

ERASMUS+ MOBILITY GRANT AMOUNTS 2014-2020

CRITERION 1 – SENDING AND RECEIVING COUNTRIES OF THE STUDENT

The grants awarded to students by the European Union will depend on the nature of their mobility project, as follows:

- Mobility towards a country with similar living costs: students will receive the medium-range EU grant;
- Mobility towards a country with higher living costs: students will receive the higher-range EU grant;
- Mobility towards a country with lower living costs: students will receive the lower-range EU grant.

The European Commission's Erasmus+ Programme Guide divides the programme's member countries into three groups, as follows:

Group	Countries	Amounts set by ISIT based on European rules
Group 1: Member countries with a higher cost of living	Austria, Denmark, , Finland France, Ireland, Italy, Liechtenstein, Norway Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom,	Academic: €350/month Internships: €500/month
Group 2: Member countries with a medium cost of living	Belgium, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Germany, Greece, Iceland, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Portugal, Slovenia, Spain, Turkey	Study: €300/month Internships: €450/month
Group 3: Member countries with a lower cost of living	Bulgaria, Estonia, Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, , Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia	Academic: €250/month Internships: €400/month

The grant amounts set by the national agencies will be set within the following 'minimum-maximum' ranges:

- **Medium-range EU grant:** a medium amount of **€300 to €450 a month** will be awarded for mobility projects in a country where the cost of living is similar to that in the student's country of origin: a) from Group 1 to Group 1 ; b) from Group 2 to Group 2 ; or c) from Group 3 to Group 3.
- **Higher-range EU grant:** equal to the medium-range grant awarded by the National Agency plus €50, i.e. **€350 to €500 a month**. It is awarded for mobility projects in a country where the cost of living is higher than in the student's country of origin: a) from Group 2 to Group 1; or b) from Group 3 to Group 1 and 2.
- **Lower-range EU grant:** equal to the medium-range grant awarded by the National Agency minus at least €50, i.e. **€250 to €400 a month**. It is awarded for mobility projects in a country where the cost of living is lower than in the student's country of origin: a) from Group 1 to Group 2 or 3; or b) from Group 2 to Group 3.

When setting the amounts that will be applied by beneficiaries in their country, National Agencies will take account of two specific criteria:

- the availability and the level of other sources of co-financing from private or public bodies at local, regional or national level to complement the EU grant; and
- the general level of demand from students who intend to study or receive training abroad.

National Agencies may decide to grant flexibility to their higher education institutions by setting ranges instead of amounts at national level. This should be based on justified grounds, for example in countries where co-financing is available at regional or institutional level.

CRITERION 2 – ADDITIONAL SUPPORT FOR SPECIFIC TARGET GROUPS, ACTIVITIES AND SENDING COUNTRIES/REGIONS

Students from disadvantaged backgrounds (other than students with special needs):

The national authorities together with the National Agencies responsible for the implementation of Erasmus+ in a given Programme Country may decide (based on an opt-in/opt-out option, depending on the support already provided at national level) that all the higher education institutions in their country should top up the individual support from their EU grant to students from disadvantaged backgrounds with a single amount of **between €100 and €200 per month**. The precise single monthly amount and the criteria to be applied will be defined at national level by the national authorities.

Students on internships:

Students carrying out internships will receive an additional top-up from the EU grant with an amount **between €100 and €200 per month**. The precise level will be determined by National Agencies and/or higher education institutions according to the level of demand and level of co-financing for this type of mobility. In all cases, the same level should be given to all students within the same higher education institution, independently from any top-up and/or contribution in kind that the student may receive from the host enterprise. Top-ups for students from disadvantaged backgrounds are not applicable in this case.

Students from outermost Programme Countries and regions:

Considering the constraints imposed by the remoteness from other Programme Countries, students from outermost regions, Cyprus, Iceland, Malta and Overseas Countries and Territories (OCTs) will receive the following higher amounts for individual support:

From	To	Amount
Outermost regions, Cyprus, Iceland and Malta, overseas countries and territories	Group 1 countries	€750 per month
	Group 2 countries	€700 per month
	Group 3 countries	€650 per month

In addition to the above-mentioned amounts for individual support, students from these countries will receive the following top-up amounts, to support them in covering their travel costs:

Travel distances	Amount
100 - 499 km:	€180 per participant
500 - 1199 km:	€275 per participant
2000 - 2999 km:	€360 per participant
3000 - 3999 km:	€530 per participant
4000 - 7999 km:	€820 per participant
8000 km or more:	€1100 per participant

Level of financial support set by higher education institutions:

In all cases, higher education institutions will be required to respect the following principles and criteria when defining and/or applying the EU rates within their institution:

- The rates must be defined and/or applied in an objective and transparent manner, taking into account all the principles and the methodology described above (i.e. considering the mobility flow as well as the additional specific funding);
- The same level of grant must be given to all students going to the same group of countries for the same type of mobility – studies or internships (except for students from disadvantaged backgrounds or with special needs).