

## STUDENT Rights Charter

"We, the students, have the right to participate in the decisions that shape our education"

This Charter highlights the general principles and guarantees related to the students' participation in all its dimensions. The purpose is to promote the empowerment of students in the exercise of their rights.

### Croatia, National policy on higher education

Government and  
Management

#### You have the right to

What: choose students' representatives or be chosen to represent students in the HEI bodies; form students' associations and organizations on HEIs; choose or act as a students' ombudsman and seek its help

Where: All Croatian HEIs

When/How often: representatives are chosen by voting during elections. Mandates of students' representatives are limited to 2 years, except for leading positions (President, Vice President etc.), which is limited to 1 year. Associations can be formed at any time, and the right to ombudsman's help is unlimited.

How: By voting or forming the legal document on the organization of the students (associations)

Regulation: Law on Student Council and Other Students' Organizations

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#### You have the right to

What: assured working space, co-financing of students` projects and administrative help for all formal students` councils by the HEI; support from HEI for all other students` organizations

Where: All Croatian HEIs

When/How often: permanently

How: by asking for your right at your HEI

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Academic  
and Quality

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### You have the right to

What: use the right of suspensive veto as students` representatives on all matters regarding students in governing bodies at the level of HEI

Where: at HEIs

When/How often: when the students consider that a document, policy or regulation will not be beneficial for students

How: verbally call for a suspensive veto at the meeting

Regulation: Law on scientific practice and higher education

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## You have the right to

What:

- the quality of studies and educational process as predicted in the study program,
- participation in vocational and scientific work, consultations and mentorship,
- the freedom of opinion and speech during educational activities or when present at HEIs,
- finishing studies in shorter deadline, freedom to use libraries and other information sources,
- enrollment in classes from different study programs based on HEI's statute,
- expressing opinion on the quality of classes and teachers,
- participation in decision making based on HEI's statute,
- complaint in case of violation of students` rights guaranteed by law or other HEI's general acts,
- participation in the work of students` organizations,
- pausing from education during the servitude in the military, pregnancy and 1 year after the birth of the child, during prolonged disease or in other justified situations;
- psychological and medical help in students` health services or other health institutions,
- other rights as stated in the regulation of HEI

Where: at HEIs

When/How often: permanently

How: by direct contact to the bodies that assure these rights

Regulation: Law on scientific practice and higher education

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Social, Cultural and Sports

**You have the right to**

What: be a part of the students` sports associations and the Croatian academic sports` alliance

Where: at your faculty within the sports` association

When/How often: permanently

How: by contacting students` sports coordinator at your faculty

Regulation: Law on sports

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Equality and Inclusion

**You have the right to**

What: be equal to all students studying in Croatia under the Law on scientific practice and higher education and Law on Student Council and Other Students` Organizations

Where: at the national level

When/How often: permanently

How: guaranteed by the Law

Regulation: Law on scientific practice and higher education and Law on Student Council and Other Students` Organizations

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