

## Viticulture-Winemaking Course

Admission to the course – “Viticulture-Winemaking” is announced within the framework of a joint project offered by Georgian Eno-Tourism Association (GETA) and Caucasus International University (CIU).

The viticulture-winemaking course is intended for specialists working in the field and for persons interested in the subject. The goal of the program is to provide the necessary knowledge and skills to the winemakers using modern teaching methods.

### **I Module– Viticulture**

Trainer - Shengeli Kikilashvili, Doctor of Agricultural Sciences in Agronomy, ampelographer of Shumi wine company, research associate of Caucasus International University, expert in viticulture of the “Environmental Information and Education Center” of the Ministry of Agriculture, quality and laboratory manager of the wine company “Ethno Okami”, trainer .

Training duration: 6 meetings - 16 hours.

Cost of the module: 430 GEL.

#### I Meeting - Viticulture Regions and Recommended Grape Varieties

- Viticulture Zones, Subzones and Microzones
- Common and Promising Grape Varieties

Meeting date/time: May 5, 19:00-21:00. (2 hours)

Meeting venue: 2nd building of Caucasus International University (2 Ureki St.)

#### II Meeting - Planting a Vineyard (practice)

- Plot of Land Selection
- Preparation
- Planning, Tillage
- Planting Vines

Meeting date/time: May 6, 12:00-16:00. (4 hours)

Meeting venue: Winery “Ethno Okami” (transportation provided)

### III Meeting - Formation of the Vineyard (practice)

- Vine Formation
- Pruning Vines
- Wallpaper Arrangement
- Irrigation Methods
- Green Operations

Meeting date/time: May 13, 12:00-16:00. (4 hours)

Meeting venue: Winery Ethno Okami (transportation provided)

### IV Meeting - Vine Pest-Diseases

- Main Pests - Diseases, their Recognition, Prevention
- Ways to Protect the Vineyard
- Vine Drug Scheme

Meeting date/time: May 17, 19:00-21:00. (2 hours)

Meeting venue: 2nd building of Caucasus International University (2 Ureki St.)

### **V Meeting - Bio (organic) Viticulture**

- Basic Principles and Requirements
- Organic Fertilizers
- The Process of Transition to Organic Farming
- Biodynamic and Natural Viticulture

Meeting date/time: May 19, 19:00-21:00. (2 hours)

Meeting venue: 2nd building of Caucasus International University (2 Ureki St.)

### **VI Meeting - Legislation**

- Certified seedling
- Types of vineyard
- Cadastre
- Grape Harvest

Meeting date/time: May 24, 19:00-21:00. (2 hours)

Meeting venue: 2nd building of Caucasus International University (2 Ureki St.)

## II Module - Winemaking

Trainer: Saba Kitiashvili, “Ethno Okami” LLC - chief winemaker; National Wine Agency - Member of Tasting Commission; Shumi wine company - brand ambassador; “Spring Fields” LLC - founder / chief winemaker.

Training duration: 7 meetings - 17 hours.

Cost of the module: 450 GEL.

### I Meeting - Wine Classification

- Still and Special Table Wines
- Local Wines
- Law of Wine

Meeting date/time: May 31, 19:00-21:00. (2 hours)

Meeting venue: 2nd building of Caucasus International University (2 Ureki St.)

### II Meeting – Technology of Classic Wines

- Methods of Making White, Pink and Red Wines

Meeting date/time: June 2, 19:00-21:00. (2 hours)

Meeting venue: 2nd building of Caucasus International University (2 Ureki St.)

### III Meeting - The Art of Wine Tasting (practice)

- Environment-Conditions Necessary for Tasting and its Forms
- Wine Evaluation Criteria
- Terminology
- Practical Exercises to Improve Sensorics

Meeting date/time: June 7, 19:00-22:00. (3 hours)

Meeting venue: Tasting room, 2nd building of Caucasus International University (2 Urek St.)

#### IV Meeting - Wine Aromas and Flavors

- Substances Producing Aromas and their Transformation
- Disease Prevention and Treatment Methods

Meeting date/time: June 9, 7:00-10:00 p.m. (3 hours)

Meeting venue: 2nd building of Caucasus International University (2 Ureki St.)

#### V Meeting - Wine and Food Pairing (practice)

- Positive and Risky Combinations
- Local Dishes and Wine
- Mixing Wine and Water

Meeting date/time: June 14, 19:00-22:00. (3 hours)

Meeting venue: 8000 Harvest - chain of wine shops and tasting space (wine tasting and snacks)

#### VI Meeting - Serving and Wine Marketing (practice)

- Selection of Wine
- Correct Wine Storage Conditions
- Compatibility of Price and Quality

Meeting date/time: June 16, 19:00-21:00. (2 hours)

Meeting venue: 2nd building of Caucasus International University (2 Ureki St.)

#### VII Meeting - Microvinification

- Necessary Infrastructure for a Small Wine Cellar
- Wine Cellar Hygiene
- Planning and Arrangement of a Small Wine Cellar

Meeting date/time: June 21, 19:00-21:00. (2 hours)

Meeting venue: 2nd building of Caucasus International University (2 Ureki St.)

Training details:

Dates: May 5, 6, 13, 17, 19, 24, 31 and June 2, 7, 9, 14, 16, 21;

It is possible to choose one or both modules in the course;

In case of passing both modules, the cost is: 800 GEL;

Training format: face to face.

Deadline for registration: May 2

Certificate: the participants will be awarded a bilingual certificate issued by Georgian Eno-Tourism Association (GETA) and the Caucasus International University (CIU).

To register, please visit the following link: <https://forms.gle/n2bi1TNGxEz6H2yL9>

For further information, contact us: [ulll@ciu.edu.ge](mailto:ulll@ciu.edu.ge)

The training center reserves the right, in case of objective reasons, to change or cancel the start date of the course, about which the trainees registered for the course will be additionally notified.