



**UNIVERSITY OF PREŠOV
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**4th INTERNATIONAL GEOREGNET
SUMMER SCHOOL
Prešov, 3 September – 16 September 2012**

Geography as a Socially Relevant Discipline



Europe is facing numerous important integration challenges in 2012. The process of further enlargement of the European Union is complex and uncertain. In the European Union, there are big differences between regions, and the process of inner integration is also complex.

The GEOREGNET summer schools try to cover crucial topics in a systematic way. The 4th GEOREGNET summer school, which will take place in September 2012 in Prešov, will focus on the social relevance of Geography. The main topics will include:

- Inclusion of new member states into the European Union,
- Convergence and divergence of EU regions,
- Administrative decentralisation processes in the context of spatial disparity equalisation,
- Modern Europe: place, culture, identity.

Students will be asked to study some preliminary readings and to write an introductory essay based on these readings. Besides regular lectures and seminars, the summer school will focus also on fieldwork (excursions, discussions with experts, authorities and similar).

Programme draft:

The Summer School will take place from **3rd September to 16th September 2012 in Prešov, at the University of Prešov, Faculty of Humanities and Natural Science.**

This will be a two-week summer school (10 working days) with up to 10 professors invited. One professor will cover a minimum of 6 teaching hours (lectures), which will be divided into two days. Lectures will take place in the mornings (9 am–12 am) and workshops in the afternoons (14 pm–16 pm), which will be covered by teachers from Prešov. An excursion will be organized during the weekend.

The day of arrival of students will be Sunday, 16th September. The accommodation for students will be provided in the student dormitory.

The GEOREGNET students will receive a stipend which will cover accommodation at the student dormitories, travel costs (where applicable in accordance with the rules of national CEEPUS offices – ask there for more detailed information) and some pocket money for meals.

Workload value of students' work: 5 ECTS

Students will obtain a certificate of attendance stating their workload.

The working language will be English.

Applications:

As the summer school takes place in September 2012, the **participating students from GEOREGNET partner universities need to be selected till 21st May 2011.** Two students from each partner university can be selected for the summer school. The **selection criteria** are similar to last year's:

- seniority of students (higher year students have priority),
- field of studies (focus on Geography),
- multiplicity of applications (the students who haven't participated yet have priority).

Time framework:

April 16th – May 15th 2012: Call for applicants

May 21st 2012: Selection of students

June 10th 2012: Deadline for students to apply for the CEEPUS scholarship