

**PREANNOUNCEMENT**

**2021-2022 ACADEMIC YEAR SPRING SEMESTER**

**ERASMUS+ STUDENT MOBILITY FOR STUDIES**

Dear Students,

The Application call for the 2021-2022 Spring Semester Erasmus+ Student Mobility for Studies (Erasmus+ SMS) will be announced on our website in October. The following is a preannouncement that will give you preliminary information about the Erasmus+ SMS program and application process.

We wish all AYBU students good luck!

**AYBU International Relations Office**

**17.09.2021**

## TENTATIVE APPLICATION CALENDAR

<b>Application Period</b> <b>Start Date</b> (planned)	October 4, 2021 (Monday)
<b>Application Period</b> <b>End Date</b> (planned)	October 15, 2021 (Friday)
<b>Erasmus+ English Proficiency Exam</b> <b>(It will be held by AYBU School of Foreign Languages)</b> (planned)	20 October 2021
<b>Announcement of Draft Results</b> (Granted and Substitute Candidate List) (planned)	25 October 2021
<b>Objection to the Results, Renunciations and Zero-granted applications</b> (planned)	25-28 October 2021
<b>Announcement of Final Results</b> (Granted and Substitute Candidate List) (planned)	1 November 2021

The Erasmus+ Programme is an EU Programme and in Turkey it is executed by the Turkish National Agency. The Erasmus+ Student Mobility for Studies is carried out in the framework of prior inter-institutional agreements between universities which are holders of a valid Erasmus+ University Charter.

The Erasmus+ Student Mobility for Studies (SMS) gives students the unique opportunity to study at an Erasmus Partner University in one of the Programme countries. The Erasmus+ SMS gives students the possibility to expand their technical, social and cultural competencies. Students get to know the academic system of a foreign university and can profit from its teaching and learning methods.

## **Application Process**

The Erasmus+ SMS 2021-2022 Spring Semester applications are planned to be online. Detailed information about the application procedures will be given in the Erasmus+ SMS 2021-2022 Spring Semester Application Call announcement in October.

## **Application Dates**

The final application dates will be announced in the Erasmus+ SMS 2021-2022 Spring Semester Application Call announcement that will be published on our website in October 2021. The application period is planned to open on 4<sup>th</sup> October 2021 and to end on 15<sup>th</sup> October 2021.

## **Application Requirements**

- *Full-time AYBU students* enrolled in any of the following cycles:
  - undergraduate (BA);
  - graduate (MA, PhD);
- *Minimum required GPA:*
  - undergraduate (BA) students: 2.20/4.00;
  - graduate (MA, PhD) students: 2.50/4.00
- *Formed GPA:*
  - If you are a BA first grade student and you do not have a formed GPA (you are in your first semester at AYBU) you may still apply by submitting your high school graduation score, which should be minimum 75/100;
  - MA and PhD students who do not have a formed GPA, may use their latest formed up-to-date GPA from a previous program/department/university.
- *ECTS credits requirement:*
  - Students should have the required study workload of 30 ECTS credits per semester;
  - MA and PhD students who do not have course loads (for example, they are transitioning to their thesis periods) may still apply, but they will need to make further arrangements in their Learning Agreements.
- Students who *cannot apply:*

- AYBU Foreign Languages' preparatory class students cannot apply;
  - Students who have graduated from the Faculty of Medicine or Dentistry, and have been placed through a central examination (such as TUS, DUS, and EUS), and continue their residency cannot benefit from the Erasmus Student Mobility if they are not actively registered at AYBU.
  - PhD students who are supposed to take their PhD proficiency exams or present Dissertation Proposal cannot participate in the mobility;
- *Available inter-institutional agreement: Only students whose programs have inter-institutional agreements (students may check the inter-institutional agreement document available on our website) can apply to the Erasmus+ SMS.*
    - Students are strongly recommended to check the websites of the Partner universities they are interested in and look for available Erasmus+ course list information before selecting universities from the inter-institutional agreement list. Although an agreement might be available between AYBU and a Partner university in a specific field of study, the Partner university may not offer courses for Erasmus+ students for the specific academic term students are to have their exchange mobilities. From the additional information section of the inter-institutional agreement document, students may get informed about the institutions they are planning to visit in the framework of the Erasmus+ SMS mobility. Students are further advised to pay attention for announcements in regard to COVID-19 regulations as well as nomination/application deadlines. Even though the inter-institutional document provides information about nomination/application deadlines, universities may introduce changes.
    - Students will need to submit their university preference lists during the application period. The university preference lists cannot be changed after the application submission period ends; thus, students are recommended to make their choices wisely and choose more than one university where applicable.
- *English Language Proficiency: The English language proficiency needs to be certified by students; thus students who do not have any of the stated exams accepted by ÖSYM (such as YDS, E-YDS, YÖKDİL), have to take the Erasmus English exam which will be held by AYBU School of Foreign Languages;*

- *Minimum application English score: 60/100;*
- With the latest Erasmus+ programme generation, running from 2021 – 2027, the structure of the English Proficiency Exam has changed and the previously organized by AYBU School of Foreign Languages exams in October 2020 and April 2021 will not be valid for this application period;
- Detailed information about the English language exam and procedures will be given in the Erasmus+ SMS 2021-2022 Spring Semester Application Announcement in the first week(s) of October.

## Evaluation Criteria

The Erasmus+ student evaluation process is carried out according to the principles stated in the Erasmus+ 2021 Program Guide and the Erasmus+ 2021 Application Handbook;

GPA (50%) + Foreign Language Score (50%) = Erasmus Score

CRITERIA	WEIGHTED SCORE
Grade Point Average (GPA)	%50 (out of 100 points)
Foreign Language Proficiency	%50 (out of 100 points)
To be a son/daughter of a martyr or a veteran	+15 points
To be a student who needs to be protected, cared after and accommodated in accordance with Social Services Law number 2828	+10 points
To be a disabled student (if certified)	+10 points
Previously benefited from the Erasmus+ SMS and/or Erasmus+ SMP (with or without grants) within the same education level students.	-10 points
Participating in the mobility in the county of participant's nationality	-10 points
Being selected as an eligible student and without declaration of renunciation not participating in the mobility within the expected period.	-10 points
Not attending the meetings/trainings held by AYBU about the mobilities without a valid excuse.	-5 points
Not taking the Erasmus English Proficiency Exam without a valid excuse.	-5 points

## **Quotas**

Quotas are determined in line with the AYBU Erasmus+ Mobility for Studies budget and the number of Faculty/Departmental agreements. The Erasmus+ student quota distribution is carried out according to the principles stated in the Erasmus+ 2021 Program Guide and the Erasmus+ 2021 Application Handbook.

- *For the 2021-2022 Spring Semester, 30 AYBU students are planned to benefit from the mobility.*
- The final detailed quota distribution according to faculties and departments will be given in the final result announcement.

## **Erasmus+ SMS Programme Countries**

1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Group Programme Countries: Germany, Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Southern Cyprus, the Netherlands, Ireland, Spain, Sweden, Italy, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Malta, Norway, Portugal, Greece

3<sup>rd</sup> Group Programme Countries: Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Estonia, Croatia, North Macedonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Hungary, Poland, Romania, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Turkey.

## **Grant Amounts**

If you get selected as an eligible Erasmus student candidate and you successfully follow the Erasmus regulations, you will get 80% of the grant money calculated over four months before and the remaining 20% of the grant money after the completion of your Erasmus mobility. The Erasmus grant is a support for your studies. It can cover only some part of your expenses.

Additional Grant Support: Disadvantaged participants with limited economic and social opportunities may apply for additional grant support (detailed information will be given in the Application Announcement).

Students are advised to get informed about the visa and living expenses of the countries they plan to visit in the framework of the mobility beforehand.

Monthly grants for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Group Countries: 600 Euros.

Monthly grants for 3<sup>rd</sup> Group Countries: 450 Euros.

### **Announcement of Results, Objection to Results, Waivers**

The first announcement of the Draft Results on our website is planned to be on 25<sup>th</sup> October 2021. After the first announcement of the results, students may object to the results in a written form in the planned objection period (25<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> October 2021). Objections after the period specified in the Application Announcement will not be considered.

Following the announcement of the Draft Results, students, who are selected as granted student candidates may waive their rights during the relevant renunciation period. Students who miss the renunciation deadline and do not participate in the student exchange activity will receive 10 points less in their next application.

### **Student Applications Without Grants (Zero Granted Applications):**

Following the announcement of the application results, students who are not listed as grant receiving, can still benefit from the mobility programme without receiving grants. To do this they need apply with petitions to the International Relations Office. Their requests will be evaluated by the Erasmus Committee. Zero-granted applications after the period specified in the Application Announcement will not be considered. The students evaluated positively should follow the same procedures as the students with grants.

***\*\*\* The preannouncement document for the Erasmus+ Student Mobility for Studies has been prepared according to the principles stated in the Erasmus+ 2021 Programme Guide and the Erasmus+ 2021 Application Handbook. The Turkish National Agency, the Erasmus+2021 Programme Guide and Erasmus+2021 Application Handbook are binding for the implementation of the Erasmus+ SMS. \*\*\****

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**(weekdays)**  
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Up-to-date information about the Exchange Programs is available on the official website of  
AYBU İRO.

You may always request information via e-mail.  
Student e-mails will be answered within 2-3 working days.

