





TRADITIONAL HOME STORY TELLING

PAST to FUTURE. Rural Development through Heritage and Tourism

JUNE - JULY 2025

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BLENDED INTENSIVE PROGRAM

Program overview

PAST to FUTURE is an innovative and interdisciplinary program that offers a comprehensive perspective and diverse specialization in the field of heritage and the sustainable development of rural communities. This course will combine online and on-site presentations at the University "Stefan cel Mare" of Suceava, with field research in Cacica, a village in the Bukovina area, known for its rich natural and cultural heritage, characterized by its multi-ethnic population, a variety of natural resources and a rich potential for the development of sustainable tourism.

The main objective of the program is to familiarize students with fieldwork methods, documentation techniques, and the valorization of tangible and intangible cultural heritage through both classic and modern technologies. These methods include conducting interviews, filming, data processing, and 3D scanning. By participating in this program, students will acquire new competencies in heritage research and interpretation, as well as in the sustainable development of communities through a participatory approach.

What is a BIP?

Blended Intensive Program (BIP) is a course that combines physical and virtual learning. A BIP is organized by three different higher education institutions from three different Erasmus+ countries and funded by the Erasmus+ mobility program.

Period

11.06, 12.06, 24.06 and 03.07.2025: Virtual Meetings (17.00-20.00 CET) 21st-27th of July, 2025: Physical Meetings, Suceava/Cacica (9-12.30/14.00-17.00).

Workload: 75 hours, including preparation activities and individual learning hours.

Numbers of credits: 3 ECTS

A certificate of participation will be provided. Please contact your faculties/professors/examination offices at your home university regarding recognition of the class.

Language of instruction: English.

PROGRAM

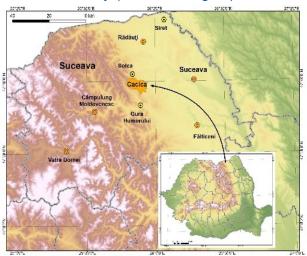
Day	9:00 - 10:00	10:00 - 12:30	12:30 - 14:00	14 - 17:00
Monday 21.07.2025	BIP Opening. Vernacular heritage of Bucovina	Welcome & Introduction (University Stefan cel Mare, Senate Room)	Lunch Break (USV Restaurant)	Bucovina Village Museum Visit of Suceava Citadel
Tuesday 22.07.2025	Bucovina Study Trip. Field application	Visit of UNESCO painted monasteries and of Heritage centers and workshops (Putna, Bilca)		
Wednesday 23.07.2025	Key Lecture Workshop Preparation	Cacica: Presentation of the Community History of Rural Regeneration Project in Cacica (workshop locations) Visit of the Cacica Salt Mine	Lunch Break	Workshops (WS1, WS2, WS3)
Thursday 24.07.2025	Key Lecture Workshop Preparation	Workshops (WS1, WS2, WS3)	Lunch Break	Workshops (WS1, WS2, WS3)- Teaching Time
Friday 25.07.2025	Key Lecture Workshop Preparation	Workshops (WS1, WS2, WS3)	Lunch Break	Workshops (WS1, WS2, WS3)- Teaching Time
Saturday 26.07.2025	Key Lecture Workshop Preparation	Preparation of final projects - Revising the workshop activities	Lunch Break	Presentation of final projects. Evaluation (part 1)
Sunday 27.07.2025		Final presentations of BIP results (2 nd Part)	Lunch Break	BIP Closure

Welcome to "Stefan cel Mare" University in Suceava, Romania

The University "Stefan cel Mare" of Suceava – USV, (www.usv.ro), is an innovative and complex public higher education institution, which offers undergraduate, master's, doctoral and post-doctoral programs and conducts scientific research in the fields of economics, technical sciences, engineering and computer science, natural sciences, humanities and health. The first university in Romania in terms of the number of patents and inventions in the last decade, USV plays a key role in the development and dissemination of scientific knowledge. Since its establishment in 1963, our university has been a strong presence in a city of over 100,000 inhabitants, with a decisive contribution in building a modern identity for the local community, in the geopolitical context of regional development and cross-border relations between Romania, Ukraine and the Republic of Moldova.

Over the past decade, Ştefan cel Mare University of Suceava (USV) has emerged as a beacon of excellence in heritage preservation. Through several projects (https://hecross.net/en/, www.portcultural.usv.ro a.o.), dedicated research and robust capacity-building initiatives, USV has solidified its position as a landmark institution in the north-east region of Romania, committed to safeguarding cultural and historical heritage.

Suceava County (Bukovina region), Cacica Village



Located in the north-east of Romania, Bukovina is one of the most famous visited and tourist destinations in Romania. with 8 UNESCO World Heritage monuments, very attractive mountain landscapes and a tourist offer focused on cultural and natural tourism and rural experiences in traditional villages.

Cacica: important landmarks and research field

- (1).Basilica Minor & Tourism Info-Center (training location)
- (2) Holiday Village/Satul de Vacanta (accommodation) & Casa Nationalitatilor (restaurant)
- (3) Cacica Salt Mine
- (4) Salty Water Pool
- (5) Old cemetery
- (6) Cristiana Pension (accommodation)
- (7) Camping / Nicutari Pension (accommodation)



Student expenses

- Cacica: 22.07-27.07: 6 nights x 30 EUR (double room in Holiday Village / Satul de vacanta https://satdevacantacacica.ro/en/). Please check the last page for other accommodation options.
- The Infotrip and all the experiences included in the program will be covered by the host university (USV).
- The meals in Suceava will be served on your own pace. In Cacica it is organized catering for the entire group, 3 meals, 90 RON /day (aprox. 18 EUR). The amount should be paid at the beginning of the program in Cacica.

Contact

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Accommodation options: 22nd to 27th of July

- 1. **Martisorul Cacica Holiday Village** offers double rooms with twin beds and ensuite bathroom, in 6 rooms vilas. Check-in: 16:00- 20:00 and Check-out: 10:00 12:00; For reservations, please contact Teodora Bologa, phone no. +40 740 697 455, email: teodoraboloca@yahoo.com.
- 2. **Cristiana Guesthouse from Cacica** offers 4 matrimonial rooms with private bathrooms and two-room apartment with private bathroom. Their contact info: +40 744 888 670, +40 727 470 320, https://www.turistinfo.ro/cacica/cazare-cacica/pensiunea_cristiana-c98880.html#tarife; Check In: 15:00 15:30 and Check Out: 10:30 11:00;
- 3. **Nicutari Rooms for Renting from Cacica** has 5 available rooms, as follows: 2 Economy double rooms with private bathroom, 2 Superior double rooms with private bathroom and 1 Matrimonial room with private bathroom. Their contact info: +40 759 508 804, https://www.turistinfo.ro/cacica/cazare-cacica/camere_de_inchiriat_nicutari-c119699.html, Check In: 14:00 14:30 and Check Out: 12:00 12:30;
- 4. **Bungalow A Green Nest from Cacica** offers only full renting of the bungalow, for 8 adults. Their contact info: +40 745 242 973, https://www.turistinfo.ro/cacica/cazare-cacica/bungalow a green nest-c123752.html. Check In: 15:00 18:00 and Check Out: 08:00 12:00:
- 5. Casa Nationalitatilor Guesthouse from Cacica offers full renting of 10 accommodation rooms, for 20 adults. Their contact info: +40 746 782 144, +40 230 237 240, https://www.turistinfo.ro/cacica/cazare-cacica/pensiunea_casa_nationalitatilor-c54628.html, Check In: 15:00 15:30 and Check Out: 12:00 12:30.

Additional information

- Please be aware that you need to secure the right amount of cash. The payment with card is not always possible and in Cacica there is no ATM.
- All the necessary materials and project details will be handed out and explained in class. You do not buy any specific books or working materials. Although handy to be able to do some online research, it is not mandatory to bring your LAPTOP along with you. Make sure to carry your Smarphone with you, for documentation video and audio of the visited heritage sites.
- Please bring with you a rain coat and working clothing, as well tracking / solid shoes. A bathing equipment is recommended, for after-work free time (there are several salty water pools in the village).