The City of Velika Gorica covers an area of 328.66 km² and encompasses the Turopolje plain, part of the Sava basin (Posavina) and hills (or vineyards) of Vukomerič (Vukomeričke gorice).

With a population of 65,000 citizens in the narrower part of the City and the very settlement of over 30,000 citizens, Velika Gorica is the sixth largest city in the Republic of Croatia.

Velika Gorica is the largest and most significant settlement of the Zagreb County, a city of opportunities, a city of young people, a city of great historical and cultural heritage, a city of ecologically preserved environment, a city of an urban centre and beautiful rural surroundings.

Welcome to Velika Gorica
Why study in Croatia?

Croatia is a country of rich culture and tradition. The first university in the area of today’s Croatia was founded in 1396 in Zadar (Universitas Studiorum Jadertina).

The oldest university with continuous operation in Croatia and one of the oldest in Europe is the University of Zagreb (Universitas Studiorum Zagradiensis), founded in 1669.

Croatia is a safe country, and besides knowledge she can offer some memorable experiences as well.

Why study at VVG?

University of Applied Sciences Velika Gorica offers study programmes that are interesting to the young people from Europe, as well as from other parts of the world. From the very beginning the University of Applied Sciences has been developing mentorship approach based on the understanding and better relations between students and professors.

What are the advantages you have as a student at VVG?

High-quality acquisition of knowledge and skills in modern equipped premises, practical classes organised in cooperation with the industry, and a number of other possibilities for successful study are some of the advantages of the University of Applied Sciences Velika Gorica. The VVG programmes have been adjusted to actual labour market needs.
How to reach VVG?

The University of Applied Sciences Velika Gorica is located in the very centre of Velika Gorica, 15 km from Zagreb - the capital city of Croatia.

Zagreb - Velika Gorica
15 min by

Airport and direct connections with airports (cities) in EU, the Near East ... ZAGREB
- London - 1,655 km
- Istanbul - 1,342 km
- Brussels - 1,026 km
- Paris - 1,391 km
- Vienna - 370 km
- Moscow - 2,300 km
- Belgrade - 442 km
- Berlin - 1,073 km
- Amsterdam - 1,326 km
- Sydney - 16045.72 km
- New Delhi - 5606.32 km
- Toronto - 7056.99 km
- Los Angeles - 10026.65 km
- Jerusalem - 2275.53 km
- Tripoli - 1458.77 km
- Beijing - 7647.53 km
- New York - 6913.53 km
Enrol in a study programme at the University of Applied Sciences Velika Gorica

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Invest in your future

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Management in Crisis Situations is the only such study programme in Croatia and in the entire South-eastern Europe, which qualifies future experts for the needs of the crisis management system and the system of protection and rescue. By graduating, the students acquire knowledge and skills for independent solving of crisis management problems for preventive action, managing the process of collecting and processing information, proposing procedures and solutions, and performing the management process.

**Professional title upon graduation:**
Professional Baccalaureus/
Baccalaurea Engineer
of Management in Crisis Situations

**Abbreviation:**
bacc. ing. admin. chris.

**ECTS credits:** 180
Aircraft Maintenance is a professional study programme that encompasses education in the area of organization of maintenance and implementation of technologies of managing aircraft, aircraft systems and equipment for civil and war aviation. Aircraft maintenance is a complex activity that requires highly qualified knowledge about the characteristics and structure of aircraft, electrical engineering and mechanical engineering systems and equipment of aircraft, organization and technologies of aircraft maintenance, aircraft systems and equipment, implementation of measures of safety at work and assurance and control of the quality of aircraft management system in compliance with the international standards.

**Professional title upon graduation:**
Professional Baccalaureus/Baccalaurea Engineer of Aircraft Engineering

**Abbreviation:**
bacc. ing. aeronaut.

**ECTS credits:** 180
Computer Systems Maintenance is a study which currently has five equipped computer laboratories. Soon there will be three new computer classrooms for the students with the latest computer equipment integrated in the today’s popular cloud computing. Computer systems maintenance requires excellent experts who would provide a connection between information system designers, specialists for certain hardware or software technologies and the information system users. The study of Computer Systems Maintenance is today one of the most required profiles of computer orientation on the market in Croatia and in the world.

**Professional title upon graduation:**
Professional Baccalaureus/Baccalaurea Engineer of Information Technology

**Abbreviation:**
bacc. ing. techn. inf.

**ECTS credits:** 180
Motor Vehicle Maintenance is a study programme keeping up with the requirements of the world of advanced technologies and educating experts for the implementation of highly sophisticated devices in maintaining commercial and passenger cars. The students acquire knowledge about the structure of vehicles and their devices, organization and technology of vehicle maintenance, implementation of the measures of safety at work and assurance and control of quality of vehicle maintenance system in compliance with the standards. There is a need for employment of motor vehicle maintenance engineers in various areas of work.

**Professional title upon graduation:** Professional Baccalaureus/Baccalaurea Engineer or Motor Vehicle Maintenance

**Abbreviation:** bacc. ing. mech.

**ECTS credits:** 180
Optometry is the first study programme of this sort in South-eastern Europe. Owing to excellent cooperation with the European higher education institutions in the field of optometry, eminent European and world experts and top Croatian lecturers in the area of biomedical sciences, the syllabus has been successfully organized. At the University of Applied Sciences Velika Gorica the future optometrists from Croatia, Slovenia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, and Serbia are being educated today, and by opening a specialist study in Velika Gorica students from all over Europe will also be able to receive their education here.

**Professional title upon graduation:**
Professional Baccalaureus/Baccalaurea Engineer of Optometry

**Abbreviation:**
bacc. ing. opt.

**ECTS credits:** 180

Eyesight is important for humans – eyes are the windows into the world.
Crisis Management is a study programme intended primarily for persons who are involved in protection and security aspects of crises in the activities of legal persons, industry, local and regional administration bodies, and government administration bodies. Upon graduation the students acquire specialist knowledge and competences for independent solving of problems in crisis management, managing processes and management systems of security and protection in public and private sector, especially in industry at the national and international level.

**Professional title upon graduation:**
Professional Specialist Engineer of Crisis Management

**Abbreviation:**
ex. spec ing. admin. chris.

**ECTS credits:** 120

The term “crisis management” was used for the first time by John Kennedy in 1962 during the Cuban Missile Crisis.
Management of Logistic Systems and Processes is a study programme based on specialist knowledge and skills that guarantee success in providing logistic support to complex systems. In professional military, police and similar circles the notion of logistics has been common for monitoring operations in the country and abroad. The need for specialist education in the field of logistic management has occurred in response to the complexity of the logistics system and its necessary optimization processes. The study of logistics educates students for the application of the latest methods of management and execution.

**Professional title upon graduation:**
Professional Specialist Engineer of Logistics

**Abbreviation:**
exp. spec. ing. logist.

**ECTS credits:** 120
Information Systems is a study programme based on specialist knowledge and skills that guarantee success in performing the activities of building, optimization, exploitation and maintenance of information systems in a wide range of applications, as well as acquisition of initial knowledge to continue the improvement in designing information systems. Consequently, this specialist study programme has been intended for persons who are, or will be, in charge of implementation, maintenance and exploitation of the information systems, and for the participation in designing and producing information systems.

Professional title upon graduation: Professional Specialist Engineer of Information Technology

Abbreviation: spec. ing. techn. inf.

ECTS credits: 120
How to enrol?

Croatia is a country of rich culture and tradition. The basic condition for the enrolment into any of the undergraduate study programmes is completed secondary four-year education or equivalent education in Croatia, i.e. abroad.

Foreign citizens enrol in the curriculum in English. The enrolment condition is graduation at a secondary school of acceptable level of education.

What should you bring with you?

- Health insurance (proof about it)
- Visa (if applicable)
- Certificate of completed education

What should you do upon arrival?

Register at the Office for foreigners (police station).

Where can you find accommodation?

Accommodation at a student hostel

Students enrolled as full-time students at University of Applied Sciences Velika Gorica, and have EU citizenship have the right to apply at the regular tender for student rooms. The requirement is that the students have a temporary residence permit issued by the Croatian Ministry of the Interior. Students who are not EU citizens do not meet the conditions for the tender.

Private accommodation

www.studyincroatia.hr/living-in-croatia/accommodation
erasmusu.com/en/erasmus-zagreb/student-housing
www.homeinzagreb.com

In Croatian, but the largest database for apartments in Croatia:
http://www.tzvg.hr/sadrzaj/smjestaj/31
www.njuskalo.hr/Zagreb
www.njuskalo.hr/Velika Gorica (for Velika Gorica)
www.oglasnik.hr/Zagreb (another large database - Zagreb)
www.oglasnik.hr/Velika Gorica (Velika Gorica)

VG real estate
www.vg-nekretnine.hr

Gorica real estate
www.gorica-nekretnine.hr

Note: agencies usually charge fees

Price of private accommodation:
from HRK 1,500 to 2,100 (200-300 euro)

Hotels in Velika Gorica

Hotel Pleso
Mikulčićeva 7a, +385 1 625 36 00, www.hotel-pleso.hr
info@hotel-pleso.hr

Hotel Royal Airport
Šandora Breščenskog 8, +385 1 409 38 20, www.hotel-royal-airport.com
info@hotel-royal-airport.com
Hostels in Velika Gorica

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turopolis@turopolis.com

Bijela ruža
Trg kralja Tomislava 38, +385 1 622 13 58,
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Public transport

Single ticket (public transport)
20 kuna (ca. 2.60 euro) for Zagreb - Velika Gorica.

Students can buy a monthly student pass (360 kuna - ca. 48 euro) per month.

Regular bus line - 268
Fast bus line - 330

TAXI – price per km ca. 6 kuna
Call numbers:
TAXI CAMEO - 1212
TAXI ZAGREB - 3628
EKO TAXI - 1414

Where can you eat?

With a student x-card you can eat at the student canteen in Zagreb, Savska 25 and on student campuses with a small extra charge for a full meal.

There are many restaurants in the vicinity of the University of Applied Sciences Velika Gorica, as well as fast food restaurants, chain stores...

Prices:
Lunch - ca. 20 kuna (ca. 6 euro)
Coffee - 8 kuna (ca. 1 euro)
Bread - 8 kuna (ca. 1 euro)
Milk - 6 kuna (ca. 0.8 euro)
Capital city: Zagreb
Political system: parliamentary democracy
Area: 56,594 km²
Population: 4,284,889
Official language: Croatian
Currency: kuna (100 lipa)
Calling code: +385
Emergency call: 112

Velika Gorica is the capital of Turopolje, a region known for its rich historical and cultural heritage. Several square kilometres accommodate the archaeological finding Andautonia, a old town of Lukavec, Museum of Turopolje, Modić-Bedeković Manor and Alapić Manor (curiae), and numerous beautiful wooden chapels.

Turopolje is a region which particularly cherishes the original heritage and folklore, and national and international folklore festivals are often held there.

Near Velika Gorica is the city of Zagreb which offers numerous possibilities of visiting exhibitions, clubs, old downtown area and a large number of festivals.

Croatia has valuable cultural and historical monuments as well as outstanding natural beauties worth seeing.

What else should you know about us?

Where to go, what to see?

National parks:
Plitvice Lakes, Brijuni, Kornati, Paklenica, Risnjak, Krka, Northern Velebit, Mljet

Nature parks:
Medvednica, Telašćica, Velebit, Lastovo Islands...
Map of Events in Velika Gorica

**February**
- Turopolje Carnival

**March**
- International Turopolje Race

**April**
- Cycling Tour de Tur

**May**
- Legendfest

**June**
- Gorica Evenings
- Dionysian Celebrations
- Gastro Turopolje
- Brass Festival

**September**
- Advent in Gorica

**December**
- Velika Gorica Music Festival
**VVG – students’ experiences**

*Barbora Hašková (the Czech Republic)*
I heard about the Erasmus study program at the University of Applied Sciences Velika Gorica for the first time in October 2013. I was very impressed by the possibility of studying abroad. I hoped that a stay in a foreign country may bring some important knowledge in my branch, new colleagues and friends, unknown places that I could visit, new culture, habits. I met a lot of good professors, attended lectures that were almost individual, and this was really important for me.

*Goncalo Pereira dos Santos (Portugal)*
I particularly liked the academic community that I met here, and these people and their habits. I made a lot of friends, and I gained some unforgettable experience at University of Applied Sciences Velika Gorica, and in this beautiful country as well. I would like to emphasise in particular that I felt here much safer than at home in Portugal. I think this says a lot about this city, these people and this country.

*Stefan Hummel (Germany)*
I adore this little town and studying at University of Applied Sciences Velika Gorica. Everything is somehow within reach... restaurants, cafes, shops, and the faculty is in the very centre of the city. I need only three minutes to get to my place. I love these people and their food. It is simply wonderful to be in Croatia.

**Did you know?**

*For several years now the Brass festival is being held in Velika Gorica. It attracts musicians from all over the world and there are a number of festivals of urban music for the young.*

*One of the increasingly popular manifestations is certainly the Festival of legends, myths and stories - LegendFest.*

*Did you know that “cravat” (tie) originates from a coloured ribbon worn by men around their necks, called podgutnica in Turopolje?*

*It is, namely, the Turopolje’s flag platoon that was a historical military unit of the Turopolje region known for the ribbon worn around their necks, tied by women or girls before going to war battles. This ribbon was brought by the Turopolje men to the Thirty-Year War, as far as Paris, where it was noticed by Louis XIV and he called this type of tying the ribbon “a la Croat”. It is believed that this is precisely the forerunner of today’s tie (cravat).*
Tourist sights
1. Andautonia, archaeological findings - Ščitarjevo
2. Lukavec Castle - Lukavec
3. Museum of Turopolje - Velika Gorica
4. Timber Gate - Turopoljski lug
5. Timber House Modić-Bedeković - Donja Lomnica
6. Timber House Alapić - Vukovina
7. Timber House Zlatarić - Buševce
8. Vicarage - Staro Čiče
9. Čardaci - Mracini
10. Čardak, ethnographic collection - Ščitarjevo

Wooden chapels
11. St. Barbara’s Chapel - Velika Mlaka
12. Chapel of Jesus in Wounds - Pleško polje
13. Chapel of St. John the Baptist - Buševce
15. Chapel of St. Anthony of Padua - Gustelnica
16. St. Roch’s Chapel - Cvetković Brdo
17. Chapel of St. John the Baptist - Lukinić Brdo
18. Saint George’s Chapel - Lijevi Štefanki
19. Chapel of St. Peter and Paul - Cerje Pokupsko
20. St. Trinity’s Chapel - Gladovec Pokupsko
21. St. Ilija’s Chapel - Auguštanovec

Churches and chapels
22. Church of the Annunciation of Blessed Virgin Mary - V. Gorica
23. Church of the Blessed A. Stepinac - V. Gorica
24. Church of St. Peter and Paul - V. Gorica
25. Church of the Visit of the Blessed Virgin Mary Vukovina
26. Church of Virgin Mary of Snow - Dubranec
27. Church of St. John the Baptist - Novo Čiče
28. Chapel of Jesus in Wounds - Novo Čiče
29. Church of St. Trinity - Donja Lomnica
30. Church of St. Martin of the Bishop - Ščitarjevo
31. Church of St. Anthony of Padua - Buševce
32. Church of St. Cross Exaltation - Kravarsko
33. Church of our Lady of Fatima - Lukavec
34. Church of St. Anthony of Padua - Gradići
35. Church of St. John the Baptist - Buševce
36. Church of St. Michael the Archangel Turopoljska Petrovina
37. Church of St. Benedict - Mičevec
38. Church of St. Peter the Apostle - Veleševce
39. Church of the Annunciation of Blessed Virgin Mary - Pokupsko
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41. Chapel of St. Fabian and Sebastian - Kuče
42. Chapel of St. Vid - Mracini

Resorts
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44. The Sava at Veleševce
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46. Bridge on the Odra
47. Resort Odranski Ribič
48. Resort Matković – Ključić Brdo
49. Footpath Šumarica
50. The Kupa
51. Airport Franjo Tuđman
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