



Erasmus+ Programme

Bilateral Inter-Institutional Agreement

Key Action 1 Learning Mobility for Higher Education Students and Staff

among EU Member States¹

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.

Validity period of the agreement

Timeframe	Academic Year*
Start of validity	2022/2023
End of validity	2027/2028

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

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 Minho	P BRAGA01	International Relations Office Ana Esteves Director Universidade do Minho - Campus of Gualtar 4710-057 Braga +351-253-604505 coop.int@usai.uminho.pt	https://www.uminho.pt/EN/education/international-students/
UNIVERSITY OF MESSINA Represented by Prof. Salvatore Cuzzocrea, Rector address: Piazza S.Pugliatti,1 98123 MESSINA (ITALY) Dipartimento di Patologia umana dell'adulto e dell'età evolutiva "Gaetano Barresi" Dipartimento di Scienze biomediche, odontoiatriche e delle immagini morfologiche e funzionali	I MESSINA01	Erasmus Institutional Coordinator Dott. Giuseppe Lucchese, PhD Head of International Mobility Unit glucchese@unime.it Academic Coordinator Prof.ssa Irene CACCIOLA icacciola@unime.it Prof. Romeo Carmelo romeo.carmelo@unime.it Prof. G. SANTORO giuseppe.santoro@unime.it	https://www.unime.it/ https://international.unime.it/ https://www.unime.it/it/cds/medicina-e-chirurgia https://www.unime.it/it/cds/medicine-and-surgery

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

B. Mobility numbers³ 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 (optional)* [ISCED]	Subject area name (optional)*	Study cycle [short cycle, 1 st , 2 nd or 3 rd] (optional)*	Student Mobility for Studies [total number of students]	Student mobility for Studies [total number of months]	Student Mobility for Traineeships (optional)* [total number of students]
P BRAGA01	I MESSINA 01	0912	Medicine	1st, 2nd and 3rd	6	6 students x10 months = 60 months	
I MESSINA 01	P BRAGA01	0912	Medicine	1st, 2nd and 3rd	6	6 students x10 months = 60 months	

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)*	Staff Mobility for Teaching [total number of staff]	Staff Mobility for Teaching [total number of days]
P BRAGA01	I MESSINA 01	0912	Medicine	3	5 days each: Total =15 days
I MESSINA 01	P BRAGA01	0912	Medicine	1	5 days each: Total =5 days

[* Optional columns can be deleted if not applicable. Subject area code & name and study cycle are optional. Inter-institutional agreements are not compulsory for Student Mobility for Traineeships or Staff Mobility for Training. Institutions may agree to cooperate on the organisation of traineeship; in this case they should indicate the number of students that they intend to send to the partner country. Total duration in months/days of the student/staff mobility periods can be indicated if relevant.]

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]
P BRAGA01	0912	Portuguese	English	English B2 Portuguese B1	English B2 Portuguese B1
I MESSINA01	0912	Italian	English*	B2 Italian B2 English*	B2

* only for degree course in Medicine & Surgery

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>

D. Calendar

Nominations of incoming students must reach the institution by:

Receiving institution [Erasmus code]	Autumn term* [day/month]	Spring term* [day/month]
P BRAGA01	April 30 th	September 30 th
I MESSINA01	June 15 th	November, 15 th

Applications from incoming students must reach the institution by:

Receiving institution [Erasmus code]	Autumn term* [day/month]	Spring term* [day/month]
P BRAGA01	May 15 th	October 15 th
I MESSINA01	June 30 th	November 30 th

Application procedure for incoming students

Receiving institution [Erasmus code]	Contact details (email, phone)	Website for information
P BRAGA01	incoming@usai.uminho.pt +351253604505	https://alunos.uminho.pt/EN/incomingstudents/ProcedimentosCandidaturas
I MESSINA01	erasmus@unime.it	https://international.unime.it/study-with-us/erasmus-incoming-students-for-study/

E. Additional requirements

Receiving institution [Erasmus code]	Requirement	Details	Website for information (if applicable)
P BRAGA01	Compulsory Orientation Programme Portuguese Language Course		https://alunos.uminho.pt/EN/incomingstudents/Pages/ProgramaORI.aspx https://alunos.uminho.pt/EN/incomingstudents/Pages/CursoLP.aspx
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

The receiving institution will send its decision 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
P BRAGA01	- Reduced Mobility - Hearing Impairments - Visual Impairments	Nucleus for the Promotion of Inclusion, Student Development and Success	inclusao@usaae.uminho.pt +351253601335	https://www.uminho.pt/EN/education/coursecatalogue/Pages/practice.aspx www.usaae.uminho.pt
I MESSINA01	- Reduced mobility - Hearing impairments - Visual impairments		servizi.dd@unime.it	https://www.unime.it/it/ateneo/servizidd

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
P BRAGA01	incoming@usai.uminho.pt +351253604505	https://alunos.uminho.pt/EN/incomingstudents/Pages/Alojamento.aspx
I MESSINA01	Erasmus Mobility Office Via. Consolato del Mare - 41 Messina - Italy +39 090 676 8534/8532	https://international.unime.it (See "Services&Facilities")

	erasmus@unime.it	
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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
P BRAGA01	incoming@usai.uminho.pt +351253604505	https://www.uminho.pt/EN/education/coursecatalogue/Pages/practice.aspx
I MESSINA 01	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 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
P BRAGA01	incoming@usai.uminho.pt +351253604505	https://www.uminho.pt/EN/education/coursecatalogue/Pages/practice.aspx

I MESSINA 01	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")
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4. Additional information

A Transcript of Records will be issued by the institution no later than 5 weeks after the assessment period has finished.

[It should normally not exceed five weeks according to the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education guidelines]

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 20XX will only take effect as of 1 September 20XX+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	Signature⁵
I MESSINA01	Prof. Salvatore Cuzzocrea Rector		
P BRAGA01	Professor Filomena Soares Vice-Rector for Education and Academic Mobility		

⁵ Scanned signatures are accepted