ERASMUS+ STUDIES

Introductory information

Recruitment process for study mobilities in 2018/2019 academic year shall take place between December 2017 and March 2018. Places for winter and summer semesters of 2018/2019 academic year shall then be allocated. Additional recruitment shall be carried out between September and October 2018 only if there are vacancies available. Recruitment shall concern mobilities for the second semester of 2018/2019 academic year.

Recruitment process for study mobilities under the framework of Erasmus + is carried out in three stages:

STAGE I
Verification of foreign language/s command.
Foreign language placement interviews (English, German, French, Spanish, Portuguese, Italian) take place in the Foreign Language Centre. Details on registering and the list of foreign language certificates exempting from the obligation to take the interview are available at the Centre’s website:
http://www.spnjo.uni.wroc.pl/content/polscy-studenci

STAGE II
Recruitment of candidates at faculty level (December 2017-February 2018)
Completion of recruitment at faculty level by the end of February.

STAGE III
The candidates who have been nominated for mobilities create their individual accounts at the International Office’s website international.uni.wroc.pl in order to prepare application form. 16th, March 2018 – deadline for submitting the approved application form to the International Office

Mobility Capital

Under the framework of Erasmus+ Programme students can apply for studies and traineeships at each of the three levels of studies (Bachelor’s, Master’s, PhD). Mobility capital
(number of months spent abroad under Erasmus Programme) is calculated separately for each level.
When calculating mobility capital one has to add together months of all previously completed mobilities (both studies and traineeships) at each level of studies, including mobilities under previous editions of Erasmus Programme (Socrates-Erasmus, LLP-Erasmus).

Mobility capital per one level of studies is 12 months.
In the case of uniform Master’s programmes mobility capital cannot exceed 24 months.

**Erasmus grant awarded at UWr versus mobility capital**

Any UWr student can receive funding at a given level of studies for:

- one semester studies at a partner university with a financial grant for the duration of one semester/trimester (for the period of 3 to 5 months)
- traineeship during studies or graduate traineeship (for the period of 2 to 5 months)

In the case of uniform Master’s programmes the number of possible mobilities gets doubled. It is not possible to accumulate months with financing, e.g. one year-long mobility instead of two separate ones (with funding).

It is not possible to transfer funds, e.g. 10-month study mobility with funding when turning down traineeship mobility, or vice versa.

**Recruitment regulations for study mobility for JOURNALISM AND SOCIAL COMMUNICATION and COMMUNICATION MANAGEMENT**

§ 1 Candidates

1. Erasmus funds are available to all UWr students of first, second, third cycle or uniform Master’s programmes.
2. Erasmus funds are available to students of all types of programmes: part- and full-time Bachelor’s, Master’s and PhD.
3. Students of first, second and third cycle can take part in recruitment process beginning from their 1st year. The mobility is generally not possible for the 6th semester of the first cycle, in
exceptional cases the institutional coordinator can grant a permission to the mobility in the 6th semester, it is to be underlined though that this could result in late ending of first degree studies and lack of possibility for recruitment for the 2nd cycle studies. Detailed information about the recruitment in different departments is always issued by the institutional coordinator.

4. Third-year students of first-cycle programmes can take part in recruitment process on the condition that before their mobility they present a proof of being admitted to second-cycle programme at UWr.

5. PhD students (as students of third-cycle programme) can participate in courses and accumulate the required number of ECTS points as arranged between both universities or they can carry out their own research without the need to attend courses and accumulate points. In this case students must nominate a supervisor/tutor at the foreign university, who will confirm completion of the programme.

6. Students can be referred only to the universities with which their home University has concluded interinstitutional Erasmus+ agreement. The foreign university must be a holder of Erasmus Charter for Higher Education valid for 2018/2019 academic year.

7. Students of trans-disciplinary programmes can apply under fields of study included in their degree programme. These students are subject to the same selection criteria as students of given units.

8. Selection process is carried out according to the arrangements made between universities, especially: number of eligible students, study period duration, study level, level of command of the language chosen as the language of instruction.

9. Students have the right to join the recruitment process during break (leave of absence), however, they must have the status of active students.

10. Erasmus grant can be awarded only to students who at foreign universities take up studies in the field which is the same or similar as the one at their home University.

11. Basic eligibility criteria are: average grade, motivation, command of appropriate foreign language.

12. The minimal average grade for the period of: last semester (for 1st year students)/last year (for others) is 4.5.

13. Before mobility students must pass all previous courses and complete the previous year of studies (without conditional promotion*). Leaving after conditional promotion is possible only with the consent of faculty authorities, the number of permissible conditional promotions is one.

14. Precedence shall be given to second and third degree students who have not yet participated in the Erasmus exchange.

§ 2 Commission
1. Decision on selected candidates is made by the commission including: deputy director for didactics and departmental coordinators.
2. The commission makes the decision about the numbers of the grants for students of the each levels of studies.
3. When referring students to given universities the selection commission takes into consideration their preferences specified in cover letters, but reserves the right to have decisive vote, especially if the number of vacant places at chosen universities is insufficient.
4. The commission makes the decision on the semester in which mobility shall take place.
5. If there are vacancies available, a coordinator, with dean’s permission, can autonomously carry out selection process apart from regular recruitment.

§ 3 Deadlines

1. 15th, January - 15th, February 2018 - I stage of recruitment process – submitting candidate’s file (to the right Coordinator room)
2. 25th, February 2018 - publication of recruitment results. Coordinators allocate mobility places at USOSweb website.
3. Until 27th, February 2018, candidates approve in the USOS system their allocated mobilities and update missing data.
4. Until 2nd, March 2018 - Coordinators submitting to the International Office recruitment reports.
5. 3rd, March -10th, March 2018 - students selected for mobilities create their individual accounts at the website international.uni.wroc.pl in order to prepare application forms.
6. Until 16th, March - students submitting to the International Office application form signed by the faculty coordinator.

§ 4 Documents

1. Candidate’s file should contain:
   • CV (in table format),
   • average grade certificate issued by the Dean’s Office,
   • application form with the nominating up to 3 universities in ranking (the form available on the website: www.dziennikarstwo.uni.wroc.pl/en)
   • Cover letter containing justification for mobility (the form available on the website: ....),
• proofs of scientific/cultural achievements, activity in student scientific associations etc. (copies),
• copy of a foreign language certificate (if the candidate did not participate in the placement interviews organised the Foreign Language Centre),
• declaration on previous mobilities (mobility capital),
• supervisor's written permission in the case of PhD studies,
2. All documents should be made in English or Polish.

§ 5 Rules on mobilities

1. According to the information provided by the Foundation for the Development of the Education System the amount of an individual Erasmus grant for studying is:

   a) 500 € – Austria, Denmark, Finland, France, Ireland, Liechtenstein, Norway, Sweden, Great Britain, Italy;
   b) 450 € – Belgium, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Greece, Spain, Holland, Iceland, Luxembourg, Germany, Portugal, Slovenia, Turkey;
   c) 350 € – Bulgaria, Estonia, Lithuania, Latvia, Macedonia, Malta, Romania, Slovakia, Hungary.

2. The selection process for students applying to study in Switzerland is carried out according to general rules of the project Erasmus Learning Mobility, and the amount of grant and term of its payment is determined by the Swiss side.

3. Students eligible for maintenance benefit shall also receive an individual grant (equivalent to 200 € per month). The total amount of the grant shall be financed from POWER fund.

4. Persons with disability status shall be able to apply for additional funds within a prescribed time.

5. Before leaving, students referred to partial foreign studies are obliged to prepare the Learning Agreement (agreement on curriculum) and sign by Coordinator, and:
   - annex to curriculum (in the Dean’s Office)
   - individual agreement (in the International Office)

Failure to comply with any of the conditions listed above will be tantamount to resigning from the mobility and Erasmus grant.

§ 6 Learning Agreement and Learning Agreement Changes documents
1. Students take up courses in the field which is the same or similar and where they can acquire the same learning outcomes as the one at their home University.

2. Learning Agreement (LA) and Learning Agreement Changes (LA Changes) should oblige the students to take up courses according to the demands of the point 1, but the courses do not have to be exactly the same as the courses in the home University.

3. For first and second degree studies:
   a) Students elaborate the LA in cooperation with the institute coordinator who validates it by his signature. Students who take up seminars also need to contact their thesis director.
   
b) Students need to take up courses for 30 ECTS points, all or most of which have to be attained at the foreign University.
   
c) Associate Dean can give permission to obtain some of the ECTS points at the UWr during the mobility (extramural way), the permission can only concern:
      - subjects required in the study programmes, based on the Regulation of the Minister:
        - foreign languages, physical education and business basics;
      - BA and MA seminars, if it was impossible to find an equivalent seminar at the foreign University;
      - Subjects indicated by the Erasmus+ Coordinator, if the Student got an insufficient grade at the UWr and has no other possibility of correcting it;
      - Subjects indicated by the Erasmus+ Coordinator, if the Student got an insufficient grade at the foreign University and has no possibility of correcting it.
   
d) Students who do not obtain the required number of ECTS points (30 per semester) can be signed for the next academic year with a deficit of points or they repeat a year, according to the separate rules of the Faculty of Letters.

4. PhD Students during an Erasmus+ mobility:
   a) Can take up courses at the foreign University and obtain the number of ECTS points required by their study programme at the UWr or they can carry out their own research without the need to attend classes. In this case students must nominate a supervisor/tutor at the foreign university, who will confirm the completion of the programme. When carrying out his own research during the mobility, PhD Student has to take up courses required in his study programme for the time of the mobility in a different semester of his PhD studies (after agreeing on the deadlines with the PhD Studies Director at the Faculty of Letters);
   
b) Prepare their LA with the Director of their thesis and present the document for signature to the Institute Erasmus+ Coordinator;
   
c) Cannot complete any courses in UWr in extramural way;
d) Prepare their LA Changes with the Director of their thesis. After being signed by the PhD Student and the Coordinator in the foreign University, the scanned document shall be sent to the Institute Coordinator in UWr;

e) Attach to their scan of LA Changes also the scan of the document “Podanie w sprawie wyjazdu za granicę mającego trwać dłużę niż miesiąc” signed before the mobility by the director of the thesis and the PhD Studies Director (the document to be downloaded for the Faculty website).

5. After arriving at the foreign University, Students (and PhD Students) prepare the final version of their studying programme (LA Changes). The document shall be signed by the Student and the Coordinator at the foreign University and sent in a scanned version to the Institute Coordinator in UWr for acceptance and signature.

6. Institute Coordinator sends the scanned version of 1st and 2nd cycle Student’s LA Changes with all signatures to the UWr International Office and leaves one copy in his archives.

7. Institute Coordinator delivers a copy or a scan of LA and LA Changes of PhD Students to the Dean’s Office (the PhD Studies department), the UWr International Office and leaves one copy in his archives.

§ 7 Validating the mobility

1. To validate the mobility and the semester, Student has to obtain 30 ECTS points (for courses taken up at the foreign University or for courses taken up at the foreign University and courses indicated by the Institute Coordinator to validate at UWr, with the permission of the Assistant Dean).

2. It is acceptable that the Student accumulate more than 30 ECTS points, the surplus is then transferred for the next semester of studies and can be used as point for an optional course. To validate a course from the foreign University as an equivalent of a course required in the study programme for the following semester is possible if the course in question is in the surplus of ECTS points and if its subject and learning outcomes are equivalent with the UWr course. The decision about validating such a course is made by the Associate Dean, based on a request from the Student accepted also by the Deputy Director for didactics of the Institute.

3. For PhD Students, the surplus of ECTS points can be a base for validating a UWr course for following semesters only if the course in question had learning outcomes equivalent to the UWr PhD Studies course. The decision about validating such a course is made by the PhD Studies Director, after consultation with the Director of the Student’s thesis.
4. After obtaining the Transcript of Records (ToR) from the foreign University and validating the mobility at the International Office, Student comes to see his Institute Coordinator with the following documents:
   - Original ToR
   - ToR translation into Polish, done by the student – the document should contain Students name, date and place of mobility, list of courses from the foreign University (course names translated into Polish and English), obtained ECTS points and original grades, as well as the number of teaching hours per semester for each course (45 min = 1 teaching hour). If Student has other certificates for courses not listed in the ToR, but taken up at the foreign University, those should be added to the ToR translation. The courses done in extramural way in UW should also be listed on the document. The model of this document is to be downloaded from the Institute/Faculty website.
   - Student’s “index” (if required) – prefilled with the name of the Institute Coordinator as the lecturer of the courses, names of the courses translated into Polish (as in the ToR translation), number of teaching hours and of ECTS points per course.

5. After the validation of the documents by the Institute Coordinator, the Student/PhD Student introduces the English and Polish translated course names into USOS system. In case of linguistic doubts – the decision is made by the Faculty Coordinator.

6. PhD Students who conducted their own research during the mobility do not bring their ToR but a document from the tutor from the foreign University, confirming conducting of the research.

7. Grades obtained by the Students of 1st and 2nd cycle are converted into Polish grades and added to the documents by the Institute Coordinator.

8. Grades obtained by the PhD Students are converted into Polish grades and added to the documents by the Director of PhD Studies.

9. The grades are converted basing on converting tables elaborated by the Institute Coordinators or given by the foreign University. In case of differences between those two tables, the Coordinator should choose the option more favorable for the Student.

10. Student submits filled and signed documents (and “index” if required) in the Dean’s Office to validate the semester.

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