

"LATVIA - THE LAND THAT ISNPIRES" Summer School 2016 Program

	Activities and topic	Hours
1.	Arrival: July 22	
	 Meeting participants and accommodation Informative meeting and detailed plan discussion Excursion to the HOTEL SCHOOL Hotel Management College Introduction to the Latvian educational system / Tourist Geography lecture (in English/Russian) Coffee Break Trip to Jurmala - Ragakāpa Nature Park visit / Walk through the pine woods / Work shop Lunch Free time 	8 hours
2.	July 23, Topic – Introduction to culture "Cultural and linguistic origins"	
2	 Breakfast Registration, the opening of Summer School - workshop / seminar Russian/English language lecture. Latvian culture introductory lecture - Latvian history, prehistoric times, The Baltic languages and Latvian language origins. Tourism geography lecture. Coffee Break Excursions to the Latvian National History Museum - Latvian material culture's the largest repository - Archaeological Department has around 400 000 storage units, that is, about 90% of the material obtained from Latvian archaeological monuments. These artefacts are dated from the 9th century BC until the 18th century., and among them there are many unique collections. http://lnvm.lv/?page_id=176 Each member of the group tells of their national cultural and linguistic origins / quick presentation Lunch / Wordplay - international and Latvian words; differences and similarities. Free time 	8 hours
3.	July 24, Topic – "Latvian cuisine and table setting tradition"	
	 Breakfast Russian/English language lecture / Tourist Geography lecture Workshop - Latvian national cuisine and festive table settings. Latvian traditional dishes by region. Coffee Break Excursions to the Ethnographic Open Air Museum - http://www.brivdabasmuzejs.lv/lv/aktualitates/aktualie-pasakumi Exhibition / Event - "SAIMES GALDA GODI" (Family Table 	8 hours



	Traditions)	
	7. Lunch - national dishes. Each member of the group tells about his	
	country's national dish - Discussion	
	8. Free time	
4.	July 25, Topic – "Daugava – Latvia's Destiny Symbol"	
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	1. Breakfast	
	2. Lectures on national symbols and traditions, creative arts workshop	
	3. Russian/English language lecture and tourist geography lecture –	
	Daugava's role in Latvia's destiny, Daugava's hydropower plant	8 hours
	and the legend of the Staburags - video film.	
	4. Coffee Break	
	5. Excursions to the Dole island and Daugava Museum -	
	http://www.daugavasmuzejs.lv/	
	6. The exhibition - "The Oldest Population on the Banks of the	
	Daugava"	
	7. Lunch / Discussion - each participant will make a presentation	
	about their nation's major rivers and trade routes.	
	8. Free time	
5.	July 26, Topic – "Rye Bread - Latvian pride"	
	1. Breakfast	
	2. Bread tasting and discussion about the history of bread. Rye bread	8 hours
	tasting - good rye bread is known by three characteristics - taste, aroma and nutrition.	
	3. Russian/English language lecture / Tourist geography lecture.4. "Latvian taste" lecture - Let's find out what kind of traditional	
	Latvian products are used in the contemporary, those foods	
	becoming the brands that bring the Latvian words to the world. 5. Coffee Break	
	 6. Excursion to the bakery "Laci" - http://www.laci.lv/eksursijas_lv 7. "I love rye bread" - Cognitive educational program of the school's 	
	participants. The story of a real rye bread making and its values,	
	master class in bread loaf baking - participating. Loaf tasting (with	
	bacon, honey, jam). Time: 2 hours 8. Lunch on-site discussions	
	9. Free time	
6.	July 27, Topic – "Latvian traditional regions - Kurzeme, Zemgale,	
	Vidzeme, Latgale"	
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	1. Breakfast	
	2. An interactive lecture and discussion - the film "Latvian regions"	
	10. Russian/English language lecture and tourism geography lecture -	8 hours
	The extreme points, climate, rivers and lakes, rural tourism	
	opportunities in Latvia.	
	3. Coffee Break	
	4. Excursion to Ikšķile - where from 9 th century BC there has been	
	Liv village on the Daugava River, http://www.ikskile.lv/apskates-	



	<u>objekti</u>	
	5. Sightseeing - Ikšķile Church Ruins on St. Maynard Island, St.	
	Maynard Statue, 800th anniversary square and memorial stone,	
	viewing tower in the nature park "Ogre Blue Mountains" - the	
	photoshooting contest	
	6. Lunch on site / results of the contest - "Best Pictures" / Discussion	
	7. Free time	
7.	July 28, Topic - "History Thursday"	
	1. Breakfast	
	2. Russian/English language lecture / tourism geography lecture	0.1
	3. Coffee Break	8 hours
	4. Latvian history - Christian times, the Livonian period, the Northern	
	Wars, Latvia within Russian Empire	
	5. Latvian folk revival and independent Latvia, Latvian within the	
	USSR, Independence renewal period	
	6. Excursion to the Latvian Occupation Museum -	
	http://okupacijasmuzejs.lv/	
	7. Discussion - "Contemporary Latvia" - culture, identity, European	
	integration	
	8. Lunch	
	9. Free time	
8.	July 29, Topic – "Riga's cultural and historical heritage"	
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	1. Breakfast	8 hours
	2. Russian/English language lecture / tourism geography lecture	
	3. Video lecture and discussion - History of Riga / Riga - one of the	
	main cities of the Hanseatic League. The oldest trade routes.	
	4. Coffee Break	
	5. Lectures - "Art Nouveau in Riga"	
	6. A tour of the streets of the Old Town - Dome Cathedral,	
	Blackheads House, the Swedish Gate, the Powder Tower and the	
	War Museum, St. Peter's Church, and others	
	7. Art Nouveau in Old Town -	
	http://www.jugendstils.riga.lv/index.php?lang=lat&p=3&pp=0&id	
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	8. Art nouveau Alberta Street -	
	http://www.jugendstils.riga.lv/lat/JugendstilsRiga/ssels/alberta01/	
	9. Riga Art Nouveau museum - http://www.jugendstils.riga.lv/	
	10. Lunch	
	11. Free time	
9.	July 30 – "Workshops Day"	
	1. Breakfast	
	2. Preparation for the exhibition "Latvia - the Land that Inspires" -	
	Smilšu iela 3, HOTEL SCHOOL RIGA College	
	3. Coffee Break	8 hours
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	5. Lunch	
	6. Free time	
10.	July 31 – "Presentations and Graduation Day"	
	1. Breakfast	
	2. The exhibition "Latvia - the Land That Inspires" - participants will present their observations and Latvian cultural vision through creative methods using learned skills of the Latvian language.	8 hours
	3. Coffee Break	
	4. Graduation and award ceremony	
	5. Gala dinner	
	6. Free time	
11.	August 1	
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	1. Breakfast	
	2. Last farewells with the group	

The application deadline is June 10, 2016.

Participants are offered to fill in the online application form: www.hotelschool.lv/summer-school-2016

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