



Erasmus+ Programme

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

Inter-institutional¹ agreement 2019-2020/21² 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) | Erasmus code | Contact details ³ (name, function, email, phone) | Website (eg. of the course catalogue) |
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| Linnaeus University / Linnéuniversitetet Faculty of Social Science | S VAXJ003 | Erasmus coordinator: Camilla Andersson Lundqvist Email: intrel@lnu.se Faculty coordinator: Maria Barath Email: Maria.barath@lnu.se Academic contact person: Barzoo Eliassi Department of Social work Email: barzoo.eliassi@lnu.se | https://lnu.se/en/education/ |
| Università degli Studi di Messina Represented by Prof. Salvatore Cuzzocrea, Rector address: Piazza S.Pugliatti, 1 98123 MESSINA (ITALY) | I MESSINA01 | Institutional Coordinator: Dott. Giuseppe Lucchese, PhD Head of Organisational Unit Students Services and International Engagement glucchese@unime.it Departmental Coordinator Prof. ssa Patrizia Panarello Dipartimento di Scienze Cognitive, Psicologiche, Pedagogiche e degli Studi Culturali ppanarello@unime.it | http://www.unime.it https://international.unime.it/ http://www.unime.it/it/dipartimenti, specs www.uv.es |

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 numbers per 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 [ISCED] ⁴ | Subject area name | Study cycle [1 st , 2 nd or 3 rd] | Number of student mobility periods | |
|---------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| | | | | | Student Mobility for Studies Total number of months of the study periods or average duration | Student Mobility for Training Total number of months of the training periods or average duration |
| S VAXJO03 | I MESSINA01 | 0923 | Social work and counselling | 1 st 2 nd | 1x6 1x10 | tbv |
| I MESSINA01 | S VAXJO03 | 0923 | Social work and counselling | 1 st 2 nd | 1x6 1x10 | tbv |

| 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 |
| S VAXJO03 | I MESSINA01 | 0923 | Social work and counselling | 1x 7 | Upon request |
| I MESSINA01 | S VAXJO03 | 0923 | Social work and counselling | 1x7 | Upon request |

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:

⁴ Education field: <http://www.uis.unesco.org/Education/Pages/international-standard-classification-of-education.aspx>

| Receiving institution [Erasmus code] | Language of instruction 1 | Language of instruction 2 | Recommended language of instruction level ⁵ | |
|-----------------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| | | | Student Mobility for Studies | Staff Mobility for Teaching |
| S VAXJO03 | English | Swedish | B2 | B2 |
| I MESSINA01 | Italian | English (teachers / staff) | B1 | B2 |

For more details on the language of instruction recommendations, see the website of each institution.

D. Additional requirements

S VAXJO03: Linnaeus University operates on two campuses; Kalmar and Växjö. Exchange students are welcome to study at either campus. Programmes and courses that are offered for exchange students are open to qualified students, nominated by their home university as exchange students; students are required to arrive in time for the beginning of the semester, exception are to be negotiated in advance, and study full-time during their exchange. Students on 3rd study cycle and any staff mobility have to be negotiated individually, well in advance.

Linnaeus University, S VAXJO03, welcomes students with disabilities. If special support is needed, contact the Office of Student Affairs as soon as possible after being nominated by the home university; all support is offered on an individual basis.

I MESSINA01: Students should highlight any disabilities at application stage so that their needs and requirements can be addressed and the right support assured prior to their acceptance. The University of Messina ensures support to both local and visiting students and staff with disability. Please refer to <https://www.unime.it/it/ateneo/servizidd>

E. Calendar

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

| Receiving institution [Erasmus code] | Autumn term | Spring term |
|-----------------------------------------|-------------|------------------------|
| S VAXJO03 | April 1 | October 1 ⁶ |
| I MESSINA01 | June, 30th | November, 30th |

⁵ 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>

⁶ For students on 1st and 2nd study cycle, students on 3rd study cycle has to be negotiated individually.

2. The receiving institution will send its decision within 6-8 weeks.
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.
4. Termination of the agreement

In case of termination of this Agreement before the end of the contractual period, a notification about termination shall be sent to the other party within one (1) year, permitting, as far as possible, students and personnel to complete any exchange already begun. 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

Linnaeus University uses four different grading scales. The most common for international students is the A-F-scale where students are assessed with the criterion-based A-F grades (A, B, C, D, E, Fx or F). In order to pass the course, students need to meet the expected learning outcomes, which is stated in respective course syllabus. The grade A constitutes the highest grade on the scale and the remaining grades follow in descending order where the grade E is the lowest grade on the scale that will result in a pass. The grade F means that the student's performance is assessed as failed. Fx is not a grade and is only used when a student is allowed to complement the examination. For students who do not pass the examination, retake examinations are provided in accordance with local regulations at Linnaeus University. The other grading scales are: *pass*, *pass with distinction*, and *fail*; or *pass* and *fail*; or the grading scale for engineering students where 3-5 are passing grades. More information can be found at: <https://lnu.se/en/education/Before-your-studies/academic-studies-in-sweden/>.

I MESSINA01:

The University of Messina follows the ECTS system. Please refer to <https://www.unime.it/it/international/ects-e-diploma-supplement-0>

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 |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| S VAXJ003 | inexchange@lnu.se +46 772 28 80 00 | https://lnu.se/en/education/Before-your-studies/preparing-for-your-stay/ |
| 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") |

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 |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| S VAXJO03 | inexchange@lnu.se +46 772 28 80 00 | https://lnu.se/en/education/Before-your-studies/preparing-for-your-stay/ |
| 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") |

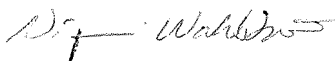

4. Housing

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 |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| S VAXJO03 | inexchange@lnu.se +46 772 28 80 00 | https://lnu.se/en/education/Before-your-studies/preparing-for-your-stay/ |
| 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") |

G. SIGNATURES OF THE INSTITUTIONS (legal representatives)

| Institution [Erasmus code] | Name, function | Date | Signature ⁷ |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| S VAXJO03 | Prof. Ninni Wahlström Dean Faculty of Social Science | 14/11-2019 |  |
| I MESSINA01 | Prof. Salvatore Cuzzocrea Rector | |  |



⁷ The signature represents a commitment for full implementation and respect of the inter-institutional agreement and the learning agreements, also including parts of the institution for which the signatory might not be responsible for (e.g., admission and other student support functions). Scanned signatures are accepted.