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Name of the project: Summer School *Practicing Resilience - Preparing for Recovery*

Venue: Šibenik, Croatia

Dates: June 12 - June 21, 2026

Zagreb, February 2, 2026

Subject: Program description for the Summer School *Practicing Resilience - Preparing for Recovery*

The program of the summer school *Practicing Resilience - Preparing for Recovery* will take place in Šibenik, Croatia, at the Primary Catholic School, for ten days from June 12 until June 21, 2026. The summer school is intended for 40 students from different Catholic universities interested in learning more about resilience and hope, and acquiring new experiences of people and institutions affected by war and destruction.

This year's summer school will be held fourth time in row in partnership between the Catholic University of Croatia, the Nanovic Institute for European Studies, University of Notre Dame from the United States, the Ukrainian Catholic University from Ukraine, and the Catholic Universities Partnership.

Professors and renowned lecturers from numerous Catholic universities will be gathered together to provide students with a unique learning experience. The program emphasizes education with 18 hours of lectures, 7 hours of workshops, 6.5 hours of the capstone project, more than 30 hours of reading materials, and more than 13 hours of cultural activities that will approach resilience and hope from a specific perspective.

Teaching topics will be covered through interactive teaching methods using different media for students to be actively involved in the teaching process. Due to its holistic approach, the program also consists of spiritual, social, cultural, and sports activities. Reading materials will be sent by the organizer before the beginning of summer school. The working language of the summer school is English. At the end of the program, 3 ECTS credits will be awarded to all participants who will attend classes and actively participate in other activities.



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The participants of the summer school should actively participate in daily prayer and are encouraged to participate in the Holy Mass in English every morning which will be celebrated during the program.

All participants will have the opportunity to enjoy time at the seashore and to get to know each other. The rich cultural heritage of the city of Šibenik enables various cultural activities as part of the program: from visits to the local islands to the city fortresses, to a visit to the sights and churches. Sports activities will be organized in the sports ground where volleyball, soccer, basketball, badminton, and other sports can be played.

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