



Incoming Student Guide ΤΕΧΝΟΛΟΓΙΚΟ ΕΚΠΑΙΔΕΥΤΙΚΟ Ι Δ Ρ Υ Μ Α





#1 WELCOME

Dear student,

The TEI of Peloponnese and the office of International Relations & European Programs welcome you!!

We hope that this short information leaflet will be useful during your stay. The office of International relations is always at your disposal for any questions or requests.

We wish you a pleasant stay and a fruitful academic semester!

#2 The Technological Educational Institute of Peloponnese

The TEI of Peloponnese is one of the 15 Technological Educational Institutes established in Greece. It is the most important and rapidly developing educational and research center in this region of Peloponnese. The operation of the TEI started in 1988 as an off-campus faculty of the TEI of Patras. The first department of the TEI of Kalamata was the Electrical Engineering Department and started its operation in the spring semester of the academic year 1987-88.

In October 1989, the TEI of Kalamata with two schools was established:

The School of Agricultural Technology and School of Management and Economy.

In 2013, the TEI of Kalamata was renamed TEI Peloponnese. Nowadays, the Technological Educational Institute of Peloponnese is a tertiary level institution that offers studies in important scientific fields with very good career opportunities.

In particular, it offers studies in the fields of **Business and Public Administration**, **Accounting and Finance, Agricultural Technology, Food Technology and Information Technology**, **Applied Technology and Health Care**. Besides education, all departments conduct research in their relevant fields in the context of international, European and national research programs

The TEI of Peloponnese is a recognized institution within the Erasmus+ program, and has signed partnerships with a lot of universities in Europe.

Our goal is to provide our Erasmus students with the best quality studies along with the opportunity to enjoy an excellent lifestyle in one of the most beautiful seaside cities in Greece.



#3 Infrastructure



The School of Management and Economics has fully equipped classrooms and teaching auditoriums for delivering theoretical and laboratory subjects.

The School of Applied Technology, located in Sparta has self-contained facilities with equipped classrooms and auditoriums for teaching theoretical and laboratory courses.

The School of Agricultural Technology, Food Technology and Nutrition has 18 research and educational laboratories covering more than 10,000 m², fully equipped with state of the art laboratory equipment, ten greenhouses, three of which have experimental

pilot hydroponic and aeroponic systems, a farm with various crops and five pilot agricultural processing units.











#4 Facilities

Campus

The **campus** of the Technological Educational Institute of Peloponnese is located 6 km from the city of Kalamata, connected with regular public transport to the city. The Department of Computer Engineering is located in Sparta with corresponding infrastructure and services.

In addition to the original buildings that house classrooms (3 of which are auditoriums), the laboratories and administrative offices, the Technological Educational Institute of Peloponnese has recently added a new building complex with classrooms, a state of the art 500-seat auditorium which hosts events, ceremonies and conferences, five smaller auditoriums and space for offices and other management needs.



Library

The Institution has a well-equipped **library** housed in a specially designed, newly-built, independent building. The library, with more than 2.000m² and more than 100.000 scientific collections, is open for users on working days from 08.30 to 19.30 and from 08.30 to 15.00 during holidays. It uses the most contemporary library regulations and classification system. Erasmus students are welcomed to use the library services.



#5 Facilities

Dormitory

The student **dormitory** is located near the new East Center of the city, which was recently regenerated. It is a free standing building with a 220 bed capacity and a spacious courtyard and provides services for disabled persons. A number of beds is reserved for international students and academic visitors.





Leisure

There is a fully operational **restaurant** in the main building, which offers excellent quality meals (breakfast, lunch, dinner). Erasmus students are entitled to free breakfast and very low fee lunch and dinner. The restaurant is open from 08.00 to 09.30 (breakfast), 12.30 to 15.00 (lunch) and from 18.30 to 20.30 (dinner) daily (please re-check working hours with Erasmus office). Additionally a very pleasant **café** with indoor and outdoor tables, is located in the main building offering snacks, coffee, refreshments and fast food to all students and staff at very low prices. Finally, the area of TEI has basketball, football, volleyball and tennis court with free access to all students who are interested in sports.



#6 Useful Information

Health



If an accident or small illness occurs during your staying, the relevant TEI department will give you the first aids. In the unpleasant case of a more serious incident, the Prefecture General Hospital of Kalamata, 850 meters away from the TEI, will take care of you and provide all necessary services. You are advised to carry always on you your European Health Identify Card.

Transportation

Public transportation to TEI is merely served by bus **Line 2** which crosses the center and connects TEI with the eastern part of the city. Connections of Line 2 with other bus lines from other parts of the city are also available. The bus leaves from the TEI station approximately every 25 minutes. As time schedules usually change in different seasons of the year, you are kindly requested to check the applicable during the time of your staying. If you want to travel to other places of Messinia and/or Greece you will have to use the coach service (KTEL) which is located at the Central Market of Kalamata and connects the city with various destinations. Finally, the airport of Kalamata (10 km from city and 3, 5 km from TEI), has flight connections with Athens, Thessaloniki and also with many European cities, especially during the summer period. Upon your arrival you will be given a student ID card with which you can travel with relative lower prices.

Security

Greece is among the safest places in Europe. Kalamata in particular, has a very-very low criminality rate with rare incidents which practically means that you are not in danger regardless of the time and the place you are moving. Moreover, the TEI facilities and the Dormitory are guarded by 24 hour security service. However, you are requested to take the basic safety and security precautions. In case of a security incident the police emergency telephone number is: **100**.



#7 The City of Kalamata



Kalamata, the capital and central port of Messinia, is situated at the site of ancient Farai, 238 km South West of Athens. Following the state's independence and thanks to the exploitation of the fertile Messinian lands (producing olive oil, raisins, figs, etc.), it has developed into a wealthy urban center and a significant port.

The point of reference par excellence in the city of Kalamata is the legendary "Castle of Isabeau" where the renowned International Dance Festival takes place annually. It is amphitheatrically constructed on the site of the Farai acropolis offering a bird's eye view of the city. Other points of interest are the exquisite Palia Poli (Old City) at the foot of the Castle, the Metropolitan Panagia Ipapanti church (1873), the 12th century Kalograion Monastery, the Railway Park, the pedestrian walk way of Aristomenous and the Byzantine church Agioi Apostoloi (13th century). The area around it is the hotspot for the city's youth, for it is the beating heart of the night-life in Kalamata and by no means will it be still!

The city's extensive beach has 4 km length with marvelous sea waters. On the seaside of Kalamata, people can swim in crystal clear waters and enjoy lace-like beaches, which have been granted the Blue Flag award of quality. Along the seaside, there are several tavernas, ouzo restaurants, cafeterias, bars, clubs, whereas beach aficionados can enjoy all kinds of water sports. The western beach with the city's marina is connected to the city center via a cycle lane.

Finally, a lot of towns with historical interest such as Pylos, Koroni, Methoni, Naflpion, Mycenae, are in short distance from Kalamata and worth visiting.









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Emergency Phones

- Police: 100
- Fire: 199
- Health:166 (Ambulance)

