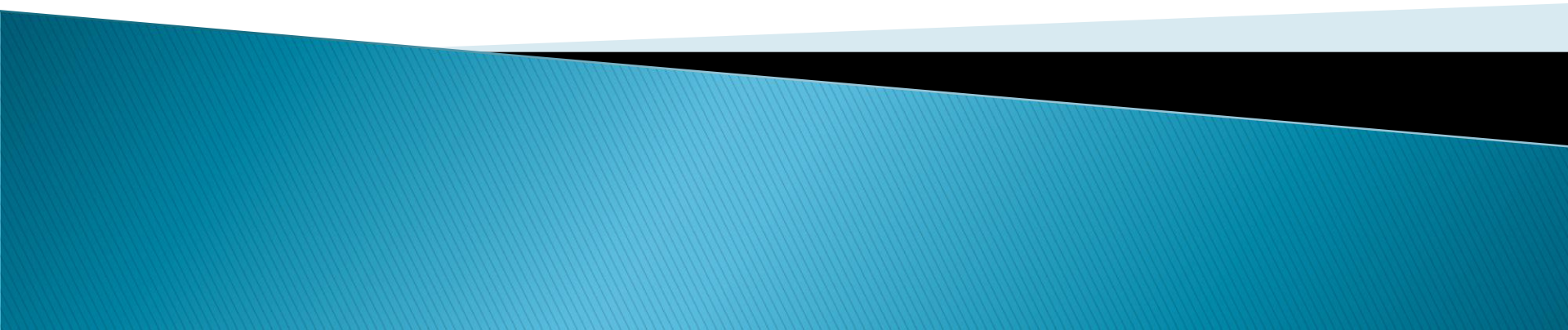


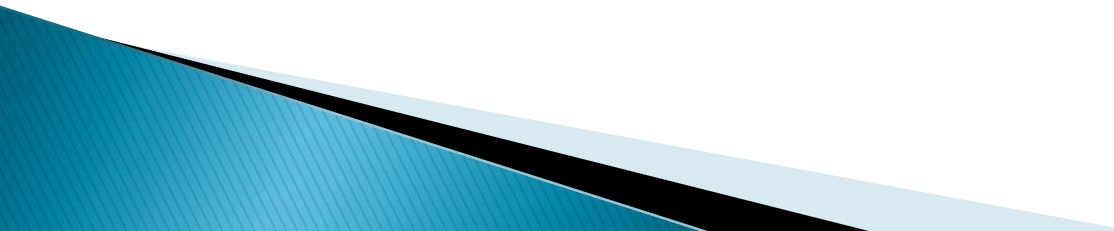
European Humanities University

International cooperation



About EHU

- ▶ The European Humanities University (EHU) founded in Minsk in 1992.
 - ▶ Closed by authorities in 2004.
 - ▶ Re-launched activities in Vilnius in 2005 and was granted the status of a Lithuanian University in 2006.
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- ▶ Currently, EHU is the only Belarusian university committed to academic freedom and the process of integrating European higher education on BA and MA levels.
 - ▶ The University offers quality liberal education and research.
 - ▶ Students can choose either face-to-face or low-residence modes of study
 - ▶ 1910 students in BA and MA programs.
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Efforts of internationalization

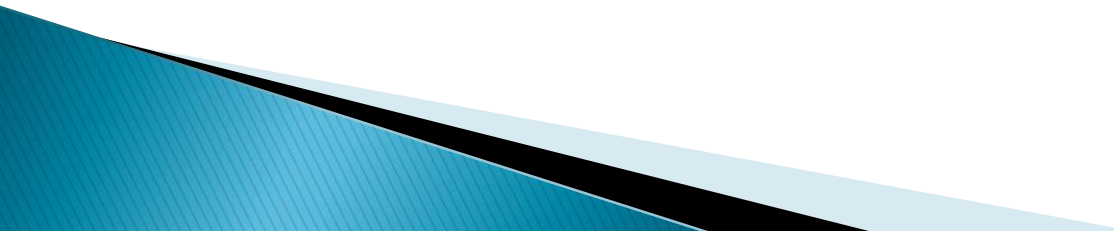
During Minsk period:

- ▶ EHU became the leader of a Bologna model of higher education in Belarus;
- ▶ International cooperation enabled EHU to establish research institutes and centers;
- ▶ EHU joined Campus Europae project.

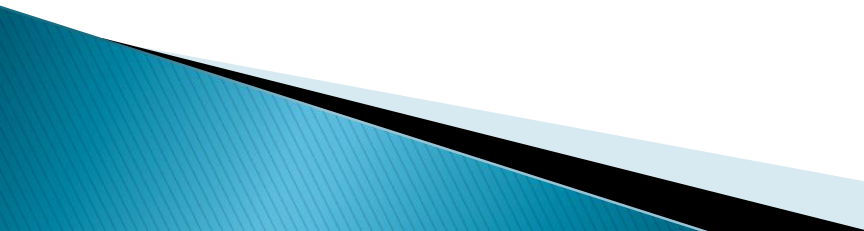
Since its re-launch EHU has focused on:

- ▶ Transition into a center for academic excellence in education and research;
 - ▶ Building networks with European and North American universities to integrate EHU into the family of global educators.
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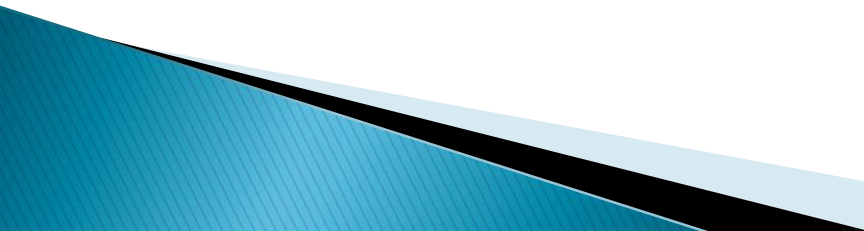
EHU/SUNY Project

- ▶ Develop distance learning;
 - ▶ Enhance quality of teaching and learning;
 - ▶ Establish system of professional development;
 - ▶ Enhance international cooperation via collaborative courses.
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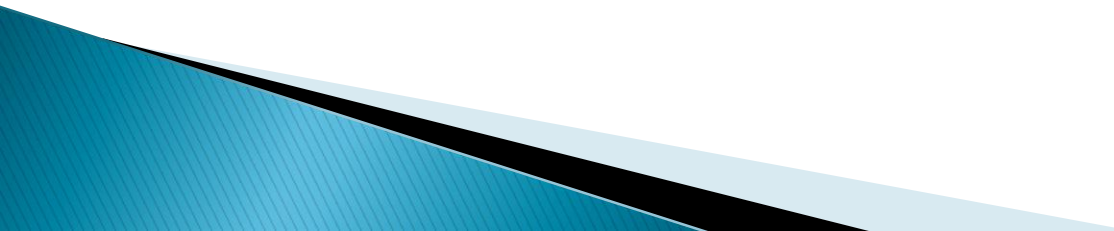
Collaborative courses

- ▶ Collaborative modules elaborated by professors from EHU and SUNY;
 - ▶ Mostly taught in Moodle.ehu;
 - ▶ 1–2 months long (1 or 2 credits);
 - ▶ Certificates for students and instructors.
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Since the project's beginning

- ▶ 9 designed; 3 being taught; 2 planned for the next Fall;
 - ▶ 122 EHU students took different collaborative courses;
 - ▶ Collaborative modules gradually becoming 2 credit selective courses integrated into bachelor programs curriculum.
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Lessons learned

- ▶ Organization:
 - scheduling
 - administrative aspects
 - cultural aspects
 - ▶ Course design:
 - use Web 2.0 tools
 - students centered teaching
 - group activities
 - ▶ Add value to the experience gained.
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Future projects

- ▶ Enhance international cooperation and enlarge it across the European region;
 - ▶ Enter international scene of distance education and propose courses not only for SUNY students but also for those from other American and European Universities;
 - ▶ Encourage research projects on collaborative teaching and learning.
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THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!

