# QUALIFICATION IMPROVEMENT IN THE FIELD OF DIASPORIC EDUCATION

We invite teachers working in Lithuania and teachers of Lithuanian schools abroad to an online qualification improvement course that introduces the non-formal education program "My Family's Stories in Lithuania and the World."

### TOPICS OF THE PROGRAM:

- Personal genealogy
- Lithuanian migration
- Family histories and personal narrative
- Stories of the place of origin and place of residence

#### AIM OF THE PROGRAM:

- To develop a child's ability to become an exporer of his or her own heritage
- To teach how to connect grand and small (local) narratives
- To introduce to the history of the Lithuanian diaspora

### ABOUT THE COURSE

2 ECTS ASSESSMENT THEORY PRACTICE **GROUP WORK** Applying the Description of the Introductory program in 2-3 online meetings teaching process school using online lectures (in December, April and teacher's methodological (4 hours) and May) reflections materials







# VMU WORLD LITHUANIAN UNIVERSITY



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To commemorate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the University of Lithuania, Vytautas Magnus University (VMU) hosts the World Lithuanian University Symposium. The event will take place **on the 27–29<sup>th</sup> of October, 2022**.

Program of the event emphasizes the importance of the common wisdom of world Lithuanian scholars, scientists and artists and, considering the current events of recent years, invites to discuss topics focused on freedom and its forms:



The Reality of Education in the Face of Virtualization



What Carries the Light When Darkness abounds? The Tradition of The University of Lithuania in Lithuania and Exile



**Thriving Under Unpredictable Conditions** 

**More information:** https://pasauliolietuviai.lt/en/symposium-2022

## OCTOBER - LITHUANIAN DIASPORA MONTH

Having maintained a close relationship with the scientific and artistic community of world Lithuanians for several decades, VMU declares October the month of Lithuanian diaspora.

The University, together with its partners, invites to pay attention to Lithuanian diaspora – to its history, the activities of Lithuanian communities and schools, and studies relevant to the diaspora youth at VMU.



# VYTAUTAS KAVOLIS INTERDISCIPLINARY PROFESSORSHIP

Vytautas Magnus University starts a Vytautas Kavolis Interdisciplinary Professorship visiting program and invites Lithuanian diaspora lecturers for short-term teaching visits.

### Aim of the program:

**▼** to strengthen the interdisciplinary approach in the study programs

▼ to promote the Kavolian principle of self-discovery

**☑** to cherish the ties with the Lithuanian diaspora academic community.

The first scholarships have been established by the Dana Gedviliene Fund (under the administration of Lithuanian Foundation).

## STUDIES FOR WORLD LITHUANIANS AT VYTAUTAS MAGNUS UNIVERSITY

Vytautas Magnus University invites to study bachelor (BA) or master (MA) programs, or separate, non-formal courses online or in a blended mode.

### FORMAL STUDIES, BA

- Mathematics and its Application
- Biology and Genetics
- Biotechnology
- International Politics and Development studies
- Society, Culture and Communication

- Pedagogy of Primary Education and Early Foreign Language Teaching
- Music Production
- Performing Arts

More: www.vdu.lt/en/all-studies-bachelor-studies

## FORMAL STUDIES, MA

- East Asia Region Studies (Online)
- The Interdisciplinary Master's in East European Research and Studies
- Agri-Food Business Management
- Organizational Psychology
- Social Anthropology

- Molecular Biology and Biotechnology
- Sociolinguistics and Multilingualism
- Diplomacy and International Relations

**More:** www.vdu.lt/en/study-programs-master-studies

### NON-FORMAL ONLINE STUDIES

- Lithuanian as a Foreign Language
- Lithuanian Folklore, Traditions, Mythology
- Lithuanian history
- Lithuanian Literature
- Practice of the Lithuanian
  Language Creative Writing

- Speaking practice of the Lithuanian language
- Ukrainian History
- Lithuanian Art: Theatre, Cinema,
  Fine Art, Photography

**More:** https://openstudies.vdu.lt/en

## LITHUANIAN EDUCATION FORUM

Since 2021, the Lithuanian Education Forum is organized to draw attention of Lithuanians living in Lithuania and abroad to the importance of Lithuanian education in foreign countries.

The forum is held every year in March, online or in a hybrid format.



#### **Organizers:**









MEMBER OF THE SEIMAS DALIA ASANAVIČIŪTĖ EDUCATION COMMISSION OF THE WORLD LITHUANIAN COMMUNITY



# LITHUANIAN LANGUAGE AND CULTURE STUDIES

VMU invites Lithuanians and those who are interested in Lithuania to participate in a non-formal Lithuanian language and culture program. In addition to lectures on Lithuanian language grammar and practical skills training, much attention is paid to sociolinguistic, sociocultural, and ethnocultural aspects.



The program is adapted to everyone: students who have some prior knowledge of Lithuanian and complete beginners who want to make (more) room for Lithuanian language and culture in their daily lives.

## HISTORY OF LITHUANIAN DIASPORA

It is an online course (4ECTS) held in the spring semester and intended for those interested in the history of Lithuanian migration.

In this course, one gets to know about different episodes of the history of world Lithuanians, which will not only help to understand the processes of Lithuanian migration, but will also deepen the understanding of popular culture, civil society, and the history of refugees.

Course teachers: prof. Egidijus Aleksandravicius and dr. Egidijus Balandis

Language of the course: Lithuanian