

CALL FOR ERASMUS+ MOBILITY FOR STUDY¹ A.Y. 2024/2025

Deadline: 29 April 2024

SECTION 1: FEATURES OF ERASMUS MOBILITY FOR STUDY

This call is part of the Erasmus+ 2021-2027 programming, governed by Regulation (EU) no. 2021/817 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2021 and the Guide to the Erasmus+ program 2021-2027.

Individual mobility for learning purposes is part of Action 1 under the Erasmus+ 2021/2027 program. This action supports the mobility of female students and students in any subject area and cycle of study (first, second and third cycle of studies).

The aim of this action is to contribute to the creation of a European area of education and to strengthen the link between education and research, in order to promote thinking skills.

Art.1 - Purposes and destinations of mobility for study

Art. 1.1 - Mobility for study

Mobility for study purposes (Student Mobility for Studies-KA131) is provided for under Action 1 under the Erasmus+ 2021/2027 program.

This announcement, being part of this framework, allows you to carry out a period of international mobility as part of the first, second and third cycle (doctorate) at a foreign Partner University that has signed a bilateral agreement with the University of Messina and where you can:

- take courses and take exams.
- combine a period of study with a period of curricular / thesis research internship.
- carry out research in the context of the relevant doctorate.

Art. 1.2 Destinations of mobility for study

Erasmus mobility for study can:

- cover any subject area and cycle of studies (first, second or third cycle)
- take place in partner universities with which the University of Messina has signed an agreement and which are located in one of the following countries of the so-called Program Countries group which includes: the member states of the European Union, the countries of the European Economic Area (Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway), the candidate countries for EU membership (Turkey, Serbia and the Republic of North Macedonia);

The contents of the Call are to be considered conditional, depending on the results of the 2024 Call and the consequent agreement between the Erasmus+ National Agency and the University of Messina. The activities and related economic contributions of the Call are therefore subject to changes which will be promptly noticed with further provisions and communicated to students through institutional channels.

¹ **IMPORTANT:** The Italian version of the Erasmus+ Study Call is the official one. In case of discrepancies, Italian version will prevail

Art.2 - Requirements for participation in the Erasmus+ mobility program

Art. 2.1 - General requirements for participation in the Erasmus+ program

It is possible to carry out one or more Erasmus+ mobility for study in the same cycle of studies or in different academic years. However, there is a maximum number of Erasmus mobility months for each study cycle, detailed below:

- I cycle (degree): maximum 12 months (360 days)
- II cycle (specialist / master's degree): maximum 12 months (360 days)
- Single cycle degree: maximum 24 months (720 days)
- III cycle (doctorate, specialization or second level master): maximum 12 months (360 days)

Any Erasmus mobility periods carried out in virtual mode by the country of habitual residence starting from the academic year 2020/2021, will not be counted for the purpose of calculating the maximum Erasmus mobility months per study cycle.

By applying for the Erasmus academic year call 2024/2025, the candidate confirms that he / she has a number of monthly payments available that is congruent with the aforementioned rule.

It is the responsibility of each candidate to check the number of Erasmus months still available for the relevant study cycle, for the purposes of applying for this call. In the event of a false declaration, the mobility can be canceled by providing for the return of the contributions paid. In this regard, the criminal responsibilities related to the issuing of false declarations are also referred to (criminal code and special laws on the subject, pursuant to and for the purposes of Article 76 of Presidential Decree no. 445/2000).

Art. 2.2 - Requirements for participation in the Erasmus+ program provided by the University of Messina

The University of Messina, guaranteeing equal treatment for men and women, allows all female students of the University of Messina to participate in the Erasmus+ study program who are regularly enrolled in a:

- degree course.
- master's degree.
- single-cycle master's degree course.
- PhD students (without doctoral scholarship)

Participation in the Erasmus+ study program is subject to the possession of the matriculation / enrollment requirements specified in the Table below together with the language requirements referred to in art. 2.3.

UniME Requirements for enrolment for participation in the Erasmus+ Programme	
Description of the mobility	Enrolment requirements
Mobility of a student enrolled / enrolled from the 1st year of a bachelor's, master's or single cycle degree course, PhD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enrollment/registration in the academic year 2024/2025 with full payment of the feeto be done before the start of the mobility within 15/09/2024. • Be full-time students/PhD of UniME, regularly enrolled (in the normal duration of the CdS) in bachelor's degree courses (first cycle), Master's / single cycle degree (second cycle), research doctorate (third cycle), at the time of candidacy (AY 2023/2024) and for the entire duration of the stay abroad (AY 2024/2025); • Having passed any OFA Debt before the start of the mobility under penalty of cancellation of the mobility; • Not been registered as a repeater student for more than a year; • Possess the linguistic competence required by the Partner Universities in which the mobility period is to be carried out, as specified in the "available destinations" sheets (Annex 1 and Annex 2) • Not having already used the maximum number of months of mobility allowed by the Erasmus+ Program in their study cycle. • Not being enrolled, at the time of submission of the application, for several yearsexceeding the normal duration of one's own

	degree program (so-called “out of course”).
Mobility of a non-EU student enrolled in the first year of a bachelor’s degree, master’s degree or single cycle master’s degree	<p>Same enrollment requirements and duration of mobility referred to in the previous point.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • be in possession, at the time of submitting the application and for the entire duration of the mobility, of a regular residence permit. The residence permit must be renewed before the mobility begins. <p>Students leaving in the first semester who do not have a regularly renewed residence permit must plan their departure in the second semester. It is therefore advisable to renew it well in advance of the departure date.</p>

Art. 2.3 – Language Requirements

Candidates must insert one of the following documents concerning the language requirements of the Host institution.

1. International certifications recognized by the Italian Ministry of Universities and Research (MUR) in the following Table n.2:

International Certificates recognized by the MUR	
English	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IELTS (International English Language Testing System - University of Cambridge) • PET (Preliminary English Test - University of Cambridge) • FCE (First Certificate in English - University of Cambridge) • CAE (Cambridge Advanced English - University of Cambridge) • CPE (Cambridge Proficiency English - University of Cambridge)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language) • ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages - University of Cambridge) • ISE (Integrated Skill in English – Trinity College London)
French	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DELF (Diplome d'études en langue Française – Alliance Française/CIEP) • DALF (Diplome approfondit de langue Française - Alliance Française/CIEP) • ESABAC (Esame di Stato-Baccalauréat) • DFP (Diplome de Française Professionnel - CCIP)
German	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Goethe-Zertifikat B1 • Goethe-Zertifikat B2 • ÖSD Zertifikat B1 • ÖSD Zertifikat B2 • TestDaF (Test Deutsch als Fremdsprache)
Spanish	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DELE (Diplomas de Espanol como Lengua Extranjera – Instituto Cervantes) • SIELE (Servicio Internacional de Evaluación de la Lengua Española – Instituto Cervantes)

2. Self-certification (Attachment n.3 in the Call)

	<p>1) Having passed the language exam provided for, in the study plan and that the career registration has taken place.</p> <p>The passed language must coincide with the official language of the country of destination or with the language accepted by the host organization as a "vehicular language". For bachelors, the language exam passed is</p>
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<p>Self-certification - drawn up according to the model available in Annex 3 of the Call - in which the candidate declares to be in one of the following positions:</p>	<p>at level B1, while for master's and single-cycle courses it is at level B2 (except in cases where the “Manifesto degli studi” does not provide for a different level).</p>
	<p>2) Be a mother tongue student or enrolled in courses taught entirely in English. This option is valid for students applying for those locations that require English as a requirement.</p>
	<p>3) Pass the Online Linguistic Support (OLS) test. This option is reserved exclusively for those who have already completed an Erasmus mobility during the a.y. 2022/2023 and 2023/2024.</p>
	<p>4) Pass a language test CLA for previous participation in Erasmus+ Study or Erasmus+ Traineeship (internship) mobility calls in the calendar years 2022 and 2023.</p>

3. Letter of commitment to achieve the language level required by the assigned office (Annex 4 of the Call).

Participation in the call without specific linguistic competence is also allowed. The student undertakes to achieve and certify the necessary language level by choosing one of the following options:

- By passing a language test offered by UniME (CLA)
- By passing the language exam in his/her career

The required language level, under penalty of revocation of the scholarship and consequent reassignment of the site to another student usefully placed in the ranking, **MUST** be reached by the following dates stated below.

Language level	June 30 th 2024 - for departures in the 1 st semester / full year
	November 30 th 2024 - for departures in the 2 nd semester

Students who choose to submit the "letter of commitment" will be considered "conditional" assignees.

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For many destinations it is now necessary to have a good / excellent knowledge of the foreign language and this requirement is often required during the application phase (registration on the portal of the foreign university). Therefore, we invite students to consult the information relating to the required language requirement, in advance on the web page of the host university.

In compliance with the requirements of the Three-Year Corruption Prevention and Transparency Plan 2023-2025, relating to the verification of the authenticity of the international language self-certifications / certifications submitted for participation in the call, candidates may be contacted, on a sample basis, to produce the documentation subject to verification with attached the declaration of conformity to the original copy of deeds or documents (pursuant to Presidential Decree no. 445/2000).

Art. 3 - Duration of Erasmus+ mobility

The duration of the Erasmus+ mobility is established in each bilateral agreement signed between the University of Messina and the individual partner universities.

The Erasmus mobility period must be carried out in compliance with the provisions of art. 2. of this announcement.

The University of Messina, in order to promote quality international mobility, points out the importance and academic value of carrying out the Erasmus+ international mobility in compliance with the duration (number of months) provided for by the bilateral agreement of the destination referred to it will result, eventually, winners / winners.

The mobility can be started starting from 1 September 2024 must be completed by 30 September 2025 and must be carried out on an ongoing basis.

There are the two types of mobility:

Types of Erasmus+ Mobility	
Long Mobility	<p>It can be carried out by all female students and students belonging to the I, II study cycle and research doctorate at the Partner Universities with which the University of Messina has signed an agreement and which are in the Program Countries (countries of European Union)</p> <p>Each long mobility must have a mandatory minimum duration of 2 months (60 days) and a maximum of 12 months (360 days).</p>
Short Mobility	<p>This is new to the program. This type of mobility is reserved only for PhD students enrolled in UniME doctoral courses.</p> <p>Short mobility is allowed with a minimum mandatory duration of 5 days up to a maximum of 30 days.</p> <p>For this call for proposals, short mobility is envisaged only within the Program Countries. Short mobility must be authorized by the host university in the manner indicated in this notice in art. 8.</p>

Students / PhD students can choose to carry out, at the available destinations, alternatively a type of Erasmus mobility (long mobility or short mobility) in compliance with what is indicated in points 1 and 2 above. For PhD students the mobility must take place before the doctorate ends.

Art.4 - Activities allowed and prohibited during Erasmus+ mobility.

During the Erasmus+ mobility for study, at the host university, it is possible to:

- attend courses and take exams.

- carry out activities aimed at drafting the degree thesis.
- carry out a continuous combined mobility (study + internship and / or thesis research). In this case, the activities must be carried out in a complementary manner to the study activity and under the supervision of the host University.

It is the responsibility of the host University to ultimately approve the training agreement to be carried out.

It is advisable to check in advance and during the application phase if the University of interest is available to offer its supervision for carrying out curricular internships and / or aimed at drafting the degree thesis.

It is up to the host University to ultimately approve the intended training agreement.

Given the importance of carrying out a quality international mobility aimed at carrying out teaching activities at the host University, the University of Messina does not allow the following activities during the Erasmus+ mobility:

- take courses and take exams at the University of Messina.
- graduate from the University of Messina.

Art. 5 - Recognition of training activities carried out during the Erasmus+ mobility.

The period of international mobility is an integral part of the educational path and enjoys full academic recognition, based on what has been agreed in advance with the contact person for international mobility of the relevant Degree Program and with the host University through the Learning Agreement for Studies (study plan for the mobility period).

The planned and agreed activity for the mobility period must be consistent with the disciplinary area (ISCED Area) specified in the bilateral agreement signed between the University of Messina and the Partner University and comply with the provisions of the "<https://www.unime.it/international/documenti-e-regolamenti>".

Art. 6 - Erasmus "Status": equalization of studies and services

Those who win the call for applications enjoy the "status" of Erasmus student, which guarantees, in their respective universities, what is reported in the following table:

Erasmus STATUS	
At UniME	At hosting University
Recognition of the study period and training activities carried out during the mobility and included in the Learning Agreement	Exemption from payment of tuition fees (except for any specific contributions required).
	Extension of the insurance coverage of UniME for R.C. and accidents during the completion of training activities abroad. Insurance coverage is guaranteed only if you are duly registered with UniME.
	Use of the free services offered by the host university (eg: courses, language, accommodation search support, tutoring, etc.)

Art. 7 - Financial contribution

The overall financial contribution for the mobility period is provided through EU funds allocated by the Erasmus+ / INDIRE National Agency, the Ministry of University and Research (MUR) and UNIME. It consists of a mobility contribution (see articles 7.1 and 7.2) and a possible travel contribution, where applicable (see article 7.3).

In particular, the amount of the contribution varies depending on:

- type of mobility (long mobility or short mobility for PhD students)
- destination country
- economic and financial situation.

Art. 7.1 - Financial contribution for Erasmus+ Long mobility

The contribution for Erasmus study long mobility consists of the following amount items:

1) **ITEM A** - European monthly grant allocated by the Erasmus+ / INDIRE National Agency.

This component is provided to all the winners of the Erasmus+ study A.A. call. 2024/2025, varies based on the country of destination and corresponds to the following amounts:

Amount Item A – European monthly grant provided by the Erasmus+ / INDIRE National Agency	
Destination countries	Amount
<u>GROUP 1 High cost of LIVING</u> Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Ireland, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Luxemburg, Norway, the Netherlands, Sweden	350.00 euro per month
<u>GROUP 2 Medium cost of LIVING:</u> Cyprus, Estonia, Greece, Latvia, Malta, Portugal, Czech Republic, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain	300.00 euro per month
<u>GROUP 3 LOW cost of LIVING:</u> Bulgaria, Croatia, Lithuania, North Macedonia, Poland, Romania, Serbia, Turkey, Hungary.	250.00 euro per month

ITEM B - Supplementary contribution for disadvantaged economic situations.

This supplementary contribution is paid based on the possession of specific requirements relating to:

- merit: achievement and career placement of at least 12 ECTS at the end of the mobility
- economic and patrimonial situation: having, before starting a mobility, an ISEE * with a value between 0 and € 50,000.

The amount of the supplementary contribution, paid to those entitled, will vary depending on the value of the ISEE as indicated in the following table:

ITEM B AMOUNT – Integrated contribution Erasmus+ provided by MUR and UniME	
ISEE* Income statement	Monthly amount
ISEE ≤ 13.000	€ 400
13.000 < ISEE ≤ 21.000	€ 350
21.001 < ISEE ≤ 26.000	€ 300
26.001 < ISEE ≤ 30.000	€ 250
30.001 < ISEE ≤ 40.000	€ 200
40.001 < ISEE ≤ 50.000	€ 150
ISEE > 50.001	€ 0

*Note: ISEE reference details are indicated in art. 7.4 of this Call

ITEM C - Supplementary European contributions for female students and students with special needs

These are contributions allocated by the European Commission and intended for those with specific physical, mental or health conditions. The availability of these contributions will be notified directly to those who are the winners of the Erasmus for study call. To access it, it will be necessary to submit a specific request based on the procedures and timing defined by the Erasmus Plus INDIRE National Agency. For more information, contact the Mobility for Study Operational Unit (erasmus@unime.it). The funding of Erasmus mobility grants is subject to the allocation of funds from the Erasmus Plus INDIRE National Agency.

The payment of economic contributions (item A and item B) to support mobility is subject to the assignment of funding by the National Erasmus+ Agency INDIRE, following evaluation of the 2024 Call, and by the Ministry of University and Research (" Youth Fund 2024"). In the event that the economic attributions are not sufficient to cover all the places and periods attributed to the "winners", the number of monthly payments financed and/or the amount of the additional contribution may be reduced proportionally to the duration of the months agreed by the mobility contract signed by the student.

Art. 7.2 - Financial contribution Erasmus+ short mobility for PhD students

The PhD students in the Erasmus study A.A. call 2024/2025 can carry out an Erasmus+ mobility to Program Countries of the "short mobility" type instead of Long Mobility, upon explicit request presented during the application phase (according to the procedures specified in art. 8.3 of this Call) and upon subsequent authorization by the University host.

In the case of Short Mobility, specific contributions are foreseen that will replace and NOT be added to those foreseen by the Erasmus+ Long Mobility.

Grants for Erasmus short mobility carried out as part of a PhD program at a University of a Country Program are of two types, which can be combined with each other:

- Individual support: daily amount paid to all PhD students / winners of the Erasmus for study A.A. 2024/25 who will carry out a short mobility.

The values relating to the item Individual Support are indicated in the table below:

Erasmus short mobility grant ONLY for PhD students			
Beneficiary	Type of contribution	Additional requirements	Grant
Ph.D Erasmus Call 24/25 winners	Individual support	N.A.	1-14 days of mobility: €70 per day
			15-30 days of mobility: €50 per day

that will carry out a short mobility period in the Programme Countries	Top-Up *Travel green		

*Additional EU contribution for sustainable mobility (Eco travel)

Participants who choose to travel using sustainable means of transport (all except SHIP and PLANE) will be able to obtain the "Green Travel" contribution by sending the documentation proving the trip for eco-friendly travel, to erasmus@unime.it. The contribution can be awarded exclusively to students who use sustainable means for the entire journey (either one way and return trip) After verifying the admissibility of the supporting documentation, the student will benefit from an increase in the contribution for individual support for the additional travel days, up to a maximum of 4 days.

Furthermore, the contribution to mobility expenses will be recalculated as follows:

Ships and planes are NOT sustainable means of transport, even if purchase options are applied to offset CO2 emissions. Car trips are admissible only if carried out in car-sharing mode through companies/services in the sector.

Art. 7.3 Travel grant amount for short mobility

The University of Messina, in implementation of the provisions of the Erasmus 2021-2027 program, provides for the recognition of a specific travel grant for the short mobility of the doctoral students / winners / bulls of the Erasmus A.A. call. 24/25 which can be accessed exclusively.

The contribution (the so-called TRAVEL GRANT) is a contribution aimed at those who use standard means of transport due to the beneficiaries of Erasmus Studio A.A. mobility. 2024/2025 which, on the basis of the values defined by the Ministerial Provisions (for the year 2022 ISEE with a value between 0 and € 26.306.25 *), are in conditions of economic hardship and who incur travel expenses for carrying out the Erasmus+ short mobility to program countries. This is a one- time amount recognized for a round trip, which will be recognized and paid at the end of the mobility after the checks carried out by the Mobility for Study Operating Unit and which has an amount that varies on the basis of the kilometric bands identified by EU community cost of living levels, as detailed below:



TRAVEL GRANT requirements and amounts			
Beneficiary requirements	Admissibility for mobility	Number of kilometers	Amount
PhD students/winners of Erasmus scholarship 2023/24 with ISEE* between 0 and € 26.306.25 * (for the year 2022 as defined by the National provisions)	Erasmus Short Mobility in Programme Countries	10- 99 KM	€23
		100- 499 KM	€180
		500- 1999 KM	€275
		2000- 2999 KM	€360
		3000- 3999 KM	€530
		4000 -7999 KM	€820
		8000 KM or more	€1.500
*Note: ISEE reference details indicated in article 7.4 of this Call			

Art. 7.4 - Assessment of economic and equity requirements

For the determination of supplementary contributions, reference is made to the ISEE calculated specifically for benefits for the right to university study, communicated upon enrollment in the A.Y. 2023/24. In case of failure to present the ISEE 2023/24 certification or in case of lack of consent during the registration, the MUR contribution will not be paid. Please note that students who benefit from any exemptions or benefits included in their career who intend to carry out Erasmus mobility must, at the time of application, request the ISEEU from the CAF. For the appropriate checks it is possible to send a copy of the document to the Mobility for Study Unit at the address erasmus@unime.it by 30/06/2024 for departures in the months of September/October and by 30/09/2024 for departures in the second semester.

International students will proceed with the calculation of the equivalent University ISEEU PARIFICATO exclusively at the CAFs affiliated with UniME whose list is available on-line. In the event of failure to calculate the equivalent University ISEEU PARIFICATO at the affiliated CAFs, it will not be possible to proceed with the assignment of the MUR contribution.

It is advisable to send a copy of the ISEEU parificato to the U. Op. Mobilità per Studio at erasmus@unime.it by June 30th for those who start the mobility in September/October and by September 30th for those who start the mobility during the second semester.

Art. 7.5 - Methods and timing of disbursement of the Erasmus+ mobility grant

In the case of long mobility, the financial contribution due is estimated based on the number of months as per the bilateral agreement and reported in the financial agreement.

At the end of the Erasmus mobility, the financial contribution is recalculated based on the number of days of mobility actually carried out according to the calculation methods provided for by the Erasmus+ program.

The provision of:

- a first deposit at the start of the mobility - the departure and start of the mobility are subject to administrative deadlines and to the relative acceptance by the host University - corresponding to 80% of the monthly community scholarship (ITEM A) and, if due, 80% of the supplementary contribution (ITEM B);
- a balance of 20% Community monthly scholarship (ITEM A) at the end of the mobility. The corresponding 20% of the supplementary contribution (ITEM B) will be paid at the end of the recognition procedure of the training activities carried out during the mobility exclusively to those who have obtained the validation in career of at least 12 curricular CFU. The supplementary contribution will be paid only for the duration provided for in the financial agreement and any extension period will not be counted.

The payment of the monthly community scholarship (ITEM A) is subject to the signing of the Financial Agreement between the University of Messina and the beneficiary (the student). The Financial Agreement must be presented to the U Op. Mobility for Study at least one month before the start of the mobility. The methods of submitting the Financial Agreement will be promptly communicated via email to the scholarship recipients.

At the end of the mobility after the recognition procedure of the activities carried out abroad, the University of Messina will verify the effective period of stay and the number of credits registered in the career for international mobility and will calculate the amount due, which may be credit or debit. The contributions received may be subject to the obligation of total or partial refund.

The total return of ITEM A and any ITEM B is required, if due, in the event of:

- renunciation of the mobility period.
- mobility less than the mandatory minimum period, unless the force majeure clause is applied after evaluation by the Erasmus+ INDIRE National Agency.
- cancellation of the mobility period by the University of Messina due to failure to comply with the provisions of the mobility contract signed by the beneficiary.

Partial reimbursement of the contribution provided is envisaged in the event of a reduction in the mobility period with respect to the provisions of the financial agreement, resulting in the return of a proportional amount of both ITEM A and ITEM B and corresponding to the number of days of mobility not carried out.

In the case of short mobility, the timing and methods for the payment of the contribution will be defined in the financial agreement stipulated with the beneficiary.

The above mobility grant is INCOMPATIBLE with additional EU funds disbursed for the same purpose, i.e. to support the period of international mobility.

SECTION 2: APPLICATION PROCESS

Art. 8 - Presentation of the application

Art. 8.1 - Choice of destination

Each student in her own application can choose up to a maximum of thirty destinations in order of preference.

It is advisable to apply only for destinations of actual interest since, in the first ranking phase, the candidates can be placed on one of the selected destinations and not necessarily in the first preference. The destinations available for each Department are attached to this announcement “Attachment 1 - Available locations 1st and 2nd cycle” and Attachment 2 - Available locations 3rd cycle.

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The host universities define **DEADLINES** for:

- Nomination (receipt of names) of those who will carry out an Erasmus+ mobility at their university. The nominations are communicated by the U. Op. Mobility for study following acceptance.
- Application (application for admission) of those who have been indicated in the nominations. This process is carried out by the individual student who is the winner of the Erasmus+ study mobility scholarship.

If the above deadlines are prior to the conclusion of the selection process of the University of Messina, departure in the 1st semester of the A.Y. 2024/2025 is NOT guaranteed and it will be necessary to consider a possible departure in the 2nd semester, regardless of the number of months foreseen by the destination.

All student candidates and student candidates are invited to check the nomination / application deadlines and any language requirements right now by consulting both the Erasmus mobility agreement and the website of the host University, in particular in case of start of mobility foreseen in the 1st semester.

- **BEFORE** submitting your Erasmus application, you need to check the following information:
- Disciplinary scope of the agreement (ISCED Area): Consider the consistency between the disciplinary scope of the bilateral agreement and your course of study. (Annex 1 and Annex 2 of the available locations)
- Level of study envisaged for the period abroad: Evaluate the choice of the level of study of the desired mobility (UG / PG / D) in line with your level of study for the A.Y. 2024/2025: “UG” = undergraduate: bachelor's / first level degree, “PG” = postgraduate: specialist / master's / second level degree, “D” = doctorate. (Annex 1 and Annex 2 of the available locations)
- Language requirements of the host university: These are the language requirements for access required by the host universities. It is necessary to evaluate the choice of destination taking into account the adherence between the indicated requirements and one's own language skills and / or any language certificates if required by the host university. (Annex 1 and Annex 2 of the available locations)
- Application procedure and deadline (application for admission) provided by the host University by consulting the website of the host University, in order to plan the mobility. (Erasmus mobility agreement and website of the host university)
- Places available with relative number of months: i.e., "2x6" = 2 positions lasting six months each (Annex 1 and Annex 2 of the available locations).
- Host university educational offer: Consult the catalog of courses offered by the host university on its website to identify the courses compatible with your study plan, consulting in advance the contact person for international mobility of the degree program

whose references are available online. N.B. If you are also interested in carrying out an internship and/or thesis research activity, it is necessary to check whether the host university is available to accept any such activities.

- Database with exams taken and recognized to Erasmus+ students in previous A.Y. in which, for each Department and Degree Course, the courses taught (and subsequently recognized) at the partner universities by UniME students in the previous Academic Years are reported. It should be noted that the data reported in the database are not exhaustive; students will be able to independently identify additional courses to be taken abroad. (UniME website)

Art. 8.2 - Application for candidacy

This Call provides a unique application deadline.

Students interested in participating in the **CALL** must fill in the application via the Esse3 platform by **April 29th, 2024**, at 1pm. The submission of the application in paper format is not required.

The application must indicate:

- their linguistic competence (see art. 2.3). The certificate / self-certification of linguistic knowledge must be uploaded in PDF format on the ESSE3 platform, under penalty of exclusion.
- any participation in previous periods of mobility within the Erasmus+ program.
- your preference for one or more destinations, in order of priority.
- **ONLY FOR PHD STUDENTS:** the authorization of the Coordinator of the PhD Academic Board of reference for carrying out the period abroad.
- the possible presence of an handicap.

The methods for completing the application through Esse3 are indicated in the "Guidelines for completing the Erasmus+ application online" (Attachment 5) available in English.

Candidates are required to carefully evaluate all the preferences expressed, consistently with their studies with the help of the information contained in the "available destinations" sheets (Annexes 1 and 2) in the knowledge that any of the destinations chosen could be assigned.

All documentation relating to this Call and any updates and/or further specifications will be made available on the University website at: <https://www.unime.it/bandi-e-concorsi>

Art. 8.3 - Erasmus short mobility application for PhD students

PhD students who want to apply for the destinations destined for them in Program Countries and who intend to carry out an Erasmus+ SHORT MOBILITY, are required, in the closing phase of the application, to send an email to erasmus@unime.it declaring the intention to carry out a short mobility.

If the candidate has not communicated to the U Op. Mobility for study the desire to carry out a short mobility, mobility will be considered a long mobility and must comply with the requirements set out in type 1 of art. 3 relating to long mobility.

Before the start of the mobility, the PhD student must send the U. Op. Mobility for study (erasmus@unime.it) a specific authorization aimed at confirming, from the host University, the opportunity to carry out a short mobility as part of the Erasmus agreement active for level D. The authorization model will be provided to those who will be winners / winners for a short mobility under this call.

SECTION 3: SELECTION CRITERIA, SCORING AND RANKINGS

Art. 9 - Selection criteria for candidatures and rankings

Art. 9.1 - Scoring

The ranking will be based on the following formulas:

Σ (grade X credit) / (divided) number of credits acquired

FIRST LEVEL and SINGLE CYCLE STUDENTS

Score = $(50 * \text{average} / 30) + (50 * (\text{Credits Over Years}) / 60)$

Credits Over Years = credits acquired / course years

SECOND LEVEL STUDENTS

Score = $(50 * \text{average} / 30) + (25 * (\text{credits Over Years}) / 60) + (25 * R /$

$33)$ Credits Over Years = credits acquired / course years

$R = ((\text{grade1 level} / \text{graduation grade1 level} * 30) * (3 / \text{years of degree1 level}) * 1.1$

THIRD CYCLE STUDENTS (ONLY PHD STUDENTS WITHOUT SCHOLARSHIP)

Score = $(\text{level I graduation grade}) + (\text{level II graduation grade}) / 2$

Or Score (C.U.) = single cycle degree grade

Students selected for the 3rd cycle will be included in a specific ranking.

Art. 9.2 - Rankings and assignments

The selection will be made based on the evaluation of the academic career of the candidates, taking into account the preferences expressed regarding the destination venues.

The assignment of the seat will depend on the score obtained according to the formulas for calculating the merit score (see art. 9.1) based on the data present in ESSE3 at the expiry date of the Call, the order of preferences expressed by the candidate and the number of places available. In case of equal merit, priority will be given to the youngest candidate. The University Erasmus Commission will approve the assignments for each department.

All the educational activities (subjects) regularly registered in the career at the time of the deadline of the call will be considered valid for the final ranking. Students who are aware of any errors or delays in registering the exams taken are required to request the regularization of their career by contacting the “Segreteria studenti” before completing the application.

The rankings with the assignments of the locations will be published on the website <https://www.unime.it/bandi-e-concorsi> by May 20th 2024.

These publications have the value of legal advertising, pursuant to the Digital Administration Code (Legislative Decree 235/2011) and will have the value of notification for all successful candidates. It will be the student's responsibility to view the ranking.

Art. 10 - Acceptance of the Erasmus scholarship for study

Students who are assigned in the ranking will have to accept the location or renounce the Erasmus+ scholarship through the ESSE3 platform no later than May 24th 2024, at 1pm.

The publication of the updated rankings based on acceptances, renunciations and any assignment proposals will be notified exclusively by means of communication on the University portal <https://www.unime.it/bandi-e-concorsi> no later than May 28th 2024.

Students who are assigned in the ranking will have to accept the university or renounce the Erasmus scholarship through the ESSE3 platform by and no later than June 1st 2024, at 1 pm **by using his/her institutional email address - @studenti.unime.it.**

Changes to the assigned venue will not be allowed.

The student must confirm acceptance of the assigned location via the Esse3 portal and must simultaneously send an email (erasmus@unime.it) by using his/her institutional email address, indicating the chosen mobility period (I semester/II semester/Full Year) and the total number of months according to the duration indicated by each host university (see Annex 1). I.e., First semester for 6 months or Full year for 9 months.

The assignees, who do not respect the deadlines to communicate their acceptance, will be automatically excluded, losing all right to Erasmus+ mobility for the AY 2024/25

The acceptance of the student will not guarantee the student to be able to leave; the host University will need to explicitly confirm its willingness to welcome it (acceptance). In the event that the destination University does not accept the assignee student, the U Op. Mobility for study may proceed to reassign any places still available, on the recommendation of the coordinator for the international mobility of his own degree programme.

It will be the responsibility of the U. Op. Mobility for Study to communicate the names of the assigned students (Nominations) to the destination universities.

It is the responsibility of the winning student to check the website of the host foreign university and collect all information relating to deadlines and procedures regarding the Application Form, the presentation of the Learning Agreement and the attestation or certification of the level of linguistic knowledge. It is necessary to fill in and send the forms abroad, paying attention to the expiration dates set by the partner university. If the terms for acceptance of registration (Application Form) at the foreign university have expired, mobility can only be carried out in the second semester.

Art. 11 – Renunciation of the Erasmus Scholarship for Study

In case of renunciation by the assignee, the destination made available will be assigned to eligible students not assigned according to the order of the ranking. Reassignments will take place compatibly with the enrollment times provided for by each host University and, in any case, no later than October 15th.

With the exception of cases of "force majeure" or for serious family / health reasons (duly documented), the renunciations of the Erasmus+ scholarship must be communicated via email to erasmus@unime.it by 1 July (for assignees in departure in the first semester / Full year) and by December 31st (for departures in the second semester). Failure to notify within these deadlines may result in a penalty when drawing up the rankings in subsequent calls.

SECTION 4: ADMINISTRATIVE AND LEGAL ASPECTS

Art. 12 – Insurance coverage

Erasmus+ Mobility students are covered by an insurance policy, borne by the University of Messina, for Accidents and Civil Liability, valid for the entire period abroad, in the exclusive performance of the activity provided for in their training plan. study.

Any further insurance coverage requested by the host university will be borne by the student.

Art. 13 – Treatment of Personal Data

In accordance with the provisions of art. 13 of EU Regulation 2016/679 "General Regulation on the protection of personal data" (GDPR), the University will process personal data within the scope of its institutional purposes exclusively for carrying out this selection procedure.

The Data Controller is the University of Messina, Piazza S. Pugliatti n.1, 98122 Messina, email: protocol@pec.unime.it.

The processing of personal data will be carried out on paper and / or computerized exclusively by personnel authorized to process the data in relation to the tasks and duties assigned and in compliance with the principles of lawfulness, correctness, transparency, adequacy, relevance and necessity.

The data may be disclosed to the universities that will welcome students who are considered suitable for a period of study at their premises and will be kept for the period necessary to carry out the procedure and to fulfill all legal obligations.

The rights referred to in Articles 15 and ss. of the GDPR and access to their personal data, rectification, integration, cancellation, limitation as well as the right to object to processing, without prejudice to the right to lodge a complaint with the Guarantor for the protection of personal data pursuant to art. 77 of the GDPR.

Art. 14 – Head of the procedure

Pursuant to the provisions of art. 5 of the law of 7 August 1990, n. 241, the person in charge of the selection procedure referred to in this announcement is Dr. Norita De Angelis, Head of the U Op. Mobility for Study, University of Messina, Piazza S. Pugliatti 1, Messina (email: erasmus@unime.it / ndeangelis@unime.it - tel. 090/6768532). For further information: U. Op. Mobilità for Study- Unità Organizzativa Mobilità Internazionale – Dept. Teaching and Training Services-Tel: 090/6768532-8349- 8541.