



Eligibility and Selection criteria for Erasmus+ Mobility

→ Eligibility for Erasmus+ Studies

All active, registered students of the University of Thessaly, regardless of their level of studies (undergraduate, postgraduate, or doctoral), are eligible to carry out part of their academic program at one of the University's Partner Institutions if exists a valid bilateral agreement between the student's Academic Department and the Host Institution, and in accordance with the Erasmus+ University Charter and the Grant Agreement between the University of Thessaly and the National Agency (IKY), which is responsible for managing student mobility scholarships. More specifically, a student of the University of Thessaly is eligible to participate in the Erasmus+ Program if:

- They are **enrolled in an official study program** at the University of Thessaly, leading to a recognized degree (Bachelor's, Master's, or PhD) in accordance with the rules of the participating country;
- They **have not yet completed the minimum number of required credits** for the award of their degree, making it possible for a part of their studies to be carried out abroad;
- They have **sufficient knowledge of the language of instruction** at the Host University. The required language level must meet the criteria set in the relevant bilateral agreement.

Students are entitled to **submit one application per academic year**, either for **studies** or for **traineeship**.

Selection Criteria

The selection criteria for applicants are announced in advance on the websites of the respective Academic Departments. These criteria consider the specific characteristics of each study program. In the event that the number of available positions is limited, priority is usually given to otherwise eligible students who:

- Are **students with disabilities**;
- Have a **strong overall academic profile**, considering factors such as attendance, disciplinary records, status as a long-term student, or previous misuse of academic exchange programs;
- Have a **high level of proficiency** in the working language of the Host University;
- Hold **certified proficiency in multiple foreign languages**, especially in the language of the Host Country;
- Have successfully completed the **majority of their compulsory courses**;
- Are in a **more advanced year** of study;
- Have a **higher overall grade point average**.



→ Erasmus+ Traineeship Scholarships – Eligibility and Selection Criteria

Erasmus+ mobility scholarships for **traineeships** are available for all levels of study (undergraduate, postgraduate, and doctoral). Only **active students** of the University of Thessaly are eligible to apply, provided that the following conditions are met:

- They are **enrolled in an official study program** at the University of Thessaly, which leads to a recognized degree (Bachelor's, Master's, or PhD).
- They have **sufficient knowledge and official certification** in the working language agreed upon with the host organization, and/or in the language of the host country.

Students are entitled to **submit one application per academic year**, either for **studies** or for **traineeship**.

Additionally, **recent graduates** may participate in the Erasmus+ traineeship program during the **first year following their graduation, provided that** their application was submitted and approved **while they were still active students in their final year**.

Note: Only students who retain their student status **until the selection process is completed** by the University of Thessaly are eligible to apply as recent graduates.

All student mobilities must be **approved by the designated institutional body** within their Department (e.g., Departmental Assembly), which is responsible for academic recognition or equivalency of the traineeship. Once the application is approved, students may carry out their traineeship **either as enrolled students or as recent graduates**, provided they graduate **after the approval** of their application.

Selection Priorities

Although final selection criteria are established and announced by each Academic Department, priority is typically given to students who:

- Are **students with disabilities**;
- Have a **strong overall academic and disciplinary record**;
- Have a **field of study that closely matches** the activities of the Host Organization, aligning with the primary goal of the program — to gain **work experience relevant** to one's studies;
- Have **excellent command** of the working language required by the Host Organization;
- Have **good knowledge** of the host country's language, even if it is **not formally required**;
- Have successfully completed the **majority of compulsory courses**;
- Are in a **higher year of study**;
- Have a **higher overall grade point average (GPA)**.



→ **Additional Considerations in the Final Selection**

The following also play a significant role in the final selection:

- The student's **general behavior and consistency**, including:
 - Any disciplinary infractions;
 - Misuse of exchange program opportunities in the past;
 - Being classified as a "chronic student" (i.e., delayed graduation);
- Any **additional formal academic criteria** set by the Department concerning the academic relevance of the mobility.

Important: Students who were previously selected for mobility but **unjustifiably canceled** their participation or **terminated their stay prematurely** without meeting the **minimum required duration**, may still be allowed to participate **only if there are remaining spots available**, regardless of their qualifications.