Study engineering in the heart of Europe
## CUT facts

- 75 years of experience in educating professionals in the fields of Architecture and Engineering
- 12.8 thousand students
- 1100 highly qualified researchers and academics staff
- 30 programs at the first cycle (BSc) and second cycle (MSc) levels in 8 Faculties
  - **12 full programs in English**
- 61 modern laboratories that enable scientific research to be carried out and encourage active participation of our students in the process of learning.
- 21 sport sections
  - Among others: Football, Handball, Basketball, Volleyball, Judo, Skiing, Snowboarding, Tennis, Ping-Pong, Badminton, Mountain biking, Swimming, Futsal, Athletics, Powerlifting, Climbing.
CUT facts

Cracow University of Technology (CUT) is a member of the European University Association. All study programs taught at CUT are accredited by the Polish Accreditation Committee.

International Accreditations:
- the Royal Institute of British Architects - the program in Architecture
- the IFLA Europe - International Federation of Landscape Architects - the program in Landscape Architecture
- the European Network for Accreditation of Engineering Education - the programs offered by the Faculty of Civil Engineering and the Faculty of Architecture

Our graduates are one of the most sought-after and best-paid groups of employees. High employability rate among our graduates - within half a year after obtaining the degree, over 93% of graduates work in their profession.
Faculties

- Architecture
- Civil Engineering
- Computer Science and Telecommunications
- Electrical and Computer Engineering
- Mechanical Engineering
- Chemical Engineering and Technology
- Materials Engineering and Physics
- Environmental and Power Engineering
CUT in international rankings

SHANGHAI RANKING’S GLOBAL RANKING OF ACADEMIC SUBJECTS 2019 – MECHANICAL ENGINEERING (#301–400)

QS WORLD UNIVERSITY RANKINGS
2019 QS WORLD UNIVERSITY RANKING (#801-1000)

2020 EMERGING EUROPE AND CENTRAL ASIA UNIVERSITY RANKINGS (#79)

UI GREENMETRIC WORLD UNIVERSITY RANKING
2018 (#572)

2019 WEBOMETRICS RANKING OF WORLD UNIVERSITIES (#1190)

THE THREE UNIVERSITY MISSIONS RANKING 2019 (#1001 – 1100)
Programs in English

**BA in Architecture** - 7 semesters
**BSc in Civil Engineering** - 7 semesters
**BSc in Mechanics and Machine Design** - 7 semesters

**MA in Architecture** - 3 semesters
**MSc in Chemical Technology [spec. Innovative Chemical Technologies]** - 3 or 4 semesters
**MSc in Applied Physics** - 3 semesters

**MSc in Civil Engineering** - 3 semesters
**MSc in Computer Science** - 4 semesters
**MSc in Environmental and Land Engineering** - 3 semesters

**MA in Landscape Architecture** - 4 semesters
**MSc in Mechanics and Machine Design** - 3 semesters
**MSc in Power Engineering** - 3 semesters
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Applied Physics

MSc

3 semesters
90 ECTS credits
EUR 3000 /year

Upon completing the degree the graduate is prepared for PhD studies or embark on professional career in science, industry or finance. Graduate is ready to be employed in research laboratories, become a programmer, software tester, computer network administrator, web or computer graphic designer, data analysts etc. Physics training is desired by banks and other financial institutions (quanta).
Candidate needs to have BSc in Physics, Applied Physics or in another field (i.e. mathematics, natural science or technical studies)
Chemical Technology

3/4 semesters
90/120ECTS credits
EUR 3000/year

MSc

Major and specialization courses related to industrial catalysis, organic and inorganic technology, production of cosmetics and pharmaceuticals, modern biotechnologies and analytical methods in chemical technology will be carried out from the 2nd to the 3rd semester of the studies.

Candidate needs to have BSc in Chemistry, Chemical Engineering or a chemistry-related discipline, equivalent to 210ECTS credits, at the level of not less than 60% of maximum grade points in each credited course.

Candidate needs to pass Online test on the Moodle platform.
Civil Engineering

**BSc**

- 7 semesters
- 210 ECTS credits
- EUR 3000/year

The graduate is prepared to oversee and manage the building processes as well as maintenance, operation and restoration of building resources. This knowledge is based on the gains of modern technology, using computer methods and information technologies.

The program is accredited by the European Network for Accreditation of Engineering Education.

Candidate needs to have high grades from maths, physics or IT on highschool diploma/leaving certificate.

**MSc**

- 3 semesters
- 90 ECTS credits
- EUR 3000/year

The graduate is prepared to work in structural design offices, construction companies, own building enterprises, scientific research institutions and consulting companies, institutions of higher education, building supervision authorities as well as state and local government administration services. The graduate obtains the basis for applying, after meeting the statutory requirements, for building qualifications to perform independent functions in construction industry.

Candidate needs to be fluent in EUROCODES usage.
Computer Science

4 semesters  
180 ECTS credits  
EUR 3000/year

Graduates will be able to work with project management, software engineering, implementation and management of modern informatics’ systems. They will be also able to manage of data bases, internet services, computer systems and networks. They will know how to solve problems in these fields, starting from their analysis, building UML models, creation of algorithms and writing suitable software. Our graduates can get a job in big or small business, industry, telecommunication, administration, services, education, multimedia and many other places.

MSc

5 specializations

Applied Computer Science  
Computer Graphics and Multimedia  
Cybersecurity  
Data Science  
Teleinformatics
Environmental and Land Engineering

3 semesters
90 ECTS credits
EUR 3300 /year

The best students, after fulfilling certain conditions, have the opportunity to complete the second and third semesters of studies at the Faculty of Engineering and Architecture at the Università degli Studi di Cagliari (Sardinia, Italy) and obtain two diplomas of graduation: from Cracow University of Technology (Master of Environmental Engineering) and from Università degli Studi di Cagliari (Master in Environmental and Land Engineering).

Candidate needs to have BSc in Environmental Engineering.
Landscape Architecture

4 semesters
120 ECTS credits
EUR 5000/year

The Master of Landscape Architecture study program focuses on contemporary issues of sustainable use of existing landscape resources. It follows the guidelines of IFLA/UNESCO Charter for Landscape Architectural Education, the IFLA Guidance Document for Recognition or Accreditation – Professional Education Programs in Landscape Architecture and ECLAS Guidance on Landscape Architecture Education.

Candidate needs to prepare portfolio comprising reduced reproductions of:
* drawing section of bachelor diploma,
* drawing section of two selected semester projects prepared by the candidate during the course of first cycle studies, assumed the best in candidate’s opinion.
Mechanics and Machine Design

**BSc**
7 semesters
210 ECTS credits
EUR 3500/year

The program contains the following general topics:
- basis in mathematics and physics, theoretical mechanics and strength of materials, material science and machining of structures, informatics and numerical methods, mechanics of solids, fluid mechanics, thermodynamics, theory of vibration and acoustics, automatic control and mechatronics, intelligent materials.

Candidate needs to have high grade from maths, physics or IT on high school diploma/leaving certificate.

**MSc**
3 semesters
90 ECTS credits
EUR 3500/year

The program is addressed for students who want to increase their knowledge in:
- mechanics and computer application in design of structures (CAD, FEM),
- material design (CAMD),
- material selection (CAMS),
- manufacturing (CAM),
- monitoring of machines.

Candidate needs to have BSc in Mechanical Engineering.
The study program is tailored to the market needs and taking into account modern scientific trends including: design of energy systems, experimental investigation of energy systems, mathematical modeling of energy systems, and the application of modern computer techniques (e.g. Computational Fluid Dynamics, Finite Element Method) for energy systems analysis and design.

The course consists of two modules:

- Energy Systems, which is dedicated to conventional power plants and systems
- Renewable Energy which is dedicated to heating systems and renewable energy technologies.

Candidate needs to have BSc in Mechanical / Power Engineering, equivalent to 210 ECTS credits, at the level of not less than 60% of maximum grade points in each credited course.
ADMISSION PROCESS

Online application for BSc and BA programs, 4 semester programs and MSc in Applied Physics program
15th May – 31st July

Online application for MSc programs
15th October – 5th February

BEGINNING OF STUDIES

1st of October
for BSc and BA programs, 4 semester programs and MSc in Applied Physics program

last week of February
for MSc and MA programs
To apply for the exchange program, you need to be a student of our partner institution. If not, you can apply as a Free Mover, which means you will need to pay a tuition fee.

You need to have successfully completed at least one year of undergraduate study at the home university by the time of nomination.

You have to have a good level of English: CEFR B2 / IELTS — 6.0 + /TOEFL — (iBT) at least 87 points, or equivalent

Your Home University sends us an official nomination.

You will receive an email with a link to CUT online registration

Complete the online application form, print, sign and upload it to your CUT profile together with:
- passport scan (the page with personal details)
- transcript of records (in English)
- official English language certificate
- passport-type photo

If your application has been successful, a Letter of Acceptance will be sent to the International Office at your Home University

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**DEADLINES**

**FALL SEMESTER**
- Nomination deadline: 10th May
- Application deadline: 15th May
- Semester dates: October - February

**SPRING SEMESTER**
- Nomination deadline: 10th November
- Application deadline: 15th November
- Semester dates: February - June
Before the semester starts, you will receive an email from the Academic Coordinator at the Faculty of your choice with the details of the first meeting. The meeting is to establish the final list of courses that you will take during your exchange, you will learn about where your classes will take place, who your teachers will be and what will be expected from you during the semester at CUT. During the meeting you will also get the student ID.

Learning agreement – while registering online you will be asked to choose the courses you wish to study during the exchange program. There are over 250 courses taught in English that you can choose from. Please visit our website to check our current offer: http://iro.pk.edu.pl/incoming-exchange-students/

You will be required to take between 20 and 30 credits (ECTS), unless your Home University decides otherwise. You should choose courses from one faculty only, if you are interested in taking courses from any other major of study, you will need to consult it with the respective Academic Coordinator upon your arrival at CUT. Please note that we cannot guarantee that the exchange students will secure their chosen courses.
Main Campus
Warszawska Street

1 Faculty of Electrical and Computer Engineering
2 Faculty of Civil Engineering
3 Faculty of Environmental Engineering
4 CUT Museum, Technology Transfer Centre
5 „GIL” Gallery / Canteen
6 Reading Room
7 „Kotłownia” Conference and Exhibition Hall
8 Faculty of Architecture
9 Foreign languages centre / Laboratories
10 Main Library
11 Faculty of Chemical Engineering and Technology / Institute of Computer Science
12 Institute of Building Materials and Structures
13 Careers Service / Laboratories
14 „Dzialownia” Inter-faculty Education and Research Centre
15 Malopolska Laboratory of Energy-efficient Building
16 International Relations Office
Student Housing

- CUT Student Housing Complex
  International students can apply for a place in a twin room with shared bathroom (each bathroom is shared by four students) and shared kitchen (there is one kitchen on each floor).
  A place in Student Housing Complex costs PLN 400 (ca. EUR 97) per month.
  Student Housing Complex offer more economic option of accommodation but the places are strictly limited and it is necessary to book them in advance.
  If you are interested in staying at a Housing Complex please let us know by checking the relevant box in the registration form at the time of your application.
  Please note that a place in the dormitory is allocated based on registration order (only fully completed applications count).

- Rental Accommodation
  If you prefer, you can look for an accommodation on your own. Prices for a studio flat start from PLN 800 (ca. EUR 220) per month plus utility bills.
ACADEMIC CALENDAR
The academic year in Poland begins on 1st of October and ends at the end of June. It is divided into two semesters, each lasting 15 weeks. The fall semester starts in October and lasts until the last Sunday of February, with Christmas holidays of about ten days. The examination session usually lasts for two or three weeks, beginning in late January. The spring semester starts on the last Monday of February and ends in June, with a one-week break for Easter. The examination session lasts around two-three weeks in June.

SUMMER HOLIDAYS last three months - from the beginning of July to the end of September.

HOLIDAYS IN POLAND
January, 1st – New Year
January, 6th - Epiphany
Easter – Easter Sunday and Easter Monday (mobile dates)
May, 1st – International Workers’ day
May, 2nd – National Flag’s Day
May, 3rd – Constitution Day
Corpus Christi (mobile dates usually in June – 9th Thursday after Easter)
August, 15th – Ascension Day
November 1st – All Saints’ Day
November, 11th – Independence Day
December 25th and 26th – Christmas Holidays
As soon as you get your acceptance letter you should start your preparations for the semester abroad.

VISA - you should start your student visa procedure well in advance to allow your application to be processed. Please check the Polish Embassy/Consulate of your stay for the details regarding the application.

ACCOMMODATION – you will be asked to provide proof of accommodation for your visa appointment at the Polish Embassy or Consulate. You can either opt for accommodation at our Student Housing Complex or find accommodation by your own.

HEALTH INSURANCE - all international students are required to maintain full health insurance coverage throughout their course of study.

MONEY – remember that the currency in Poland is zloty (PLN). It is advisable to have some of the local currency with you upon your arrival.

CLOTHES - in the months from November until March it can be chilly in this part of the world so you should bring winter clothes.

PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS – we will host an international study fair where you will have an opportunity to present your university and your country to the students at CUT, therefore we ask you to bring digital materials from your home institution.
Buddy Program

Buddy Program is a group of student volunteers from Cracow University of Technology who offer help, organize activities and trips for the incoming international students at CUT. Every exchange student coming to Cracow can count on his/her Buddy - they will help you with the transfer from the airport, accommodation, show you around the city and the CUT campus, etc.
A good care is taken to match a Buddy with the incoming student, by considering their languages and interests.
To help students socialize, Buddies organize many interesting events, such as: the orientation day, the language exchange, parties, night-out events, trips and volunteering activities that aim to help local community.
Cost of Living

Poland is a member state of the European Union, but uses the zloty (PLN) as a currency.

One of the advantages of studying in Poland is the cost of living. Minimum monthly expenses are approximately PLN 1500 (ca. EUR 350), this should be enough to cover your basic necessities.

**Monthly expenses (average value):**
- Accommodation: PLN 400 (in CUT dormitory – a place in a double room);
- PLN 800 -2000 (accommodation - own arrangement)
- Food: from PLN 500
- Transport: around PLN 50 (monthly pass with a student discount)
- Mobile telephone pre-paid card - from PLN 30
- Miscellaneous: PLN 300 –500

Students (upon showing their ID card) are entitled for discount prices on many activities, especially on transportation and in the entertaining sector (e.g. museums, galleries, clubs, concerts)...

Student ID card - PLN 22 (compulsory) – we recommend you to make the payment before the semester starts, this way you can receive the card during the organizational meeting on the first day of the semester.

When you register online you will be assigned an individual bank account that you will have to make the payments to. You can pay by bank transfer or upon your arrival at any post office (Poczta Polska).
Poland

Located in Central Europe with a population of approximately 38.5 million people, it is the sixth most populous member state of the European Union.

With the region’s largest economy, it is considered to be one of the most resilient in this part of Europe and one of the fastest growing free-market economies within the EU. It is one of the top locations for the global business services and has a startup-friendly ecosystem, rich in tech innovation and tech talent. Many big multi-national companies have chosen to open their offices here.

Area – 312,679 km²
Capital – Warsaw (Warszawa)
Currency – Zloty (PLN) (1 EUR = approx. 4.3 PLN)
Time Zone – UTC +1 – wintertime, UTC +2 – summertime
Country code: +48 GDP rank 24th (PPP) GDP growth 4.4%
Major industries: machine building, iron and steel, coal mining, chemicals, shipbuilding, food processing, glass, beverages, textiles

Important phone numbers
112 is the European emergency phone number, available everywhere in the EU, free of charge. You can call it from land and mobile phones to contact any emergency service: an ambulance, the fire brigade or the police.

Local emergency phone numbers:
Ambulance Service 999
#Fire Brigade 998
#Police 997#
Municipal Police 986
Tourist Helpline – for tourist information but also for emergencies connected with lost documents, finding urgent medical treatment, road assistance, etc.:
+48 222 787 777, +48 608 599 999

Climate
Poland has a moderate, continental climate. Summer is usually warm with average temperatures of around 24°C, with occasional heat waves reaching 30°C. Winters are usually cold, with temperatures dropping below zero, sometimes even down to -15°C and heavy snowfall at times.
Krakow

Former Polish capital, is one of the biggest and oldest city in the country with rich history, numerous world class monuments and unique atmosphere.

It is an important center of Polish economic, academic and cultural life, seen as a dynamically developing city with a huge potential. It is also the country’s main tourist destination.

With its numerous universities, Krakow is one of the country’s principal center of science and education. Students make up around 20% of the city population, which makes studying here a unique experience.

The city has a distinctive character and is known for its charming cafes, intriguing museums, exhibitions, various festivals and active nightlife.
Leisure

Poland has rich and interesting history and Cracow has been an important part of it. You can learn more about our heritage by visiting the Wawel Castle, popping into one of the many museums and churches located in the area or just roaming around the streets of the old town and the Jewish quarter. Those who are more culture-oriented can choose from the offer of many theatres, galleries, philharmonic and music clubs or participate in a number of interesting festivals and other outdoor events organized all year long.

In walking distance from the center you will find Blonia Park, a nice recreation area with great sidewalks for jogging, cycling or roller skating. It is one of the favorite place of local sport lovers, especially during weekends. Another location for active leisure time is around the banks of the Vistula (Wisła) river, for leisure walks and sport activities. They also have a sandy beach there.

After a whole day of studying and cultural activities, nightlife goers will find a varied offer to choose from. There are hundreds of cafes, bars, restaurants and clubs around the town, most of them densely concentrated in the city center - some says that Krakow has the highest density of bars per square meter ;). Night life rocks all year round and there are dozens of great student hangouts where you can meet students from all around the world.

Food
Around the town you can find many places with modern style cooking, international and fusion style cuisine, but while in Poland you should try our traditional cuisine too. Polish food is perfect for those who like comfort foods, for example delicious soups like żurek, barszcz or pomidorowa. You may also be tempted by some meat dishes like our famous schnitzel schabowy and meaty sausages. Another chapter could be written about pierogi (dumplings) that can be filled with almost anything you like. For a delicious dessert you should try our (maybe not so healthy but very yummy) doughnuts paczki, they are usually filled with different types of jams, the most common one is made of wild rose. They are better than any other you have ever tried. And of course you cannot miss zapiekanka - baked baguette with mushrooms, cheese and sauce of your choice. the ones sold in Kazimierz district are the best intown.
Leisure

If you want to escape the crowds for a while, you can visit one of the many Krakow parks or Lasek Wolski - a forest on the outskirts of the city. Another option may be Kościuszko or Krakus Mounds; both of them offer great views across the city.

If you wish to explore other areas of the city, you can always hop on a bus or tram to Nowa Huta, a communist-build quarter of Krakow, where you can get the taste of the reality from behind the Iron Curtain. In the vicinity of Krakow there is Wieliczka Salt Mine, listed as one of the UNESCO's World Cultural Heritage with over 2000 chambers located below the ground level. The tourist route is approximately 2 km long, and runs through beautiful interiors entirely caved and sculpted in salt.

A must see is also a visit to one of the historically important places near Krakow - the Auschwitz-Birkenau Memorial and Museum (Oświęcim). This former German Nazi death camp shows cruelty of the 2nd World War.

Those who enjoy an active lifestyle can use one of the sport facilities around the town or explore beautiful Polish landscapes while cycling, hiking, traveling by bus, train or car. Poland’s landscape is varied enough to suit the needs of everyone: we have sandy beaches at the Baltic Sea, the Lake District, mountain ranges, lots of forests and a vast lowland area. If you are the mountain type you will find two large mountain ranges close to Krakow: the Carpathians and the Sudety Mountains, which are popular among hikers in the summer and among ski and snowboard lovers in the winter. The most famous town in this region is Zakopane - it has a multitude of skiing routes, but also a unique highland atmosphere with an extensive network of cozy agro-tourist accommodation and rustic-style restaurants. Other popular destinations for winter sports fans include: Szklarska Poręba, Wisła and Szczyrk.
Transfer

Krakow is a very accessible city. You can come here by car, bus, train or plane. From the airport (John Paul II International Airport Krakow-Balice), you can get to the city center by public transportation:

- By bus (approx. 30min.):
  Take line 208 (the last stop is at the main railway station in the city centre), late at night you take the night line 902. To check the timetable please visit http://rozklady.mpk.krakow.pl/index.php
  Ticket machines are available at the bus stop and on the bus itself.

- By train (approx. 18min.):
  There is a train station located near the passenger terminal. The train goes directly to the city center and its last stop is the main railway station (Kraków Główny). You can buy tickets at the train station or from the conductor on the train (before the train leaves).

- By taxi:
  Taxi cabs are parked right next to the main exit from the airport arrival building.

If you apply for the Buddy program, you can expect a student to pick you up from the airport/train or bus station.

Commuting

In the city center you will find that everything is within walking distance and that it may be more enjoyable to go on foot from one place to another rather than getting on a tram or a bus. To get outside the city center, you can use the city’s well-developed network of public transport. As a student holding CUT student ID card, you have a discount for public transportation within the city and also for public transportation within the country. You can buy tickets from machines on the street (usually next to major bus/tram stops), from machines on buses and trams, or from kiosks. But wherever you buy your ticket, you must validate it, even if you just bought it on the bus or tram you are on.

There is also a short-term bike rental systems that for a small fee allows you to move around in an eco-friendly way. There are many cycling paths to enjoy around the city.

You can also use taxi services, which are very safe and most of the time honest, although not cheap.
Additional Information

To familiarise yourself with what Krakow has to offer, you can check the following websites:

Magiczny Kraków - the official city website:
http://www.krakow.pl/english/

Karnet - a guide to cultural events around town (museums, galleries, concerts, etc.):
http://karnet.krakow.pl/en

Cracow Life - the city guide and listings:
https://www.local-life.com/krakow

The Krakow Post - a local English-language newspaper:
http://www.krakowpost.com/

Jak Dojade - a website for navigating the public transportation in Krakow:
https://jakdojade.pl/krakow/trasa/
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