

**UNIVERSITY OF GDANSK (Alliance SEA-EU):
ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN TOWARDS HELP FOR UKRAINE**

1. A special financial aid programme was launched for Ukrainian students, each receiving PLN 2,000 (€400) per month. Ukrainian students who studied before the outbreak of war were offered financial aid and newly admitted students, war refugees, were also offered scholarships.
2. Two dormitories were lent to the City of Sopot for free; the total number of places to be accommodated is approximately 392. In addition, 32 beds in an annex of the Palace in Lezno (owned by UG) were made available to the Żukowo Municipality (vicinity of Gdańsk) for use by refugees from Ukraine. Ten three-person studio flats have been also prepared in the Assistants' Hotel for researchers staying at the UG.
3. The Academic Psychological Support Centre takes special care of students from Ukraine, provides support in Polish, English, Russian and Ukrainian, and refers them to specialist medical institutions in cases requiring special support. The assistance is available online or stationary - at the student's request. Psychologists of the UG together with other regional consultants prepared a questionnaire which will help doctors, teachers and psychologists to get to know and diagnose Ukrainian children faster.
4. We coordinate the project "Przystanek Mama" for Ukrainian mothers, which helps to diagnose the risk of post-war stress in themselves and refugee children, especially in pregnant women
5. A day-room for children of refugee families from Ukraine was launched in the UG infrastructure, which is to provide a safe space for active leisure was organised. Most of the equipment was collected as part of a collection. Direct care will be provided by female Ukrainian citizens with appropriate qualifications, who will be supported by volunteers responsible for the programme. The day-room is adapted to accommodate 20 children at a time
6. Collections at faculties: #StudentsForUkraine - We help. All faculties of UG were involved in organising general and thematic collections (mainly food with long expiry date, clothes, sweets for children, school articles, sanitary articles, electronics, medical materials, sleeping bags, mattresses, etc.). In addition to the thousands of collected goods, we have also received 10 lorries with a capacity of 24 tonnes of aid - 2 from Norway, 8 from Ireland; over 50 minibuses with a capacity of up to 1.5 tonnes - from Germany and from institutions conducting collections in the country and Pomerania itself; it is estimated that we have received aid worth 3 million PLN, but these are initial estimates; nearly 1000 transports have left from us the aid has reached many aid stations in Pomerania, but most of all Ukrainian cities: Kyiv, Kharkiv, Lviv, Yavoriv, Rivne, Sumy, Bucza, Uman, Biala Cerkiew. at the UG there is an individual aid point - refugees who came to us received a "starter package" of food and chemicals, they could also place clothing orders via e-mail. So far we have helped over 3 thousand people, almost a thousand families. Additionally, the Faculty of Law and Administration has provided assistance to 850 families, 11 transports with gifts were delivered to consulates and 10 transports to the Polish-Ukrainian border, and 7 directly to Ukraine (e.g. to Rivne, Kharkiv, Kherson and Lviv).
7. On 25 February 2022, we started collecting money to help students and academics from Ukraine via <https://www.siepomaga.pl/ug-dla-ukrainy> and signed donation agreements for this purpose. Scholarships will be funded from the donated funds. The funds collected so far amount to: PLN 69,425

8. A charity fair of home-made cakes is also organised. You can either buy homemade cakes or help by bringing in your own cakes. All collected funds are transferred to the collection No. 2022/658/KS "Students For Ukraine - We Help".
9. A fundraising campaign for the Ukrainian Catholic University in Lviv (UKU) was organised via the "zbieram.pl" online fundraising platform. The funds collected during the collection were earmarked for the purchase by the Ukrainian side of specific items such as compression bandages, bandages, homeostatic dressings, AMBU - resuscitators and occlusive dressings. A fundraiser was also organised for a partner university in Ukraine - the V.H. Korolenko Poltava National Pedagogical University. The funds collected during the fundraiser were used to purchase specific items such as high calorie food, hygiene items and medicines for hospitals by the Ukrainian side.
10. We launched a day-care centre for children of refugee families from Ukraine - a place that provides care and creative time for refugee children. The common room, which is to provide a safe space for active time spending, was organised in the building of the UG Chemistry Faculty. Most of the equipment was collected as part of a collection. Direct care will be provided by Ukrainian women with appropriate qualifications, who will be supported by volunteers responsible for the programme. The common room is adapted to accommodate 20 kids at a time.
11. Information and announcements concerning actions supporting the aid for Ukraine are regularly provided via the Department's website and social media. This included: recruiting volunteers for the Gdańsk Central Management Point (the action was supported by students as well as employees and their families); recruiting volunteers to help at the point at WNS (receiving donations, sorting, packing); regular support for the charity Bake Sale and the Students for Ukraine action.
12. We accepted for short scientific stays within the framework of available grants and scientific projects about 20 scientists - refugees from Ukraine. we prepared several more offers of work in scientific projects or visiting professorships
13. We cooperate with Sopot City Hall in preparation of an Easter breakfast for about 600 Ukrainians staying in Sopot (24 April 2022)
14. We prepared and provided a free tool that can be used by professionals working with people from Ukraine: Ukrainian-Polish Questionnaire for the Analysis of Development and Current Difficulties of Children and Youth (UPK). This tool allows you to gather the most important information about the child's early development, family situation and currently observed difficulties. It is designed so that it can be used by professionals who do not speak Ukrainian.
15. We work intensively on Polish language learning initiatives. Webinars and courses are organised not only by the Academic Centre for Polish Language and Culture, but also by employees of the Faculty of Philology of the University of Gdańsk in cooperation with lecturers of the Centre for Foreign Languages. The training webinars for teachers and volunteers from Pomerania who want to teach Polish as a foreign language have been and still are very popular. We also run courses of Polish as a foreign language. Those who took part in the webinars signed up to a volunteer database on 28 March, declaring to run Polish language courses for refugees on a voluntary basis. On the first day, the database consisted of over 1200 people. We organize and run free of charge intensive courses of Polish as a foreign language for Ukrainian citizens from 15 March to 5 May this year. - Currently we have 6 groups of 20 people each.
16. A comprehensive website in Ukrainian language informing about the activities of the UG community for Ukraine was launched. Among other things, there is a special tab that

contains information about the possibilities of participating in various grant programmes. There is information about special competitions announced by institutions, dedicated to Ukrainian women and men, both scientists and students.

17. The Students' Legal Clinic has launched a programme of assistance for refugees from Ukraine within its capacity - during its duty hours, as well as in case of e-mail contact, they redirect you to the relevant contacts in the self-governments of lawyers and solicitors.
18. In cooperation with the Faculty of Law at Utrecht University, the Faculty of Law and Administration of the UG is working on the development of a website with useful information for Ukrainian refugees wishing to settle, obtain assistance or take up employment in one of the European countries. A novelty distinguishing this project from others is the fact that the information is to concern not only Polish regulations, but also a possibly wide range of European countries.
19. We actively participate in raising funds to support students from Ukraine. As part of the 'Solidarity with Ukraine' programme announced by the National Academic Exchange Agency, the University prepared and submitted an application for funding to support people from Ukraine studying in Poland. Thanks to the "Solidarity with Ukraine" initiative, students will be able to receive scholarships during their stay and education at the University of Gdansk. The application is currently undergoing verification and evaluation procedures.
20. A mentoring programme was created, it is a programme of individual care - one-on-one students become guides for Ukrainian students and help them to function in the new, Polish environment, e.g. dealing with official matters not only at the university, etc.
21. A special path has been launched for transferring students from universities in military areas to continue their education in Poland. Intensive Polish language courses have been launched to meet the needs of those who wish to study at courses taught in Polish. The courses are also available for those preparing to start studies from 1 October 2022. An information campaign has been implemented on the principles of transfer, fee exemption and university admission procedures for those who wish to start their studies at our University. Information is available in Polish, English and Ukrainian.
22. A special procedure of nostrification of documents was launched for persons from Ukraine who wish to take up employment in Poland, with the possibility of exemption from payment for nostrification.
23. A technical assistance was organised and prepared for cyclical webinars for volunteers declaring language assistance organised by the Faculty of Philology for teachers and volunteers from Pomerania who wish to teach Polish as a foreign language. The list of institutions that the lecturers of the Faculty of Philology have helped is long, these include: Voivodship Labour Office, Hospital on Polanki, Marshal's Office of Pomorskie Voivodship, numerous schools, including: High School No. I in Sopot, Foundation of the Polish Academy of Social Sciences and Humanities, Retencja Company, Baltic Sea Cultural Centre, Pomeranian Hospitals, School in Milanowek, WSB in Wroclaw, City Hall in Pruszcz Gdanski, Mediateka in Straszyn and Pomeranian Employers.
24. **We expand cooperation with Ukrainian universities, including the University of Odessa. We are in the process of signing a new partnership agreement to support this university during the conflict period. We want to encourage our partners in the European University SEA EU to sign similar agreements with this coastal university, and to consider admitting this university (if the opportunity arises) to our alliance.**

25. The University of Gdańsk has suspended cooperation with Russian and Belarusian universities and research centres until the end of hostilities and the withdrawal of Russian troops from Ukraine
26. we interact in the region by participating in volunteer programmes, educating children and young people at schools e.g. organising training courses on intercultural communication and methodology courses for teachers who look after Ukrainian students at Polish schools {themes: how to work in multicultural groups, how to teach children Polish language etc.)
27. We organise thematic lectures on Ukrainian history and culture, the genesis of the war, the geopolitical situation. We also organise screenings of Ukrainian films, theatrical performances combined with collections, performance readings and other cultural events, the proceeds of which we donate to aid.
28. A video "Useful phrases in the Ukrainian language" was produced and is available in the public domain on Youtube <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rGQrUptYPX8> - it already has over 7 thousand views,
29. The Times Higher Education published an article describing the assistance provided to Ukraine by the UG academic community
30. The Press Team continuously prepares texts informing about how our employees (within the UG or privately) help Ukraine and refugees.
31. A collection of bicycles and scooters for children who live in our student residences in Sopot was organised.
32. A sponsorship was obtained for furnishing student dormitories and assistant hotels with extra beds, cabinets, lamps, sets of dishes, etc.