

Study in Szczecin



In a Pill

WHERE TO LIVE

You can live in a student house as well as in a rented flat which can be found on the open market (possible ads sources: friends, Internet, noticeboards at the University, estate agency or in a local press: "Kurier Szczeciński", "Głos Szczeciński", "Kontakty"). Forget the lodging - you have no private life there. The price of these two types of accommodation is comparable and it is about 300-350zł per month. However, the comfort and the atmosphere is not the same.

In a flat you have more space, you live with people you know, and you can enjoy the silence if you need it. If such is your wish, you throw a party. From the other hand, you can feel lonely sometimes.

In a student house you will never experience loneliness. There are always other students ready to help; you can borrow not only all the notes and books but also a pot or spices. It is guaranteed for all incoming students, so that you do not have to waste your time searching for a flat. You do not need to worry about the charge for the electricity or the water. In all students halls there is free access to the Internet (the own computer is needed). You can use a kitchen if you prefer to cook on your own (make sure you have your own equipment). A definite advantage of living in a student house is meeting a lot of interesting people, Poles and foreigners, and experiencing real Polish youth culture, so it is much easier to get used to the new country and its lifestyles.

It is up to you where you will live and how you will spend the best months of your life.

ARE YOU HUNGRY?

There are number of places in Szczecin where you can eat. You will find here a list of bars recommended by the students where food is cheap and tasty (in alphabetical order). The menu is usually available in Polish only (and written on boards visible on the wall), so be ready to learn the names of the most popular courses (your tutor and Polish students will help you) :

- **Bar Amar**, ul. Śląska 9 (vegetarian cuisine)
- **Doner Sułtan Bar**, ul. Krzywoustego 59
- **Jedyna - bar mleczny**, al. Jedności Narodowej 42 (milk-bar = culture phenomenon; do not be mislead by its name, regular lunch and dinner dishes are served here)
- **Mak-Kwak Bar**, pl. Brama Portowa, ul. Krzywoustego, pl. Żołnierza Polskiego, ul. Śląska, al. Wojska Polskiego
- **Mandaryn** - Chinese food, ul. Pułaskiego
- **Obiad w 10 minut - jadłodajnia**, ul. Krzywoustego 70
- **Pasztecik - bar gastronomiczny**, al. Wojska Polskiego, al. Wyzwolenia 18 (CH „Galaxy”) (*pasztecik* is Szczecin specific, delicious and known for many years, it was very popular in the communist times, just mention the name and watch the nostalgic look on the faces of older generation...)
- **Qrnik**, ul. Monte Cassino 1/9
- **Bar Rab**, ul. Krzywoustego
- **Szejk**, al. Niepodległości
- **Turysta - bar mleczny**, ul. Obrońców Stalingradu 6A
- **U Włodka**, pl. Rodła

Pizzerias

- **Classic New York Pizza**, al. Piastów 75, al. Wojska Polskiego 24
- **Marco Polo**, al. Piastów 57
- **Peperoni**, ul. Poniatowskiego 2, ul. Łucznicza 76, ul. Królowej Jadwigi 13
- **Pizza Hut**, al. Wojska Polskiego 21
- **Szwalnia**, al. Wojska Polskiego 64

These two restaurants serving dishes in reasonable prices:

- **Smaki Świata**, pl. Lotników 7

- **Sphinx**, al. Wojska Polskiego 25-27

If you are in Poland you have to taste the national cuisine. You can do so in the following restaurants:

- **Chata**, pl. Hołdu Pruskiego 8
- **Karczma Polska pod Kogutem**, pl. Lotników 3

More information at www.infoludek.pl

SHOPPING

Food products and chemical articles are available in super - and hypermarkets well known in whole Europe:

- **Carrefour**, CH Turzyn al. Bohaterów Warszawy 42, CH Piast, ul. Mieszka I 73
- **Real**, CH Galaxy al. Wyzwolenia 18-20, CH Ster, ul. Ku Słońcu 67
- **Tesco**, ul. Mieszka I
- **Real**, ul. Struga 36
- **Lidl**, ul. Witkiewicza, ul. Mieszka I, ul. Bandurskiego, ul. Batalionów Chłopskich
- **Netto**, ul. Duńska 14, ul. Emilii Gierczak 24, ul. Kadłubka 39, ul. Narutowicza 13e, ul. Niepodległości 13, ul. Powstańców Wlkp. 20
- **Rossmann**, ul. Kołłątaja 1, al. Wyzwolenia 5, ul. Krzywoustego 9-10 (DTK Kupiec)

At the market places you can buy everything - house equipment, clothes, food. With regard to quality it is worth buying especially fresh fruit and vegetables here. You will find addresses below:

- **Manhattan**, ul. Staszica 1
- **Tobruk**, pl. Tobrucki
- **Turzyn**, al. Boh. Warszawy

Beside food, chemical articles and all things necessary to live, sometimes you would like to buy some clothes and other fashion accessories. You will find them in a row of shops in streets: Niepodległości, Wojska Polskiego, Krzywoustego, and other adjoining streets, in second hands, at market places mentioned above and in shopping centres:

- **CH Galaxy**, ul. Wyzwolenia 18-20 (the biggest one)
- **CH Turzyn**, al. Boh. Warszawy 42
- **CH Piast**, ul. Mieszka i 73
- **CH Ster**, ul. Ku Słońcu 67
- **DTK Kupiec**, ul. Krzywoustego 9-10

HOW TO MOVE AROUND

From the student point of view the best way to move around Szczecin is your own car. If you do not have one, you depend on the bus and tram service.

Szczecin public transport uses time tickets. More information and the current timetables, prices and tickets options are available at the website www.zditm.szczecin.pl

At night it is better to take a taxi, they are cheap and reliable. Make sure you call a taxi company and do not use those waiting in front of the bus and train stations. There are many companies, you can try for example:

- **Mix Taxi** tel. 0914281281
- **City Taxi** tel. 0914335335
- **Szczecin Taxi**, tel. 9622

Car rental:

- **Avis** pl. Rodła 10 (Radisson SAS Hotel) tel. 0913595127, mobile 601354810, www.avis.pl
- **Hertz**, pl. Zwycięstwa 1, tel. 0914335808, www.hertz.com
- **Lux Autorent**, ul. Panieńska 10 (Arkona Hotel) tel. 0914340006, mobile 601702846, 605686767, www.autorentlux.pl
- **National Car Rental**, ul. Matejki 18 (Neptun Hotel), tel. 0914883883
- **Europcar**, al. 3 Maja 31 (Novotel Hotel), www.europcar.com.pl

You can also rent a bike:

- **Bike Tour**, ul. Dunikowskiego 28/3, tel. 0914826350
- **Lux Autorent**, ul. Panieńska 10 (Arkona Hotel) tel. 0914340006, mobile 601702846, 605686767, www.autorentlux.pl

INTERNET

In all student houses there is a free access to the Internet. Most rented flats have an access as well. If not, you can use the Internet at the university (Main Libraries, libraries of particular departments), although sometimes it is impossible to get your seat because of a long queue of students in front of you. In such a case the best solution is a Hot Spot (like the one in the pedestrian zone of ul. Bogusława) or numerous Internet cafes (the cost is about 3 zł per hour). You will find here a few addresses (there are more of course):

- **Bondi**, al. Wyzwolenia 1/3

- **Bondi 2**, al.. Jedności Narodowej 1
- **Planet @ Cybra**, ul. Monte Cassino
- **Portal**, ul. Kaszubska 52

More information at the websites

www.hotspot.info.pl

www.infoludek.szczecin.pl/internet

LIBRARIES

It is possible you will not find everything you need in the libraries of Szczecin. However, the Main Library of Szczecin University and the Pomeranian Library offer a wide range of books and materials. Unfortunately, there are not many copies of one title, so sometimes it is hard to get hold of the required book. If so, you should search in data bases, in the Internet, in libraries of particular departments or among other students.

The choice of books in foreign languages is rather limited. British Council Library or libraries of language departments may be helpful then:

- **The Main Library of Szczecin University** (Biblioteka Główna Uniwersytetu Szczecińskiego), ul. Mickiewicza 16 (entry from ul. Tarczyńskiego) <http://bg.univ.szczecin.pl>
- **The Pomeranian Library** (Książnica Pomorska), ul. Podgórna 15-16, www.ksiaznica.szczecin.pl
- **British Council**, ul. Pułaskiego 10, www.bcl.ps.pl

ENTERTAINMENT

The popular opinion may be that culture is a neglected area in our region and culture events are rare. However, as the old proverb says, where there's a will there's a way - the town is bustling with the cultural activity of the young and you will find a lot of interesting entertainment if you only want to.

First of all, you look carefully at street-lamps and billboards. You will find announcements of numerous coming events.

Secondly, almost in every pub and restaurant you may find the "Echo Szczecina", a monthly entertainment guide, which informs about the current theatre and cinema repertoire, concerts, exhibitions and other events.

In addition, you can search more information at www.szpak.szczecin.pl (Szczecin Review of Current Cultural Events), www.infoludek.pl, www.wszczecinie.pl

There are some regular events worth seeing:

- **Festiwal OKNO** (International Meeting of Young Theatre) – February
- **Kontrapunkt**, The National Festival of Chamber Theatre www.kontrapunkt.pl - April
- **Musica Genera Festival**, International Festival of Improvised Music – April
- **International Festival of Choirs** – May
- **Juwenalia** (Students Days) – May
- **Szczecin Music Fest**, Jazz and Club music – May
- **Bread Day** – June
- **Dni Morza** (Days of Sea) –June
- **Zamkowe Lato Artystyczne** (the Castle Art Summer) open-air concerts and performances –June – August
- **International Festival of Street Artists** – July
- **International Tennis Challenge PEKAO Open** – September
- **Bluesada**, Festival of Blues Music – October
- **Operafonic Festival of Modern and Experimental Music** – November

Zamek Książąt Pomorskich (Pomeranian Dukes Castle) is not only one of the historical places but also the heart of cultural Szczecin. It houses a theatre operetta, cinema, museum, gallery and a ballet school:

- **Zamek Książąt Pomorskich**, ul. Korsarzy 34, www.zamek.szczecin.pl

- Imagine it is a winter evening, heavy rain clouds are gathering in the sky and you ask yourself “What to do now?”. What about going to the theatre?:
- **Teatr Współczesny**, Wały Chrobrego 3, www.wspolczesny.szczecin.pl
- **Teatr Polski**, ul. Swaróżyca 5, www.teatrpolski.szczecin.pl
- **Krypta**, ul. Korsarzy 34, www.zamek.szczecin.pl
- **Kana**, ul. Św. Piotra i Pawła 4-5, www.kana.art.pl
- **Opera na Zamku**, ul. Korsarzy 34, www.opera.szczecin.pl
- **Pleciuga** (puppet theatre, it has also an offer for adult audience), ul. Kaszubska 9, www.pleciuga.pl

Do you feel like listening to music, rather classical than popular hits broadcast on the radio? These places are waiting for you:

- **Filharmonia Szczecińska** (Szczecin Philharmonic), pl. Armii Krajowej 1, www.filharmonia.szczecin.pl
- **Zamek Książąt Pomorskich**, ul. Korsarzy 34, www.zamek.szczecin.pl (free concerts every Sunday)
- **Opera na Zamku** (Operetta), ul. Korsarzy 34, www.opera.szczecin.pl

Cinema is an alternative solution. Don't worry, you don't have to know Polish to be able to follow the plot – most films are shown with Polish subtitles, so you can listen to the original actor voices and accents. **HELIOS** and **MULTIKINO** are cinema complexes. They show rather commercial, well known productions.

If you would like to see a more ambitious movie, and enjoy more sophisticated European cinema, visit other places:

- **Multikino**, CH Galaxy, al. Wyzwolenia 18-20, www.multikino.pl
- **Helios**, DTK Kupiec, ul. Krzywoustego 9-10, www.heliosnet.pl
- **Pionier 1909**, al. Wojska Polskiego 2, www.kino-pionier.com.pl (the oldest cinema still existing in Poland – you can see big screen films here or enjoy a film in the cinema café)
- **Pałacowe**, al. Wojska Polskiego 90
- **Zamek**, ul. Korsarzy 34, www.zamek.szczecin.pl

SPORT TIME

Do you love sport? Do not worry. You do not have to give up your passion after your arrival in Szczecin, where you can do almost every sport. In this guide you will find addresses of some places, but if you are looking for something else, ask your Polish friends, they will know where to find it.

Swimming

- **Szczeciński Dom Sportu**, ul. Wąska 16
- **Wyższa Szkoła Morska**, ul. Starzyńskiego 9a
- **Szkoła Podstawowa nr 51**, ul. Jodłowa 21
- **Zespół Szkół Ogólnokształcących nr 8**, ul. Rydla 49
- **Zespół Szkół Ogólnokształcących nr 3**, ul. Orawska 1
- **Zespół Szkół im. Ignacego Łukasiewicza**, Police ul. Siedlecka 6
- **„Laguna” Centrum Wodne** (Water Center), Gryfino (ca. 30 km from Szczecin) ul. Wodnika 1

Tennis Courts

Al. Wojska Polskiego 127, www.promasters.pl

Fitness

- **Active**, DTK Kupiec ul. Krzywoustego 9-10, pl. Kilińskiego 3, www.active-fitness.pl
- **Binetics**, ul. Wyzwolenia 85, www.binetics.com.pl
- **RKF Fitness**, ul. Jagiellońska 67-68, www.rkf.com.pl

Capoeira

www.capoeira.szczecin.pl

Dance – Salsa

www.quierosalsa.pl

www.salsaluna.pl

Dance – Argentinian Tango

www.dkdance.pl

Sports Halls

- ul. Narutowicza 17, tel. 0914333819
- ul. Twardowskiego 12, tel. 0914870649
- ul. Sowińskiego 1, tel. 0914333484

Yachting

- **Jacht Klub AZS** ul. Przestrzenna 9
- „Zielona Marina” Stowarzyszenie Euro Jachtklub Pogoń, ul. Przestrzenna 3

Diving

- **Scuba Mission**, al. Jedności Narodowej 14, www.scubamission.pl

Go-kart Track

- ul. Południowa 25, www.gokart.pl

Paintball

www.dragon-paintball.pl

Horse Riding

- **Ośrodek Jeździecki „U Ani”**, Tanowo, Bartoszewo-Żółtewo 1, mobile 600378424
- **Stadnina Koni**, Dobra Szczecińska, ul. Ułańska 10, tel. 0914662134, mobile 502313771
- **Jeździecki Klub Sportowy „Equus”** Stajnia Sportowa, Tanowo, Leśno Górne 10, mobile 506046989
- **Ośrodek Konny**, Przecław, Rajkowo 13b

Aeroklub Szczecin

- ul. Przestrzenna 1, tel. 0914614226

Golf

- **Binowo Park Golf Club**, Stare Czarnowo, Binowo 62, tel. 0914041533, www.binowopark.pl

Bowling

- **Bowling Strike**, DTK Kupiec ul. Krzywoustego 9-10

Skating

- **Lodogryf** (ice rink), al. Wojska Polskiego 127, www.promasters.pl

Winter Sports

- **Szczecińska Gubałówka** Centrum rekreacyjno-sportowe (Sport and recreation centre), Osowo, ul. Miodowa 131a

BEAUTY CARE

If you want to look good and care for your well-being and beauty in Szczecin, have a look at the suggestions below:

Hairdresser

- **Laurent**, ul. Monte Cassino 36, ul. Królowej Jadwigi 12, ul. Bogusława 42
- **Jean Louis David**, CH Galaxy al. Wyzwolenia 18-20
- **Beverly Hills**, CH Galaxy al. Wyzwolenia 18-20, Radisson SAS pl. Rodła, DTK Kupiec ul. Krzywoustego 9-10
- **Keune**, ul. Małopolska 60/1, Salon Piękności L'OR, al. Wojska Polskiego 10
- **Belle Femme**, ul Monte Cassino
- **Gabriel**, ul. Wyszyńskiego, CH Słoneczne ul. Struga
- **Evolution**, ul. Monte Cassino 39

Beauty Salon

- **Filozofia Piękna**, ul. Mała Odrzańska 19
- **Cosmedika**, ul. Pocztowa
- **Kameleon**, ul. Kopernika

Solarium

- CH Turzyn
- CH Galaxy

SZCZECIN BY NIGHT

There are numerous clubs in Szczecin, where you can dance and listen to different music. Some of them have special repertoire for each day of the week.

- **Baila Club**, pl. Rodła 8
- **Cafe Jerzy**, ul. Jagiellońska 67-68
- **Can Can Club**, ul. Partyzantów 2
- **City Hall**, ul. Dworcowa
- **Free Blues Club**, ul. Powstańców Wielkopolskich
- **Hormon**, ul. Monte Cassino 6
- **B52**, ul. Bogusława 8 (Deptak – The Promenade = pedestrian zone)
- **Grand Cru**, ul. Bogusława (Deptak)
- **Klub Muzyczny Tunel**, ul. Bogusława 43
- **Kontrasty**, ul. Wawrzyniaka 7a (Salsa and Latino on Wednesdays and Sundays)
- **Mezzoforte**, ul. Bogusława (Deptak)
- **Patio Club**, ul. Podgórna 63
- **Pinokio**, ul. Sikorskiego 29
- **Pralnia**, ul. Bohaterów Warszawy 75
- **Rocker Club**, ul. Partyzantów 2
- **Schody Jazz Cafe**, al. Wojska Polskiego 67
- **Soho**, ul. Bohaterów Warszawy
- **Tiger Pub**, ul. Felczaka
- **Trezor**, ul. Wyszyńskiego 14

If you do not feel like dancing, you can go the pub

- **Aquarium**, al. Wojska Polskiego 11
- **Blue Crow**, ul. Sienna 7
- **Boston Pub**, al. Niepodległości
- **Brama Jazz Cafe**, pl. Hołdu Pruskiego 1
- **Colorado**, Wały Chrobrego 1
- **Columbus**, Wały Chrobrego 1
- **Cutty Stark Taverna**, ul. Bohaterów Warszawy 111
- **Dublin Irish Pub**, ul. Kaszubska 57
- **Fuga Pub**, ul. Bohaterów Warszawy 3

- **London Pub**, ul. Śląska 38
- **Piwnica przy Krypcie**, Zamek Książąt Pomorskich
- **Propaganda**, ul. Królowej Jadwigi 37b
- **Rumba Pub**, ul. Szwoleżerów
- **Sekstans**, pl. Lotników
- **Szafa**, ul. Bohaterów Warszawy 55

or the cafe

- **Bachus**, ul. Sienna 6
- **Cafe Barista**, al. Wojska Polskiego 17-19
- **Cafe Castellari**, al. Jedności Narodowej 43; Jasne Błonia (ul. Tuwima) – ice cream specialities
- **Cafe Po Godzinach**, ul. Bogusława (Deptak – real Italian hot chocolate)
- **Cafe Porto**, ul. Bogusława (Deptak)
- **Cafe 22**, pl. Rodła 8 (PAZIM – a bird's eye view of Szczecin)
- **Herbaciarnia Teina**, ul Bohaterów Warszawy 93
- **Herbaciarnia Pod Sukniami**, al. Piastów
- **Prawda Cafe**, ul. Wielka Odrzańska 20
- **Piwnica Kany**, pl. Św. Piotra i Pawła 4-5

If you are a student, or better still, a female student, the entrance is often free. However, sometimes men have to pay 10-15 zł. A beer is 5-10 zł, an alcoholic drink – 10-30 zł, a fruit juice – 3-8 zł, tea – 3-6 zł, coffee – 4-10 zł, hot chocolate – 6-8 zł.

Going to the club leave your trainers and sports shoes at home.

More information at

www.infoludek.pl

www.clubbing.szn.pl/v2/index.php

www.kochamszczecin.com

WEEKEND IS COMING

Student recommendations for the weekend:

- Trip to the seaside (Międzyzdroje, Świnoujście, Kołobrzeg ...)
- Buy a weekend train ticket and go visiting the most beautiful places in Poland.
- Cruise down the Odra river www.statki.net.pl
- Weekend cruise to Sweden www.unityline.pl
- Visit Szczecin by antique tram (spring and summer)
- Go cycling around Puszcza Bukowa or Puszcza Wkrzańska.
- Camping trip at the lakes Ińsko, Miedwie, Weltyń etc.
- Rent a yacht at Zalew Szczeciński (Szczecin Bay).
- Trip to Berlin.

What you really need to **visit in Szczecin** is:

- Bazylika Archikatedralna św. Jakuba (St. Jacobs Church)
- Baszta Panieńska (Maiden Tower)
- Cmentarz Centralny – Park Dendrologiczny (Central Cemetery – Dendrologic Park)
- Deptak Bogusława (The Promenade – Duke Boguslaw X Street)
- Jasne Błonia (The Fair Meadows)
- Kamienica Loitzów (Loitz Family Town House)
- Muzeum Narodowe Oddział Morski (Maritime Department of the National Museum)
- Park Kasprowicza (Kasprowicz's Park)
- Pomnik Papieża (Pope Statue)
- Stare Miasto (Old Town)
- Wieża Bismarcka (Bismarck's Tower)
- Zamek Książąt Pomorskich (Pomeranian Dukes Castle)
- Wały Chrobrego
- Muzeum Narodowe (The National Museum)

(more suggestions at www.kochamszczecin.com)

And in our **region**:

- Jezioro Szmaragdowe (Emerald Lake)

- Jezioro Turkusowe (Turkusowe Lake) Kamień Pomorski
- Ogród Dendrologiczny w Przelewicach (Botanical Garden and Dendrological Park in Przelewice)
- Pojezierze Drawskie (Drawsko Lake District)
- Puszcza Bukowa (Beech Forest)
- Puszcza Wkrzańska (Wkrzanska Forest)
- Świnoujście and other seaside resorts
- Wolin – Park Narodowy, Rezerwat Żubrów (Wolin – The National Park, Polish bizens)

In **Poland** you have to visit:

The (oldest) and most beautiful towns

- Częstochowa
- Gniezno
- Tri-City (Gdańsk, Sopot, Gdynia)
- Hel
- Kazimierz Dolny
- Kraków and surroundings (Oświęcim – concentration camp museum, Wieliczka – salt mine)
- Malbork
- Poznań
- Gniezno
- Toruń
- Warszawa
- Wrocław
- Zakopane

Mountains

- Bieszczady
- Beskidy
- Góry Świętokrzyskie
- Kotlina Kłodzka and Góry Stołowe
- Pieniny
- Tatry

Upland

- Jura Krakowsko – Częstochowska

Lakes

- Mazury
- Kaszuby

You will find all information about these places in tourist guides or in the Internet.

After sightseeing you would certainly like to develop your photos. Here are some addresses:

- **Rossmann** (the quality is not very good)
- **Schlecker**, al. Wojska Polskiego
- **Media Markt**, ul. Mieszka I
- **Nocny Express** (almost in every news-stand)
- **Fotojoker**, CH Turzyn
- **Fuji**, pl. Rodła (PAZIM)
- **Kodak**, CH Ster, ul. Bohaterów Warszawy
- **Fotobest**, al. Jedności Narodowej 7
- **Fotocentrum**, pl. Rodła 1-2

LET'S TALK

The best way to communicate with your family and friends is Internet (e-mail, chat, skype etc.). If you use the phone, go for special phonecards (f.ex. Telegrosik, Tele2 etc.) available at every post office. You can also call using prefix (f.ex. 0708177977, 0708108108*).

However, you avoid excessive costs if it is your family who calls you (connection from abroad is cheaper than the one from Poland).

Pre-paid

There are couple of mobile phone operators who offer you "pre-paid" service. Each of them has special offers. However, according to the students the best one is **Pop** and **Heyah**.

More information at

www.orange.pl

www.heyah.pl

TOURIST INFORMATION

- Centrum Informacji Turystycznej, al. Niepodległości 1a
- Centrum Informacji Kulturalnej i Turystycznej, ul. Korsarzy 34,
www.zamek.szczecin.pl/tourism/pl/index.asp
- Biuro Obsługi Ruchu Turystycznego, al. Jedności Narodowej 49a

SZCZECIN IN THE INTERNET

www.szczecin.pl

www.infoludek.pl

www.szpak.szczecin.pl

www.kochamszczecin.com

www.wszczecinie.pl

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

The cost of the life in Szczecin varies between 800-1200 zł. It includes accommodation, board, student entertainmen and leisure. The costs depend on your preferred lifestyle, of course.

It is important to know that not everybody in the street speaks English. You can always try English with young people, but expect communication problems if you address older passers-by or shop assistants. In order to help you get around the University and town you will have a student tutor. With his / her help life will be easier!

Remember that there are also darker sides to Szczecin reality. Do not walk alone at night and try to avoid dark and secluded places.

We wish you a nice stay in the Town of Gryffins!