

# 10 Erasmus+ Frequently Asked Questions for Students & Young People



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# I want to Study in Europe!

## How can the EU help me?



*You want to study abroad, but you're afraid of the costs, foreign language, complicated and demanding application procedures? Don't be afraid: EU's Erasmus+ Programme offers a fantastic range of opportunities for young people in Armenia, whether to study abroad, take part in international youth activities, or even apply for traineeships in the EU.*



*To help you find out what is available and how to apply, the National Erasmus+ Office in Armenia has prepared a set of Frequently Asked Questions to guide young people through the European Union's Erasmus+ Programme.*

*There are 10 key questions you may be asking, and the answers are written in a simple language and with clear information, as well as links and contacts to find out more.*



## **I want to study in Europe but I can't afford it: can Erasmus+ Programme support me?** ➤

Yes, it can! Through this Programme, the EU offers student exchanges (International Credit Mobility) in European universities at bachelor, master and doctoral levels - the exchanges will be part of your study programme in Armenia and can last between 2 and 12 months. Your travel and accommodation expenses will be covered by the scholarship!

If you are not a student anymore and want to continue studying abroad, you can also apply for Erasmus Mundus full Scholarships to obtain your Master's degree in 2 or more top European universities and receive a double or joint diploma.

## **It feels like Erasmus+ suits me, but how do I start with the application?** ➤

For International Credit Mobility, visit the International Relations Office at your University - they will tell you which opportunities are available in your subject and will help you to apply. Also follow the announcements of Erasmus+ mobility at your University's website and via social media (facebook).

For a Master's degree, you need to check out the catalogue of Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degrees, which lists the courses offering scholarships in the upcoming academic year. Then visit the website of the chosen Master program to check the deadline, requirements and to, finally, apply. Applications are usually open each year between September-October and January-February.

The National Erasmus+ Office in Armenia is there to help you with any information. You can check the "Scholarships" menu at our website ([www.erasmusplus.am](http://www.erasmusplus.am)), and for more information, email us at [program@erasmusplus.am](mailto:program@erasmusplus.am) or [info@erasmusplus.am](mailto:info@erasmusplus.am).

## **Can I still participate in Erasmus+ exchange if my University does not have an agreement with the University abroad?** ➤

Without inter-institutional agreement between both Universities, you cannot participate in Erasmus+ exchange individually. However, you can apply individually to Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degrees (EMJMDs), provided you already have a Bachelor's diploma. To find out more about the entry requirements, timing, and application procedure for EMJMDs please refer to our website (see point 2).

## **What about language? Do I need an English language certificate for Erasmus+?**

Remember that taking part in an Erasmus+ means you need to follow lectures, write essays, and take exams in the language of instruction. Most often, it is English.

In case of exchange, it depends on where you will be studying and in which language your courses will be taught. Some exchanges offer courses in English, while others will be taught in a local language. If you do not have a relevant language qualification, you will be asked to take a language test to assess your level of proficiency. Before leaving, all exchange students pass English language assessment at their home Universities.

English language certificate, however, is a must for Erasmus Mundus Masters Scholarships. TOEFL iBT or IELTS are the most common language assessment tests to be taken before the application deadlines.

## **What kind of financial support/scholarship will I receive?**

For student exchanges, the EU provides up to €820 to cover travel expenses and €800, €850 or €900 a month for living expenses.

For the Master courses, Erasmus Mundus scholarship will cover all your costs (including tuition fees, library and laboratory costs, and full insurance coverage). It will also contribute to your travel and installation costs and will include a monthly allowance for the entire duration of the study programme.



## **Can I participate in more than one Erasmus+ exchange as a student? >**

Erasmus+ enables students to study abroad more than once as long as the minimum duration for each activity and a total maximum of 12 months per study cycle is respected. Armenian Universities are encouraged, however, to provide exchange opportunities to students who have not yet benefited from the mobility.



## **I am not an Armenian citizen, can I still profit from Erasmus+ scholarships? >**

In case of International Credit Mobility, irrespective of citizenship or nationality, any student (home or international) who is enrolled in an Armenian University is eligible to apply for Erasmus+ exchange. However, keep in mind, that depending on institutional policies, Armenian Universities might choose to prioritize its home students for Erasmus+ mobility.

In case of Erasmus Mundus scholarship, applicants who are residents or have carried out their main activities (studies, training or work) for more than a total of 12 months over the last 5 years in any of the EU Member States and third countries associated to the Programme (27 Member States of the EU and 6 non-EU countries: Republic of North Macedonia, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway, Serbia and Turkey), apply under the same conditions as the citizens of these countries. In that case, the scholarship amount will be considerably reduced.



## **What are the benefits of Erasmus+? >**

Many international studies have proven that studying abroad can have huge personal and professional benefits. What Erasmus+ exchange participants are valued for most are the interpersonal or transversal skills they have developed - self-discipline, improved foreign language proficiency, respect for diversity, adaptability, and above all, friends they have made and new vision of life.

Erasmus Mundus graduates have more chances of finding a well-paid job, tend to be given greater professional responsibility and are more likely to start their own company.



## Can I do a traineeship abroad with Erasmus+ >

Yes, Erasmus+ supports traineeships abroad for Bachelor, Masters and Doctoral students. But your home University must have a traineeship offer relevant to your degree, so always check the opportunities with your University. Visit the International Relations Office at your University - they will tell you if traineeship opportunities are available in your subject and will help you to apply.



## Is there any other support for Erasmus+ students and young people? >

Yes! Erasmus+ is both for students and young people. The Armenian chapter of Erasmus Student Network (ESN) provides information and supports local and foreign students during their Erasmus+ academic mobility. ESN Armenia team can be contacted via [esnyerevan@gmail.com](mailto:esnyerevan@gmail.com), [f](https://www.facebook.com/esnyerevan) esnyerevan, [@esn.yerevan](https://www.instagram.com/esn.yerevan). And official information about opportunities for young people aged 13+ is provided by the Erasmus+ Youth Information Center in Armenia, which you can contact by visiting [f](https://www.facebook.com/EP.Armenia) EP.Armenia, calling +374 94 525254, or emailing at [info.armenia@salto-youth.net](mailto:info.armenia@salto-youth.net).





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