

# CALL FOR APPLICATIONS



## **The Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences of the University of Pécs calls for applications for participating in the Erasmus+ Student Mobility for Learning Programme in the Academic Year 2022/2023**

### **The aim of the call for applications:**

The aim is to ensure the opportunity to gain educational, language and cultural experience in a higher education institution of another programme country. Learning mobility is to enhance the academic performance and develop the personal skills and abilities of the student.

Within the framework of Erasmus+ Programme, successful applicants are given the opportunity to pursue their studies abroad in one of our partner universities in the European Union (students will have the opportunity to study in the same status as the students of the receiving university without paying any tuition fee and examinations passed there can be accepted at the sending university with the approval of the relevant department). The purpose of study tours may be to spend a semester as a partial transfer student, participate in a study abroad programme or work on thesis preparation. The mobility can only be realised if the sending institution accepts the studies to be accomplished abroad and count them in the academic progress of the student (by granting UP credits). The minimum duration of studies abroad is two (2) months.

### **Erasmus+ students studying abroad:**

- spend 2-12 months abroad (depending on the year they are in and the partner institution);
- do not pay tuition fee at the receiving institution; however may be obliged to pay registration/administration fee (mainly at German universities);
- enrol at the home university, establish an active student status, pay any possible tuition fees due to their home university and receive their grants due for the period of studying abroad;
- do not obtain their degree before ending the mobility;
- can have their studies accomplished abroad counted in their home study requirements (before the student's departure, the two cooperating departments must agree on the courses to be taken up by the student at the receiving university. *At least 3 courses – without language courses – must be completed.*);
- within the framework of studying abroad at the partner university, PhD students can carry out research specified in their training plan.

## Who can apply?

### *General conditions of participation:*

- the student must have Hungarian citizenship or must pursue studies aiming at obtaining a degree in the institution;
- Students with Stipendium Hungaricum scholarship cannot apply for Erasmus+
- in the semester the student is planning his/her mobility the student has an active student status at UP; the student cannot obtain his/her degree before ending the mobility;
- the student meets the application requirements announced by the given faculty/department;
- spends 2-12 months abroad (depending on the year and the partner institution);
- more than one destination can be applied for, their ranking must be specified;
- the successful applicant must take the on-line language test OLS (*Online Linguistic Support*) if the medium of instruction is not his/her mother tongue but one of the following: English, German, Italian, Spanish, French, or Dutch (more detailed information after the favourable evaluation of the application).

According to the rules/regulations of the Erasmus+ Programme each student can obtain Erasmus status for a maximum of 12 months per training level (study abroad and internship in total), thus if the student has already participated in Erasmus study abroad and/or internship, even if as a zero grant (LABEL) student, but has not used up the 12-month Erasmus period, he/she can apply again.

Students pursuing master level or doctoral studies who already were Erasmus students at their former training level(s) can also apply.

Students in the final year of their bachelor or master level studies who want to continue their studies should hand in their applications in September in the first semester of their master or doctoral studies.

The amount of the grant depends on the length of the study period (number of days) and on the host country. The following amounts of grant may presumably be awarded for the academic year 2022/2023 (1 month of mobility means 30 days).

Grants for the academic year 2022/2023:

	Mobility for studies
Countries with higher living costs	520 €
Austria (AT), Belgium (BE), Cyprus (CY), Denmark (DK), Finland (FI), France (FR), Germany (DE), Greece (EL), Ireland (IE), Iceland (IS), Italy (IT), Lichtenstein (LI), Luxemburg (LU), Malta (MT), Netherland (NL), Norway (NO), Portugal (PT), Spain (ES), Sweden (SE), United Kingdom (UK)	

Countries with medium living costs	
Bulgaria (BG), Czech Republic (CZ), Estonia (EE), Croatia (HR), Lithuania (LT), Latvia (LV), Poland (PL), Romania (RO), Serbia (RS), Slovenia (SI), Slovakia (SK) Macedonia (MK), Turkey (TR)	470 €

Students who do not receive travel support can opt for green travel. In this case, they will receive a single contribution of 50 EUR as a top-up amount to the individual support and up to 4 days of additional individual support to cover travel days for a return trip, if relevant.

All applicants are reminded that the grant will not fully cover the costs and expenses of the travel and the stay abroad so additional sources are needed. Successful applicants may have to contribute to these costs and expenses from their own sources in addition to any support the faculty might award.

#### **Method and deadline for submitting the application:**

As part of your arrangements for the application please do check the list of the available courses of the partner universities at their websites and do carefully study the information about the language and the level (bachelor or master) of the courses offered. For further information on the application and the study programmes at the partner universities, please contact the Faculty Coordinators.

#### **Documents to be submitted by the applicants:**

1. Motivation Letter (approximately 1500 characters)
2. Professional CV
3. Language certificate
4. Transcript of records (2 previous semesters)
5. Certificate of professional or public activities

#### **Procedure for student mobility for learning applications:**

1. During the Period of Study Grant students must pursue their studies in line with the requirements of the credit system.
2. The prior written consent of the person professionally responsible for the course is required for the recognition of the given course.
3. In addition to excellent academic performance, a further requirement of the application is appropriate language knowledge – preferably of the language of the host country – which

enables the student to accomplish his/her studies abroad. In the case of Spain, Italy and France, the knowledge of the language of the host country is a condition of a successful application.

4. Students performing research activities and being active in the community are at an advantage when evaluating the applications.

**Submission deadline: 10<sup>th</sup> March, 2022**

If you have questions please contact the faculty Erasmus coordinator:

**Panka Hitre (btk-erasmus@pte.hu) Ifjúság Street 6, building D, office 108**

Applications which are incomplete, do not satisfy the conditions or submitted after the expiry of the deadline cannot be accepted.

#### **Evaluation of applications submitted:**

Applications submitted are evaluated by a professional board, the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the Faculty formed by the Faculty, until **the middle of April** the latest. The evaluation criteria are stipulated in the order of business of the committee evaluating the applications.

#### **EVALUATION OF APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED:**

Applications submitted are evaluated by the Committee on Foreign Affairs formed by the Faculty. The evaluation criteria are stipulated in the order of business of the committee evaluating the applications, the Erasmus Regulation of the Faculty is accessible at the homepage of the Faculty

Students who have not participated in the Erasmus Programme before are given priority at the evaluation. Students who are not awarded a grant but are recommended by the institute/department responsible for the cooperation can participate even in the lack of a grant as self-funded students, so called “**label students**”, provided they can cover the costs of their travel and stay abroad from other sources.

#### **POINT SYSTEM:**

Each application may be awarded a maximum of 100 points.

1. Academic performance: **maximum 30 points**

The graded point average of the two semesters preceding the submission of the application. (If the student has completed only one semester at the time of submitting the application, he/she can certify the completion of the second semester by handing in his/her registry sheet before departure.)

Evaluation by points on the basis of students' averages:

Corrected credit index		
5.00 -	4.50	30 points
4.49 -	4.00	20 points
3.99 -	3.50	10 points

Students must achieve an average of at least 3.5 to apply for the scholarship.

If the student does not achieve this average, the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the Faculty can decide by voting whether to accept the application (maximum 5 points may be awarded for such academic performance) provided it is recommended by the relevant department.

## 2. Language exam: **maximum 30 points**

Knowledge of the receiving country is compulsory.

If the student has only a level B2 type C (complex) language exam certificate and is not a student on a foreign language training programme or of a foreign language department, he/she must attend a further language interview. (The language assessment is carried out by lecturers teaching in the given language.)

State accredited advanced level type C language exam – 25 points

State accredited intermediate level type C language exam – 20 points

Language exam in a second language (minimum B2 type C) – 5 points

## 3. Scientific activity: **maximum 30 points**

Republican Scholarship:	8 points
OTDK/ TDK place, prize:	6 points
Student Research Society/College for Advanced Studies:	4 points
Scientific publications:	4 points (altogether)
Paper at a scientific conference:	4 points
Participation in academic competitions:	4 points

## 4. Active participation in public and student life: **maximum 10 points**

Working for the university, local or national press:	3 points
Active participation in the work of the Student Union (HÖK):	3 points
Member of Students' Welfare Committee/Credit Transfer Committee:	2 points (altogether)
Mentoring a foreign student as an Erasmus „Buddy”:	2 points

(The Committee on Foreign Affairs may award extra points to the student for scientific, public and student life activities.)

Further information:

from the Faculty Erasmus Coordinator: Panka Hitre (btk-erasmus@pte.hu)

Good luck with your application

**Prof. Dr. György Heidl**

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