Erasmus+ General Information 2022/23 and 23/24
(October 2022)
Agenda

• **Part 1:** Study abroad with Erasmus
  – General Information: Website, Contacts, Benefits
  – Scholarship
  – To Dos
  – Erasmus Duties
  – Green Travel
  – **NO information on choice of courses (please get in touch with your faculty)**

• **Part 2:** 4 - 5 p.m.
  Extra Funding for Students with special needs
  – Top Ups
  – Application for real costs
Part 1

Study abroad with Erasmus
Study abroad with Erasmus – Contacts

- Application/selection, nomination and technical issues (course selection, recognition)
  → Erasmus coordination at your faculty

- Questions about the scholarship and the associated obligations, certificates (BAföG etc.), connection to other Outgoings
  → Erasmus Outgoing Student Support (International Office)

- Course offerings, deadline for registration, housing placement, language course offerings, buddy program
  → International Office of the partner university
Study abroad with Erasmus – Application period

• Application period for a stay in WiSe 23 or SoSe 24 (first round)

01.01.23 (12 a.m.) – 31.01.23 (12 p.m.)

• Application period for remaining places SoSe24 in April 2022, if applicable.

• All information related to the application process and Erasmus available on rwth-aachen.de/erasmus
  • Application requirements
  • Application process
  • Erasmus duties
  • FAQ
  • ..
Study abroad with Erasmus – Benefits

• Temporary study abroad (min. 2 - max. 12 months) without obtaining a degree

• Academic recognition of credits earned at host university

• Multiple mobility:
  • Participation in the Erasmus program possible in each study phase (bachelor, master, doctorate), maximum 12 months per study phase

• Liberation of tuition fees at host university

• Erasmus scholarship
Erasmus Scholarship

• Confirmation for Erasmus study place
  Confirmation for Erasmus scholarship

• Funding by foundations, education fund (Deutschlandstipendium), education loan, AuslandsBAföG possible besides Erasmus
  Please inquire whether funding providers make cuts if necessary

• Funding of the pure **physical** study time - confirmed by the host university by means of Confirmation of study abroad

• Funding of **full** months (30 days/month).
  Please use the scholarship calculator

• **Scholarship amount depends on country group**
Erasmus Scholarship

Scholarship:
- LG1: 600 €
- LG2: 540 €
- LG3: 490 €

Funding modality in 22/23
- 1 Semester: 2 - 4 months of funding
- 2 Semester: 8 months of funding

Ländergruppe 1: höhere Lebenshaltungskosten
Ländergruppe 2: mittlere Lebenshaltungskosten
Ländergruppe 3: niedrigere Lebenshaltungskosten
Erasmus Green Travel

Green Travel Support (50€)

• + extra funded days for travelling with a “green” vehicle
• Application before semester abroad starts (Anhang II of Grant Agreement)
• Vehicle will be indicated by the student in the Grant Agreement and Confirmation of Study Abroad
To Dos – Before your stay abroad

• BAföG recipients should apply for international BAföG as early as possible

• Insurance
  • No insurance through Erasmus+ program
  • No liability for damages during the program participation by EU, RWTH and DAAD
  • Group insurance DAAD

• Clarify visa questions for your host country in time
  • Information: Consulates, embassies, Federal Foreign Office and DAAD

• Deregistration at the Residents' Registration Office
  • Obligatory deregistration for stays abroad of more than 3 months
To Dos – Before your stay abroad

• Leave of absence (*Beurlaubung*)
  – Benefits
    – During an official leave of absence due to an Erasmus+ stay the subject semesters are not counted any further
    – It is possible to take exams at RWTH Aachen University during the leave of absence
  – Only possible upon application at the Registrar‘s Office
  – Enrollment during Erasmus studies is mandatory
  – Even without leave of absence: refund of semester ticket possible (AStA)
Experience reports (www.rwth-aachen.de/erfahrungsberichte)
Erasmus duties

• Necessary for obtaining the study placement abroad as well as for the Erasmus scholarship

• Zero-grant recipients must also fulfill the listed duties

• **Duties**
  • Before going abroad
  • After coming back
  • In case of an extension

• Review of all obligations and, if necessary, there will be a (partial) payback from the student of the Erasmus grant
  • Shortening of the stay abroad
  • Less than 15 credits/semester
  • **Missing (or late) submission of the duties:** Proof required in order to keep scholarship
Erasmus duties – Before going abroad

- Online Learning Agreement (OLA) „Before the Mobility“
  Online Learning Agreement-Website

- Online Language Test (information via email)

- Grant Agreement (= contract for Erasmus scholarship)
  Payment of the Erasmus grant
Erasmus duties – After coming back

- Confirmation of study abroad
- Online Language Test
- EU-Survey
- Experience report
- Transcript of Records
- Letter of recognition
In case of an extension

• An extension is possible if
  • the Erasmus coordinator of the faculty and the partner university agree
  • the study period takes place at the same institution
  • the total stay abroad is not longer than 12 months (within the whole study period)

• New Learning Agreement (OLA Changes)

• No guarantee for the Erasmus funding of the extension
Service International Office – Erasmus grant

Website: Erasmus+ study abroad and FAQ

Erasmus Outgoing Student Support

E-Mail: erasmus.outgoing@zhv.rwth-aachen.de

Telephone consulting hours: 0241/80 90 697
  Tue  9:30 – 12:30
  Wed  13:00 – 16:00

Questions about the scholarship and the associated obligations, certificates (BAföG etc.), connection to Outgoings
Part 2

Extra Funding: Top Ups for students with special needs
Erasmus+ Top Ups

• Higher funding rate for students with special needs
  • Students with a disability (from GdB 20)
  • Students with a severe chronic illness
  • Students with a child or multiple children (child also traveling abroad)

New in 2022/23
• Students from a non-academic household
• Working students

Exact criteria is published online.
Erasmus+ Top Ups

• **Funding rate**: 250 €/month on top for students with special needs. Special needs are indicated by the student in the Grant Agreement. Top Ups can’t be combined.

• **Proof**: Students must be able to prove the need for a Top Up; Type of proof and requirements are given per mail and are soon published [online].
Erasmus Top Ups – Application for real costs

- **Up to 15.000 € (per semester) for additional costs**
  - Application needs research and time
  - Only reasonable if additional costs exceed ~1000 € (250 €/month)
  - Application has to be handed in (at DAAD) at least 2 months prior to your stay abroad

- **Applicable for**
  - students with a disability (GdB 20)
  - students with a chronic disease
  - students with one or more children

- Applications for *preparatory trips* can also be submitted

- For more information visit our [website](#)
- In case of interest please contact [Amelie Meiners](#)
Website: Equal Opportunities: Everyone Can Study Abroad

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