

Erasmus+ 2021/2022 and more...

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1. General information about the Erasmus+ programme



Erasmus

EuRopean Community Action Scheme for the MObility of UIniversity Students

– educational programme founded by the European Commission in 1987.

Polish universities, including the University of Wrocław, joined it in 1998/99.

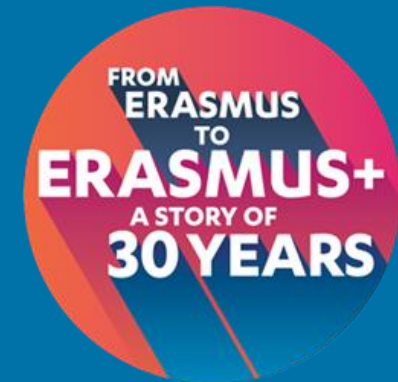
Previous phases and names of the programme:

1987-1993 – Erasmus

1994-1999 – Socrates I (Socrates/Erasmus)

2000-2006 – Socrates II (Socrates/Erasmus)

2007-2013 – The Lifelong Learning Programme (LLP-Erasmus)



ERASMUS+ programme initially planned for years 2014-2020 has been extended because of the Covid-19 pandemic for one more year

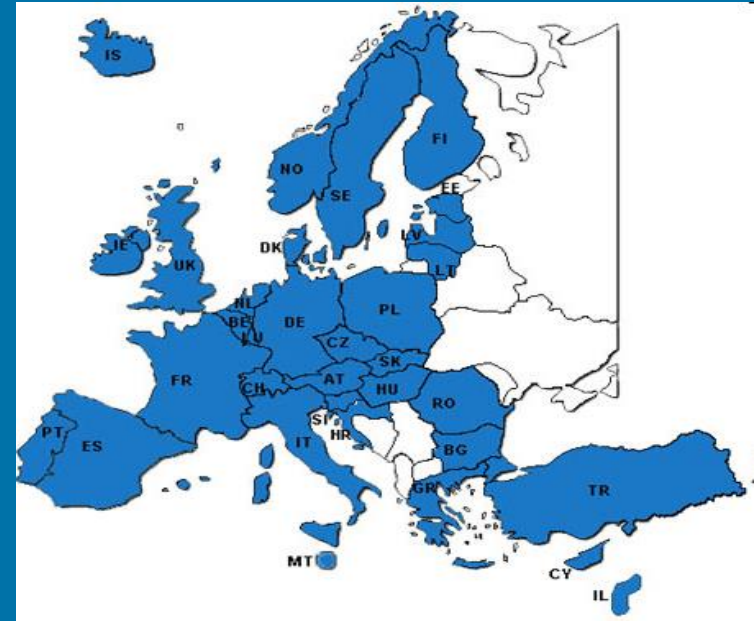
In 2021 we are entering the newest 6-year phase of the Erasmus+ programme planned for years **2021-2027**



The programme covers all **EU countries**, **EEA countries** (Iceland, Norway, Liechtenstein), as well as countries applying to join the EU, such as: **North Macedonia, Serbia and Turkey**

* **Switzerland** - there is an exchange similar to Erasmus, except that the scholarship is paid from Swiss Government funds and not from EU funds

* **United Kingdom** - an additional agreement was concluded and despite the country's exit from the EU, cooperation continues on the same terms as with other EU countries, hopefully until May 2023



General conditions

- Every student and PhD student of the University of Wrocław can participate in the programme.
- The candidate's country of origin, citizenship or age do not matter in the recruitment process.
- At the time of departure, you must have completed at least the first year of undergraduate studies, which means that you can already start recruitment in the first year *, so that after its completion you can take part in the programme

* faculties have the right to introduce their own regulations in this area, indicating the best semester in terms of the study program for the implementation of the trip



Erasmus+ student status

- The period of Erasmus studies/placement is an integral part of the study programme at the University of Wrocław
- All achievements obtained at the partner university will be recognized at the home faculty
- Information about the completed mobility is entered in the supplement to the diploma, together with a list of subjects or internships completed

The student's rights and obligations are detailed in the **Erasmus Student Charter**, which is available at:

<https://international.uni.wroc.pl/en/current-students/exchange-possibilities/erasmus-studies>



Studying in a foreign language

The general assumption is that you should know the language of the country you want to go to, although in many countries it is often enough to know English (in Scandinavian countries, Belgium, the Netherlands and others).

Therefore, when planning a trip to study, for example, to Italy or Spain without knowing the local language, check on the university website whether it offers courses in English in a given field.

It cannot be absolutely assumed in advance that every university participating in Erasmus+ offers classes in English for every subject.



Erasmus Coordinators – academic teachers responsible for the programme at the faculty/department level

- they cooperate with partner universities, sign exchange bilateral agreements
- annually prepare recruitment regulations
- recruit students for Erasmus study and Erasmus internship
- help the students in the selection of subjects that will be carried out abroad
- with their support the recognition by the dean's office of the achievements gained abroad takes place.
- The list of Erasmus Coordinators at UWr:
<https://international.uni.wroc.pl/en/incoming-exchange-students/erasmus-exchange/exchange-coordinators>



Bilateral agreements with partner universities, which establish the details of student exchange under Erasmus+, are signed at the faculty/department level.

It means that every faculty/department at the University of Wrocław has its own list of partner universities (bilateral agreements), so a student of e.g. mathematics has a different offer of universities available for exchange than, for example, a student of political science.

The list of bilateral agreements for individual faculties/departments can be checked on the website of your faculty or department as well as on the website of the International Office:

<https://international.uni.wroc.pl/en/current-students/exchange-possibilities/erasmus-studies>



Erasmus + exchange types:

- Erasmus + studies - going for part of the studies to the partner university abroad

minimum period - 3 months

- Erasmus + internships or graduate internships – professional training at company, institution, or organization located abroad (in a country participating in the Erasmus+ programme)

minimum period - 2 months



MOBILITY CAPITAL - the number of months spent abroad with Erasmus+

When calculating the mobility capital, one should add up the months of all the trips of both kinds: studies and internships.

Each student has the opportunity to take part in the programme several times, but it is important to remember about the so-called mobility capital.

Mobility capital is calculated separately for each level of study (BA, MA, PhD), i.e. when you upgrade to the next level of study, the "capital meter" is reset.

Mobility capital for one level of study is 12 months (this is the maximum number of months you can spend on Erasmus studies or placements.

In the case of long-cycle studies – 5 years (e.g. law, psychology) the mobility capital is doubled and it is 24 months.



Recruitment rules of participation in Erasmus exchange

- issued separately by each faculty or department by its Erasmus Coordinator
- the rules define the details of recruitment, such as deadlines or the level of the required average grade (may differ from department to department)
- the recruitment rules are **published on the faculty or department websites** and the links are also available on the site of the International Office:

<https://international.uni.wroc.pl/en/current-students/exchange-possibilities/erasmus-studies#toc-erasmus-recruitment-is-carried-out-by-the-faculties-2>



Monthly Erasmus grant - in the academic year 2020/2021

In the 2021/2022 – the Erasmus grant will probably stay unchanged

studies	placements	Destination country
520 EUR	620 EUR	Denmark, Finland, Ireland, Iceland, Lichtenstein, Luxembourg, Norway, Sweden, UK
500 EUR	600 EUR	Austria, Belgium, Cyprus, France, Germany, Greece, Italy, Malta, Netherlands, Portugal, Spain
450 EUR	550 EUR	Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Lithuania, Latvia, North Macedonia, Romania, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Turkey



Tuition fees at the University of Wrocław and Erasmus

- Going for Erasmus studies or placements does not exempt the fee paying students from the fees for studies at the University of Wrocław, except for the graduate internship, which takes place after graduation.
- The payment of the Erasmus grant can be made only after the payment of the tuition fee for the year in which the Erasmus exchange will take place.
- There is no tuition fee for studying at a Erasmus host University.



Erasmus grant

- When planning mobility with the Erasmus+ programme, please note that **Erasmus grant is contributory** and does not fully cover the real costs of living in a host country
- **Maximum period of the grant payment:**
 - Erasmus studies - 3 to 10 months
 - Erasmus internships - 2 to 10 months
 - Erasmus graduate internship - 2 to 5 months
- payments of other scholarships (research, doctoral, etc.) paid at the faculty are not withheld during the Erasmus studies or placements
- **Students with disabilities** may apply for additional funding from the Erasmus programme to cover additional costs; for details please contact the International Office



Number of places for Erasmus+ studies and internships

For many years, the number of outgoing students has remained more or less unchanged.

There are about 450 students of UWr going for Erasmus+ studies every year, sometimes it is closer to 500 and sometimes 400, while as for Erasmus+ internships, around 130 students and graduates are sent to companies abroad.

Unfortunately, the above numbers do not cover all the vacancies available for students at University of Wrocław, so we can ensure that all candidates who successfully pass the recruitment process can receive funding in accordance with the rules of the Erasmus+ programme.



2. Recruitment for Erasmus+ studies



Erasmus language recruitment

Students of UWr studying in English are not required to take English knowledge tests, as their language skills were tested before their enrolment at the University of Wrocław.

If the **language of instruction at the host university is not English**, the student is obliged to undergo an interview in a given language at the Foreign Language Centre of the University of Wrocław, unless presenting a language certificate in this language. On-line dates of interview to choose from: 12/18/2020 or 01/22/2021.

Signing for the interview, as well as sending **certificates of knowledge of a foreign language other than English** (scans) should be done by e-mail to elzbieta.kopec@uwr.edu.pl

(Ms. Elżbieta Kopec – head of the UWr Language Centre)

The **results of the interviews** and the **lists of verified certificates** of other languages will be sent to Erasmus Coordinators at faculties or departments, who are responsible for the recruitment.



Recruitment for Erasmus + studies

- takes place at the home faculty or department
- is organised by the institute/faculty Erasmus Coordinator
- Recruitment period: January - February 2021 - detailed guidelines are specified in the recruitment rules, which are published by the Erasmus Coordinator at the faculty/department website
- Recruitment for Erasmus studies applies to exchanges planned both in the winter and summer semester of 2021/2022
- Possible additional recruitment - October 2021 for Erasmus studies in the summer semester, depending on vacancies available



After the successful completion of the recruitment process of the student, the Erasmus Coordinator assigns a vacant place at the host university in the USOS system.

Following steps to undertake by the student after that:

- to fill in all the required data on your personal profile in USOS, confirming your willingness to go on Erasmus studies
- to go to your individual account in the database of the International Office <https://international-applications.uni.wroc.pl/> and choose an option: Erasmus studies
- to fill in the required fields and prepare an online Application Form (*Formularz Zgłoszeniowy*) in your account on <https://international-applications.uni.wroc.pl/>

The deadline for submitting *Formularz Zgłoszeniowy* is 12.03.2021



Preparation before the Erasmus+ trip

Shortly after the 12th March 2021, when the recruitment is completed, a new presentation for the recruited students will be published and it will contain the following information:

- nomination of recruited students to the host universities abroad
- application process, info about documents and requirements that may be requested by a host university
- financial agreement and transfer of Erasmus grant to the students' bank accounts
- accommodation, insurance, **visas**
- language courses
- departure settlements (substantive, financial)



Temporary residence permit in Poland – important notice

Due to the long delays in issuing by the Polish authorities of the decision on the temporary residence permit for non-EU students in Poland, it is recommended to start the necessary application procedure as soon as possible, not waiting until the Polish visa has expired.

International students whose Polish visas expire, and who have not yet legalised their stay in Poland, may face problems with leaving Poland to go for an Erasmus exchange to another European country.



3. Recruitment for Erasmus+ placements



Two types of Erasmus placements:

Student placements – to do at the time of the study period, usually during the holiday months, but also exceptionally during the semester – but only after obtaining special permission from the dean of the faculty;
- financing period from 2 to 10 months

Graduate placements – to apply for during the studies, but to do after obtaining graduate status, i.e. after defending the thesis;
- financing period from 2 to 5 months

Important!

Recruitment for graduates must take place during the studies, which is up till BA, MA or PhD defence

If the defence is not held by September 30th of a given year, please note that after September 30, **you lose your student status**, which makes it impossible to apply for a graduate placement.

The graduate placement must be **completed within 18 months** from the date of defence!



When planning Erasmus placement

- **You can find a company yourself.** When writing an e-mail to the company, you can inform them about the rules of Erasmus+ placement by providing them with a useful link: http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/national-agencies_en.htm

IMPORTANT: when looking for a company, remember that it is not allowed to do Erasmus placement at a European institution or organisation managing Community programmes, to avoid potential conflicts of interest

- **you can use the database of companies** who are interested in accepting trainees on: <https://international.uni.wroc.pl/wymiana-wyjazdy/erasmus-praktyki/oferty-praktyk>
- You may apply to a **university as a host institution** of your Erasmus placement, for example to the International Office or to one of the university laboratories



Recruitment for an Erasmus placement is continuous

- it means that you can apply and be recruited at any time, no deadlines

Steps of the recruitment:

- 1) to confirm knowledge of a foreign language - if you need to examine your language, other than English, you can arrange an individual date for an interview at the University Language Centre: elzbieta.kopec@uwr.edu.pl
- 2) to go to your individual account in the database of the International Office <https://international-applications.uni.wroc.pl/> and choose an option: Erasmus placements
- 3) to fill in the required fields and prepare an online Application Form (*Formularz Zgłoszeniowy*) in your account on <https://international-applications.uni.wroc.pl/>
- 4) Recruitment by Erasmus Coordinator – individually agreed date



From that moment on, your Erasmus placement is being managed with the support of the International Office

Your Erasmus placement application form – *Formularz Zgłoszeniowy* should reach International Office

Further steps in the application system <https://international-applications.uni.wroc.pl/> are being taken, which makes further documents available to download and sign: **Training Agreement**, **financial agreement**

Other important details necessary to prepare the trip (visa, accommodation, insurance) are available at: <https://international.uni.wroc.pl/en/current-students/exchange-possibilities/erasmus-traineeships#before-the-traineeship>



4. Erasmus + Partner Countries



Erasmus + Partner Countries (KA107)

The programme offers a possibility of one-semester studies at a partner University located in one of the countries:



Albania



Bosnia and
Herzegovina



Montenegro



Israel



Jordan



Kosovo



Dominican
Republic

number of study months: from 3 to 5
depending on the length of the semester at the host university



Recruitment for Erasmus+ studies under the Partner Countries programme is carried out in a similar way as in the case of traditional Erasmus+ by Erasmus Coordinators at the faculties/departments. The recruitment rules are also the same.

Erasmus grant:

- 700 EUR per month for all the countries
- grant for the travel cost - calculated according to the distance from Wrocław to the host university

Important note:

Places are available for **students of only certain fields of study.**

More information available at:

<https://international.uni.wroc.pl/wymiana-wyjazdy/erasmus-studia/erasmus-kraje-partnerskie>



5. Other exchange offers



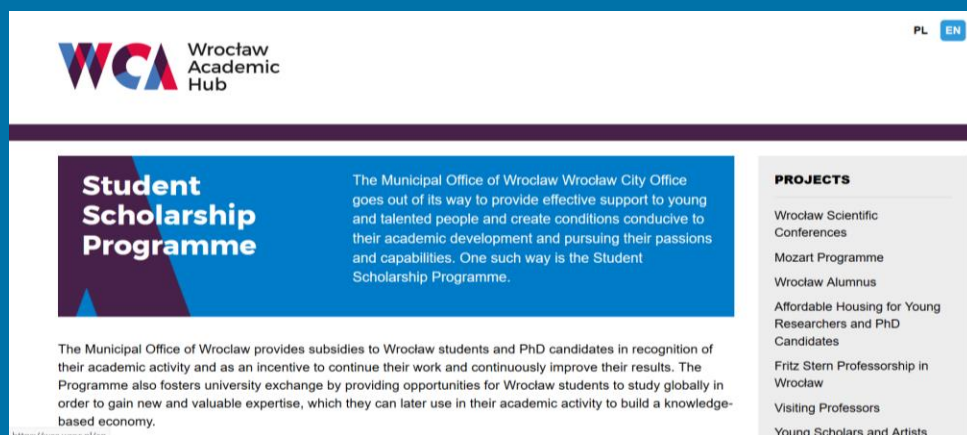
When you go on Erasmus or any other exchange, you can apply for additional funding under:

Student Scholarship Programme of the Municipal Office of Wrocław

The Programme was initiated by the President of Wrocław and coordinated by the Academic Cooperation Bureau at the Wrocław City Office. The scholarships are funded by the commune of Wrocław

Students can apply directly via the website:

<https://wca.wroc.pl/en/student-scholarship-programme>



The screenshot shows the website for the Wrocław Academic Hub (WCA). The header includes the WCA logo and the text "Wrocław Academic Hub". There are language selection buttons for "PL" and "EN". The main content area features a blue box with the title "Student Scholarship Programme" and a paragraph: "The Municipal Office of Wrocław Wrocław City Office goes out of its way to provide effective support to young and talented people and create conditions conducive to their academic development and pursuing their passions and capabilities. One such way is the Student Scholarship Programme." Below this, another paragraph states: "The Municipal Office of Wrocław provides subsidies to Wrocław students and PhD candidates in recognition of their academic activity and as an incentive to continue their work and continuously improve their results. The Programme also fosters university exchange by providing opportunities for Wrocław students to study globally in order to gain new and valuable expertise, which they can later use in their academic activity to build a knowledge-based economy." To the right, there is a "PROJECTS" section with a list of items: "Wrocław Scientific Conferences", "Mozart Programme", "Wrocław Alumnus", "Affordable Housing for Young Researchers and PhD Candidates", "Fritz Stern Professorship in Wrocław", "Visiting Professors", and "Young Scholars and Artists".



- Students of the University of Wrocław have the opportunity to complete a semester study under university bilateral agreements.
- The exchange program allows you to complete a semester or one-year study period at a partner university **without tuition fees**.
- Additionally, some of the universities guarantee **scholarships or free accommodation**.
- The offer includes partner universities from five continents of the world.
- The most popular destinations chosen by students are:
Russia, the USA, South Korea, Japan, and Canada



Student recruitment

- central recruitment - by the International Office
- completion of recruitment 28.02.2021
- recruitment details and a list of partner universities can be found at the International Office website:
<https://international.uni.wroc.pl/en/current-students/exchange-possibilities/bilateral-agreements>



For over 15 years the University of Wrocław has been the only university in Poland participating in the **International Student Exchange Program (ISEP)**. The programme offers **one-semester exchange programme at a US University**.

ISEP operates on the basis of a two-way exchange, which means that the outgoing student covers the cost of living * of an American student, and a student from the USA co-finances a student from the University of Wrocław.

As a result, the student being abroad receives a free place in the student dormitory and the meals.

* obligatory one-time payment to the UWr account in the amount of PLN 5,000 (1000 PLN x 5 months) for the maintenance of an American student at UWr.

Additionally, the outgoing student is charged with fees:

- "application fee" of \$ 100,
- "acceptance fee" of \$ 395
- visa and insurance costs



Participation in the ISEP programme guarantees:

- exemption from tuition fees at an American university
- a place in a student house and board (previously paid for by an American student)
- additionally, the University of Wrocław co-finances travel costs of UWr students

More information on ISEP and recruitment on the website:

<https://international.uni.wroc.pl/en/current-students/exchange-possibilities/isep>



What is CEEPUS?

- University of Wrocław students, who are citizens of one of the CEEPUS member states may pursue part of their studies at a selected university in another member state.
- CEEPUS Program member countries are: Austria, Albania, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Macedonia, Poland, Romania, Serbia, Montenegro, Slovakia, Slovenia and Hungary.



How to apply

- Eligible students can apply for participation in the programme directly via its website: <http://ceepus.info/#nbb> - by completing the on-line form
- Students can also apply for a scholarship at a partner university within the academic network of which the University of Wrocław is a partner or outside the network - as a freemover. Academic Network Search <https://www.ceepus.info/public/network/network.aspx#nbb>
- The **scholarship is paid by the host university**
- Additionally, students can apply at the International Office for the **travel cost refund** (based on tickets, up to the limit of travel costs by the cheapest means of transport)

More details about CEEPUS programme at:

<https://international.uni.wroc.pl/en/current-students/exchange-possibilities/ceepus>



6. International Office – contact details



Visitors and postal address:

International Office, Pl. Uniwersytecki 1, 50-137 Wrocław
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Zofia Pietrzekiewicz zofia.pietrzekiewicz@uwr.edu.pl

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If you still hesitate, watch at the reports of former Erasmus students, then some of your doubts may disappear...

Why not take part in the recruitment and experience the benefits of exchange programmes!

Remember not everyone has been given this unique opportunity!

And most importantly, you can count on the help of our office at every stage 😊

More information at the International Office website:
<https://international.uni.wroc.pl/>

