

Lithuanian Language and Culture Summer Course Programme



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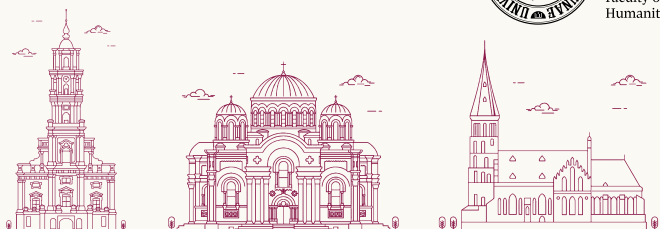
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July 6 – August 4, 2024

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Saturday, July 6	Sunday, July 7	Monday, July 8	Tuesday, July 9	Wednesday, July 10	Thursday, July 11	Friday, July 12	Saturday, July 13	Sunday, July 14
Arrival Celebration of the State Day – the coronation day of King Mindaugas	Sociocultural or educational activity	9.00–9.30 Registration V. Putvinskio str. 23	09.00–10.30 Lithuanian language class	09.00–10.30 Lithuanian language class	09.00–10.30 Lithuanian language class	09.00–10.30 Lithuanian language class	09.00–21.00 Field trip. Discover Dzūkija Program: - Visiting Merkinė, town in Dzūkija National Park. - Delving into the art of black ceramics, a traditional Lithuanian craft.	Sociocultural or educational activity
		9.30–11.00 Introductory lecture for beginners Teresė Ringailienė V. Putvinskio str. 23, room 310	11.00–12.30 Lithuanian language class	11.00–12.30 Lithuanian language class	11.00–12.30 Lithuanian language class	11.00–12.30 Lithuanian language class	11.00–12.30 Lithuanian language class	
13.00 Attending festive events in Kaunas Rokas Hasenaitis Meeting point – V. Putvinskio str. 23		9.30–11.15 Testing for students who have Lithuanian knowledge V. Putvinskio str. 23, room 103	12.30–14.00 Lunch break	12:30–14:00 Lunch break	12:30–14:00 Lunch break	12:30–14:00 Lunch break		
		12.30–14.30 Opening ceremony Gimnazijos str. 7, 2 nd floor	14.00–16.00 Visiting VMU exhibition 100 Years of the University 14.00–15.00 1st group (for A1, A2 students) 15.00–16.00 2nd group (for B1, B2, C1 students) Egidijus Balandis Meeting point – K. Donelaičio str. 58	14.00–15.30 Lecture Lithuanian Diaspora and Its Sport Heroes (1900-1940) (for A1, A2 students) Egidijus Balandis V. Putvinskio str. 23, room 310 14.00–15.30 Lecture Lietuviškieji archetipai: migracija ir diasporos (for B1, B2, C1 students) Ingrida Dačioliienė V. Putvinskio str. 23, room 311	14.00–15.30 Lecture Founded-Lost-Rediscovered: Sketches on Lithuanian History Linas Venclauskas V. Putvinskio str. 23, room 310	14.00–17.00 Excursion in the “AB” Underground Printing House Meeting point – V. Putvinskio str. 23	Meeting point – V. Putvinskio str. 23	

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Monday, July 15	Tuesday, July 16	Wednesday, July 17	Thursday, July 18	Friday, July 19	Saturday, July 20	Sunday, July 21
09:00-10:30 Lithuanian language class	09:00-10:30 Lithuanian language class	09:00-10:30 Lithuanian language class	09:00-10:30 Lithuanian language class	09:00-10:30 Lithuanian language class	10.00–14.00 Hiking. Experience the beauty of Kaunas Lagoon Regional Park	Sociocultural or educational activity
11.00–12.30 Lithuanian language class	11.00–12.30 Lithuanian language class	11.00–12.30 Lithuanian language class	11.00–12.30 Lithuanian language class	11.00–12.30 Lithuanian language class	Program: -2 hours of hiking, admiring nature, swimming and snacking. Meeting point – V. Putvinskio str. 23	
12:30–14:00 Lunch break	12:30–14:00 Lunch break	12:30–14:00 Lunch break	12:30–14:00 Lunch break	12:30–14:00 Lunch break		
14.00–15.30 Lecture <i>Lithuanian Way of Living, Thinking and Writing: Lithuanian texts in Different Cultural Contexts</i> (for A1, A2 students) Indrė Žakevičienė V. Putvinskio str. 23, room 310	14.00–18.00 International picnic at VMU Botanical Garden Giedrė Barkauskaitė, Jurgita Macijauskaitė-Bonda and others Meeting point – Ž. E. Žiliberio str. 4	14.30–17.00 Excursion in Maironis Lithuanian Literature Museum Meeting point – Rotušės sq. 13	14.00–16.00 Creative art workshop <i>Me in Lithuania</i> Milda Gineikaitė Muitinės str. 7, room 101	14.00–16.00 Creative art workshop <i>Me in Lithuania</i> Milda Gineikaitė Muitinės str. 7, room 101		
14.00–15.30 Lecture <i>Kaunas tarsi nutapytas – miestas Jurgio Savickio kūryboje</i> (for B1, B2, C1 students) Joanna Tabor V. Putvinskio str. 23, room 311						

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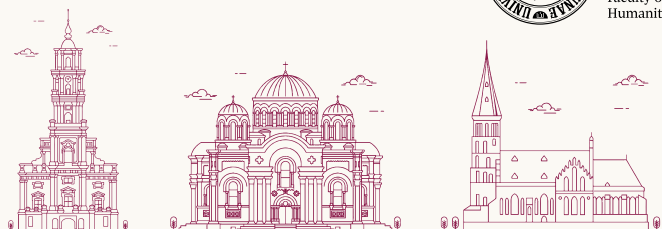


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Monday, July 22	Tuesday, July 23	Wednesday, July 24	Thursday, July 25	Friday, July 26	Saturday, July 27	Sunday, July 28
09:00-10:30 Lithuanian language class	09:00-10:30 Lithuanian language class	09:00-10:30 Lithuanian language class	09:00-10:30 Lithuanian language class	09:00-10:30 Lithuanian language class	09.00–21.00 Field trip. Panemunė Castle Tour and Rose Festival in the Paežeriai Manor in Vilkaviškis	Museum day
11.00–12.30 Lithuanian language class	11.00–12.30 Lithuanian language class	11.00–12.30 Lithuanian language class	11.00–12.30 Lithuanian language class	11.00–12.30 Lithuanian language class	Program: -Exploring historic Panemunė Castle. -Participating in educational activities that bring the rich history of the castle to life.	
12:30–14:00 Lunch break	12:30–14:00 Lunch break	12:30–14:00 Lunch break	12:30–14:00 Lunch break	12:30–14:00 Lunch break	-Enjoying lunch in the charming beauty of Panemunė Garden.	
14.00–15.30 Lecture Lithuanian Folk Legends: The Human Being and the Mythical World Jurgita Macijauskaitė-Bonda V. Putvinskio str. 23, room 310	14.00–16.00 Visiting A. Žmuidzinavičius Creations and Collections Museum Meeting point – V. Putvinskio str. 64	14.00–16.00 Guided tour Art in the Streets of Kaunas and excursion in M. K. Čiurlionis National Museum 14.00–16.00 1 st group (for A1, A2 students) Guided tour <i>Art in the Streets of Kaunas</i> Neringa Daniulaitienė Meeting point – V. Putvinskio str. 23 14.00–16.00 2 nd group (for B1, B2, C1 students) Excursion in M. K. Čiurlionis National Museum of Art Meeting point – V. Putvinskio str. 23	14.00–16.00 Guided tour Art in the Streets of Kaunas and excursion in M. K. Čiurlionis National Museum 14.00–16.00 1st group (for A1, A2 students) Excursion in M. K. Čiurlionis National Museum of Art Meeting point – V. Putvinskio str. 23 14.00–16.00 2nd group (for B1, B2, C1 students) Guided tour <i>Art in the Streets of Kaunas</i> Neringa Daniulaitienė Meeting point – V. Putvinskio str. 23	14.00–19.00 Field trip. Explore Vilkija Program: -Visiting Antanas ir Jonas Juška Museum of Ethnic Culture. Meeting point – V. Putvinskio str. 23	-Attending an elegant and fragrant Rose Festival in the Paežeriai Manor. Marius Daraškevičius Meeting point – V. Putvinskio str. 23	

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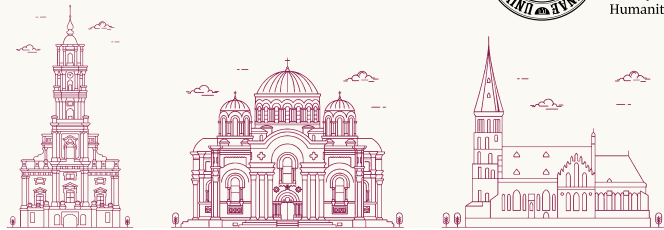
Monday, July 29	Tuesday, July 30	Wednesday, July 31	Thursday, August 1	Friday, August 2	Saturday, August 3	Sunday, August 4
09.00–10.30 Lithuanian language class	09.00–10.30 Lithuanian language class	09.00–10.30 Lithuanian language class	09.00–10.30 Lithuanian language class	09.00–09.30 Lithuanian language class	Sociocultural or educational activity	Sociocultural or educational activity Departure
11.00–12.30 Lithuanian language class	11.00–12.30 Lithuanian language class	11.00–12.30 Lithuanian language class	11.00–12.30 Lithuanian language class. Project presentations V. Putvinskio str. 23, room 310 (for A1, A2 students), room 311 (for B1, B2, C1 students)	09.30–11.30 Presentation of further study possibilities V. Putvinskio str. 23, room 310		
12:30–14:00 Lunch break	12:30–14:00 Lunch break	12:30–14:00 Lunch break	12:30–14:00 Lunch break	12.00–16.00 Closing ceremony Meeting point – Muitinės str. 7		
14.00–16.00 Charity event TBA	14.00–18.00 Excursion in Pažaislis Monastery Rūstis Kamuntavičius Meeting point – V. Putvinskio str. 23	14.00–16.00 Excursion in Lithuanian officers' club <i>Karininkų Ramovė</i> Rūstis Kamuntavičius Meeting point – V. Putvinskio str. 23	14.00–16.00 Lithuanian language class. Project presentations V. Putvinskio str. 23, room 310 (for A1, A2 students), room 311 (for B1, B2, C1 students)			

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Let's get acquainted. We will see each other in Kaunas soon!

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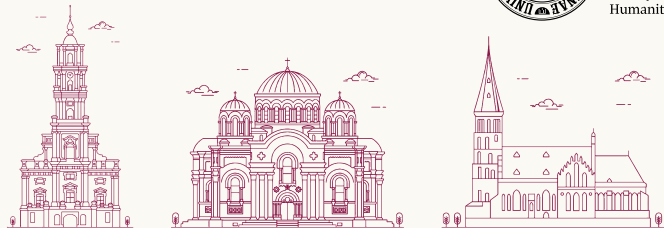
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Sociocultural lectures



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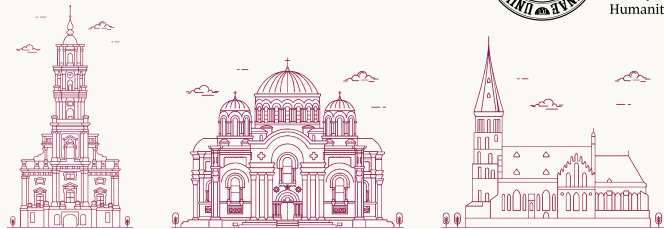
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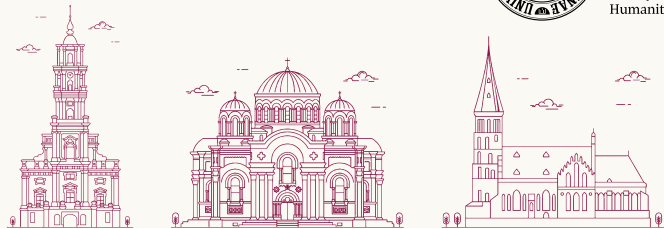
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Field trips and sociocultural activities



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Poet, reciter, guide, creator. Fields of interests: word and form, sound and image, path of the creator, choices that determine the fate of a person, a building and a city.