Erasmus+ General Information 2022/23
(May 2022)
Agenda

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Part 1

Study abroad with Erasmus
Study abroad with Erasmus - Website

- All information related to the application process and Erasmus available on [rwth-aachen.de/erasmus](http://rwth-aachen.de/erasmus)
  - Application requirements
  - Application process
  - Erasmus duties
  - FAQ
  - ..

- Winter term: Starting before 01.01.23
- Summer term: Starting after 01.01.23
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 – Benefits

- Temporary study abroad (min. 2 - max. 12 months) without obtaining a degree
- Academic recognition of credits earned at host university (be early!)
- 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)
  • Exception: In the application the scholarship is rejected by the student (e.g. due to another DAAD or EU funding) or if you actively rejected the 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)

• Scholarship amount depends on country group
Erasmus Scholarship

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

Funding modality*
1 Semester: 2-5* months of funding
2 Semester: 8-10* months of funding

*might change! Info in July
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 place 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

  Alternative for exceptions: Learning Agreement PDF

• Online Language Test

• 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](https://erasmusplus.ec.europa.eu) and [FAQ](https://erasmusplus.ec.europa.eu)

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
Thank you for your attention!

Any questions?

Presentation will be uploaded in the download area of our Erasmus-Website: rwth-aachen.de/erasmus
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 for 2022/23

• Students from a non-academic household
• Working students

Exact criteria is still pending. Will be published online.
Erasmus+ Top Ups & Green Travel

• **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 to be announced by DAAD. More info soon on our [website](#) and in the Grant Agreement.

• **Green Travel Support** (50€) for travelling with a “green” vehicle; indicated by the student in the Grant Agreement (and probably Confirmation of Study Abroad).
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](#)
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Service International Office – Erasmus Top Ups

Website: Equal Opportunities: Everyone Can Study Abroad

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