




# **ERASMUS+ and other international mobility programs Informational Meeting**

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# Why is participating in the Erasmus+ exchange worthwhile?

- Erasmus+ allows you to study abroad for a short period (one semester or a whole academic year)
- Intellectual profits
- A chance to test alternative educational perspectives
- TOURISM
- SOCIAL LIFE
- Welcoming Institutions usually take care of integrating Erasmus students with the rest of the academic society

# **ERASMUS = PARTY**

(please excuse me for a joke in bad taste, but it's actually true)

# Our outgoing mobility offer (VERY RICH!)

- You can find the complete mobility offer in USOSweb
- Student's Section -> Student Exchange -> Mobility Offers -> Faculty of Philosophy
- Details about a given offer (an example):

Higher education institution	
Institution name:	Universidad del Pais Vasco
Erasmus code:	E BILBAO01
Institutional homepage:	<a href="http://www.ehu.es">http://www.ehu.es</a>
Factsheet:	(unknown)

## Cooperating faculties



## Cooperation duration

Valid from:	2022-06-01
Expires:	2028-09-30

## Conditions of cooperation

Subject	ISCED	Number of students	Length	Study level			Is it right for you
				BSc	MSc	PhD	
08.1 Philosophy	0223 Philosophy and ethics	3	15	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	No ⓘ

Length should be divided by the number of available places!

So, in this case, the actual maximum length of a mobility is 5 months (one semester).

# The list of universities you can visit

Lp.	Country	Name of the Institution	Lasts		Enrollment ①	Agreement type	Is it right for you	Actions
			From	To				
1	Austria	Universität Wien	2022-06-01	2028-09-30	closed 2023-03-13 00:01	Erasmus+	No	show →
2	Belgium	Katholieke Universiteit Leuven	2022-06-01	2029-09-30	closed 2023-03-13 00:01	Erasmus+	No	show →
3	Croatia	Sveučilište u Splitu	2022-06-01	2028-09-30	closed 2023-03-13 00:01	Erasmus+	No	show →
4	Croatia	Sveučilište u Zagrebu	2022-10-01	2029-09-30	closed 2023-03-13 00:01	Erasmus+	No	show →
5	Czech Republic	Univerzita Karlova	2022-06-01	2029-09-30	closed 2023-03-13 00:01	Erasmus+	No	show →
6	Czech Republic	Univerzita Palackeho	2022-10-01	2029-09-30	closed 2023-03-13 00:01	Erasmus+	No	show →
7	Denmark	Kobenhavns Universitet	2022-06-01	2029-09-30	no information	Erasmus+	No	show →
8	France	Sorbonne University	2022-06-01	2028-09-30	closed 2023-03-13 00:01	Erasmus+	No	show →
9	France	UNIVERSITE COTE D'AZUR	2022-06-01	2029-09-30	closed 2023-03-13 00:01	Erasmus+	No	show →

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11	France	UNIVERSITE GRENOBLE ALPES	2022-06-01	2028-09-30	closed 2023-03-13 00:01	Erasmus+	No	show →
12	France	Université Panthéon-Sorbonne (Paris I)	2022-06-01	2028-09-30	closed 2023-03-13 00:01	Erasmus+	No	show →
13	Greece	Panepistimio Kritis	2022-06-01	2028-09-30	closed 2023-03-13 00:01	Erasmus+	No	show →
14	Spain	Universidad Complutense de Madrid	2022-10-01	2028-09-30	closed 2023-03-13 00:01	Erasmus+	No	show →
15	Spain	Universidad de Oviedo	2022-06-01	2028-09-30	closed 2023-03-13 00:01	Erasmus+	No	show →
16	Spain	Universidad del Pais Vasco	2022-06-01	2028-09-30	closed 2023-03-13 00:01	Erasmus+	No	show →
17	Netherlands	Universiteit Twente	2022-06-01	2029-09-30	closed 2023-03-13 00:01	Erasmus+	No	show →
18	Netherlands	Universiteit van Amsterdam	2022-06-01	2029-09-30	closed 2023-03-13 00:01	Erasmus+	No	show →


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19	Germany	Freie Universität Berlin	2022-06-01	2028-09-30	closed 2023-03-13 00:01	Erasmus+	No	show →
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21	Germany	Ruhr-Universität Bochum	2022-06-01	2028-09-30	closed 2023-03-13 00:01	Erasmus+	No	show →
22	Germany	Ruprecht-Karls-Universität Heidelberg	2022-06-01	2029-09-30	no information	Erasmus+	No	show →
23	Germany	Universität Osnabrück	2022-06-01	2029-09-30	closed 2023-03-13 00:01	Erasmus+	No	show →
24	Germany	Universität Stuttgart	2022-06-01	2028-09-30	closed 2023-03-13 00:01	Erasmus+	No	show →
25	Portugal	Universidade de Evora	2023-10-01	2029-09-30	no information	Erasmus+	No	show →
26	Switzerland	Université de Geneve	2023-10-01	2029-09-30	no information	Inna	No	show →
27	Turkey	Istanbul Universitesi	2022-06-01	2028-09-30	closed 2023-03-13 00:01	Erasmus+	No	show →
28	United Kingdom	University of Aberdeen	2024-06-01	2028-10-31	no information	Erasmus+	No	show →

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29	Italy	Universita degli Studi di Bari	2022-06-01	2028-09-30	closed 2023-03-13 00:01	Erasmus+	No	show →
30	Italy	Universita degli Studi di Bari	2022-06-01	2028-09-30	closed 2023-03-13 00:01	Erasmus+	No	show →
31	Italy	Universita degli Studi di Catania	2022-06-01	2028-09-30	closed 2023-03-13 00:01	Erasmus+	No	show →
32	Italy	Universita degli studi di Milano	2022-06-01	2029-09-30	no information	Erasmus+	No	show →
33	Italy	Universita degli Studi di Padova	2023-10-01	2028-09-30	no information	Erasmus+	No	show →
34	Italy	Universita degli Studi di Roma "La Sapienza"	2022-06-01	2029-09-30	closed 2023-03-13 00:01	Erasmus+	No	show →
35	Italy	Universita degli Studi di Torino	2022-06-01	2028-09-30	closed 2023-03-13 00:01	Erasmus+	No	show →
36	Italy	Universita degli Studi Roma Tre	2022-06-01	2028-09-30	closed 2023-03-13 00:01	Erasmus+	No	show →

# **Who can apply to go abroad and get a scholarship?**

- 2nd year First Cycle (BA) Students (the exchange can take place during the third year of studies)
  - 1st year Second Cycle (MA) Students
  - PhD Students (Doctoral School Students)
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# Who can apply?

An Erasmus+ SMS scholarship may be allocated to **all UW students** (**irrespective of nationality** and subject to the provisions of art. 11) who are enrolled in a full-time or part-time degree programme leading to a diploma at bachelor, master or doctoral level (including participants of Doctoral Schools) or students enrolled in long-cycle master degree programmes **excluding**: students enrolled in the first year of bachelor programmes, students enrolled in the last semester of bachelor and master programmes as well as students of postgraduate programmes.

## Who can apply?

Due to the requirement of providing a GPA from the last complete study cycle (whole academic year), only those who are at least second year BA students can participate in the qualification (or those who are students of higher years).

# An exception for first-year BA students

- First-grade BA students: you cannot apply in the first round of qualification (since you do not have a full-year-span GPA yet).
- However: you can apply in autumn (September), once you're able to present your last year's GPA
- But then you can only apply for the mobility in the 2nd semester and without scholarship

# Other exceptional cases

- Students on dean's leave:
  - If one is a **third-year BA student on dean's leave** (so, will be a third-year student next year as well), one **can apply** for the mobility with scholarship
  - If one is a **first/second-year MA student on dean's leave** (so, will be a first/second-year student next year as well), one **can apply** for the mobility with scholarship

# Who cannot apply?

In the past:

Third-year bachelor students could have been awarded an Erasmus+ scholarship, provided that prior to the mobility they enrolled in master studies in the same field of study at UW.

Unfortunately: this is no longer an option due to financial restraints

# IMPORTANT RESTRICTION

- Students who are conditionally registered for the academic year during which they apply for an Erasmus+ mobility are eligible to apply only if the conditional registration is due to no more than one failed course.
- Students are not entitled to receive the Erasmus+ funding if, on the day of signing of the Erasmus+ financial agreement, they are conditionally registered for the academic year during which the mobility is to take place due to failing more than one course or they are due to repeat the previous academic year or they are under investigation by the UW disciplinary committee. However, one might still go abroad with no grant (no scholarship) from the EU funds.

# Scholarship Rates

- a) **670 euro** – Austria, Belgium, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Norway, the Netherlands, Malta, Portugal, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden.
  - b) **670 euro** – United Kingdom;
  - c) **600 euro** – Bulgaria, Croatia, Hungary, Lithuania, Rep. of Northern Macedonia, Romania, Serbia, Turkey.
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- **Novelty:** a bulk reimbursement of travel cost!

# Cost of Travel

- The student is entitled to a lump sum to cover the cost of travel. The amount due depends on the distance between the start of the journey and the destination and the means of transport. The basis for the calculation of the lump sum is the distance measured one way in the distance calculator available on the European Erasmus+ website: [http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/tools/distance\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/tools/distance_en.htm)
- Below 500 KM, participants will, as a general rule, travel with low-emissions means of transportation („green-travel”).
- Low-emissions means of transportation: train/bus or „car pooling” (travelling by car with at least one other person)
- In case of green-travel, low-emission means of transport must be chosen both ways.

# Cost of Travel

Distance	Lump sum – non-green travel (plane, ferry boat)	Lump sum - green travel
from 10 to 99 km:	28 €	56 €
from 100 to 499 km:	211 €	285 €
from 500 to 1 999 km:	309 €	417 €
from 2 000 to 2 999 km:	395 €	535 €
from 3 000 to 3 999 km:	580 €	785 €
from 4 000 to 7 999 km:	1188 €	1188 €
8000 km and more:	1735 €	1735 €

# Cost of Travel

- Students receiving the lump sum for non-green travel are entitled to an additional grant for up to 2 days of travel (both ways), provided the travel takes place beyond the dates of the mobility period.
- Students receiving the lump sum for green travel are entitled to an additional grant for up to 6 days of travel (both ways), based on the submitted proof of travel and the following distance criteria:

from 10 to 499 km – additional grant for up to 2 days of travel

from 500 to 2999 km - additional grant for up to 4 days of travel

from 3000 to 3999 km - additional grant for up to 6 days of travel

# Extra Funds

If you're eligible to receive social scholarship at UW, you you can apply for additional 250 euro/month (a special application at BWZ needed).

If you are a handicapped person, you can apply for additional 250 euro/month, after submitting proper documents to BWZ.

If you have a Refugee status confirmed by the Office for Foreigners, you can also get additional 250 euro/month.

# How to apply?

- Applications should be submitted via USOSweb (requested by BWZ and EWP)
- But, nevertheless, we kindly ask to send e-documents to Anna Szpilowska:  
[anna.szpilowska@uw.edu.pl](mailto:anna.szpilowska@uw.edu.pl)
- The mobility offer (Universities, Study Cycles, the Length of Mobility) is available in USOSweb
- When you apply you can choose from one to three universities (the order should reflect your preferences)
- Privileged applicants:
  - Handicapped persons (confirmed by proper documents)
  - Students who receive social scholarship (confirmed by proper documents)
  - Refugees (officially confirmed status)
  - Those who have not applied before (and have not participated in the Erasmus+ program)

# What documents are needed?

- An application including the list of chosen destinations (up to three) with a proper justification for each of them, contact information (telephone number, email) and information about your study cycle and year of studies.
- Your CV, which should include all information that could possibly be relevant to the committee's decision (e.g. participation in classes held in foreign languages, academic experiences abroad, activity supporting the Faculty or the University, scientific achievements, previous participation in Erasmus+ program).
- If you consider more than one possible destination, you should list them all (up to three) and indicate your preferences. Currently there are 35 universities in our offer.
- **Important:** document(s) confirming your language fluency
  - Preferably: a proper certificate
  - Alternatively: a document signed by your language course instructor at the University of Warsaw specifying the level of your fluency

# What documents are needed?

- An application with proper justification of chosen destination(s) and contact info (phone, email).
- Curriculum Vitae (CV)
- **The list of all grades received at the Faculty of Philosophy** (Philosophy Program or Cognitive Science Program – inclusive „or”) **confirmed by a printout from USOSweb**
- **GPA** calculated based on the grades received in the **last complete academic year**
- In the case of MISH/MISMaP students: **GPA** based on grades received **in the relevant study programs**
- **At least one recommendation letter from an employee of the Faculty of Philosophy** (in the case of post-graduate student: from the PhD supervisor).
- **A certificate of foreign language fluency** (a result of an exam, a recommendation from a language instructor.; it is candidate's duty to check what level of fluency is required by the partner institution).
- The application should be submitted via USOSweb but additionally all the documents should be sent to Anna Szpilowska ([anna.szpilowska@uw.edu.pl](mailto:anna.szpilowska@uw.edu.pl) )  
**DEADLINE: 04.03.2024**

# Who evaluates the applications?

A three-party committee which includes:

The Mobility Coordinator (dr Adrian Ziółkowski)

One instructor employed by the Faculty (prof. dr hab. Tomasz Puczyłowski)

One employee of the administration of the Faculty (mgr Anna Szpilowska)

A Representative of the Student Self-Government

# Evaluation criteria

- Your GPA acquired in courses required by the study program during the previous year; minimal condition: **GPA 3.49 or higher**
- scientific achievements;
- evaluation of the fluency in the relevant foreign language based on the provided documents;
- year of studies (preference towards higher years);
- the correspondence between the chosen destination and student's interests (based on the information provided in the CV and the recommendation by the Faculty Member);
- activities for the Faculty, University and the academic society;
- a recommendation letter written by at least one employee of the Faculty of Philosophy;
- students with „limited chances“ will be preferred (certificate of disability, receiving social scholarship, official refugee status).

# For how long can you go abroad?

The minimal period of mobility in one academic year is 2 months (60 days), the maximal period – 12 months (360 days).

In practice: your mobility should last for one semester or the whole academic year

If you go abroad in the winter semester, usually it is not a problem to extend it (if you feel like it)

„The capital of mobility“ is 12 months for each student (so, in sum, you cannot participate in the Erasmus+ exchange for more than 12 months during each cycle of studies)

IMPORTANT: the scholarship (funding) can only be awarded for 5 months (one semester)!

# Good pre-qualification practices

- Make sure that the chosen institution is appropriate for you
- Check the courses offered by the partner institution (usually can be found online)
  - Some institutions specialize in certain fields of philosophy, some are more appropriate for students of the Cognitive Science program
- Check the languages in which courses are offered (and language requirements in general)
- **Keep in mind:** the courses you take during the mobility should allow you to fulfill the requirements of your study program
- Hence: you should plan in advance whether the teaching offer of the institution abroad will fit not only your personal preferences but also the demands of your studies at the University of Warsaw

# Qualification: summary

Apply via USOSweb but also send the complete set of documents to [anna.szpilowska@uw.edu.pl](mailto:anna.szpilowska@uw.edu.pl)

Deadline for applications: 04.03.2024

Expected date of publication of qualification results: 11.03.2024

The qualification procedure must be completed by 21.03.2024

**Important:** during the week between 11-15.03.2024, please check your email regularly; you will receive feedback on your submission and will have to decide whether you accept the offered mobility

# What to do after qualification?

If you accept the offered mobility, you need to print out your nomination form (*Zgłoszenie kandydata na wyjazd*), **sign it**, and **deliver** it to the Faculty or to BWZ by 21.03.2024.

At a later date, if accepted for the mobility, every qualified student is obliged to sign a scholarship agreement with BWZ personally or by mail. If you do not sign the agreement, it can be treated as resignation from the scholarship and participation in the mobility.

At the day of signing the agreement, a student can have only one conditional course registration, and in such a case, in order to be allowed to get a scholarship, one needs to get an approval from the Mobility Coordinator.

# Learning Agreement (LA)

- It is your duty to get familiar with courses offered by the University you will visit
- You have to pick up courses you are planning to pass (Table A)
- IMPORTANT: the minimum number of ECTS you need to collect during a semester is **20**
- IMPORTANT: you need to list some courses at UW which you won't attend but they will be more-or-less equivalent to courses attended abroad (Table B) and they will be later treated as passed based on the mobility
- Table B cannot be empty, it can sum up to less ECTS than Table A (but not more!)
- When preparing your LA, you should remember about completing your study programme
- The courses listed in Table A should be somewhat thematically linked to those listed in Table B

# Learning Agreement - more important info

- IMPORTANT: YOU SHOULD NOT put courses which do not end with a grade in your LA (some foreign universities have such courses in their offer)
- Besides information provided in LA, you should provide more detailed information about the classes you take abroad to a proper office at UW o: type of classes (lecture, tutorial, seminar), the number of hours and an English title of the course (because they will be listed on your diploma)
- Your BA or MA seminar can be passed based on any seminar passed during your Erasmus mobility (but it has to be a seminar!)

# Other mobility programs

- CEEPUS – short-term mobility in Central Europe (qualification completed)
- BIP – Blended Intensive Programme for Erasmus+: an online seminar + short physical mobility (one-two weeks); currently we don't participate in any BIP network
- 4EU+ – a new pilot program including the following universities: University of Warsaw, University of Sorbonne, University of Heidelberg, Charles University in Prague, University of Copenhagen and University of Milano; the program offers online courses and is open for everyone
- SEMP – a program funded by the Swiss government (qualification similar to Erasmus+)

# Q&A

I'll be happy to answer your questions via email:

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