

Georgia & Austria

HE system

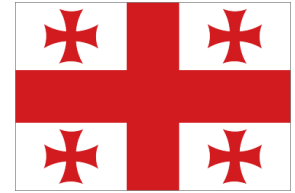
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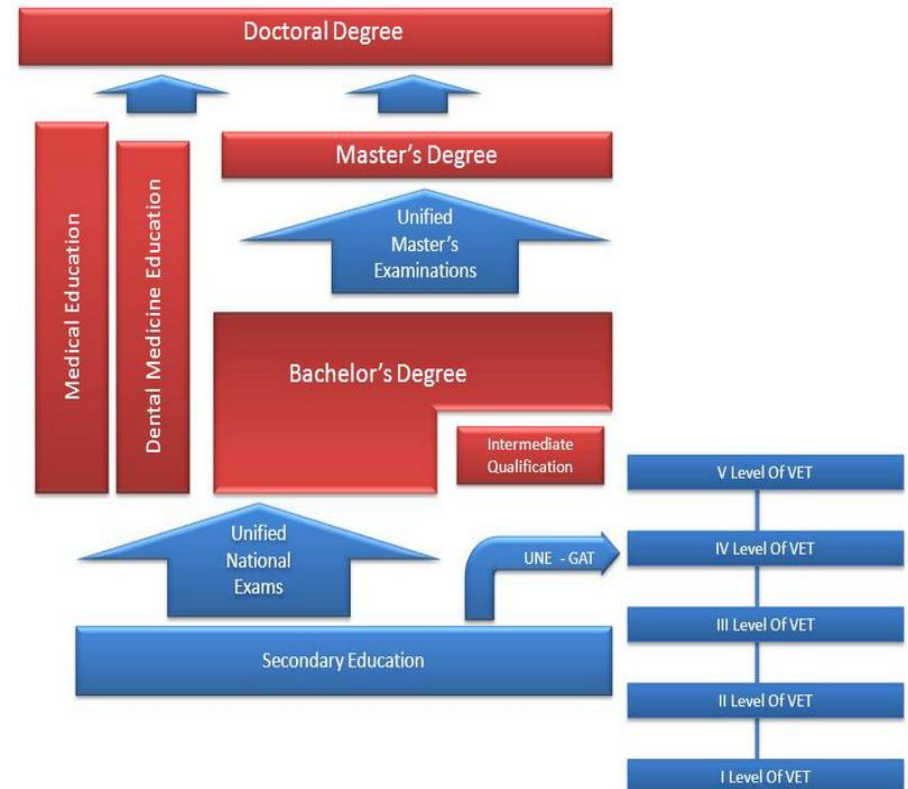
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- Area: 69,700 km²
- Population: 3,7 Mio
- Capital: Tbilisi
- Language: Georgian
- Main Religion: Christianity
- Literacy Rate: 99.8%

Higher Education System in Georgia

- Three cycle degree system (bachelor, master and PhD) – fully implemented in all fields of study except medicine & teacher education
- Most common model 240 + 120 credits (4 + 2 years) (180+60 expected)
- Unified admission exams (on the basis of completed middle school level; age 18+)
- NQF system adopted
- Internal and external QA system
- Several cycles of institutional and programme accreditation



HEIs and Students: General Overview

Total # of HEIs	54	
Type	Public (19)	Private (35)
Universities	12	18
Teaching Universities	6	13
Colleges	1	4
Geographical Location	Capital (39)	Region (15)

Students	BA	Medicine	MA	PhD	Total
Sum	156 493	19 777	27 891	8 482	212 643*
% of total	73.59 %	9.30 %	13.12 %	3.99%	100 %

Higher Education System in Georgia



- Bologna process – joined in 2005, (formally) implemented all principles;
- University autonomy – fixed in the Constitution and in the Law on HE: freedom of the HEI and its main units to independently decide and implement its academic, financial and economic, and administrative activities;
- Funding – per capita funding; new model in discussion;
- Language of tuition – mostly Georgian (study programmes in English and other languages available);

Higher Education System in Georgia



Main problems & challenges:

- Lack of funding
- Aging academic staff
- Increased international competition & brain drain (?)
- Documents vs reality

Current HE reforms in Georgia



- **Internationalization** of teaching and QA process
- Improvement of university management
- Funding of HE system
- Curriculum development
 - Focus on joint degree programmes
 - Focus on PhD programmes

Why Erasmus?

For Universities

- Internationalization
- Quality enhancement
- Financial support
- Networking
- Bridging with research projects

For Students and Staff

- Travel, discovery
- Languages
- Financial support
- CV upgrade, better employment chances
- Re-discovering yourself

Educational, socio-economic, cultural and political impact.

Impact



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- Academic impact
 - Cultural impact
 - Political impact
 - On personal level
 - On institutional level
 - On national level

EU Programmes in Georgia



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- In Tempus since 1995 (ENPI East), Erasmus Mundus since 2007, in Erasmus+ since 2014
 - Extended network of “Erasmus+ experienced” public and private HEIs (70% of HEIs involved)
 - Experience of regional and cross-regional cooperation
 - Experience in CBHE project coordination
 - Partnerships with all 33 programme countries

 - 77 Tempus + 24 CBHE projects implemented (leading in the Caucasus, second in the EPC after Ukraine)
 - 14 Jean Monnet projects
 - Top places in Erasmus+ credit mobility for four consecutive years (#6 among 141 partner countries)
 - Georgia in top 20 EMJMD countries (joint master degree programme scholarships)
 - 6 Georgian HEIs are full and/or associate partners in EMJMDs

Erasmus+ results so far...



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2015
2018

40 Georgian universities
participate in
Erasmus+ programme



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Georgia in top 20 countries



Georgia is 6th among 141 partner countries

Erasmus+ ICM Scholarships 2018

#	Country	Scholarships	Outgoing to Europe	Incoming from Europe
1	Russia	4 418	2 505	1 913
2	Ukraine	3 106	1 988	1 028
3	Serbia	3 056	1 851	1 205
4	Israel	2 738	1 486	1 252
5	Albania	1 953	1 225	728
6	Georgia	1 808	1 109	699
7	Bosnia & Herzegovina	1 751	1 089	662
8	Morocco	1 486	896	590
9	Egypt	1 296	854	442
10	Jordan	1 181	711	470

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Welcome to Georgia!



Thank You!

