



FACT SHEET FOR MOBILITY PROGRAMMES

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Useful Information

ACADEMIC YEAR	Academic year: September 1st to July 31st Fall semester: 1st week of September to the 3rd week of December Spring semester: 3rd week of January to the 4th week of May
APPLICATION DEADLINES	<u>For student mobility for studies:</u> Fall semester: 1st week of August Spring semester: 3rd week of November <u>For student mobility for placements:</u> - at least 3 months prior to arrival

EDUCATIONAL METHODOLOGY	The OUC specializes in open and distance education. This educational methodology allows students to be flexible and study from anywhere in the world at any time, at their own pace. It does not require students to attend physical classes or lectures. Courses are delivered through the OUC eLearning platform, which provides students with access to educational materials, live and recorded lectures, and other resources.
ECTS & GRADING SYSTEM	The OUC Programmes of Study are based on the ECTS System and the Grading System is 1-10.
TEACHING LANGUAGE	The official language of instruction at OUC is the Greek language. Several postgraduate programmes are taught in English.
PROGRAMME CATALOGUE	https://www.ouc.ac.cy/index.php/en/studies
STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES	The OUC is fully adapted for disabled students, as teaching and learning is online, while the OUC eLearning tools are supporting people with disabilities.
FEES	No tuition fees or registration fees are charged for Erasmus+ students.
ACCOMMODATION	Due to the OUC's distance education methodology, the University does not have dorms, thus cannot offer accommodation for incoming students and staff. However, it provides incoming beneficiaries with assistance, depending on their preferences in this matter.

The OUC and the Erasmus+ Programme

The Open University of Cyprus (OUC) was established in 2002, and it is specialised in open and distance education, providing adult learners with unrestricted access to quality online undergraduate, master, PhD, and lifelong learning programmes, as well as short-duration executive and professional education courses.

The OUC has been participating in the Erasmus+ programme since the 2010-2011 academic year. Under the Erasmus+ programme, OUC has signed more than 90 bilateral agreements with Universities abroad. In this framework, mobility opportunities and possibilities are available for OUC students as well as for incoming students wishing to undertake a period of study or placement in a country other than their country of residence or location of their home university. Moreover, the Erasmus+ programme provides funding for Staff Mobility, being academic or professional/administrative staff members of Universities participating in the Programme, which relates to either Staff Teaching Assignments or Staff Training to gain new experiences, knowledge and skills. Additional benefits include the development of professional networks, the enhancement of research collaborations and further improvement of teaching techniques and work practices.

Students with disabilities and fewer opportunities

People with fewer opportunities, such as people with disabilities, are highly encouraged to participate in the Erasmus+ Programme, and additional funding is provided in such cases. Incoming students should check with their home university for the provision of such additional grant.

Mobility Requirements

Students. The minimum period of Student Mobility for Studies or for Placements is two (2) months. For both actions, the maximum duration is twelve (12) months. Students with fewer opportunities and/or PhD students have the option of Student Studying and/or Training/Placement mobility of shorter duration, between 5 to 30 days. Students should apply respecting the procedures and deadlines announced in each Call for Applications announced by the OUC or their Home University Mobility Office.

Teaching Assignments. The beneficiary, incoming or outgoing academic staff member, is required to teach at least eight (8) hours per week (or any shorter period of stay). Teaching staff can apply and receive a grant to undertake a teaching assignment in a partner university for a mobility period between 2 (two) and 5 (five) days.

Staff for Training. Academic and non-academic incoming and outgoing staff may receive a grant to attend specialised training courses, job-shadowing, and/or participate International Staff Training Weeks at universities, companies or organisations abroad. The duration of staff mobility for training must be from 2 (two) to 5 (five) working days, excluding travel time.

Annual OUC Erasmus+ International Staff Week

The OUC Mobility Office organises each year an Erasmus+ International Staff Week. The five-day programme usually includes plenary sessions, round tables, workshops, presentations, and social events. The main objective of the International Staff Week is to bring together staff from partner and non-partner universities, to exchange know-how and expertise, as well as to allow invited staff to gain insights into the working procedures of the Open University of Cyprus, and to exchange experiences and good practices.

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