

International internships through the ERASMUS program

Erasmus+ provides grants for U-tad undergraduate and graduate students to carry out internships abroad. Recent graduates are also eligible to participate.

These international internships allow participants to improve their communicative, linguistic, and intercultural skills, as well as acquire highly valued non-technical skills and develop a more entrepreneurial mindset. More about the <u>advantages of an international</u> exchange.

Erasmus+ internships can be combined with a study abroad.

Erasmus+ provides online language support to facilitate workplace language learning.

DURATION:

The international internship is between a **minimum of two months** and a **maximum of 12 months**.

Erasmus+ allows multiple international exchanges, as a student or intern, as long as the stays (including study abroad) do not exceed **12 months**.

Newly graduated students may also undertake an international internship, provided that they do so within one year of graduation and apply for it while still enrolled in a higher education institution.

Conditions

Internships must respond to the learning and personal development needs related to the student's degree. When possible, internships must be integrated into the student's curriculum.

The student will be responsible for finding an internship in a company, with the support of the International Relations Office for the documentation management.

Aside from this, U-tad's Professional Development Service publishes internship offers in the Career Center, some of which are international, for which the student can also apply.

Internships can be carried out in any organization based in an Erasmus+ Program Country (with the exception of EU institutions, bodies, and agencies).

Accreditation

Before the international internship:



- A learning agreement must be signed by the applicant, U-tad, and the host organization in order to ensure transparent and effective preparation for the overseas exchange. This document sets out the rights and responsibilities of the various parties, as well as a detailed program of the placement, insurance information, conditions for the accreditation of successfully completed internships.
- The applicant will receive the Erasmus+ Student Charter, detailing their rights and obligations in relation to their overseas placement.

Once the international internship has been completed:

- The host organization or company must send both the applicant and U-tad an internship certificate, usually within five weeks.
- The home institution must recognize the international internship in accordance with the terms of the learning agreement, without imposing additional requirements.

Financial aid

Applicants can receive an Erasmus+ grant as a subsidy for their travel and living expenses for a maximum of 2 months. For the remainder of their program, they will receive no grant.

The program countries are divided into 3 groups according to the cost of living in each country:

GROUP 1: Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Ireland, Luxembourg, Sweden, United Kingdom, Liechtenstein, Norway.

GROUP 2: Austria, Belgium, Germany, France, Italy, Greece, Spain, Cyprus, Netherlands, Malta, Portugal.

GROUP 3: Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Hungary, Poland, Romania, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Macedonia, Turkey.

The amount of the scholarship will be

GROUP 1: €300 per month
GROUP 2: €250 per month
GROUP 3: €200 per month

An additional €100 will be given to students doing a company internship.



Whether or not they receive an Erasmus+ grant, students must sign a grant agreement specifying the duration of the exchange, the grant amount and other rights and obligations.

How to apply

Applications can be submitted through the International Relations Office.

U-tad is responsible for candidate selection, carried out in a transparent manner through an annual call for applications.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

It is essential that those interested in studying abroad or doing an international internship are aware of their rights.

The <u>Erasmus internship portal</u>, created by the Erasmus Student Network, facilitates the search for Erasmus+ internships.

Students who have any questions about participating in Erasmus+ should read the <u>frequently asked questions</u>.

The <u>Erasmus+ Alumni Association (ESAA)</u> provides students and alumni with a dynamic forum for networking, professional development, and multicultural exchange.