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ERASMUS+ PROGRAMME – International Credit Mobility

Call for applications for individual mobility of students for the purpose of studying

Project No. 2023-1-HR01-KA171-HED-000137062

Within the ERASMUS+ Project 2023-1-HR01-KA171-HED-000137062 referring to cooperation with higher education institutions in the partner countries, Juraj Dobrila University of Pula (further in the text: UNIPU) announces the "Call for applications" for awarding financial support to individual incoming and outgoing students, with objective of spending part of their study period outside home higher education institution (further in the text: HEI), in a partner country. All incoming and outgoing activities supported within this Call are coordinated and administered by the UNIPU.

The **overall objective** of individual mobilities to be realized within this project Call is intensification of international cooperation, development of institutional capacities for international mobility, internationalization of curriculum, strengthening of social dimension in international exchanges, strengthening of international partner network, and development of professional scientific and teaching skills with sustainable impact on long-term cooperation activities.

Financial supports are awarded to students of the UNIPU and to students of the **selected** partner universities, as follows:

- 1. University of Tsukuba, Japan
- 2. University of Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina
- 3. University of Mostar, Bosnia and Herzegovina
- 4. Saint Mary's University, Canada

individual student mobilities are to be realized according to the **Mobility Flow Plan, specified** in **Appendix 1.** Within this Call, applicants can submit one application for one mobility activity.

Eligible period for realization of mobility approved within this Call is: 31.07.2025.

Within this project Call, student can spend a study period abroad in duration of approximately **one semester**. Longer period can be approved by Erasmus Project Committee, depending on the quality of the applicant and number of overall applications. Longer stays are also possible but on applicant own expense. Once started, the mobility activity cannot be interrupted.

The referential amounts awarded as a mobility grant to each selected participant are consisting of monthly rates plus travel fee, according to the <u>EU distance calculator</u>.

Signed Erasmus+ inter-institutional agreement between programme and partner countries is a precondition for individual student mobility realization between UNIPU and each partner HEI. In this inter-institutional agreement, the sending and receiving institutions agree on the options for student mobility. By signing the inter-institutional agreement, Partner Country HEI agrees to comply with all principles and rules of the Erasmus+ programme. The Erasmus+ inter-institutional agreement has to be in force before the beginning of each mobility period.

Additional grant support for students with fewer opportunities

Students with fewer opportunities can request the increased monthly grant for their studying. Students with fewer opportunities are students with lower socio-economic status, students with status of refugees, asylum seekers or migrants, students with particular physical mental or health-related conditions requiring extra financial or additional support, and students that need to travel to another country to obtain visa for entry to Croatia for the purpose of studying.

Additional grant for inclusion support

Students with special needs selected for Erasmus+ mobility within this call are entitled to apply for additional financial support. Students with special needs is a category of students, whose physical, mental or health conditions presuppose participation in mobility activity with increased costs of living or travelling. Additional financial support is awarded by the Agency for Mobility and EU Programmes Zagreb, Croatia, on a basis of separate application form, which will be communicated to selected students with special needs after the completion of the selection process.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

Before starting filling on-line application form, please, read carefully which documents you need to acquire in order to complete the Application form.

All application documents shall be electronically typed in English language, issued and signed from official institutions.

- 1. In order to apply and submit on-line application form, for each candidate is mandatory to have <u>Goggle account</u>.
- 2. On-line form can not be saved once you have started filling it.
- 3. Candidate is allowed to submit on-line application only once.

Application documents are:

1. Application form

- for filling on-line form please, follow the LINK
- **NOTICE:** motivation letter, CV, confirmation about student's status, transcript of records and proof of citizenship **must** be uploaded within the on-line application form.

2. Motivation letter

- The letter of motivation is the descriptive part of your application for Erasmus+ call. You need to briefly introduce and describe yourself:
- 1. your academic interests,
- 2. the reasons you are applying to this call,
- 3. your motivation to stay and study at the Host University,
- 4. your expectations during the Erasmus+ mobility and
- 5. the potential value and results that you expect to achieve after the implementation of the Erasmus+ mobility.

3. Curriculum Vitae

- <u>Europass form</u> is advisable. CV MUST be electronically written/filled and uploaded as one document (.doc or .pdf).

Knowledge of foreign languages reported in the CV shall be based on the self-assessment with reference to the <u>Common European Framework of Reference for Languages</u>

4. Confirmation of the home HEI (Higher Education Institution) about the student's status

- Confirmation must be signed by the student's HEI and uploaded as one document (.doc or .pdf).

5. Transcript of records from home institution

- Transcript of records must be signed by the student's HEI and uploaded as one document (.doc or .pdf).

6. Proof of citizenship (passport, ID card or similar document)¹

- The document must be uploaded as a pdf document or image (please, pay attention to have a good quality of the image). Only one uploaded document can be accepted.

¹ UNIPU students do not apload this documents under 4. and 6.

NOTICE OF PROCESSING PERSONAL DATA

All the personal data of the applicants given in the application as well as in the process that

follows the application will be processed for the purpose of the implementation of the relevant tender, including evaluation of submitted applications. The results of the

competition will be publicly announced in order to raise the transparency of the procedure

itself. The basis for the processing of personal data is the application of the applicant -

processing of personal data is necessary for taking the actions preceding the conclusion of

the contract as well as for possible subsequent conclusion of the contract. The European

Commission is the head of personal data processing in the part where processing is carried

out for the Erasmus + program. More information on the processing itself can be found at

http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/specific-privacy-statement_en.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

The applications will be available from the day of the call publication on the <u>University</u> official

web page and continues until the fulfilment of available places.

Information about leftover places will be regularly published on the University's web pages.

Incomplete applications will not be eligible for evaluation process.

Contact for further information:

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SELECTION PROCEDURE

All applications will be checked for formal eligibility criteria. All formally eligible applications will be evaluated by the UNIPU Committee for Erasmus+ mobility programme. The Committee for Erasmus+ mobility programme applies all rules determined by the European Commission for the Erasmus+ programme and by the Croatian National Agency.

The Committee for Erasmus+ mobility programme will publish the selection results at <u>UNIPU</u> web page, and will inform all applicants about the selection results by e-mail correspondence. Applicants, whose mobility proposals will be refused for realization, shall be informed in writing about the reasons of refusal. Number of applicants / participants that will be awarded financial support within this Call for realization of mobility is determined by the Croatian National Agency and presented in the Mobility Flow Plan.

All applicants can request an insight into the evaluation procedure and selection criteria within 8 working days after public announcement of the selection results.

All applicants have a right to file a complaint against the selection results within 8 working days after public announcement of the selection results. Complaints shall be submitted to the Committee for Erasmus+ mobility programme. **Complaints** have to be prepared in written form as a letter and submitted in a pdf document to the e-mail international.office@unipu.hr. Applicants who submit a complaint will receive a reply by the Committee for Erasmus+ mobility programme within 14 working days after complaint receipt.

REALIZATION OF INCOMING AND OUTGOING MOBILITY

Rules and regulations for awarding the financial support and for realization of mobility will be defined in a separate contract that each participant will sign with the UNIPU as coordinating HEI. By signing of the contract each individual participant agrees to follow Croatian laws and regulations, all valid legal acts of the UNIPU, as well as all regulations determined by the Erasmus+ programme. Office for partnership and projects of the UNIPU is in charge for the administration of all incoming and outgoing mobilities.

Detail procedure of course selection and administrative procedures will be regulated and supported by each HEI institution.

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FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Financial support consists of:

- Monthly scholarship rates
- plus Travel costs approved exclusively according to the distance band calculated by the tool <u>Distance Calculator</u>. Distance band is determined according to the calculator from the place registered as the official seat of the sending university to the destination place registered as official seat of the receiving University. Distance calculated by the tool presupposes onward and return travel. In cases when the destination place for mobility realization is different from the official place of the receiving university official seat, the participant has to submit travel tickets or any other proof of travel confirming the departure place and the arrival place.

The referential amounts awarded as a mobility grant to each selected participant are overviewed below.

MONTHLY SCHOLARSHIP RATES

Students	From	То	Monthly amount
Incoming	Partner country*	Croatia	800,00 euro
Outgoing	Croatia	Partner country*	700,00 euro

^{*} Partner country: Bosnia and Herzegovina, Canada, Japan

TRAVEL EXPENSES

EC DISTANCE CALCULATOR WEB PAGE

Travel distance	Amount in EUR	Green travel
10 - 99 km	23,00 EUR per participant	-
100 - 499 km	180,00 EUR per participant	210,00 EUR per participant
500 - 1999 km	275,00 EUR per participant	320,00 EUR per participant
2000 - 2999 km	360,00 EUR per participant	410 EUR per participant
3000 - 3999 km	530,00 EUR per participant	610,00 EUR per participant
4000 - 7999 km	820,00 EUR per participant	-
8000 km and longer	1.500,00 EUR per participant	-

Green travel

Participants can receive a bonus if they use environmentally friendly, sustainable means of transport for the trip to the host country. This includes travel by bicycle, train, bus or the use of carpooling (car). Participants have to sign the statement in which they claim the use of green means of transport and they have to have a proof (bus or train tickets, etc.) Financial support will be awarded and paid out in EUR.

FINAL REMARKS:

- * UNIPU is the coordinating institution for the stated project and it is responsible for financial management and overall administration of all activities to be realized within this Call.
- * Partner Universities will accept the provisions of the Erasmus+ interinstitutional agreement if intending to support realization of mobilities of their staff.
- * Financial supports are to be used by individual participants only for realization of mobility activity at the receiving institution.
- * Individual participants are required to organize their travel and accommodation and to obtain visa if necessary.
- * Individual participants are required to regulate the travel and health insurance policy that must be valid during the mobility period. UNIPU or any other partner institutions involved in this project cannot cover for any aspect of medical emergencies, damages or any other conditions imposed on individual participant while realizing the mobility.
- * All financial supports to be paid to individual participants shall be regulated according to the Croatian law and regulations in force at the time of mobility realization.

DISCLAIMER

The UNIPU, participating partner institutions, Croatian National Agency and the European Commission will not be held responsible for any damage caused to individual participants, including damage caused to third parties, which could emerge before, during or after realization of activities financed by the EU funds.

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APPENDIX 1

BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

Activity type	Mobility direction	Country of origin	Country of destination	Number of participants
Student mobility for studying	Incoming	Bosnia and Herzegovina	Croatia	1 student

CANADA

Activity type	Mobility direction	Country of origin	Country of destination	Number of participants
Student mobility for studying	Incoming	Canada	Croatia	1 student

JAPAN

Activity type	Mobility direction	Country of origin	Country of destination	Number of participants
Student mobility for studying	Outgoing	Croatia	Japan	2 students