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## **Call for Applications**

Scholarship to study at University of Santiago de Compostela (Spain) in the framework of the European Programme ERASMUS+ KA171

## **Objective**

The Erasmus+ Programme – mobility for study offers the possibility to spend a period of studies at **University of Santiago de Compostela** for **Bachelor**, **Master and PhD Students** from the University of Sfax

Erasmus+ International Credit Mobility KA171 is a project approved in the framework of Erasmus+ programme, aiming at fostering cooperation in the field of Higher Education between European and partner countries Institutions through a mobility scheme addressing student and staff exchanges. The current call for applications covers a bilateral mobility between the **USC** as Higher Education Institution in the EU and Higher Education Institutions in partner countries.

In order to apply for a grant within the framework of Erasmus + KA171-ICM project, candidates must comply with the **following general requirements**:

- They must be official members of their home University, that is:
- Students must be registered in the partner Higher Education Institution and enrolled in studies leading to recognised degree or another recognised tertiary level qualification (up to and including the level of doctorate). In case of mobility for studies, the student must be enrolled at least in the second year of higher education studies.

Students must have sufficient knowledge of the **language** of instruction of the host universities they apply to.

### NUMBER AND TYPES OF MOBILITY:

USC Erasmus + KA171- ICM project 2023-2026 includes the following types of mobility according to the academic level of the candidates:

### 2 Scholarships for:

- Undergraduate 1st cycle (2<sup>nd</sup> year & 3<sup>rd</sup> year)
- Master 2nd cycle
- PhD 3rd Cycle

Mobility students will be awarded a scholarship, will attend courses and will use all the facilities of The University of Santiago de Compostela on an equal basis as the enrolled students.



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#### **MOBILITY PERIOD**

Autumn 2025: 01/09/2025 - 31/01/2026

### **DURATION OF THE MOBILITIES**

- 05 months

Fields of Education and Training and language requirements for students:

Humanities, Civil engineering, Agriculture, Forestry, Languages, Economics, Business and Administration

## **PhD students:**

They need either B1 Spanish or B1 English.

Complete offer here.

#### **Master students:**

Please take into account that they need a **B1 level of Spanish** for all the Masters, because classes are mostly taught in Spanish.

There are 3 Masters that can accept students with **B1 level of English** (only these 3 Masters):

- Master in Chemistry at the Interface with Biology and Materials Science.
- Master in Advanced English Studies and its Applications.

There is one Master in which classes are taught in Spanish or Galician, but they have support in English for students who aren't fluent in Spanish: they can do the presentations and projects in English, and the tutorships are in English:

• Master in Biomedical Research.

Complete offer here.

## **Bachelor students:**

Please take into account that they need a **B1 level of Spanish** for all the Degrees, because classes are taught in Spanish.

There is an exception for the following Degrees, that can accept students with **B1 level of English** (only these 3 Degrees):

- Degree in English Language and Literature.
- Degree in Chemistry (only some subjects).



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• Degree in Chemical Engineering (only some subjects).

Complete offer <u>here</u>.

#### AMOUNT OF GRANTS

The Erasmus+ for study scholarships are contributions to support living costs in the hosting country. The scholarship for Spain is of <u>850 € per month</u> for students.

A supplementary sum will cover the travel costs on the basis of the distance between Sfax and Santiago de compostela according to the European distance calculator: http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/tools/distance en.htm

### Beneficiaries are responsible for:

- Contracting their travel arrangements.
- Visa expenses.
- Contracting insurance cover.

### **Conditions and procedures**

General conditions for admittance

The candidate student must be enrolled at the University of Sfax that signed the Inter Institutional Agreement within the framework of Erasmus + Programme, with the University of Santiago de Compostela.

The student must be **preselected** and **nominated** by the University of Sfax.

#### **Application Documents:**

- Passport copy
- A copy of Bachelor degree (for master and PhD students)
- A copy of Master degree (for PhD students)
- Knowledge of English (B2) & Spanish
- All Transcript of Records (**from the Bac**)
- Curriculum Vitae (European CV Europass-)
- Motivation letter
- Proof of registration in the home university
- Learning Agreement (see annex)
- Research proposal (for PhD students)
- Host acceptance letter (for PhD students)

All documents in Arabic should be translated into English language.



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Applications must be signed and approved by: Director of Studies, Head of Department and General Secretary.

Please apply for this opportunity via the following link: https://forms.gle/4YZw3FBQjDV77fBK8

### An incomplete application will be considered ineligible.

### All documents in Arabic should be translated into English language.

The home Institution will be responsible of selection procedures on the basis **transparent and fair criteria**.

## Pre-selection criteria at the home university

The home university will provide a pre-selection of candidates according to the following general criteria:

- Average grade.
- The consistency of the proposed research activities.
- Language skills.
- Any other elements indicated by the student in the application (other learning experiences, specific academic interests, etc.).
- Additional criteria i.e: membership in science clubs or associations, participation in conferences and other mobility programmes etc. (it is up to the sending institution to include the criteria or not)
- Students who meet one or more of the following inclusion and diversity criteria established by the Erasmus+ program:
  - disability (i.e. participants with special needs): people with mental (intellectual, cognitive, learning), physical, sensory or other disabilities;
  - educational difficulties: young people with learning difficulties; early school-leavers; low qualified adults; young people with poor school performance.
  - economic obstacles: people with a low standard of living, low income, dependence on social welfare system or homeless; young people in long-term unemployment or poverty; people in debt or with financial problems.
  - cultural differences: immigrants or refugees or descendants from immigrant or refugee families; people belonging to a national or ethnic minority; people with linguistic adaptation and cultural inclusion difficulties.
  - health problems: people with chronic health problems, severe illnesses, or psychiatric conditions.
  - social obstacles: people facing discrimination because of gender, age, ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation, disability, etc.; people with limited social skills or anti-social or risky



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behaviors; people in a precarious situation; (ex-)offenders, (ex-)drug or alcohol abusers; young and/or single parents; orphans.

• geographical obstacles: people from remote or rural areas; people living in small islands or in peripheral regions; people from urban problem zones; people from less serviced areas (limited public transport, poor facilities).

| CRITERIA NO. | CRITERIA                                 | SCORE |
|--------------|--|-------|
| 1.           | Average GPA                              | 40    |
| 2.           | Language knowledge                       |       |
|              | B1                                       | 5     |
|              | B2                                       | 10    |
|              | C1/C2/TOEIC/TOEF L                       | 20    |
| 3.           | No previous Erasmus mobility             | 30    |
| 4.           | CV                                       |       |
|              | Work experience/traineeship              | 5     |
|              | Social activities / Volunteering / Clubs | 5     |
| 5            | Proof of inclusion                       | 30    |

The deadline for applying is fixed on 13 April 2025.

For any specific question or information, you can contact The International Relations Office (<a href="mailto:sci@usf.tn">sci@usf.tn</a>) at your home institution.