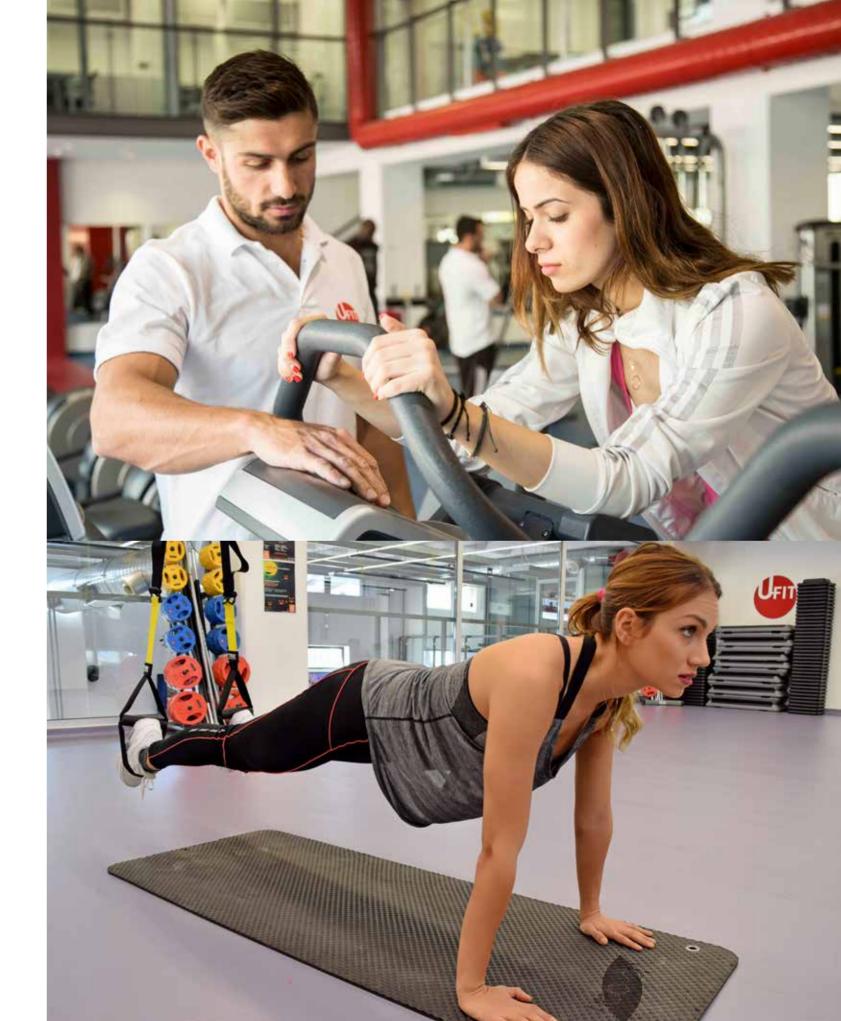
UFIT Express

Students living at the UNIC Residences also have access to UFIT Express, a compact gym with fitness machines, treadmills, elliptical trainers, stationary bikes, exercise mats, small dumbbells and other light workout equipment.











The UNIC Experience

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

At UNIC, you will become a member of the largest international student community in Cyprus. Our students come from over 70 countries across the globe, sharing their culture, traditions, history, music and food, in a vibrant, multicultural environment.

The student experience at UNIC is filled with many social events and activities. We hold a variety of exciting events throughout the year that both students and the general public can attend and which cater to the diversity of tastes that come with a global student body.

Whatever your hobby or interests, there are a number of student clubs and societies that you can get involved in, which stage a number of social activities, parties, day trips, nights-out and other gatherings.

Another way to meet people, make friends and have fun during your time at UNIC is through the countless events organised by our events team throughout the year. You can keep track of all happenings on and off campus through our online university events calendar which includes music concerts, exhibitions, cinematic screenings, lectures, exciting talks by guest speakers, and many more events. A number of these events are open to the greater public, and many are also planned and managed by students.



"I never feel homesick, because of the familiar and friendly environment and the love that students share every day. I have met students from all around the world and broadened my horizons as a person and as a professional. There is no doubt that UNIC will be a large chapter in my life."

Fay Skopeliti Psychology, Class of 2018

THE CITY OF NICOSIA

The capital of Cyprus, Nicosia, is a vibrant city, where the ancient past and contemporary present blend seamlessly. This popular destination for over 20,000 university students has something of interest for everyone, with a mix of events, sights, shopping, sports, arts and culture, catering to a multitude of tastes.

Its unique diversity and multiculturalism make it a welcoming home away from home for all students looking to immerse themselves into the city.



"Warm weather, buzzing cafes and beautiful sunsets, Nicosia welcomed me home on the first day of my arrival in Cyprus. The international atmosphere that both the city and the University of Nicosia provided me with was one of excitement to learn about new cultures."

Jacomien Nel Medicine, Class of 2021



University of Nicosia The UNIC Experience

CYPRUS - A GREAT PLACE TO STUDY AND LIVE

Cyprus is situated in the north-eastern corner of the Mediterranean, at the meeting point of Europe, Asia and Africa. Since the dawn of history, Cyprus has been one of the most interesting areas of the region, with a rich and visible cultural history. Ancient Greeks, Egyptians and Romans, along with Crusaders, Byzantines, Franks and Ottomans have all left a powerful legacy for the modern visitor to see and admire.

Cyprus is endowed with golden beaches, virgin green forests and other natural wonders. Cyprus is one of the safest countries in the world and the Cypriot people are famous for the warm and friendly welcome they extend to

Like Singapore and Hong Kong, Cyprus is an important financial and business centre, with over 70% of the economy focused on services. The main industries in Cyprus are financial and professional services, banking, investment management, shipping, tourism and real estate.

Cyprus hosts the financial infrastructure for thousands of multinational companies due to its stable and modern legal and tax environment, highly educated workforce, and excellent quality of life (Cyprus has the highest number of chartered/certified accountants per-capita in the world). On the tourism side, Cyprus has over 1,000 hotels and resorts and one of the most developed tourism infrastructures per-capita in the world. Cyprus is also a global maritime hub. It is the 2nd largest ship management centre in the world, responsible for maintaining and operating a large percentage of the world's fleets. It also has the 3rd largest merchant fleet in the EU.

UNIC has very close ties to Cyprus industry, giving students the opportunity to gain real-life knowledge and experience.





"Coming all the way from Iceland, I think it's wonderful to live in a country where there is almost always sun and good weather. It makes it really easy to wake up in the morning and go to school, and it also lightens your mood. Cyprus is a very relaxed environment. From my first day here, the people of Cyprus have been really warm and welcoming. That's why I felt immediately at home."

Sjoefn Ragnarsdottir Medicine, Class of 2021

A GREAT PLACE TO STUDY

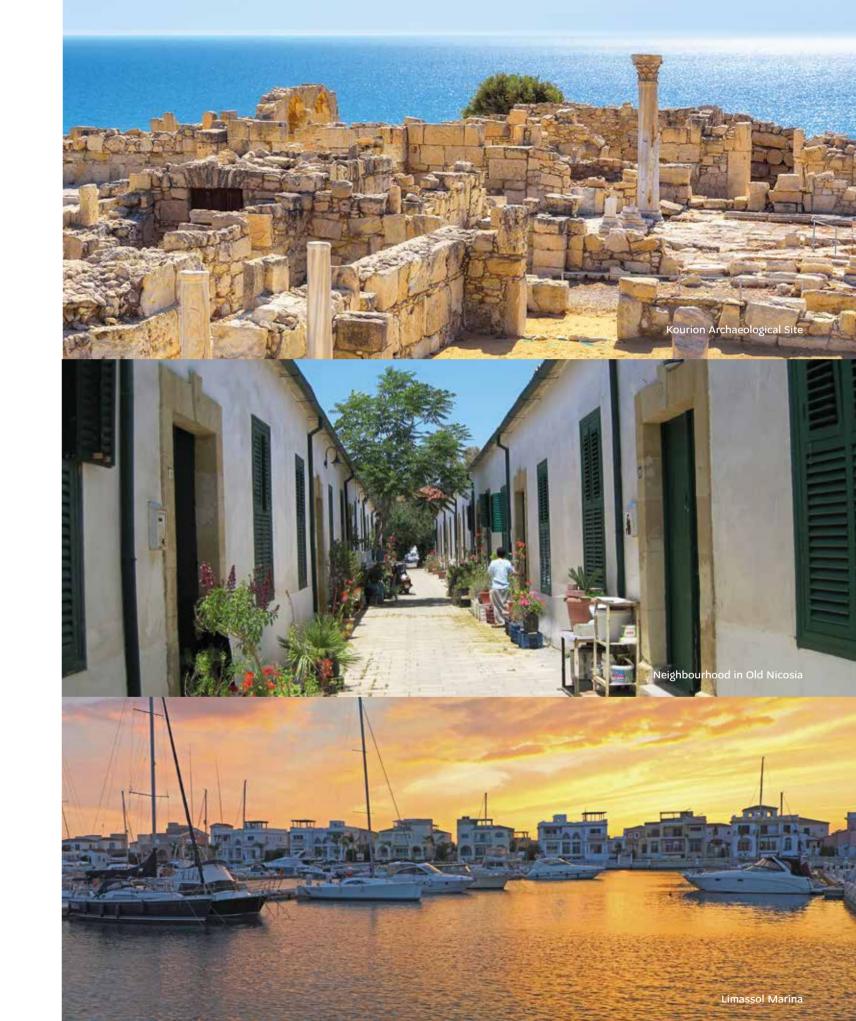
HIGHEST LEVELS IN THE EU (55%) 30,000+ University students 80% of the population speaks **English** Safest Country

University in Cyprus

Global

Accounting, Banking, Shipping and Toursim Hub





A GREAT PLACE TO LIVE

nd best climate in the world

million tourists annually (Expat Insider 2017)

listed **1 of 52**

"places to go" in 2017 by the **New York Times**

Among the World's
50 Most Happier
Countries
(World Happiness Report, 2019)

5th

relocation destination worldwide

(Knight Frank Global Lifestyle Review, 2016)

of the best beaches in Europe (Trip Advisor, 2018)

European culture and Californian landscape





The UNIC Experience

UNIVERSITY LIFE

A great student life offers an unforgettable social experience that is characterised by friendly community interaction, diversity, learning and fun. This is the environment that you'll find at UNIC.

It is where you'll have the opportunity to meet new people, make friends and enjoy a sense of belonging. You won't be short of events and activities to be involved in, which, combined with a great learning environment, will make for an exciting and well-rounded university experience.

With a variety of on and off-campus facilities and a bustling choice of events, sporting activities, nightlife, and other entertainment, you can enjoy a fantastic social life, taking advantage of everything there is on offer.

Whether you want to play sports, enjoy meals out, go on excursions, take in some live music, get fit or put your studies aside and simply relax, there is something for everyone to do.



"When I began my first semester as an undergraduate student, I didn't know what to expect. The experiences I gained from being a UNIC student are priceless. The education amassed over the years and a wonderful student life allowed me to become a complete and functional member of society."

Marinos Savva Computer Engineering, Class of 2015

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UNIC SEPTEMBER

UNIC September is the orientation programme of the University of Nicosia, designed to introduce new students to the University environment. All new students should attend UNIC September in order to learn more about their life as a UNIC student.

Upon arrival at UNIC, you will be greeted by an enthusiastic, dedicated and passionate group of Student Leaders - all of them UNIC students. They are excited to show you all the great things UNIC has to offer and answer any questions you may have about student life at UNIC.

UNIC September is rich in activities, experiences and learning. It includes a variety of exciting activities such as day trips, music nights, campus and city tours and sports, making it a truly valuable experience! In just a short time, you will learn your way around campus, connect with other new students and meet key people, who will help make your UNIC years unforgettable!









EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

The student experience at UNIC is filled with many social events and activities. We hold a variety of exciting events throughout the year that both students and the general public can attend and which cater to the diversity of tastes that come with a global student body.

Whatever your hobby or interests, there are a number of student clubs and societies that you can join, which stage many social activities, parties, day trips, nights-out and other gatherings.

The multicultural environment at UNIC supports many ethnic societies that bring students of different backgrounds together to share their culture, traditions, history, music and food — bridging borders and transcending differences within a community setting.

Another way to meet people, make friends and have fun during your time at UNIC is through the countless variety of events organised by our events team throughout the year. You can keep track of all happenings on and off campus through our online university events calendar which includes music concerts, exhibitions, cinematic screenings, lectures, exciting talks by guest speakers, and many more events. A number of these events are open to the greater public, and many are also planned and managed by students.







EAGLES SPORTS

Exercise is a great way to manage stress, keep healthy, get some downtime and even socialize. UNIC offers a large range of sports programmes and other exercise facilities catering to just about everyone.

UNIC dominates competitive university sports in Cyprus. During the Academic Year 2018-2019, 8 of our teams placed first, 9 placed second, and 2 placed third, in various Cyprus University Sports Federation Championships. The winning teams are eligible to compete in the European Universities Championships, organised by the European Universities Sports Association.

Competitive Sports

We maintain a competitive sports programme, enabling students to participate in the Cyprus University Sports Federation Championships in women's and men's football, basketball, volleyball, handball, swimming, futsal, table tennis, cross country run, beach volleyball, badminton, judo, taekwondo, track and field, and tennis.

Recreational Sports

We also offer a range of fun and recreational sports activities throughout the academic year, which provide a great way to meet people with similar interests. These include paintball, bowling, table tennis, beach soccer, beach volleyball, hiking, and diving.

Sports Clubs

Our Sports Clubs are also very popular with our students. They include the aerobics and fitness, basketball, bowling, cricket, cycling, diving, futsal, martial arts, outdoor activities, running and taekwondo clubs, among others.





"I look back and realise that I have gotten so much more than just an education from this experience. I have made amazing friends from all over the world, whom I would have never met otherwise. I have gotten to explore my likes and interests and, by extension, to understand myself better. I have gotten to know new people through the University's volleyball team, and come to realise that, sometimes, we don't need to speak the same language to understand each other."

Alexandra Donchuk English Language and Literature, Class of 2017

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STUDY ABROAD

Studying at another university for a year, semester or summer, is often a great way to travel and experience new places and cultures. It is an opportunity to immerse yourself in another way of living to expand your horizons and capabilities.

Most students who study abroad rate it as one of the most important parts of their university experience. UNIC supports approximately 500 inbound and outbound study abroad students annually, promoting internationalisation through the Erasmus+ Study Mobility programme and its Global Semesters Study Abroad initiative.



What is Erasmus+ Study Mobility

- A European programme for education, training, youth and sport that will run until 2020
- Aims to send millions of Europeans to study, train, and volunteer abroad
- Offers the possibility to travel, acquire work experience and study within and beyond the European borders, boosting the skills and employability of its participants

Participation Opportunities for Students or Recent Graduates of UNIC

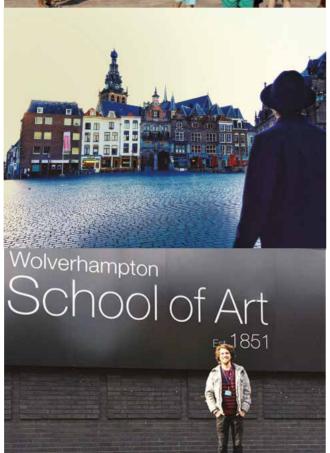
If you are a full-time registered student attending an on campus or online UNIC Bachelors, Masters or PhD programme, you have the opportunity to:

- Study or work abroad up to 12 months per cycle
- Full recognition of your courses and internship when back home
- Receive a grant for travelling and subsistence for your stay abroad
- Learn a new language, connect with a new culture, and make new friends
- Pay no fees at the host institution
- Invest in your personal and professional growth, thereby enhancing your Curriculum Vitae (CV)

Why Participate?

- To take advantage of a fabulous opportunity to experience Europe and the world
- To experience how your chosen subject of study can be approached differently
- To develop your independence and self-reliance
- To become more competitive in the professional sector











What is UNIC Global Semesters (UNGS)

- A unit focused on North American student mobility
- Over the past 15 years, it has facilitated study abroad experiences in Cyprus and around the world
- Thousands of students from nearly 700 universities and colleges in the United States and Canada have participated in its various programmes

Why Participate

- UNGS delivers comprehensive programmes and complete international experiences
- Its approach is thematic, integrating academics and cocurricular activities
- Students complete full academic semesters or summers
- Participants experience the best their host country has to offer, through extensive excursions and orientation activities

Participation Opportunities for North American Students and Faculty at UNIC

- UNIC is a unique host institution in the region for North American students in that students from nearly any major can study abroad at UNIC, as there is no language barrier
- STEM students are especially well-served, as STEM are often not an option for study abroad
- UNGS offers very distinctive summer tracks in health sciences and health management, which give preprofessional health students a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to add international experience in their field to their resume and set themselves apart from their peers
- UNGS develops customised programmes around specific academic and/or cultural themes for faculty from partner institutions who lead groups of students on short-term mobility experiences. Cyprus is an ideal location for programmes centred around virtually any theme

STUDENT SUPPORT

We understand the challenges that come with academic life and the entire university experience, which is why we have made it our purpose to help our students face these challenges head on as they arise.

Ariston Careers Test

One of the most indicative psychometric tools for vocational counselling, the Ariston Test is able to identify the type of career that most suits your intrinsic character. The results of the Ariston Test can also assess whether your personality matches up with the requirements of a particular work environment or specialisation.

Student Success Centre

We are aware that having strong educational support will enhance the overall probability of academic success for our students, which is why our Student Success Centre team is committed to helping you succeed at UNIC.

The Centre provides guidance and assistance for the duration of your academic studies. Advising, academic skills training and tutorial assistance in various subjects are offered throughout the academic year.

Student Support Team

We want you to enjoy your student experience at UNIC, which is why our Student Support team is always available to assist you with any issues that may arise.

Whether you need advice, guidance or counselling pertaining to academic or personal difficulties that may be impacting your studies, a Student Support advisor will work with you to find a solution.

The Centre for Therapy, Training and Research (KESY)

KESY is the first psychology training clinic in Cyprus.

Founded by UNIC, the centre was established to better meet the mental health needs of members of the wider community, and to contribute to the advancement of scientific knowledge in the field of psychology through ongoing research initiatives.

The Centre provides a safe, caring, and professional environment in which people can access counselling services. It aims to train, educate and inform students, parents, professionals, and the public at large, through workshops, seminars, lectures and supervision.

KESY also acts as a training site where our Psychology students can carry out their practicum, while it serves as an on-campus office for Psychological Support to UNIC students more broadly.



GETTING READY FOR YOUR CAREER

UNIC prepares you for a career in your chosen field, providing you with the tools to excel post-graduation. Our faculty is active in, and maintains close links to, their respective industries on a global scale. This means you get to connect with top employers, giving you a competitive advantage when it comes to internship opportunities and securing a job.



Specifically, the UNIC Career Success Centre (UNIC CSC) aims to prepare you for a successful longterm global career by equipping you with the essential skills and competencies industry requires. The UNIC CSC provides you with vital insights and guidance with regards to your professional choices, supports you in exploring career opportunities and in developing key skills to help you reach your full potential. You have access to information, advice and guidance, through a series of workshops, presentations and seminars, one-to-one meetings and other initiatives/events. With the support of UNIC CSC, you have the opportunity to find full- or part-time employment, internships and gain valuable career experience through a network of companies that cooperate with the University.

Global Career Opportunities

Many of our graduates are making a global impact in a variety of professions, across many sectors. They have gone on to work in renowned multinational companies, in Cyprus and also in their respective home countries, or have succeeded in launching successful businesses of their own in a variety of exciting industries. These graduates include the first specialists in cryptocurrency and blockchain technology, who after graduating from our MSc in Digital Currency (the first full academic programme in this field), have become sought-after candidates worldwide. Graduates also include the Medical School cohorts, with a 99% placement rate at top hospitals such as Oxford, Cambridge, Harvard and Mount Sinai.



Connecting Students with Employers

A variety of job vacancies and internships are available to students and alumni through the professional network UNIC has established with prominent organisations across the globe. More generally, UNIC works closely with external partners to develop mutually beneficial relationships, and to connect students, faculty and industry in valuable partnerships, including research projects, student internships, and full-time employment opportunities. We make every effort to stay ahead of organisational and human talent developments across sectors globally. Ultimately, we aim to equip you with essential skills and know-how that businesses need, thereby enhancing your employability.

Cyprus Career Expo (CCE)

UNIC is a founding organisation of the annual Cyprus Career Expo (CCE), the largest career and employment event in Cyprus. Every year, CCE brings together the country's top employers and recruiters with thousands of eligible candidates under one roof, while the concurrent CCE conference features practical HR-related seminars and workshops from industry experts.

An innovative feature of CCE is the on-site job interview facilities provided, that enable participating employers to hold interviews, evaluate candidates and make job offers on the spot. The Expo stands out as one of our University's major annual initiatives, aimed at enhancing career and employment prospects for our students and alumni as well as the wider population.

In 2019, the Cyprus Career Expo took place over two days and featured 80 participating companies, over 3,000 visitors and 30 conference speakers.

"I am delighted to share that we recruited 30 people over these past two days. Thank you very much CCE, see you next year!"

Valentina Charalambous
Talent Acquisition Manager
City of Dreams Mediterranean,
MELCO

ALUMNI RELATIONS

As an alumnus of our University, you become an integral member of an international network of UNIC graduates, wherever you are in the world. Through this active global community, you will have the chance to connect with UNIC alumni located in over 70 countries worldwide.

International Alumni Community

A series of annual networking events, reunions, workshops and activities help you establish and maintain contact with other UNIC graduates. You have the opportunity to share experiences with members from around the world, many of whom have gone on to achieve great accolades in a variety of fields.

You will be kept up-to-date about our University's most important news and developments through our online alumni magazine, and read the latest stories about your peers who are excelling in a range of industries globally.

Inspiring the Next Generation

As a UNIC alumnus, there are many ways that you can inspire prospective students and future UNIC graduates, and play an active role in the growth and development of our University.

You will have the opportunity to engage with the next generation of alumni, through dinners, seminars, lectures and other networking activities. You will get to share your story about your time as a student at UNIC, bringing to life what it means to be a part of the UNIC community, and highlighting the successes that can be achieved postgraduation.

UNIC Clubhouse (opening in 2020)

UNIC Clubhouse is a stylish rooftop restaurant, lounge and pool bar located on the 12th floor of SIX, one of our newly constructed UNIC residences. This multifunctional space is ideal for leisure as well as networking and business meetings, and serves as a designated meeting point of the Alumni Association.





University of Nicosia Schools and Departments

PROGRAMMES OF STUDY



Programmes of Study	Mode of D	elivery	ivery Language of Instruction		ECTS	
	On Campus	Online	English	Greek		
Interdepartmental Programmes						
Masters						
Business Administration (MBA) Concentrations: Agribusiness and Food Enterprise Management; Entrepre Management; Management Information Systems; Marketing; Oil, Gas and				• ¹ ce Managen	90 nent;	
Doctoral						
Business Administration (PhD) ²			•	•	180	
Department of Accounting						
Bachelors						
Accounting (BSc)	•		•	• 3	240	
Masters						
Banking, Accounting and Finance (MA) – Joint Degree with the Hellenic Open University		•		•	120	
Department of Economics and Finance						
Bachelors						
Business Administration (BBA) Concentration: Finance and Economics	•		•	• 4	240	
Department of Hospitality, Tourism and						
Sports Management						
Bachelors						
Hospitality Management (BBA) Concentrations: Casino Management; Spa and Wellness Centre Manageme	• ent	• 10	•	• 3	240	
Sports Management (BBA)	•		•	• 4	240	
Tourism, Leisure and Events Management (BBA)	•		•	• 4	240	
Department of Management and MIS						
Bachelors						
Business Administration (BBA)		•		•	240	
Business Administration (BBA) Concentrations: Entrepreneurship and Innovation; Human Resource Mana	• gement; Information Sy	stems and S	• ocial Media; N	• ⁴ Nanagement	240	
Energy, Oil and Gas Management (BSc)	•		•	• 4	240	
Management Information Systems (BSc)	•		•	• 4	240	
Masters						
Digital Currency (MSc)		•	•		90	



Programmes of Study	Mode of D	Mode of Delivery		Language of Instruction	
	On Campus	Online	English	Greek	
Department of Marketing					
Bachelors					
Business Administration (BBA)	•		•	• 4	240
Concentration: Marketing Communications					
Marketing (BBA)	•		•	• 4	240



Programmes of Study	Mode of Delivery		Language of Instruction		ECTS
	On Campus	Online	English	Greek	
Department of Education					
Bachelors					
Pre-Primary Education (BEd)	•			•	240
Primary Education (BEd)	•			•	240
Masters	-				
Education Sciences - Arts in Education (MEd)	•	•		•	90
Education Sciences - Educational Leadership and Administration (MEd)	•	•		•	90
Education Sciences - Educational Technology (MEd)	•	•		•	90
Education Sciences - Music Education (MEd)	•	•		•	90
Education Sciences - Special Education (MEd)	•	•		•	90
Education Sciences - Teaching of Language and Literature (MEd)	•	•		•	90
Education Sciences - Teaching of Mathematics and Physical Sciences (MEd)	•	•		•	90
Education Sciences - Theory, Practice and Evaluation of Teaching (MEd)	•	•		•	90
Special Education (MEd) – Joint Degree with the University of Patras		•		•	120
Doctoral					
Education Sciences (PhD) ²				•	240
Department of Music and Dance					
Bachelors					
Dance (BA)	•		•		240
Music (BMus) Concentrations: Classical Performance; Jazz Performance; Music Education; Crea	• tive Music Techn	ology	•		240
Masters					
Music (MMus)	•		•		90



Programmes of Study	Mode of D	Delivery	Language of Instruction		ECTS	
	On Campus	Online	English	Greek		
Department of Architecture						
Bachelors						
Architecture (BAArch, DipArch)	•		•	• 4	240/300	
Interior Design (BA)	•		•	• 5	240	
Masters						
Computational Design and Digital Fabrication (MSc) - In collaboration with the University of Innsbruck		•	•		90	
Department of Communications						
Bachelors						
Digital Communications and Mass Media (BA) Concentrations: Journalism; Radio, TV and Digital Broadcasting Media; Film and	• I Creative Media P	roduction	•	• 4	240	
Public Relations, Advertising and Marketing (BA)	•		•	• 4	240	
Masters						
Digital Media and Communications (MA) Specialisations: Journalism and Social Media Publishing; Public Relations and Adv	• vertising in Networ	ked Society;	• Sports Media	and Comm	90 unication	
Doctoral						
Media and Communications (PhD) ²			•	•	180	
Department of Design and Multimedia						
Bachelors						
Applied Multimedia (BA)	•		•	• 4	240	
Fine Art (BA)	•		•	• 4	240	
Graphic Communication (BA)	•		•	• 4	240	
Masters						
Digital Art and Design (MA) Concentrations: Graphic Design; Interactive Multimedia Design	•		•		90	
Department of Languages and Literature						
Bachelors						
English Language and Literature (BA)	•		•		240	
Concentrations: Linguistics and TEFL; English Literature						
Masters						
Teaching Greek to Speakers of Other Languages (MA)	•	•		•	90	
TESOL – Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (MA)	•	•	•		90	
Doctoral						
TESOL – Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (PhD) ²			•		180	
Department of Social Sciences						
Bachelors						
Psychology (BSc)	•	• 6	•	•	240	
Social Work (BSc)	•			•	240	
Masters						
Clinical Psychology (MSc)	•		•		180	
Counseling Psychology (MSc)	•		•		150	
Criminology (MSc)	•	•		•	90	
Educational/School Psychology (MSc)	•	• 7		•	90/150	
Social Work (MSc)	•	•		• 1	90	



Programmes of Study	Mode of D	Mode of Delivery		Language of Instruction	
	On Campus	Online	English	Greek	
Department of Social Sciences (cont.)					
Doctoral					
Criminology (PhD) ²			•	•	180
Psychology (PhD) ²			•		180
Department of Theology					
Masters					
Theology (MA)	•	•		•	90
Doctoral					
Theology (PhD) ²				•	180



Programmes of Study	Mode of D	elivery	Langua Instru		ECTS
	On Campus	Online	English	Greek	
Department of Law					
Bachelors					
Law (LLB)	•		•	•	240
Masters					
Criminal Law and Addictions (MSc) – Joint Degree with the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki Specialisations: Criminal Law for Addictions; Legal and Healing Treatment of Addictions	•			•	90
Law (LLM) Specialisations: European Business Law; Human Rights and Social Justice	•	•	•	•	90
Law and Politics in the EU (MA)	•	•	•	•	90
Law of the Economy and of the Enterprises (LLM) - Joint Degree with the Hellenic Open University		•		•	120
Doctoral					
Human Rights, Society, and Multi-Level Governance (PhD) ² - Joint Degree with the University of Padova, the University of Zagreb and the University of Western Sydney			•		180
Law (PhD) ²			•	•	180
Department of Politics and Governance					
Bachelors					
International Relations and European Studies (BA)	•		•		240
Masters					
International Relations and European Studies (MA) Concentrations: Energy and International Security; Middle East and Eastern Medite	• erranean Studies	•	•	• 1	90
Public Administration (MPA)	•	•		•	90
Doctoral					
International Relations and European Studies (PhD) ²			•	•	180
Public Administration (PhD) ²			•	•	180

Schools and Departments



Programmes of Study	Mode of Delivery		Language of Instruction		ECTS
	On Campus	Online	English	Greek	
Bachelors					
Medicine, MBBS (Graduate Entry) - Degree awarded by St George's, University of London ¹¹	•		•		330
Medicine, MD (Undergraduate Entry)	•		•		360
Masters					
Family Medicine (PG/MSc)		•	•		60/90
Health Services Administration (MHSA)		•	•		90
Public Health (MPH)		•	•		90
Doctoral					
Medical Sciences (PhD) ²			•		180



Programmes of Study	Mode of D	elivery	Language of Instruction		ECTS
	On Campus	Online	English	Greek	
Department of Computer Science					
Bachelors					
Computer Science (BSc)	•		•	•3	240
Data Science (BSc)	•		•	•3	240
Masters					
Computer Science (MSc) Concentrations: Cyber Security; Mobile Systems; Blockchain Technologies	•9	•	•		90
Doctoral					
Computer Science (PhD) ²			•	•	180
Department of Engineering					
Bachelors					
Civil and Environmental Engineering (BSc) Specialisations: Civil Engineering; Environmental Engineering	•		•	•3	240
Computer Engineering (BSc) Specialisations: Computer Systems and Networks; Software Engineering and A	• pplications		•	•3	240
Electrical Engineering (BSc) Specialisations: Communications and Signal Processing; Microwaves, Antennas	• s and Optics; Power a	and Automati	• ion Systems	•3	240
Mechanical Engineering (BSc)	•		•	•3	240
Oil and Gas Engineering (BSc)	•		•	•³	240
Masters					
Oil, Gas and Energy Engineering (MSc)	•		•		90
Doctoral					
Electrical Engineering (PhD) ²			•		180
Oil, Gas and Energy Engineering (PhD) ²			•		180



Programmes of Study	Mode of D	elivery	Language of Instruction		ECTS
	On Campus	Online	English	Greek	
Department of Life and Health Sciences					
Bachelors					
Human Biology (BSc)	•		•	•	240
Nursing (BSc)	•		•	•	240
Nutrition and Dietetics (BSc)	•			•	240
Pharmacy (BPharm)	•			•	300
Physiotherapy (BSc)	•			•	240
Sports Science (BSc) Specialisations: Sports Coaching; Contemporary Methods for Workout and Fitr	• ness Development			•	240
Masters					
Biomedical Sciences (MSc) Concentration: Immunology	•		•		90
Clinical Dietetics (MSc)	•			•	120
Contemporary Nursing (MSc) Specialisations: Oncological Care; Community Nursing	•			•	90
Drug Regulatory Affairs (MSc)		•	•		90
Exercise Science and Physical Education (MSc) Specialisations: Exercise Science, Physical Education and Health; Physical Education and Sports Pedagogy; Coaching	•			•	90
Physiotherapy and Rehabilitation (MSc) Specialisations: Musculoskeletal Physiotherapy; Neurological Physiotherapy	•			•	90
Sports Nutrition/Dietetics and Nutrition Intervention (MSc)	•			•	90
Doctoral					
Exercise Science and Physical Education (PhD) ²			•	•	180
Nursing (PhD) ²			•	•	180
Nutrition and Dietetics (PhD) ²			•	•	180
Physiotherapy (PhD) ²			•	•	180

¹ Programme offered in English on campus and in both English and Greek online. 2 Programme requires face-to-face meetings with the supervisory team.

³ Programme offered in English. Some courses may also be offered in Greek during the first year.

⁴ Programme offered in English. Some courses may also be offered in Greek during the first two years.

⁵ Programme offered in English. Support in Greek if needed. 6 Programme only offered in English online.

⁷ Only Educational Psychology is offered online.

⁸ For Educational Psychology students need to complete 90 ECTS Credits. For School Psychology students need to complete 150 ECTS Credits. School Psychology includes supervised internship in schools. First 3 semesters are common for both directions.

⁹ The concentration Blockchain Technologies is only offered online.

¹⁰ The programme is offered online without concentrations.

¹¹ The programme is supported by the Department of Basic and Clinical Sciences, Univeristy of Nicosia Medical School

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Admissions Information

ADMISSIONS INFORMATION

We welcome applications from students around the world, blending a diverse range of academic backgrounds, experiences, interests, talents and cultural heritage. The University is a lively community comprising a global student body from over 70 countries.

Admission to our University is granted under different categories, depending on the student's qualifications and educational objectives. Our general admissions policy relies on the student's previous academic performance, including their high school grades.

The Medical School has separate admissions policies and procedures outlined on the Medical School website (www.med.unic.ac.cy).

Undergraduate Admission

The general admission requirement for entry to an undergraduate programme of study is a recognised High School Leaving Certificate or equivalent. Some programmes may have additional requirements, in which case, they are specified separately under the relevant programme details.

English Language Proficiency - New English Placement Test Online (NEPTON)

English is the main language of instruction at our University. Students may be required to take UNIC's NEPTON test, with no charge, before registering for classes, unless they have passed an internationally recognised English exam which indicates their level of English proficiency.

Students with the following English qualifications will register directly for their academic programme of study:

English Qualifications	Minimum Grade (Undergraduate)
TOEFL	513 and above
Computer-based TOEFL	183 and above
Internet-based TOEFL	65 and above
IELTS	5.5 and above
Cambridge Exams [First Certificate]	B and above
Cambridge Exams [Proficiency Certificate]	C and above
GCSE English Language "O" Level or IGCSE	C and above
Michigan Examination of Proficiency in English	Pass
Michigan Examination of Competency in English	Pass

Undergraduate Transfer Students and Credits Earned at Other Universities

Our University welcomes transfer students from other accredited colleges and universities and accepts courses obtained from current and/or previous studies that are of the same quality and equivalency as courses offered at UNIC.

Transfer credits may correspond to specific University courses or to specific categories such as Computer Electives, Humanities Electives, etc. Transfer credits will not count towards the student's Cumulative Point Average - CPA (overall grade). Regardless of the credits transferred, students normally have to complete a minimum of 120 ECTS for a Bachelors degree.

Credit from National Testing Centres

Transfer credits are awarded for A-Level, selected GCSE, LCCI, and other similar qualifications.

Postgraduate Admission

The minimum requirement for admission into a Masters degree programme is a Bachelors Degree from an accredited college or university. In addition to the minimum requirements, special admission requirements may apply for various departments. Please consult the website for an updated list of specific requirements. Further, students applying from selected countries may be required to have additional qualifications. The Office of Admissions will guide all applicants throughout the admission process.

English Language Proficiency

Master students satisfy the English requirements if their first degree was taught in English. Otherwise, they would need to present a minimum TOEFL score of 550 paper-based or 213 computer-based, GCSE "O" Level or IGCSE with minimum "C", IELTS with a score of 6.5, or a score placement at the ENGL-100 level of UNIC's NEPTON. The University offers English courses at various levels to help students reach the required standard for admission to a graduate programme.

Postgraduate Transfer Students and Credits Earned at Other Universities

Regardless of the credits transferred, students normally have to complete a minimum of 2/3 of the Masters' degree credits.

Programmes Taught in Greek

A certain number of undergraduate and graduate programmes focused solely on Cyprus and Greece are taught in Greek. Students on these programmes are not required to meet the English Language Proficiency requirements.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Start your application by completing the University Application Form and submitting it either online via your student account on our website, by post, or by emailing a scanned copy to admissions@unic.ac.cy

Admission Guidelines:

- 1. Completed Application Form
- 2. A copy of your passport (page with your personal details and photo)
- 3. Academic Records (True copy of the original)
 - For Bachelors Degree applicants: High School Leaving Certificate and mark sheet or equivalent qualifications
 - For Masters Degree applicants: Bachelors Degree and transcripts
 - For Doctorate applicants: Bachelors and Masters Degree, including transcripts
- Two Letters of recommendation/reference from professors or employers (for Masters and Doctorate applicants only). Certain programmes have additional requirements
- 5. Curriculum Vitae–CV (for Masters and Doctorate applicants only)
- 6. Personal Statement (for Masters and Doctorate applicants only)
- 7. Research proposal (for Doctorate applicants only)
- 8. Evidence of work experience (where applicable)
- 9. Portfolio (for selected programmes of study)
- 10. €55 Application Fee (application will not be processed without this non-refundable fee)

Once we review your application you will be contacted by an Admissions Counsellor guiding you through the rest of the application process and, if necessary, the procedure for issuing your student visa.



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Visa Requirements

Residence Card for EU students

a) Passport or ID. Please note that EU citizens may travel freely to Cyprus but are required to submit an Application for Issue of Residence Permit to the Migration Department within four (4) months of their date of entry into the Republic of Cyprus. The Office of Admissions will assist with this procedure.

b) EU students are obliged by the Migration Department regulations to have health insurance coverage or alternatively the EU Hospitalisation Card.

Entry Permit for Non-EU Students

All non-EU students, who apply to the University of Nicosia, require a visa to enter Cyprus. Provided that all the required documents and payments have been received, the University will submit the student's documents to the Migration Authorities and Ministry of Education for further approval. Once the visa application is approved, the visa will be issued in Cyprus and the student will be informed accordingly. A copy of the visa will be sent to the student as this will be required for the student to travel.

Non-EU Students

Following the above and after a Conditional Acceptance Letter is issued, we will guide you on how to submit the following to the Office of Admissions:

- €86 Student Visa Fee (visa application will not be processed without this non-refundable fee)
- Original attested copy of High School Leaving Certificate and mark sheets
- Original attested passport copy (valid for at least two years from the start of the semester to be enrolled)
- Original attested Police Clearance Certificate (6 months validity period)
- Original attested bank letter (6 months validity period) stating that the student's sponsor has the financial ability to support his/her living, tuition and repatriation expenses. Sponsor may only be Father/ Mother/Self. In case of another Sponsor, please supply a Court Affidavit. The letter must also clearly state the relationship between Sponsor and student
- Original attested bank statement (1 month validity)
 which clearly shows the minimum amount of €7,000
 in the sponsor's account
- Original attested blood test results for HIV, Syphilis, Hepatitis B and C (4 months validity)
- Original attested chest X-ray report for Tuberculosis (4 months validity)

Students who are applying for a Masters degree must also submit an Attested copy of their Bachelors Degree and Transcripts.

Attestation of Documents

Students are required to have the aforementioned documents attested by the appropriate/relevant authorities in their home country. The attestation process differs between countries who have signed the Hague Convention of 1961 (Apostille) and those who have not. Please contact an Admissions Counsellor for instructions on how to attest documents in your country.

Attested documents must be in English. In cases where a translation is necessary, this must be done by an approved translator and attested by the relevant authorities in the applicant's country.

Duly attested documents for visa applications should be scanned and sent to your Admissions Counsellor's email for approval and further instructions.

Health Insurance

All non-EU students are obliged by Migration Department regulations to have health insurance coverage. This medical insurance must be renewed with each annual registration.



FINANCIAL AID

The University of Nicosia strongly supports students with academic or athletic merit or in financial need, as part of its social mission to further extend education. In a typical year, the University provides students worldwide with scholarships or other financial aid of approximately €10 million in value.

Scholarships are awarded by our University on the fulfilment of certain criteria. These scholarships, whether full or partial, are usually based on academic merit, athletic achievement or financial need.

The Medical School also offers scholarships to help eligible students fund their studies. Detailed information is available on the Medical School website.

Academic Merit Scholarships Based on Previous Academic Performance

Students in their first year at UNIC may be eligible for a scholarship on the basis of their High School grade average or the Cumulative Point Average for applicants with transfer credits towards the fulfilment of their recognised degree.

Based on Academic Performance at the University

Two regular semesters after a student registers, and every semester thereafter, a student may be eligible for a scholarship based on their performance at the University.

Athletic Scholarships

Students who are actively involved in the University sports teams may be eligible to receive sport scholarships. The exact amount of scholarships will be determined after the relevant application and selection

is made. The sport category, as well as the student's contribution and performance to the various sports and other University activities, will determine the scholarship amount.

Financial Aid

Financial aid is available to native students only and is given in the form of a scholarship, regardless of academic performance, as follows:

- Students from disadvantaged socioeconomic background. Students interested in this type of financial aid must complete the "Application for Scholarship/Financial Aid" form. New students need to submit this application to the Admissions Department while returning students (after their first year of studies) need to submit the application to the Financial Aid Office (email: financialaidoffice@unic.ac.cy). Points are awarded to the applicant based on various socioeconomic criteria. The scholarship amount will depend on the total points awarded
- Students who come from large families (4 children or more)

For EU/International students scholarships are offered depending on the economic condition of each country.

UNIC Academic Family Scholarships

UNIC Academic Family Scholarship is available to:

- University of Nicosia and Intercollege graduates wishing to apply for a second degree at UNIC
- Families with two or more siblings studying at the University during the same semester



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Deadlines/Dates	Spring 2020	Fall 2020	Spring 2021
Application Deadline (EU):	Mid January	Mid September	Mid January
First Day of Classes:	3 February	Late September	Late January
Add/Drop:	17 February	Mid October	Mid February





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