



### History

Aristotle University of Thessaloniki (AUTH) is a self-governed public University operating under the supervision of the Hellenic Ministry of Education, Research and Religious Affairs. AUTH has a three-fold scope: interdisciplinarity, internationalization and intercultural education. The University was founded in 1925 and its main campus covers around 470,000 square metres in the centre of Thessaloniki. In the 90 years of its presence, Aristotle University has been developed into a multi-disciplinary University comprised of 11 Faculties organized into 41 Schools, thus rendering it, currently, the largest in Greece.



## AUTH @ A GLANCE

### Student Life

Student Halls of Residence for the low-income students  
University Student Club  
University Gym  
University Camp of Kalandra, in Chalkidiki  
Student Health Care Services  
Career Services

### Numbers

83,000 undergraduate and postgraduate students  
4,000 international students  
1,950 teaching and research staff  
1,000 administrative and technical staff

### Museums (indicatively)

Telloglion Foundation of Arts  
Museum of Cast and Antiquities of the Faculty of Philosophy  
Folklore Museum and Archive of the Faculty of Philosophy

### Central Units

IT Center  
Library and Information Centre  
Quality Assurance Unit  
Research Committee

### The City of Thessaloniki

Thessaloniki is a Greek port city on the Thermaikos Gulf of the Aegean Sea. Evidence of its Roman, Byzantine and Ottoman history remains, especially around 'Ano Poli', the upper town. The rebuilt 20th-century city has a modern European layout, and is a junction for international trade and culture. Thessaloniki is a modern destination with an excellent waterfront area which is the largest urban one extended from the city's port to Thessaloniki's Concert Hall offering opportunities for a stroll and an awesome view. The city offers a great majority of museums with the biggest ones being the Archeological Museum as well as the Byzantine Museum. Thessaloniki is famous for its gastronomic variety and offers places where all can taste not only international cuisines but also local recipes in the various 'tavernas' and 'ouzerias'. Thessaloniki is a city of diverse beauty combining the old with the modern and its people are always welcoming and hospitable. It also has a distinctive cultural character which is not limited to the various monuments and history but also to the organization of world-known festivals. Further to the above, Thessaloniki is known for the large percentage of its population being students. The student vibe fits perfectly with the student life that the city offers. Students form an integral part of the city's charm as it hosts the country's largest university campus, that of Aristotle University of Thessaloniki. The compact size of the city and the walking distance proximity make Thessaloniki an ideal destination both for students and tourists.

### Department of International Relations

The Department of International Relations serves as an information centre for international relations matters and links AUTH to institutions of higher education worldwide. It has enabled the University to develop a strong presence and high reputation in the international scientific and academic community. The Department of International Relations has been closely cooperating with the Department of European Educational Programmes for many years and recently in the framework of Erasmus+ International

### School of Modern Greek Language

The School of Modern Greek Language has been offering Greek language and culture courses to foreigners and Greeks living abroad since 1970. The School also offers tailor-made courses for specific purposes, as well as training seminars for teachers of Greek and more recently on-line courses. It also organizes exams for the Certificate of Attainment in Greek, a prerequisite for foreign students to enroll in a Greek university. Details can be obtained at: <http://smg.web.auth.gr/wordpress/>.

### Studying at AUTH

According to the Greek Constitution, undergraduate studies at all public higher education institutions are tuition-free for all students. Some postgraduate may include tuition fees. More information about studying at AUTH can be found at the Department of Studies: <http://dps.auth.gr/en>.

### Undergraduate Studies

All Schools offer a degree, the duration of which varies from 4 to 6 years. All programmes of studies are offered in the Greek language and therefore international students need to follow a Greek language course at AUTH's School of Modern Greek Language: <http://smg.web.auth.gr/wordpress/>. For foreign students visiting the University under the Erasmus+ Programme Schools offer courses in English when possible or give the opportunity to students to complete a project or a paper in the English language.

### Postgraduate Studies

An integral part of the studies offered by the University are the AUTH's long-established postgraduate programmes. Interested students can follow postgraduate programmes of 2<sup>nd</sup> and/or 3<sup>rd</sup> cycle in all 41 Schools. Specifically, AUTH offers around 90 master programmes; including programmes in English, Greek-French, as well as Erasmus-Mundus and interdisciplinary programmes. Furthermore, AUTH holds about 30 Special Inter-University Agreements (Protocols) for joint PhDs with foreign Universities. The PhD level of studies leads to academic/research doctoral degrees.



## Faculties & Schools at Aristotle University of Thessaloniki

### Faculty of Theology

School of Theology  
School of Pastoral and Social Theology

### Faculty of Law

School of Law

### Faculty of Economic and Political Sciences

School of Economics  
School of Political Sciences  
School of Journalism and Mass Communications

### Faculty of Philosophy

School of Philology  
School of History and Archaeology  
School of Philosophy and Education  
School of Psychology  
School of English Language and Literature  
School of French Language and Literature  
School of German Language and Literature  
School of Italian Language and Literature

### Faculty of Sciences

School of Mathematics  
School of Physics  
School of Chemistry  
School of Biology  
School of Geology  
School of Informatics

### Faculty of Engineering

School of Civil Engineering  
School of Architecture  
School of Rural and Surveying Engineering  
School of Mechanical Engineering  
School of Electrical and Computer Engineering  
School of Chemical Engineering  
School of Spatial Planning and Development

### Faculty of Fine Arts

School of Visual and Applied Arts  
School of Music Studies  
School of Drama  
School of Film Studies

### Faculty of Education

School of Primary Education  
School of Early Childhood Education

### Faculty of Health Sciences

School of Medicine  
School of Veterinary Medicine  
School of Dentistry  
School of Pharmacy

### Faculty of Agriculture, Forestry and Natural Environment

School of Agriculture  
School of Forestry and Natural Environment

### Faculty of Physical Education and Sports Sciences

School of Physical Education & Sports Sciences  
School of Physical Education & Sports Sciences (in Serres)



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## DEPARTMENT OF EUROPEAN EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMES

Today Aristotle University of Thessaloniki (AUTH) holds approximately 1,450 active bilateral agreements with European universities within the framework of the Erasmus+ Programme. It also cooperates with 29 Countries within the Erasmus+ International Programme. The Department of European Educational Programmes (DEEP) has been actively promoting student and staff mobility throughout Europe since the first steps of the Erasmus Programme in 1987. Its activities are not limited in the European Union borders; its active involvement in the Erasmus Mundus consortia has made possible the exchange with universities from the Balkans, Black Sea, Mediterranean Sea, Asia and Latin America. An increasing number of students from a wide area of countries and academic fields choose for their postgraduate studies the Erasmus Mundus joint masters and doctorates supported by AUTH.

The action via the Erasmus+ framework on Staff Mobility for Training, enables teaching, research and administrative staff to spend some weeks of training in an enterprise, organization or higher education institution in another participating country. Recently, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki has become active in the Erasmus+ International Programme extending educational cooperation beyond Europe handling 249 incoming and outgoing mobilities.

Further to the above, DEEP has been proposed as an example of good practices and positively evaluated by the National Agency in regard to its Erasmus+ administration like the Department's development of the mobility point allocation system. Additionally, DEEP has been suggested as an example of good practices in relation to the Erasmus+ International procedures (from programme application to programme implementation). Moreover, AUTH is ranked first in Greece regarding students' mobilities and one of the first in Europe for the Staff Teaching mobility. Last but not least, DEEP offers a wide range of services to both students and staff managing the administration procedures of all actions under the Erasmus+ Programme servicing all 41 Schools of AUTH.

