



Erasmus+ Programme

Key Action 1 – Mobility for learners and staff – Higher Education Student and Staff Mobility

Inter-institutional¹ agreement 2014/15-2020/21² between programme countries

The institutions named below agree to cooperate for the exchange of students and/or staff in the context of the Erasmus+ programme. They commit to respect the quality requirements of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education in all aspects related to the organisation and management of the mobility, in particular the recognition of the credits awarded to students by the partner institution.

A. Information about higher education institutions

Name of the institution (and department, where relevant)	Erasmus code	Contact details ³ (email, phone)	Website (eg. of the course catalogue)
University of Ioannina International and Public Relations Directorate P.O. Box 1186 GR451 10 Ioannina, Greece Academic Department: Dept. of Philology School of Philosophy	G IOANNIN 01	<u>Institutional Coordinator:</u> Prof. V. Mavreas E. vmavreas@cc.uoi.gr <u>International & Public Relations Directorate</u> Mrs Demi Siamopoulou E. dsiamopu@cc.uoi.gr T. +30-26510-07107, F. +30-26510-07024 <u>Departmental Coordinator:</u> Assoc. Prof. D. Kargiotis, T. +30-26510-05205 E. kargiots@cc.uoi.gr	http://www.uoi.gr http://erasmus.uoi.gr http://philology.uoi.gr/
PLOVDIV UNIVERSITY PAISII HILENDARSKI Section "International collaboration" SIC Tzar Assen str. 24, room 111, P.C. 4000 Plovdiv, Bulgaria	BG PLOVDIV04	<u>Institutional Erasmus Coordinator</u> Assoc. Prof. Maria Stoyanova; E. marianas@uni-plovdiv.bg T. +359 32 261 462 <u>Agreements Administrator</u> Mrs Nadya Kaneva; E. nadya@uni-plovdiv.bg T. +359 32 261 363 <u>Faculty Agreement Coordinator</u> Prof. Nadya Cherneva; E. cherneva@uni-plovdiv.bg T. +359 32 261 241	https://uni-plovdiv.bg https://uni-plovdiv.bg/pages/index/28/ http://slovo.uni-plovdiv.bg/

¹ Inter-institutional agreements can be signed by two or more higher education Institutions

² Higher Education Institutions have to agree on the period of validity of this agreement

³ Contact details to reach the senior officer in charge of this agreement and of its possible updates.

B. Mobility numbers⁴ per academic year

If the agreement is signed for more than one academic year:

The partners commit to amend the table below in case of changes in the mobility data by no later than the end of **October** in the preceding academic year.

FROM [Erasmus code of the sending institution]	TO [Erasmus code of the receiving institution]	Subject area code * [ISCED]	Subject area name *	Study cycle [short cycle, 1 st , 2 nd or 3 rd] *	Number of student mobility periods	
					Student Mobility for Studies [total number of students and total number of months*]	Student Mobility for Traineeships *
G IOANNIN 01	BG PLOVDIV04	0231: (09.0, 09.6)	Language acquisition	1, 2, 3	(2s*6m=) 10	Only upon individual agreement
BG PLOVDIV04	G IOANNIN 01	0231: (09.0, 09.6)	Language acquisition	1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd	(2s*5m=) 10	N/A

[*Optional: subject area code & name and study cycle are optional. Inter-institutional agreements are not compulsory for Student Mobility for Traineeships or Staff Mobility for Training. Institutions may agree to cooperate on the organisation of traineeship; in this case they should indicate the number of students that they intend to send to the partner country. Total duration in months/days of the student/staff mobility periods or average duration can be indicated if relevant.]

FROM [Erasmus code of the sending institution]	TO [Erasmus code of the receiving institution]	Subject area code * [ISCED]	Subject area name *	Number of staff mobility periods		
				Staff Mobility for Teaching [total number of days of teaching periods or average duration *]	Staff Mobility for Training *	
G IOANNIN 01	BG PLOVDIV04	0231: (09.0, 09.6)	Language acquisition	1	8	1 - Upon individual agreement
BG PLOVDIV04	G IOANNIN 01	0231: (09.0, 09.6)	Language acquisition	2 teachers	7 days	1 staff * 7 days

⁴ Mobility numbers can be given per sending/receiving institutions and per education field (optional*:

<http://www.uis.unesco.org/Education/Pages/international-standard-classification-of-education.aspx>)

C. Recommended language skills

The sending institution, following agreement with the receiving institution, is responsible for providing support to its nominated candidates so that they can have the recommended language skills at the start of the study or teaching period:

Receiving institution [Erasmus code]	Optional: Subject area	Language of instruction 1	Language of instruction 2	Recommended language of instruction level ⁵	
				Student Mobility for Studies [Minimum recommended level: B1]	Staff Mobility for Teaching [Minimum recommended level: B2]
G IOANNIN 01	0231: (09.0, 09.6)	Greek	English (in the form of reading courses/tutorials)	GR:B1/E:B1	B2
BG PLOVDIV04	0231: (09.0, 09.6)	Bulgarian Greek English Russian	English (only staff), Greek, Russian	Greek:B1 English:B1	B2

For more details on the language of instruction recommendations, see the course catalogue of each institution [Links provided on the first page].

D. Additional requirements^{5a}

Please specify whether the institutions have the infrastructure to welcome students and staff with disabilities:

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Recommended language skills

The language of instruction is **Greek**; however, incoming Erasmus students usually carry out reading course/assignments in **English** and furthermore, most members of the teaching staff offer tutorials in English to many incoming Erasmus students. Adequate Library material is in English and hence no student should have any problems in finding literature and any other material required. Almost all, if not all, people at the University and in the country in general speak English and nobody should have any communication problems. However, this presupposes that the student's *proficiency in the English language is at an adequate level* (proof of sufficient level of competence in the English language should be submitted – preferably min. B1). In exceptional cases, other languages (i.e. French, German, Spanish) may be used as the working language (however, this has to be specifically agreed upon before the student's arrival).

Additional requirements/services

Students and staff with disabilities: UoI welcomes students with disabilities. The necessary individual arrangements need to be discussed well in advance (10 months prior to arrival).

All Erasmus students may follow courses in **Greek language** at the **Center for the Study of the Hellenic Language and Culture** (*free of charge*). Applications are submitted upon arrival.

ESN Ioannina: ESN Ioannina is a very active student body and provides help and assistance to all incoming students both prior and during their stay in Ioannina. Nominated students are advised to contact ESN Ioannina the soonest possible at esn.ioannina@yahoo.gr.

Other important student services: Students are provided with **three meals per day**, totally *free of charge* at our Students' Restaurant.

⁵For an easier and consistent understanding of language requirements, use of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) is recommended, see <http://europass.cedefop.europa.eu/en/resources/european-language-levels-cefr>

^{5a}To be completed if necessary, other requirements may be added on academic or organisational aspects, e.g. the selection criteria for students and staff; measures for preparing, receiving and integrating mobile students and/or staff

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1. Exchange studies for PhD students are organized according to individual plans.
2. Incoming staff members should apply for visits to the respective faculty coordinators (<https://uni-plovdiv.bg/pages/index/160/>)

E. Calendar

1. Applications/information on nominated students must reach the receiving institution by:

Receiving institution [Erasmus code]	Autumn semester* [month]	Spring semester* [month]
G IOANNIN 01	Nomination: 15th June for the 1st semester (commencing early October) or the full academic year	Nomination: 30th November for the 2nd semester (commencing mid-February)
BG PLOVDIV04	30 June (application) for the 1st semester (commencing early October) or the full academic year	30 November (application) for the 2nd semester (commencing mid-February)

[* to be adapted in case of a trimester system]

2. The receiving institution will send its decision within the following time frame:

G IOANNIN 01: All nominations should be send by e-mail to Mrs Maria Tzima, mtzima@cc.uoi.gr, erasmus@uoi.gr. We accept all nominations of our partner institutions, and reply within 1-6 weeks after receipt of nomination.

3. A Transcript of Records will be issued by the receiving institution no later than **5** weeks after the assessment period has finished at the receiving HEI. *[It should normally not exceed five weeks according to the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education guidelines]*
4. Termination of the agreement

This agreement will be in effect for the full duration of the ERASMUS+ Programme. In case of premature termination, a notice of at least one academic year will be given. This means that a unilateral decision to discontinue the exchanges notified to the other party by 1 September 20XX will only take effect as of 1 September 20XX+1. Neither the European Commission nor the National Agencies can be held responsible in case of a conflict.

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1. The receiving institution will send its decision within **3** weeks.
2. A Transcript of Records will be issued by the receiving institution no later than **3** weeks after the assessment period has finished at the receiving HEI.
3. Termination of the agreement

A notice of at least one academic year should be given for the termination of the agreement. This means that a unilateral decision to discontinue the exchanges notified to the other party by 1 August 20XX will only take effect as of 1 August 20XX+1. Neither the European Commission nor the National Agencies can be held responsible in case of a conflict.

F. Information

1. Grading systems of the institutions^{6a}

G IOANNIN 01:

The grading scale of the University of Ioannina runs from 0-10, with 5 – 6,4 being 'Good', 6,5 – 8,4 being 'Very Good' and 8,5 – 10 'Excellent'.

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Grading systems of the institutions

In the Bulgarian System, marks are graded from 2 to 6, with 3 being the minimum score required to pass:

Bulgarian Grade	Description
Отличен (6)	Excellent performance
Много Добър (5)	Very good performance
Добър (4)	Good performance
Среден (3)	Acceptable performance
Слаб (2)	Insufficient performance
Не се явил	Exam not done by the student

2. Visa

The sending and receiving institutions will provide assistance, when required, in securing visas for incoming and outbound mobile participants, according to the requirements of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education.

Information and assistance can be provided by the following contact points and information sources:

Institution [Erasmus code]	Contact details (email, phone)	Website for information
BG PLOVDIV04	International Relations Office iro@uni-plovdiv.bg T. +359 32 261 363	https://uni-plovdiv.bg/pages/index/160/
G IOANNIN 01	International Relations Office T. +30-26510-07520 E. Erasmus@uoi.gr	http://erasmus.uoi.gr

3. Insurance

The sending and receiving institutions will provide assistance in obtaining insurance for incoming and outbound mobile participants, according to the requirements of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education.

The receiving institution will inform mobile participants of cases in which insurance cover is not automatically provided. Information and assistance can be provided by the following contact points and information sources:

Institution [Erasmus code]	Contact details (email, phone)	Website for information
BG PLOVDIV04	International Relations Office iro@uni-plovdiv.bg T. +359 32 261 363	https://uni-plovdiv.bg/pages/index/160/
G IOANNIN 01	International Relations Office T. +30-26510-07520 E. Erasmus@uoi.gr	http://erasmus.uoi.gr

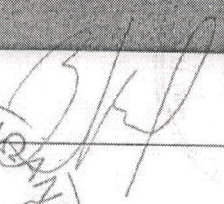
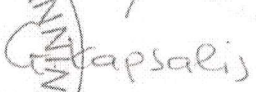
4. Housing

The receiving institution will guide incoming mobile participants in finding accommodation, according to the requirements of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education.

Information and assistance can be provided by the following persons and information sources:

Institution [Erasmus code]	Contact details (email, phone)	Website for information
BG PLOVDIV04	International Relations Office iro@uni-plovdiv.bg T. +359 32 261 363	https://uni-plovdiv.bg/pages/index/160/
G IOANNIN 01	International Relations Office T. +30-26510-07520 E. Erasmus@uoi.gr	http://erasmus.uoi.gr

G. SIGNATURES OF THE INSTITUTIONS (legal representatives or delegates)

Institution [Erasmus code]	Name, function	Date	Signature ⁶
BG PLOVDIV04	Prof. Zapryan Kozludzhov RECTOR	6.10.2014	
G IOANNIN 01	Prof. George Kapsalis RECTOR	10/10/2014	



^{6a} It is recommended that receiving institutions provide the statistical distribution of grades according to the descriptions in the ECTS users' guide (http://ec.europa.eu/education/lifelong-learning-policy/ects_en.htm). A link to a webpage can be enough. The table will facilitate the interpretation of each grade awarded to students and will facilitate the credit transfer by the sending institution.

⁶ Scanned signatures are accepted