

Information for the Ukrainian citizens

NB! The latest information for Ukrainian citizens regarding opportunities to come and stay in Estonia: <https://kriis.ee/en>

How to get to Estonia?

In co-operation with the Estonian state, the Estonian Refugee Council coordinates the evacuation of war refugees from the Ukrainian border. Evacuation information: +372 5678 2288 (answered daily from 9 am to 7 pm); e-mail: ukraina@pagulasabi.ee

More information: <https://www.pagulasabi.ee/uk>

Ukrainian war refugees who have arrived in Estonia will receive assistance in Tallinn:

- 1) Reception Center and Counseling Center Niine 2, open 24/7
- 2) Counseling point Liivalaia 28, open daily from 10 am to 5 pm

NB! Phone: +372 5881 1311; Mon-Fri from 10 am to 5 pm

Upon arrival in Estonia:

Border crossing points are open on the Estonian-Latvian border to assist Ukrainian refugees. The Police and Border Guard Board registers all war refugees who have arrived from Ukraine, and information is provided about various services that people who have arrived in Estonia as refugees need. Temporary protection for war refugees is granted. At the border, the person is asked for the address to which he/she will proceed next. If a person does not have the opportunity to go to relatives and acquaintances, he or she will be referred to reception centers. Going to the reception center is recommended for all refugees, as it provides first aid and counseling, as well as information on further assistance. Vocational counseling, state and local government social services and benefits, education, childcare, and, if necessary, psychological and health support are provided there.

Studying at the Estonian Academy of Music and Theater:

The Estonian Academy of Music and Theater is ready to review the previous study experience of the Ukrainian citizens who have started their studies in Ukraine and to assess their compliance with our curricula so that they can continue their studies here. Matriculation would exceptionally take place on the basis of VÕTA (RECOGNITION OF PRIOR LEARNING). If possible, the Estonian Academy of Music and Theater asks to be informed in advance of one's plan to come to Estonia (contact: tiina.uiibo@eamt.ee)

Support measures for those coming from Ukraine are in process. (More information: <https://www.hm.ee/en/children-and-youth-ukraine-estonia>)

Study Programmes:

The Estonian Academy of Music and Theater offers the opportunity to study in the following English language curricula: Classical Music Performance, Jazz Music, Composition and Music Technology. **More information:** <https://eamt.ee/en/admissions/departments-and-majors/>

What you need for admission:

Please try to bring all your study documents with you to Estonia (including an extract from your current studies, if possible). If it is not possible to submit the documents certifying education or some of the documents are missing, then the competent authority for the assessment of qualifications is the Academic Recognition Information Center (Estonian ENIC/NARIC Center). The person him/herself must submit a formal application to the Estonian ENIC/NARIC Center **For more information see here:** [ENIC/NARIC](#).

The description of the educational background does not replace the diploma or certificate but provides information on the person's education and qualifications and their accordance to the Estonian educational system. Estonian Academy of Music and Theater has the right to perform an additional test, interview, exam, or other procedure on the basis of the description provided by the ENIC/NARIC Center about the educational background of the person. If possible, please send a performance video to the Estonian Academy of Music and Theater (tiina.uiibo@eamt.ee).

NB! Estonian ENIC/NARIC Center contact for Ukrainian applicants: **Mr. Aleksandr Graf**, email: aleksandr.graf@harno.ee

Tuition fees:

The Estonian Academy of Music and Theater will not charge tuition fees to students with Ukrainian citizenship in the spring semester of 2022. In the 2022/2023 academic year, studying is free of charge in Estonian-language curricula, ie in-depth study of the Estonian language and readiness to study in this curriculum for an extra year. Studying in English curricula is generally subject to a fee. Decisions to waive tuition fees are still under discussion.

The Estonian Academy of Music and Theater offers the opportunity to apply for a special needs-based grant for both studying and incoming Ukrainian students. More information coming soon.

Accommodation:

Refugees are primarily accommodated with their relatives and acquaintances. The state supports those in need and applicants for international protection. In the absence of accommodation, the Social Insurance Board organizes short-term accommodation for refugees (ukraina@sotsiaskindlustusamet.ee), co-operation is also established with the local government, ensuring the provision of accommodation, catering, and other first-aid in a specific accommodation institution.

NB! The Estonian Academy of Music and Theater does not currently have free accommodation possibilities to offer. If necessary, we can offer support in finding rental apartments (information about websites, etc.). In case there are some volunteers among the students, staff, etc willing to offer accommodation, we will let those in need, know.

Healthcare:

All people staying in Estonia are guaranteed emergency care in the event of a serious or life-threatening health problem. Receiving general and specialist medical care depends on whether the person is insured or not. Obtaining health insurance is the same as for other people who have the right to reside in Estonia.

Refugees arriving at reception centers will be offered initial health check-ups and counseling, and COVID-19 rapid testing will be performed. If necessary, first aid and information on health care options are provided. All refugees are provided with additional health surveillance to prevent the spread of infectious diseases.

Ukrainian war refugees who have been granted temporary protection are provided with emergency medical care, emergency dental care, COVID-19 testing, COVID-19 vaccination, and public health services.

Working in Estonia:

Beneficiaries of international protection have the right to register as unemployed and receive labor market services and benefits on the same basis as other permanent residents of Estonia. The Estonian Unemployment Insurance Fund opened an online environment where people from Ukraine can find out about job opportunities.

More info: <https://www.onlineexpo.com/en/work-for-ukraininas-in-estonia/>