Frederick University

Frederick University is a private University operating in the Republic of Cyprus, a member country of the European Union. Frederick University was established by a decision of the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Cyprus in 2007 and obtained its final official license in January 2012. Although the establishment of the University is relatively recent, the organisation has a long history of more than 50 years in higher education.

Since its establishment, Frederick University managed to achieve an impressive level of growth, in terms of student population, faculty members and academic infrastructure, and today is considered as one of the best-established universities in the region.

During this period, Frederick University was established in the society and the academic community as a modern university offering high quality teaching and research. It is also recognized as a university that offers innovative programs of study that address societal needs and, primarily, as a socially responsible university.

Republic of Cyprus

The beautiful island-nation of Cyprus is located in the south-eastern basin of the Mediterranean Sea, at the crossroads of Europe, Asia and Africa.

It is the third largest island in the Mediterranean, covering an area of 9,251 km² with a population of 880,000. Cyprus offers modern, cosmopolitan living, amidst a superb scenery of high mountain ranges, pine forests and fertile plains. Breathtaking coastlines and sunny beaches, and a historical and archaeological heritage of ten thousand years make the island the ideal place to live and study.

Cyprus enjoys warm, dry summers with an average temperature of 35°C (96°F) and rainy, mild winters with an average temperature of 12°C (52°F). Summer begins in mid-May and continues up to mid-October; winter begins in December and continues up to February. Spring and autumn are mild and pleasant.

The Republic of Cyprus is a member of the European Union, the United Nations, the Council of Europe, the Commonwealth of Nations, and other international bodies.

Above all, Cyprus is renowned for the warmth and hospitality of its people. All the above elements make the island an attractive destination for tourists, businessmen and students from around the world.

The University’s Campuses

Frederick University operates from two campuses; the main campus is in Nicosia, the capital of Cyprus, and the other campus in Limassol, the second largest city.

The Nicosia campus comprises several buildings, all within walking distance from each other. The modern facilities include administration and faculty offices, a library, conference halls, lecture halls, classrooms, computer and engineering laboratories, arts and craft studios, workshops, a fitness center and modern cafeterias.

The Limassol campus comprises classrooms, computer and engineering laboratories, arts and crafts studios, workshops, a library, a seminar room, administration and faculty offices and a large cafeteria.

As a busy international port, cultural center and attractive tourist destination, Limassol offers a unique way of life. Students can visit some of the most ancient archaeological sites in the world, relax at idyllic beaches and attend world-class cultural events.
Recognition of Academic Titles
All programs of Study at Frederick University are fully recognized in the Republic of Cyprus by the competent authority, the Cyprus Council for the Recognition of Higher Education Qualifications (KY.S.A.T.S.), and thus by all European Union countries. By extension, degrees awarded by Frederick University have the appropriate merit internationally.

Highest Recognition by the European Commission:
ECTS & Diploma Supplement Label

In 2012, Frederick University was awarded the ECTS Label, the highest recognition of the European Commission for the excellent application of the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS). Frederick University was among 23 other universities in Europe to receive the Label that year.

This supreme recognition by the European Commission followed the previous year’s achievement; the awarding of the Diploma Supplement Label, a recognition of the excellent work done by Frederick University in implementing the Diploma Supplement (DS). The Diploma Supplement (DS) accompanies a higher education diploma, providing a standardized description of the nature, level, context, content and status of the studies completed by its holder. The supplement is designed to facilitate academic and professional recognition. Both labels raise the profile of Frederick University as a transparent and reliable partner in European and international cooperation.

Academic Links
Frederick University places great importance on the establishment and strengthening of academic links with other reputable universities and institutions of higher education in Cyprus, Europe, USA, China and other countries. Such cooperation promotes knowledge sharing, joint programs of study, research collaborations, exchange of students and faculty.

Links with Professional Bodies and Industry
Frederick University programs enjoy the respect of employers and professional bodies and are continuously reviewed in consultation with industry representatives to reflect up-to-date trends and requirements. All of Frederick University’s programs have the official ‘seal of approval’ of professional bodies in the form of professional examinations, exemptions for the preparation of high standards for membership.

The Academic Staff
The University faculty boasts years of experience in teaching and research and has distinguished itself in reputable international universities.

Student Services
Frederick University provides most of the student services through its Studies and Student Welfare Service. The aim of the Service is to contribute towards the development of an academic environment that promotes constructive learning, academic success and the socialization of the University students. The Service includes the following Offices:
- Studies Office,
- Admissions Office,
- Mobility Office,
- Career Office,
- International Students Office,
- Alumni Office,
- Student Ombudsman,
- Protection of Health Office,
- Counselling Center (Social and Psychological Support),
- Academic Support Office,
- Sports Office, and
- Housing and Accommodation Office.

Academic Advisors
Each student is assigned a personal Academic Advisor who offers academic guidance and support throughout the student’s time at the University.

Scholarships
Frederick University awards scholarships based on academic merit or other criteria to selected home and international students at the beginning or during their studies. Further information on the various Scholarship Schemes can be obtained from the Admissions Office.

Student Life
In addition to the numerous opportunities that Cyprus offers for leisure activities, Frederick University aims at supporting students in order to enjoy an active and vibrant social life. The University organizes various cultural and leisure activities, such as excursions to the countryside, theatrical plays and music events. Furthermore, the Student Welfare Office encourages students to participate in student clubs and societies. Additionally, the University considers sports an integral part of the educational process. It is a member of the Cyprus University Sports Federation and participates every year in the championships organized by the Federation.

Orientation
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Admission Information
At Frederick University candidates are considered for admission on the basis of their academic qualifications, regardless of sex, race, national origin, color or religion.

POSTGRADUATE ADMISSION
Ph.D. Degree
Candidates can apply to the program only following a relevant call. Each call specifies the academic domains of interest and specific admission details.

MSc/MBA/MA/MEd Degrees
Candidates must submit a recognized bachelor’s degree or an equivalent qualification, as well as the official transcripts (grade reports) of their undergraduate studies. In addition, there might be special requirements for various postgraduate programs.

UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSION
Candidates for a bachelor’s degree program should submit a school-leaving certificate from a recognized sixth-form secondary school (high school) with an average grade of 75% (Greek Cypriot secondary schools) or a grade “C” or its equivalent (other secondary schools), or an equivalent qualification. Candidates who submit a sixth-form secondary school-leaving certificate but do not meet the above grade requirements may be admitted on a probationary status, if they show potential for educational advancement. The probationary status will be removed, upon a satisfactory academic performance. Candidates admitted on probationary status may also be asked to enrol in foundation courses in order to improve their skills and/or to reduce their study load.

TRANSFER ADMISSION
Candidates who have graduated from a recognized sixth-form secondary school, and have completed university-level studies in an accredited program at an institution other than Frederick University, are eligible to apply for transfer admission.

WHEN TO APPLY
Frederick University academic year consists of the fall and spring semesters. Students classes begin either during the last week of September or the first week of February. Candidates may submit an application for admission in any of the semesters. Due to the fact that procedures for issuing an entry visa take at least 6 weeks, candidates are urged to submit their application at least 8 weeks prior to the expected date of enrolment. Students are expected to be on campus prior to the beginning of the semester/session. If needed, courses can be provided within the summer period.

Please visit our website at www.frederick.ac.cy/admissions/admission-information for detailed information about the admission procedure as well as other useful information such as:
- Additional Preparatory Classes
- English Language Requirements and the English and Mathematics Placement Tests
- Enrolment
- Admission Process (What to submit)
- Right of employment of students from non-EU countries

Applications are also welcome to contact the Admissions Office at info@frederick.ac.cy to receive information and guidance on the programs of study as well as on proper documentation, attestation procedure and other formalities to be followed.
**“I would describe my experience at Frederick University as exciting and dynamic. One of the best things about the postgraduate studies at Frederick was having a freedom to think openly. I felt extremely lucky to be in an environment that allowed me to conduct research on what interests me the most, to discuss new ideas, and to test my predictions freely. To any new student coming to the University, I would like to say: Throw yourself at every opportunity that comes your way. Frederick University will provide you with an ideal platform to scale up your capabilities to ultimately grab the highest possible opportunities.”**

Muhammad Ali Babar Abbasi  
Pakistan

**“It was a great opportunity to study in the Department of Computer Science and Engineering at Frederick University. I had guidance which helped me identify a career path that I would not consider without such involvement in practical training. In my experience, you are not going to be left out, even if you do not speak any Greek. The time I spent at Frederick University will always be the warmest, and full of fun and small challenges which help you accumulate the experience and knowledge of professionals.”**

Diana Zolotareva  
Russia

**“I graduated from the department of Maritime Studies. Currently I’m working for the SCF Management Services as a ship operator. The program allowed me to gain both a deep theoretical and a practical background. During my four years of study I learned the fundamental aspects of the Shipping Industry and doors have opened to me to obtain an interesting job in the profession.”**

Anna Simagina  
Ukraine

**“As long as I remember, I’ve always wanted to have a proper European education. For me it was something majestic, not only the status, but mostly the level of knowledge, the attitude of people and having the whole world open the doors to you. When I got to know that I could become a student on a sunny island, with gorgeous sights and ancient culture, it felt like a dream. From day one and ever since, I got nothing but support from the staff, the professors, and the administration. The university gave me wings, opened my mind to the freedom of thought.”**

Nikolai Kulakov  
Russia