

## **Latvia**

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In 2012-2013, four U.S. students studied abroad in Latvia.

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### **Education System Overview**

**Academic year:** September 1 – May 31

**Major school holidays/break:**

- June 1 – August 31
- Easter Break
- Late October
- Late December – early January

**Major exam period:** May – June

**Structure of the university system:**

- **Years of study required to earn a bachelor's degree:** 3 – 4 years
- **The language of instruction in universities:** Latvian. There are a limited number of programs available in English.
- **Degrees offered:** Students can receive a Bachelor's, Master's and Doctorate degree in Humanities, Natural and Formal Sciences, Social Sciences and Applied Sciences. Students can study Law and Medicine at undergraduate level and obtain bachelor's degree in Law or Medicine. For more information, visit the

**Resources:**

1. Organization: Ministry of Education and Science  
Website: <http://izm.izm.gov.lv/58.html>
2. Organization: Higher Education Quality Evaluation Centre Ltd  
Website: <http://www.aiknc.lv/en/index.php>
3. Organization: State Education Development Agency



Website: <http://www.viaa.gov.lv/eng>

4. Organization: Academic Information Centre  
Website: <http://www.aic.lv/portal/en>

5. Organization: National Centre for Education  
Website: <http://visc.gov.lv/en>

### **Know Before You Go**

- [How to Apply for Your U.S. Passport](#)
- [Latvia Travel Information](#)

### **U.S. Government-Sponsored Study and Exchange Programs**

- [Fulbright U.S. Student Program](#)
- [Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program](#)