

ERASMUS+ Qualification for 2025/2026 Informational Meeting

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Why is participating in the Erasmus+ exchange worthwile?

- 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):



Cooperating faculties



Length should be divided by the numer of available places!

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

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1	Austria	Universität Wien	2022-06-01	2028-09-30	closed 2023-03-13 00:01	Erasmus+	No	show \rightarrow
2	Belgium	Katholieke Universiteit Leuven	2022-06-01	2029-09-30	closed 2023-03-13 00:01	Erasmus+	No	show \rightarrow
3	Croatia	Sveučilište u Splitu	2022-06-01	2028-09-30	closed 2023-03-13 00:01	Erasmus+	No	show \rightarrow
4	Croatia	Sveučilište u Zagrebu	2022-10-01	2029-09-30	closed 2023-03-13 00:01	Erasmus+	No	show \rightarrow
5	Czech Republic	Univerzita Karlova	2022-06-01	2029-09-30	closed 2023-03-13 00:01	Erasmus+	No	show \rightarrow
6	Czech Republic	Univerzita Palackeho	2022-10-01	2029-09-30	closed 2023-03-13 00:01	Erasmus+	No	show $ ightarrow$
7	Denmark	Kobenhavns Universitet	2022-06-01	2029-09-30	no information	Erasmus+	No	show \rightarrow
8	France	Sorbonne University	2022-06-01	2028-09-30	closed 2023-03-13 00:01	Erasmus+	No	show \rightarrow
9	France	UNIVERSITE COTE D'AZUR	2022-06-01	2029-09-30	closed 2023-03-13 00:01	Erasmus+	No	show \rightarrow

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

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

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

Who can apply to go abroad and get a scholarship? (in the first round of qualification)

- 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 (Doctaral School Students)
- Everyone in a more complex situation who is sure that next (academic) year they **will still be students of the same study level**

Who cannot apply? (in the first round of qualification)

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.

Necessary condition: last year's GPA

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

An exception for first-year BA students

- <u>First-grade BA students</u>: you <u>cannot</u> apply in the first round of qualification (since you do not have a full-year-span GPA yet)
- <u>First-grade BA students</u>: you <u>cannot</u> apply in the first round of qualification (since it's unknown whether you will still be students the following year)

- However: you can apply in autumn (September), once you're able to deliver your last year's GPA / you start your MA studies
- But then you can only apply for the mobility in the <u>2nd semester</u> and <u>without guaranteed scholarship</u>

Other exceptional cases

• Students on dean's/sick leave:

- If one is a **third-year BA student on dean's/sick leave** (so, <u>will be a third-year</u> <u>student next year as well</u>), one **can apply** for the mobility with scholarship
- If one is a first/second-year MA student on dean's/sick leave (so, <u>will be a</u> <u>first/second-year student next year as well</u>), one **can apply** for the mobility with scholarship
- MISH or MISMaP students who will be on their "second" final diploma year (extension) next year

The past and the present

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.

<u>Unfortunately: this is no longer an option due to financial restraints</u>

IMPORTANT RESTRICTION

• Students who are <u>conditionally registered</u> for the academic year during which they apply for an Erasmus+ mobility are eligible to apply <u>only if the conditional</u> <u>registration is due to no more than one failed course.</u>

 Students are <u>not entitled</u> to receive the Erasmus+ funding if, <u>on the day of signing</u> of the Erasmus+ financial agreement, they are conditionally registered for the academic year during which the mobility is to take place <u>due to failing more than</u> <u>one course</u> 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 <u>no grant (no scholarship)</u> 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.

• Novelty as of 2024/2025: <u>a bulk reimbursement of travel cost!</u>

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
- 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 <u>250 euro/</u> <u>month (a special application at BWZ needed)</u>.

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

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

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: <u>anna.szpilowska@uw.edu.pl</u>
- The mobility offer (Universities, Study Cycles, the Lengh of Mobility) is availble in USOSweb
- When you apply <u>you can choose from one to three universities (the order should reflect your</u> preferences)
- Priviledged 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 comittee'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.
- **Important**: <u>document(s)</u> confirming your language fluency
 - Preferably: an official certificate (might be the one obtained by passing an exam at UW)
 - Alternatively: a document issued by the Center of Language Teaching at UW (you can arrange an interview to obtain it)

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 – <u>inclusive "or"</u>) confirmed by a printout from USOSweb
- GPA based on the grades received in the last complete academic year, <u>calculated and officially confirmed</u> by the Student's Affairs Office (mgr Alicja Chybińska)
- In the case of MISH/MISMaP students: **GPA** based on grades received in the **last complete academic year**, <u>calculated and officially confirmed by the Collegium Secretariat</u>
- At least one recommendation letter from an employee of the Faculty of Philosophy (in the case of postgraduate 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)
 DEADLINE: 28.02.2025

Who evaluates the applications?

A three-party comittee which includes:

The Mobility Coordinator (dr Adrian Ziółkowski)

The head of the Cognitive Science program (dr Natalia Karczewska)

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 correspondece 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 reccomendation 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: <u>your mobility should last for one semester or the whole academic year</u> If you <u>go abroad in the winter semester</u>, usually it is not a problem <u>to extend it</u> (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 monts (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 <u>the languages</u> in which courses are offered (and language requirements in general)
- Keep in mind: the courses you take during the mobility should allow you to <u>fulfill the</u> <u>requirements of your study program</u>
- Hence: you should <u>plan in advance</u> whether the teaching offer of the institution abroad will fit not only your personal preferences but also <u>the demands of your studies at the University</u> <u>of Warsaw</u>

Qualification: summary

Apply via USOSweb but also send the complete set of documents to <u>anna.szpilowska@uw.edu.pl</u>

Deadline for applications: <u>28.02.2025</u>

Expected date of the decision: 10.03.2024

The qualification procedure must be completed by 17.03.2024

Important: during the week between 10-14.03.2024, <u>please check your email regularly</u>; 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 <u>print out your nomination form (Zgłoszenie</u> kandydata na wyjazd), **sign it**, and **deliver** it to the Faculty or to BWZ <u>by 17.03.2025</u>.

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

<u>At the day of signing the agreement, a student can have only one conditional course</u> <u>registration</u>, 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: you should collect 30 ECTS per semester, the <u>minimum number of ECTS</u> you need to collect during a semester is **20** (requires my written permission)
- 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
- <u>Table B cannot be empty</u>, 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 (the so-called **equivalence** requirement)

Learning Agreement - more important info

- IMPORTANT: <u>YOU SHOULD NOT</u> put courses which <u>do not end with a grade</u> 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 must be a seminar!)

Q&A

I'll be happy to answer your questions via email: adrian.a.ziolkowski@uw.edu.pl