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## Article 1. Appointment of a Mobility Coordinator

For the purposes of the mobility of students of the Interdepartmental Postgraduate Program "Education Sciences through Innovative Technologies and Biomedical Approaches," whether for studies or for internships, the Studies Program Committee appoints a member of the Program's teaching staff as the Mobility Coordinator. The appointment is made before the start of each Academic year, and the Coordinator undertakes the mobility responsibilities of the Interdepartmental Postgraduate Program at the start of the following Academic year.

## Article 2. The Erasmus+ Programme

Detailed information regarding the mobility of students under the ERASMUS+ programme is provided by the Mobility Coordinator of the Interdepartmental Postgraduate Programme "Education Sciences through Innovative Technologies and Biomedical Approaches", by the ERASMUS+ Coordinator at the Department of Biomedical Sciences which is responsible for the Interdepartmental Postgraduate Programme, the website of the Interdepartmental Postgraduate Programme, the website of the responsible Department, as well as by the Department of International Academic Affairs and Student Exchange of the University of West Attica, at the address <https://erasmus.uniwa.gr/>.

## Article 3. Mobility for Studies

Through the Erasmus+ program, postgraduate students have the opportunity to follow a part of their study program (e.g., some of their courses, elective courses not offered in their study program) or to prepare all or part of their undergraduate, postgraduate, or doctoral thesis in one of the countries of the European Union or the rest of the world (ERASMUS+ International).

## Article 4. Mobility for an Internship

The Department of International Academic Affairs & Student Exchange of the University of West Attica (ERASMUS Office/Internship Consortium) issues a call for internship positions abroad twice a year (every March-April for winter semester mobility and every October-November for spring semester mobility). Undergraduate, postgraduate, and doctoral students, as well as recent graduates, can participate in the "Internship Consortium" initiative.

An indicative distribution of positions is published with the call, which is determined based on the total number of enrolled students and the prior use of the allocated funds. This distribution is a guideline and is adjusted each time according to the needs expressed by each institution and the available annual budget of the University of West Attica. The call for applications clearly specifies the selection and eligibility criteria.

Furthermore, to participate in any Mobility Program for Internships, students of the Interdepartmental Postgraduate Program "Education Sciences through Innovative Technologies and Biomedical Approaches" must meet all the conditions for carrying out an internship, as defined for each specialization in the Program's Study Regulations.

The Program's Steering Committee evaluates and decides on the recognition of the student's internship based on a recommendation from the Program's Mobility Coordinator. The internship is recorded in the transcript of records and in the Diploma Supplement, which is issued in both Greek and English.

The Erasmus+ program for Internships offers students of the University of West Attica the chance to complete an internship period of 2 to 12 months at an eligible Host Organization in one of the eligible host countries. Interested students can choose a Host Organization from a pool of private and public entities. To find a Host Organization, the following options are suggested:

- The website of the Department of International Academic Affairs and Student Exchange of the University of West Attica lists all internship positions from partner organizations.
- Internship search networks and engines:
  - ErasmusIntern.org (A platform for finding internships developed by the Erasmus Student Network)
  - PRAXIS virtual market (A platform by the European Commission)
  - <http://www.schooleducationgateway.eu/en/pub/opportunities/mobility.cfm> (A database for educators)
  - LEO-NET JOEPlus
  - Researchgate.net
  - IAESTE AUTH
  - AIESEC

## Article 5. Basic Conditions and Right to Participate

To participate in a Mobility program, a student of the Interdepartmental Postgraduate Program "Education Sciences through Innovative Technologies and Biomedical Approaches" must:

- Be an enrolled student in the "Education Sciences through Innovative Technologies and Biomedical Approaches" program.
- Have an inter-university agreement with the Host Institution for study-related mobility.
- Meet the evaluation criteria set by the Program's Steering Committee upon the recommendation of the Mobility Coordinator.
- Be a citizen of a European Union member state or another country participating in the program.
- Be in at least their first year of studies, have successfully passed 50% of the total ECTS credits up to the current semester, and have at least 60 ECTS remaining for their degree.
- Have sufficient knowledge of the language in which courses are taught at the Host University. The required language proficiency level can be found on the website of the Department of International Academic Affairs and Student Exchange of the University of West Attica. An exception is the master's thesis, which can be written in English.

A student can receive funding for mobility for a maximum of twelve (12) months per study cycle, regardless of the number or type of mobility (studies or internship). No tuition, registration, or examination fees are paid at the Host University, and students continue to receive any national scholarships or loans in full.

## Article 6. Student Selection Criteria

The selection of students for the Erasmus+ program is conducted by the Program's Steering Committee, based on the recommendation of the Mobility Coordinator. The evaluation is based on the university preferences indicated by the students and the criteria required by the mobility regulations, as stated on the Erasmus+ website of the University of West Attica. The main scoring criterion is an index calculated from the total ECTS credits a student has earned divided by their semester of study. In case of a tie, overall academic performance, choice of a country with lower mobility rates, foreign language proficiency, and gender balance are also considered.

**Scoring Criteria:**

- **Academic Performance** (Degree/study grade).
- **ECTS Quotient:** The ratio of successfully completed ECTS credits at the time of application to the total ECTS credits that should have been completed according to the program.
- **Year of Study** (including any previous mobility).

**Additional criteria may be considered:**

- **Language Proficiency Level:** 5 points for A1 level up to 30 points for C2 level.
- **Motivation Letter:** Up to 10 points for the statement of purpose for studying at the chosen university.
- **Knowledge of another foreign language:** 5 points.
- **Grade in the "English Terminology" course:** 1-5 points, corresponding to grades of 5-10.

Following the scoring, a ranked list is created for each Host University. This ranking must consider the language of instruction (required proficiency based on the bilateral agreement) and the student's motivation. Priority is given to students in later academic semesters. In case of a tie, overall performance, choice of a country with lower mobility, language proficiency, and gender balance are taken into account.

## Article 7. Announcement of Selection Results

The results of the selection for mobility are announced on the website of the Interdepartmental Postgraduate Program within a reasonable time after the application deadline. The results are also sent to the candidates via email by the Program's Secretariat.

## Article 8. Recognition of Courses- Before Departure

The Erasmus+ for Studies program ensures the full recognition of the study period abroad. This is guaranteed by the commitment of every Department/School/Study Program of the University of West Attica to automatically recognize the studies completed abroad, as declared in the Learning Agreement for Studies before departure and any subsequent amendments. The Learning Agreement must be approved by the Interdepartmental Postgraduate Program before the student leaves for the Host University. A course will not be

recognized only if it is not included in the Learning Agreement or if the student did not pass the required exams or assessments at the Host University.

Courses can be matched upon approval by the Program's Steering Committee, following a recommendation from the Mobility Coordinator. If a student chooses courses that do not have a direct equivalent, they will be listed in the diploma supplement. For mobility of up to one semester, courses should correspond to up to 30 ECTS credits.

The Department of International Academic Affairs and Student Exchange announces a call for grant applications for the "Erasmus+ Studies" program twice a year. The call and all relevant documents are posted on the university's website, <https://erasmus.uniwa.gr>.

## Article 9. Recognition of Courses- Upon Return

Upon their return, the student must submit an official document from the Host University that lists the course titles, the grades received, the number of ECTS credits, and the grading scale. The Transcript of Records must show the grades (Pass or Fail) for all selected courses. The "Section to be completed after the mobility" in the Learning Agreement must also be filled out. The start and end dates of the mobility period are confirmed by the Certificate of Attendance.

For the registration of the grades, the Mobility Coordinator prepares a recommendation with a table of course equivalencies and grades. This recommendation is then submitted for approval at a meeting of the Program's Steering Committee.

## Article 10. Funding

The student receives a grant, the amount of which depends on the destination country. A student can be funded for mobility for a maximum of 12 months during their studies, regardless of the number or type of mobility. During a study cycle, a student can participate in mobility for studies lasting from 3 to 12 months only once.

Detailed information on funding, conditions, and the application process is provided by the Department of International Academic Affairs and Student Exchange. The student initially receives 80% of the total grant amount, with the remaining 20% being paid upon their return.

## Article 11. Extension of Mobility

It is possible to extend the study period up to a maximum of twelve (12) months. Requests for extension must be submitted at least one month before the end of the initial mobility period. The student must:

- Submit a request for an extension via email to the Secretariat of the Interdepartmental Postgraduate Program, with a copy to the Department of International Academic Affairs and Student Exchange.
- Provide written approval from the host University.
- Complete the "Section to be completed during the mobility" of the Learning Agreement.

## Article 12. Publication of Regulations and Final Provisions

These mobility regulations are posted on the website of the Interdepartmental Postgraduate Program and are periodically sent via email to all students in the Program. The regulations are reviewed annually, before the start of each academic year, by the Program's Steering Committee, which receives a recommendation from the Mobility Coordinator. The regulations are revised as needed.