



**Plovdiv University  
'Paisii Hilendarski'**

**Faculty  
of Education**



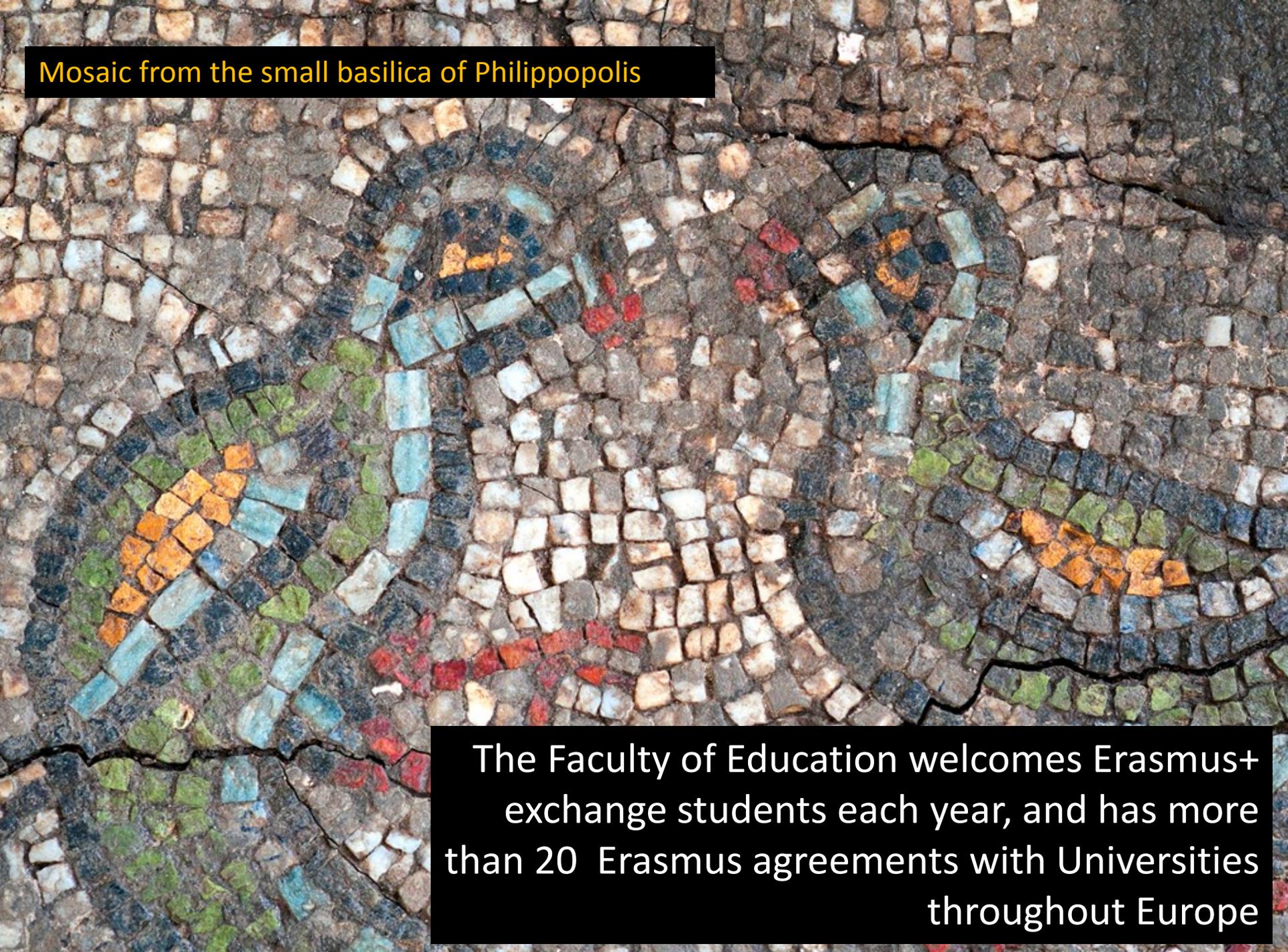
**Welcome to Plovdiv University and the Faculty of Education!**  
**Information for ERASMUS+ Incoming Students**

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An aerial night view of Plovdiv, Bulgaria, showing a dense urban landscape illuminated by city lights. In the center, a large park area is visible, featuring a prominent glowing infinity symbol (∞) in blue light. The surrounding city is a mix of residential and commercial buildings, with streets and parks interspersed. The overall scene is a vibrant display of city lights against the dark night sky.

Thank you for your interest in  
studying at the Faculty of Education  
of Plovdiv University under the  
Erasmus exchange programme

Drone view of Plovdiv by night



Mosaic from the small basilica of Philippopolis

The Faculty of Education welcomes Erasmus+ exchange students each year, and has more than 20 Erasmus agreements with Universities throughout Europe



# PLOVDIV UNIVERSITY "PAISII HILENDARSKI"

- PLOVDIV UNIVERSITY "PAISII HILENDARSKI" is the largest institution of higher education in Southern Bulgaria
- The University provides training to students in more than forty degree courses in the sphere of natural sciences, education, psychology, humanities, social sciences, and economics
- Over 900 highly qualified people work at the university of which - 30 Professors, 160 Associate Professors and 360 Assistant professors





# PLOVDIV UNIVERSITY “ PAISII HILENDARSKI”

Plovdiv University, named in honor of the Bulgarian historian Saint Paisius of Hilendar. The University is the city’s leading cultural and scientific institution.



**PLOVDIV UNIVERSITY - Faculty of Biology**

# Plovdiv University has 9 faculties:



- Faculty of Biology
- Faculty of Economics and Social Science
- Faculty of Mathematics and Informatics
- **Faculty of Education**
- Faculty of Physics
- Faculty of Languages and Literature
- Faculty of Philosophy and History
- Faculty of Chemistry
- Faculty of Law

Over 24 000 students are enrolled in the university programs and courses every year. The University of Plovdiv offers specialist, BS , MS and Ph.D degrees .



# The Faculty of Education

**Our Faculty is a highly respected center for scientific research and education of highly qualified specialists in Education, Psychology, Social affairs and Arts**





# The Faculty of Education

The Faculty of Education have more than 4 000 students  
200 professors, Associate professors and Assistant professors



**Graduation ceremony of the Faculty of Education  
in the sports hall of Plovdiv University - 2017**

# Detailed information about study Programs and courses (1/2):

COURSE	PROFESSOR	SEMESTER	LANGUAGE LEVEL	ECTS CREDITS	STUDY LEVEL	COURSE DESCRIPTION
1. Social psychology	Assoc. Prof. Youri Ianakiev, PhD	S/W	BG, EN, FR	5	Bachelor, Master	Social psychology is the scientific study of how people think about, influence, and relate to one another. A comprehensive overview of social psychology with in-depth lectures exploring the history of the field, reviewing major findings and highlighting areas of current research. Focus is on classic studies that have profoundly changed our understanding of human nature and social interaction. Topics include: individuals and groups, conformity and obedience, attraction, aggression and prosocial behaviour, stress and stress management, judgment and decision-making.
2. Theory of Education	Assoc. Prof. Albena ALEXANDROVA, PhD	S/W	BG, EN	5	Bachelor, Master	Education theory is the theory of the purpose, application and interpretation of education and learning. It largely an umbrella term, being comprised of a number of theories, rather than a single explanation of how we learn, and how we should teach. Rather, it is affected by several factors, including theoretical perspective and epistemological position.
3. Psychology of creativity	Assoc. Prof. Youri Ianakiev, PhD	S/W	BG, EN, FR	3	Bachelor, Master	Creativity is the ability to produce new ideas. It doesn't take long to find a link between Positive Psychology and creativity, and research into the link between well being and creativity is constantly growing. Creativity starts with an encouraging environment and grows from opportunities where your innovative and original perspective is challenged. Find your flow, live your authentic self and welcome well being and flourishing into your life.

# Detailed information about study Programs and courses (2/2):

4. Foreign language – English Part I	Assist. Prof. Hilda Terlemezian, PhD	S/W	BG, EN	5	Bachelor, Master	
5. Foreign language – English Part II	Assist. Prof. Bistra Poshtova, PhD	S/W	BG, EN	5	Bachelor, Master	
6. Educational management	Prof. Galin Tzokov, PhD	S/W	BG, EN	8	Bachelor, Master	Educational management courses often cover instructional leadership techniques, socioeconomic and cultural diversity, educational technology, conflict resolution and educational politics.
7. Psychology of language	Assoc. Prof. Youri Ianakiev, PhD	S/W	BG, EN, FR	5	Bachelor, Master	This programme provides advanced understanding of current research in psycholinguistics: the study of how the brain learns, uses and reacts with humanity's most advanced and characteristic feature: language.
8. Educational psychology	Prof. Rumen Stamatov, PhD, DSc.	S/W	BG, EN	5	Bachelor, Master	Students minoring in Educational Psychology will learn about the principles of teaching and learning. This program deepens students' understanding of psychology as it is applied to the process of education in a variety of settings.
9. Moral development	Prof. Rumen Stamatov, PhD, DSc.	S/W	BG, EN	3	Bachelor, Master	In the field of moral development, morality is defined as principles for how individuals ought to treat one another, with respect to justice, others' welfare, and rights (Turiel 1983, cited under Introductory Works and Historical Background). Understanding the acquisition of morality also includes investigating the roles of prosocial behavior, emotions, beliefs, and intentionality to explain how morality is acquired in development, and to provide a full picture of moral development.
10. Emotional development	Assoc. Prof. Svetlana Sariyska, PhD	S/W	BG, EN	3	Bachelor, Master	Emotional learning starts at a young age, as children discover a wide range of emotions, and evolves as they grow. This course unit aims to provide a better understanding of the key stages of emotional development, its impacts, interrelated skills, and the factors that influence emotional competence.

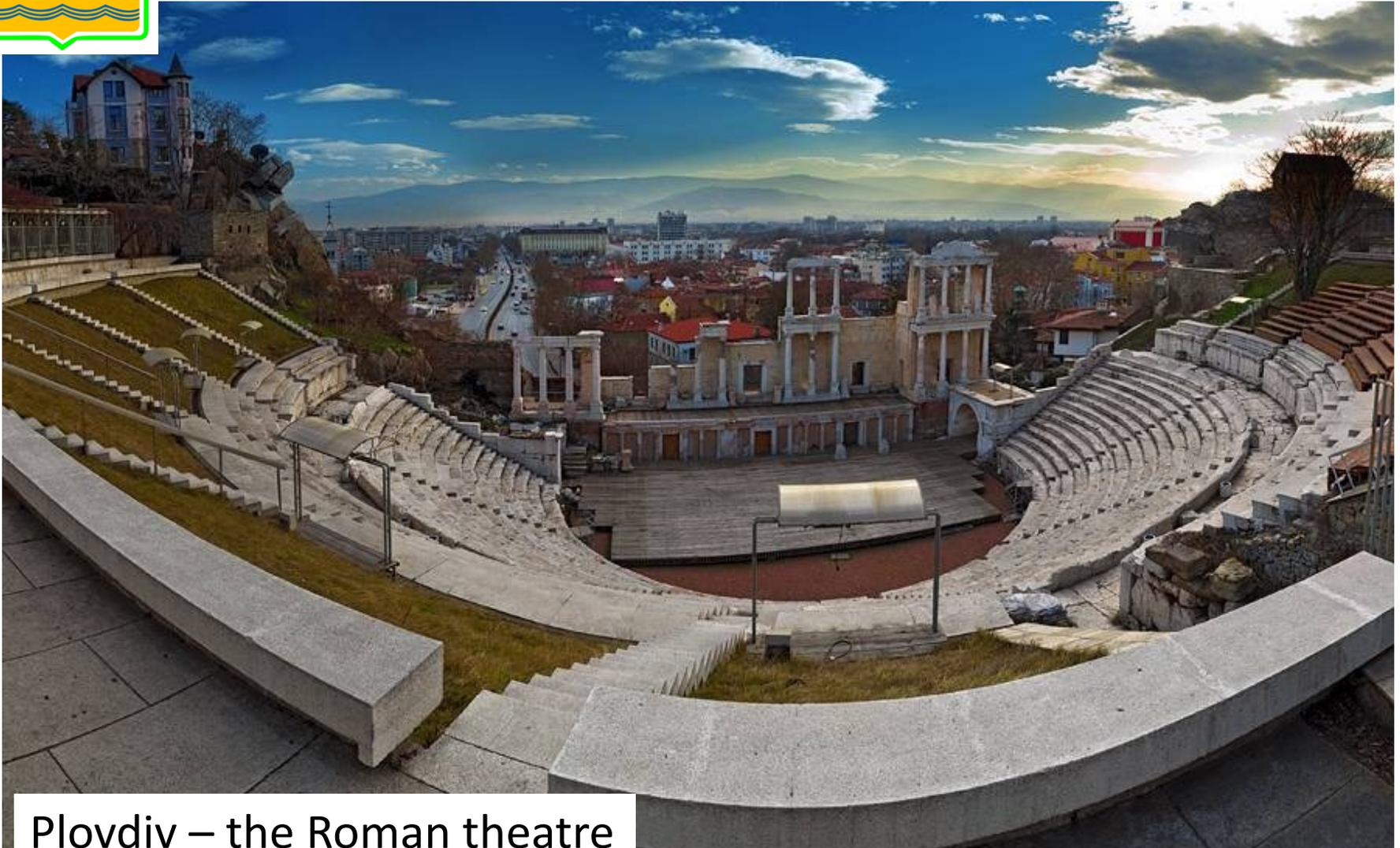
# Where is Plovdiv ?





# PLOVDIV

Plovdiv is the second-largest city in Bulgaria with a population of 404,665 inhabitants as of 2015



Plovdiv – the Roman theatre

# PLOVDIV



It is an important economic, transport, cultural, and educational center



A preserved medieval street in the Old town



# PLOVDIV



The Ancient Stadium



# PLOVDIV

- It is one of the World's most ancient cities and Europe's oldest inhabited city - even beating Athens
- Plovdiv was known by the name Philippopolis (Greek: Φιλιππούπολη; "Philip's Town")



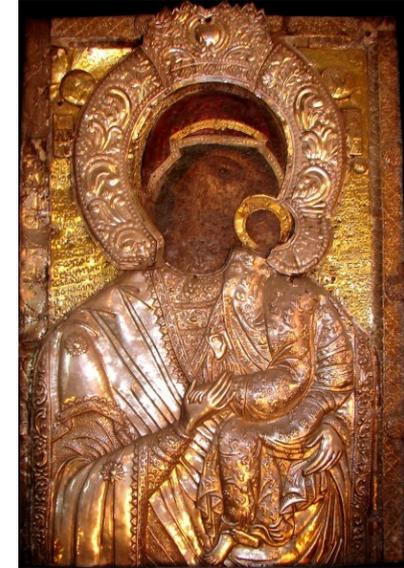
**Plovdiv has settlement traces including necropolises dating from the Neolithic, roughly 6000 BC**

# PLOVDIV CITY CENTRE

## PLOVDIV HAS LONGEST PEDESTRIAN ZONE IN EUROPE



# BACHKOVO MONASTERY



Central to the monastery's and pilgrims' spiritual life is the Miracle Working Icon of the Holy Virgin. It has belonged to it since its creation

Plovdiv: our 10 favorite places

# THE SINGING FOUNTAINS



# Plovdiv: our 10 favorite places



## ROWING CANAL PLOVDIV



This is the largest facility of this kind in the Balkans where rowing competitions can be held. The channel is 2 200 meters long, 120 meters wide and three meters deep. It is located adjacent to the Recreation and Culture Park.

# Plovdiv: our 10 favorite places

## KAPANA

(literal translation:  
“The Trap”)  
district dedicated  
to creative industries



# Plovdiv: our 10 favorite places



**THE SEVEN HILLS OF PLOVDIV**

# Plovdiv: our 10 favorite places

## NEBET TEPE (LOOKOUT HILL)



12th century BC as the ancient Thracian town Evmolpiya and later expanded by Philip of Macedonia. As the town expanded, Nebet Tepe became the citadel of the town's acropolis, the highest point of the three hills.

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## YOUTH HILL (HILL OF THE SPIRITS)



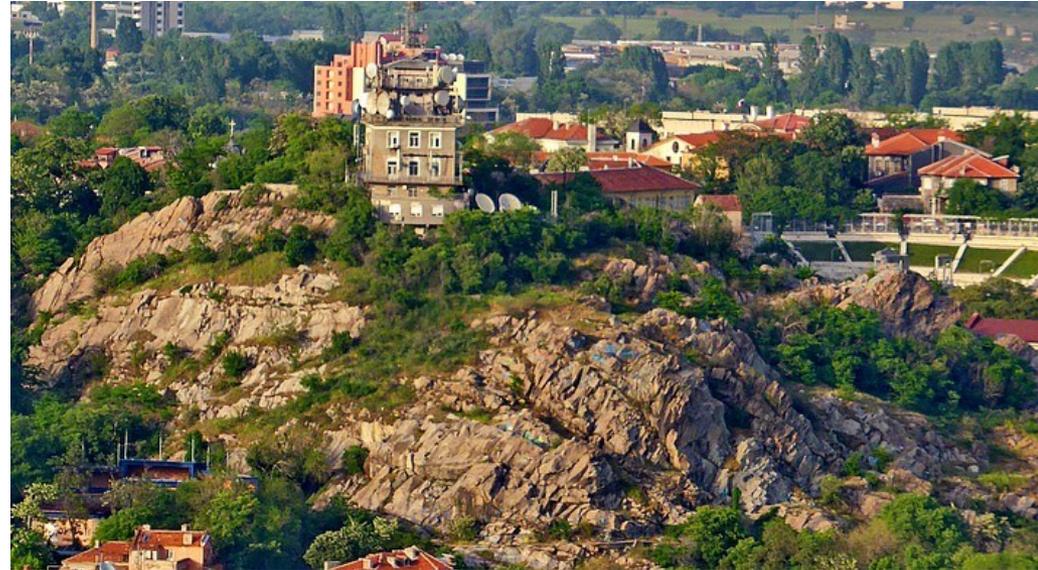
Dzhendem tepe is the biggest and highest of the seven Plovdiv hills. In ancient times it was called the Mount of the Dryad Nymphs.

The Hill was declared a natural landmark.

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## ALYOSHA /BUNARDZHKA HILL/

## SAHAT HILL (SAHAT TEPE)



The Russian monument is rising on the even part of the hill. It was created in 1881 in honor of the Russian soldiers who died for the Liberation of Bulgaria from the Ottoman Slavery.

In 1883 a new big clock from Vienna is installed in the tower and its chime counts out the hours to date.



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