



Erasmus+ Programme

Bilateral Inter-Institutional Agreement

Key Action 1 Learning Mobility for Higher Education Students and Staff among EU Member States and third countries associated to the Programme ¹

The institutions 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, including [automatic recognition](#) of the credits awarded to students by the partner institution as agreed in the Learning Agreement and confirmed in the Transcript of Records, or according to the learning outcomes of the modules completed abroad, as described in the Course Catalogue, in line with the [European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System](#). The institutions agree on exchanging their mobility related data in line with the technical standards of the [European Student Card Initiative](#).

Grading systems of the institutions

Receiving higher education institutions need to provide a link to the statistical distribution of grades or make the information available through [EGRACONS](#) according to the descriptions in the [ECTS users' guide](#). The information will facilitate the interpretation of each grade awarded to students and will facilitate the credit transfer by the sending institution.

Information in highlight are instructions and should be deleted before signing the agreement.

¹ Clauses may be added to this template agreement to better reflect the nature of the institutional partnership.

Validity period of the agreement

Timeframe	Academic Year*	Call Year*
Start of validity	[2021/2022]	[2022]
End of validity ✓	[2028/2029]	[2027]

* One of the two options should be selected.

A. Information about the higher education institutions

Name of the institution (and department, where relevant)	Erasmus code	Contact details ² (email, phone)	Websites (General/Faculties/ Course catalogue)
UNIVERSITY OF MESSINA Represented by Prof. Salvatore Cuzzocrea, Rector address: Piazza S. Pugliatti, 1 98123 MESSINA (ITALY)	I MESSINA1	Erasmus Institutional Coordinator Dott. Giuseppe Lucchese, PhD Head of International Mobility Unit glucchese@unime.it Academic Coordinator Prof. A. Bitto alessandra.bitto@unime.it Department of Biomedical, Dental, Morphological and Functional Imaging Sciences	https://www.unime.it/ https://international.unime.it/ https://www.unime.it/it/dipartimenti/biomorf
UNIVERSIDAD DE SALAMANCA	E SALAMAN02	Institutional Coordinator: Efrem Yildiz Vice-Chancellor for Internationalisation C/Benedicto XVI, 22, 1 ^a Planta 37008 Salamanca (Spain) Tel.: +34 923294426 Email: erasmus@usal.es Departmental Coordinator: Prof. Jesús Lacal Romero Faculty of Biology,	General: https://www.usal.es/ https://rel-int.usal.es/es/ Faculty/faculties: https://facultadbiologia.usal.es/ https://facultadbiologia.usal.es/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/plan-2015-gbiologia-1.pdf https://facultadbiologia.usal.es/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/plan-de-estudios-biotecnologia-2020.pdf Course catalogue: https://www.usal.es/grados

² Contact details to reach the senior officer in charge of this agreement and of its possible updates.

		University of Salamanca Campus Unamuno, Edificio Departamental, LAB 324 37007, Salamanca (Spain) Tel.: +34 663 030 885 E-mail: int.coordinator.fb@usal.es	https://www.usal.es/masteres https://doctorado.usal.es/es/doctorados
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B. Mobility numbers³ per academic year

[Paragraph to be added, 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 January in the preceding academic year.]

FROM [Erasmus code of the sending institution]	TO [Erasmus code of the receiving institution]	Subject area code (optional)* [ISCED]	Subject area name (optional)*	Field of education – Clarification (optional)	Study cycle [short cycle, 1 st , 2 nd or 3 rd] (optional)*	Number of student mobility periods	
						Student Mobility for Studies [total number of students]	Student mobility for for Training [total number of months]
I MESSINA01	E SALAMAN02	4211	Microbiology and Microbial Biotechnology		1 st	2 x 6 month each	1 x 6 month each
E SALAMAN02	I MESSINA01	4211	Microbiology and Microbial Biotechnology		1 st	2 x 6 month each	1 x 6 month each

Short-term blended mobility option for students

By checking this box, the partners confirm that they are willing to exchange students who wish to carry out their mobility in a blended format, a combination of a short-term physical mobility with a virtual component.

³ Mobility numbers can be given per sending/receiving institutions and per education field (optional*:
<https://circabc.europa.eu/sd/a/286ebac6-aa7c-4ada-a42b-ff2cf3a442bf/ISCED-F%202013%20-%20Detailed%20field%20descriptions.pdf>)

FROM [Erasmus code of the sending institution]	TO [Erasmus code of the receiving institution]	Subject area code (optional)* [ISCED]	Subject area name (optional)*	Number of staff mobility periods	
				Staff Mobility for Teaching [total number of staff]	Staff Mobility for Training (optional)* [total number of days]
I MESSINA01	E SALAMAN02	4211 Microbiology and Microbial Biotechnology	Biotechnology	2 x 8 hours	2 x 5 days
E SALAMAN02	I MESSINA01	4211 Microbiology and Microbial Biotechnology	Biotechnology	2 x 8 hours	2 x 5 days

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 ⁴	
				Student Mobility for Studies [Minimum recommended level: B1]	Staff Mobility for Teaching [Minimum recommended level: B2]
I MESSINA01	E SALAMAN02	Italian	English *	B1	B2
E SALAMAN02	I MESSINA01	Spanish	English **	B1	B2

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D. Calendar

Nominations of incoming students must reach the institution by:

Receiving institution [Erasmus code]	Autumn term* [day/month]	Spring term* [day/month]
I MESSINA01	June, 15 th	November, 15 th
E SALAMAN02	June, 15 th	June, 15 th

⁴ For 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>

Applications from incoming students must reach the institution by:

Receiving institution [Erasmus code]	Autumn term* [day/month]	Spring term* [day/month]
I MESSINA01	June, 30 th	November, 30 th
E SALAMAN02	June, 15 th	June, 15 th

Application procedure for incoming students

Receiving institution [Erasmus code]	Contact details (email, phone)	Website for information
I MESSINA01	erasmus@unime.it	https://international.unime.it/study-with-us/erasmus-incoming-students-for-study/
E SALAMAN02	Email: erasmus-in@usal.es Tel.: +34 666 598622 +34 677 522576	http://rel-int.usal.es

Receiving institution [Erasmus code]	Requirement	Details	Website for information (if applicable)
I MESSINA01	Academic requirements CV Motivation letter Other	- Number of ECTS credits completed - Subject area code – ISCED - EQF level	https://www.unime.it/it/international/ects-e-diploma-supplement-0
E SALAMAN02	-	-	-

E. Additional requirements

The receiving institution will send its decision within **no later than 5 weeks**.

Inclusion and accessibility

The institution will provide support to incoming mobile participants with fewer opportunities, 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:

Receiving institution [Erasmus code]	Available infrastructure adjusted for people with:	Description of infrastructure (optional)	Contact details (email, phone)	Website for information
I MESSINA01	- Reduced mobility - Hearing impairments - Visual impairments -	servizi.dd@uni.me.it	https://www.unime.it/it/ateneo/servizidd
E SALAMAN02	Any kind of disability, whether this be a physical or sensory impairment, medical condition, learning difficulty, mental health need, or any other condition which has a long-term adverse effect on study or work		Social Affairs Service (SAS) sas@usal.es Tel.: +34923294500 Ext.: 3083	http://sas.usal.es e.g. available infrastructure for: Reduced mobility or hearing/visual impairments, students/staff with children, etc. Support is available to all students and staff with disabilities through the University's Disability Advisory and Support Service.

F. Information

1. 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
I MESSINA01	Erasmus Mobility Office Via. Consolato del Mare – 41 Messina – Italy +39 090 676 8534/8532 erasmus@unime.it	https://international.unime.it (See "Services&Facilities")
E SALAMAN02	University of Salamanca Residence Halls colegios@usal.es Tel.: +34923294550 University Guidance Office (SPIO) (flats, rooms, houses...) sou@usal.es Tel.: +34923294648	http://spio.usal.es (Alojamiento) http://usal.es/colegios-residencias

2. Visa

The sending and receiving institutions will provide assistance, when required, in securing visas for incoming and outgoing 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
I MESSINA01	Erasmus Mobility Office Via. Consolato del Mare – 41 Messina – Italy +39 090 676 8534/8532 erasmus@unime.it	https://international.unime.it (see "Living in Messina – Residence Permit")
E SALAMAN02	International Relations Office erasmus@usal.es Tel.: +34 923294426	http://rel-int.usal.es

3. Insurance

The sending and receiving institutions will provide assistance in obtaining insurance for incoming and outgoing 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
I MESSINA01	Erasmus Mobility Office Via. Consolato del Mare – 41 Messina – Italy +39 090 676 8534/8532 erasmus@unime.it	https://international.unime.it (see "Living in Messina – Health Care")
E SALAMAN02	International Relations Office erasmus@usal.es Tel.: +34 923294426 All students participating in international mobility programmes are obliged to purchase the mobility insurance policy of the University of Salamanca that includes coverage for repatriation. This insurance can be obtained by each student directly.	http://rel-int.usal.es

4. Additional information

Receiving institution [Erasmus code]	Information on recognition process / other useful information:	Contact details (email, phone)	Website for information
I MESSINA01	The University of Messina follows the ECTS system.	erasmus@unime.it	https://www.unime.it/it/international/ects-e-diploma-supplement-0
E SALAMAN02	-	-	-

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]*

Any other information regarding the terms of the agreement (optional)

Institution [Erasmus code or city]	EGRACONS [If applicable]	Website for information
E SALAMAN02	<p>In the Spanish university system, each course unit is graded on a sea/e from 0 to 10 points, and each numerical grade correspond to a qualitative grade as fo/lows:</p> <p>0-4.9 Suspenso (Fail) 5-6.9 Aprobado (Pass): 7-8.9 Notable (Good) 9-10 Sobresaliente (Very Good) Matrícula de Honor</p> <p>No Presentado (Absent). When a student does not take the corresponding examination or final assessment.</p>	https://www.usal.es/

Termination of the agreement

[It is up to the involved institutions to agree on the procedure for modifying or terminating the inter-institutional agreement. However, in the event of unilateral termination, a notice of at least one academic year should be given. This means that a unilateral decision to discontinue the exchanges notified to the other party by 1 September 2027 will only take effect as of 1 September 2028+1. The termination clauses must include the following disclaimer: "Neither the European Commission nor the National Agencies can be held responsible in case of a conflict."]

G. SIGNATURES OF THE INSTITUTIONS (legal representatives)

Institution [Erasmus code]	Name, function	Date	Signature ⁵
I MESSINA01	Prof. Salvatore Cuzzocrea Rector		
E SALAMAN02	Vº Bº Vice-Chancellor for International Relations Efrem Yıldız Sadak		
	Departmental Coordinator Prof. Jesús Lacal Faculty of Biology		

⁵ Scanned signatures are accepted