

Erasmus+ Programme

Key Action 1

- Mobility for learners and staff Higher Education Student and Staff Mobility

Inter-institutional agreement 2017-2021 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, where relevant)	Erasmus code	Contact details ¹ (email, phone)	Website (e.g. of the course catalogue)
Universitetet i Bergen	N BERGEN01	Institutional Coordinator: Kristin Torp Skogedal, Division of Student Affairs, P.O.Box 7800, 5020 Bergen, Norway; Tel. +47 55 58 90 26 E-mail: Kristin.skogedal@adm.uib.n O Incoming Erasmus students: studieveileder@ii.uib.no	http://www.uib.no/en /education/48852/nor wegian-language- courses-agreement- and-programme- students
Vilnius University	LT VILNIUS01	University Erasmus coordinator:	Contact details: http://www.vu.lt/en/s

Institute of Mathematics and	Simona Vižinienė	tudies/contacts
Informatics	Office of International	Information for
	Programmes and Relations	incoming students:
Universiteto 3, LT-01513	Tel.: +370 5 268 7048,	http://www.vu.lt/en/s
Vilnius, Lithuania	E-mail:	tudies/exchange-
	simona.viziniene@cr.vu.lt	
	Contact person in charge of	students
	this agreement:	Course catalogue:
	Prof. Dr. Valentina	http://www.vu.lt/en/s
	Dagienė	tudies/exchange-
	Dept. of Informatics	students/courses-
	Methodology, Inst. of	taught-in-foreign-
	Mathematics and	languages
	Informatics, VU, Akademijos	
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B. Mobility numbers² 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 TO [Erasmus [Erasmus		Subject area	Subject area	Study cycle [short	Number of student mobility periods		
code of the sending institution]	code of the code name receiving * * * institution] [ISCED]		cycle, 1 st , 2 nd or 3 rd] *	Student Mobility for Studies [total number of months of the study periods or average duration*]	Student Mobility for Traineeships *		
N BERG		061	Information and Communi- cation	1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd	2 students x 3-9 months	Only by individual agreement	

² Mobility numbers can be given per sending/receiving institutions and per education field (optional*: http://www.uis.unesco.org/Education/Pages/international-standard-classification-of-education.aspx)

		Technolo- gies (ICTs)			C
LT VILNIUS01	061	Information	1st, 2nd,	2 students x	Only by individual
		and	3rd	3-9 months	agreement
N BERGEN01		Communi-		7	
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		Technolo-			η,
		gies (ICTs)			

^{*}Optional: subject area code & name and study cycle are optional. http://www.uis.unesco.org/education/pages/international-standard-classification-of-education.aspx

FROM [Erasmus code of the	TO [Erasmus code of the	Subjec t area code *	Subject area name *	Number of staff Staff Mobility for Teaching	mobility periods Staff Mobility for Training
sending institution]	receiving institution]	[ISCED]		[total number of days of teaching periods or average duration *]	*
N BERG	SEN01	061	Information and	2 persons x 1 week x min. 8 teaching	Only by individual agreement
LT VILN	IUS01		Communication Technologies (ICTs)	hours	ð
LT VILN	IUS01	061	Information	2 persons x 1 week	Only by individual
N BERG	GEN01		and Communication Technologies	x min. 8 teaching hours	agreement
			(ICTs)	7 2 Y	

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 Optional: institution Subject		Language Language of of instruc- instruc-		Recommended language of instruction level ³		
[Erasmus code]	area	tion 1	tion 2	Student Mobility for Studies [Minimum recommended level: B1]	Staff Mobility for Teaching [Minimum recommended level: B2]	
N BERGEN01	061	English	Norwegian	B1 No certificate required for admission	English OR Norwegian: B2 is recommended	
LT VILNIUS01	061	English	English	B1	B2	

For more details on the language of instruction recommendations, see the course catalogue of each institution [Links provided on the first page].

D. Additional requirements

[To be completed if necessary, other requirements may be added on academic or organisational aspects, e.g. the selection criteria for students and staff; measures for preparing, receiving and integrating mobile students and/or staff.]

University of Bergen:

An Introductory Programme is offered for all international students. Throughout the Introductory Programme students will be introduced to different aspects of being a student in Bergen and Norway through practical information and entertaining lectures: http://www.uib.no/en/education/50047/after-arrival

Language courses: the University of Bergen offers Norwegian Language Courses to nonnative speakers of Norwegian: http://www.uib.no/en/education/48852/norwegian-language-courses-agreement-and-programme-students

The University of Bergen welcomes students and staff with special needs. For questions regarding services to students in need of individual arrangements in connection with studies and/or examinations, please check the website:

http://www.uib.no/en/education/49176/contact-information-students-special-needs

All exchange students coming to the University of Bergen must have completed one year of full time studies, equal to 60 ECTS credits, at their home institution before arrival in Bergen. This must be documented in their exchange application to the University of Bergen: http://www.uib.no/en/education/48959/erasmus#documentation.

³ 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

Vilnius University:

Information for incoming students: http://www.vu.lt/en/studies/exchange-students
Information for students with special needs: http://www.vu.lt/en/studies/practical-information/56-studies/studies/2506

E. Calendar

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

Receiving institution [Erasmus code]	Autumn term* [month]	Spring term* [month]
N BERGEN01	May 15 Semesterdates: http://www.uib.no/en/education/49211/semester-dates	October 15
LT VILNIUS01	June 1	November 15

University of Bergen:

- 2. The receiving institution will send its decision within 4-6 weeks.
- 3. All students at the University of Bergen must order their own transcripts of records online by logging on to our electronic student system StudentWeb. Results are available 3-4 weeks after the examination date.
- Termination of the agreement

The inter-institutional agreement may be amended by mutual agreement. The inter-institutional agreement may be terminated by either party. 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. Neither the European Commission nor the National Agencies can be held responsible in case of a conflict.

Vilnius University:

- 2. The receiving institution will send its decision within 2 weeks after the deadline.
- 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

The inter-institutional agreement may be amended by mutual agreement. The inter-institutional agreement may be terminated by either party. 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. 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

N BERGEN01:

Credit system and grading:

According to the International Education Credit Transfer System (ECTS), 60 "studiepoeng" is equivalent to 1 year of normal study for a full-time student, i.e. 60 *ECTS credits*. The full-time workload for one academic year is 1500 – 1800 hours of study / 60 "studiepoeng".

The grading scale is explained briefly in the following table. For some programs, the criteria for determining each grade may be described in more detail. This explanation may be even more specific for some subjects.

Symbol	Description	General, qualitative description of valuation criteria
А	Excellent	An excellent performance, clearly outstanding. The candidate demonstrates excellent judgement and a high degree of independent thinking.
В	Very good	A very good performance. The candidate demonstrates sound judgement and a very good degree of independent thinking.
С	Good	A good performance in most areas. The candidate demonstrates a reasonable degree of judgement and independent thinking in the most important areas.
D	Satisfactory	A satisfactory performance, but with significant shortcomings. The candidate demonstrates a limited degree of judgement and independent thinking.
E	Sufficient	A performance that meets the minimum criteria, but no more. The candidate demonstrates a very limited degree of judgement and independent thinking.
F	Fail	A performance that does not meet the minimum academic criteria. The candidate demonstrates an absence of both judgement and independent thinking.

Statistical distribution of grades given at the Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences (2012)

Α	В	С	D	E	F
13,34%	25,41%	27,28%	15,56%	8,80%	9,61,%

LT VILNIUS01: http://www.vu.lt/en/studies/academic-information

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
N BERGEN01	Exchange- students@uib.no	http://www.uib.no/en/education/48926/residence- permit
LT VILNIUS01	Office of International Programmes and Relations Email: trs@cr.vu.lt Phone: +370 5 2687150	http://www.vu.lt/en/studies/practical-information/56-studies/studies/2503

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
N BERGEN01	Exchange- students@uib.no	http://www.uib.no/en/education/49499/finances- and-insurance
LT VILNIUS01	Office of International Programmes and Relations Email: trs@cr.vu.lt Phone: +370 5 2687150	http://www.vu.lt/en/studies/practical-information/56-studies/studies/2505

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
N BERGEN01	Exchange- students@uib.no	http://www.uib.no/en/education/49447/student-accommodation Application period: Autumn semester: 1 April–15 May. Spring semester: 1 Oct.–1 Nov.
LT VILNIUS01	Agata Cesnovic, Accommodation Officer E-mail: agata.cesnovic@cr.vu.lt Tel.: +370 5 268 7168	http://www.vu.lt/en/studies/practical-information/81- studies/studies/practical-information/389- accommodation

G. SIGNATURES OF THE INSTITUTIONS (legal representatives)

Institution [Erasmus code]	Name, function	Date	Signature ⁴
N BERGEN01	Petter Bjørstad Head of Department	21/17	1 1/2
	Department of informatics University of Bergen		0 - 0
LT VILNIUS01	Gintautas Dzemyda Director of the Institute of Mathematics and Informatics, Vilnius University	2017.06.15	\$

⁴ Scanned signatures are accepted