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Call 2025/2026

ARQUS MOBILITY – ERASMUS – SEMP – ULISSE

GUIDELINE FOR STUDENTS:

- **MEDICAL BIOTECHNOLOGIES ME1934**
- **PHARMACEUTICAL BIOTECHNOLOGIES ME2193**
- **MEDICINE AND SURGERY ME2491**

*By Mobility Desk of School of Medicine
(updated at 15/11/2024)*

For the aspects which are not mentioned in the following document please refer to the Call 2025/2026:

INTERNATIONAL MOBILITY PROGRAMMES 2025/2026

<https://www.unipd.it/en/erasmus-studies-out>
<https://www.unipd.it/en/semp>
<https://www.unipd.it/en/ulisse>

1 – GENERAL INFORMATION

Students who are regularly enrolled at the University of Padua in one of the following courses: MEDICAL BIOTECHNOLOGIES ME1934, PHARMACEUTICAL BIOTECHNOLOGIES ME2193, MEDICINE AND SURGERY ME2491, and who are interested in spending a period of time studying abroad, can apply for international mobility calls until January 16th 2025, at 1:00 pm (first call). If there are any remaining spots, students will have the opportunity to apply for a second call until April 10, 2025, at 1:00 pm (second call).

2 – DESTINATIONS

www.unipd.it/mobility-agreements

Each student can choose a maximum of 2 destinations for the ERASMUS PLUS mobility call. Moreover, from this year, the destinations of the OPEN ARQUS MOBILITY



programme will appear separately under the indication 'Destinazioni di ateneo'. Each student will be able to apply for 2 University destinations (and therefore also Arqus) in addition to the applications for standard Erasmus+ agreements. A student may be successful for both "Destinazioni di Ateneo" and Standard Erasmus+ and/or Erasmus+ Beyond Europe opportunities, but the student may only accept one mobility per academic year. Students can choose 1 destination only for the SEMP program and 2 destinations for the ULISSE program. Altogether students can compete for a **maximum of 8 destinations**: 2 for ERASMUS, 1 for Erasmus+ Beyond Europe, 2 for "Destinazioni di Ateneo"/ARQUS, 1 for SEMP and 2 for ULISSE.

For each destination a rank based on merit will be made and ordered from the highest to the lowest score according to the following rules:

1. If a student wins both of their preferred destinations in the ERASMUS program, they will be assigned the destination corresponding to their 1st choice. They will be automatically excluded from the destination corresponding to the 2nd choice.
2. If a student wins only one of their preferred destinations in the ERASMUS program, they will be assigned the destination they won.
3. If the student is not selected for any of the chosen destinations in the ERASMUS program they will remain in both rankings, waiting for a potential takeover.
4. If the candidate is a winner in two of the following ERASMUS and DESTINAZIONI DI ATENEO/ ARQUS calls, it will only be possible to accept one mobility place (for more information on the timing of acceptance, please refer to the Call of 25/26).
5. If a student wins a spot in more than one call among the ERASMUS **or** Destinazioni di Ateneo/ARQUS, SEMP, and ULISSE programs, they will have the chance to accept every spot won only if there are no temporal overlaps between them.
 - a. For example, if the student wins the ERASMUS call for the months of January-March, the SEMP call for the months of April-July, and the ULISSE call for the months of September-December, they can accept all the calls.
6. If there are temporal overlaps between the calls, the student must either not accept or subsequently renounce the call where there's a temporal overlap.
 - a. For example, if a candidate is selected as the winner for the DESTINAZIONI DI ATENEO/ ARQUS program during the months of January-March and simultaneously for the SEMP program during the months of January-May, they will need to renounce one of the two awarded scholarships.

It is possible to apply for Erasmus multiple times in different years, there are no longer penalties for having previously undertaken Erasmus mobility experiences.



3 – CRITERIA AND APPLICATION

- A. **Number of credits (CFU)** will be evaluated considering the year of study. The score will be calculated based on the credits earned as of November 30th 2024 for the first call and as of March 30th 2025 for the second call. All formulas applied from hereon and thereafter have been developed using the MS Excel program.
- B.

ME2193 PHARMACEUTICAL BIOTECHNOLOGIES:

Current year's study	Formula 1° call	Formula 2° call
1° year	= (degree grade - min) / (max-min) * 30	= credits/30 * 30
2° year	= Credits/60 * 30	= credits/90 * 30

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Current year's study	Formula 1° call	Formula 2° call
1° year	= (degree grade - min) / (max-min) * 30	= credits/30 * 30
2° year (Medical Biotech-track)	= Credits/63 * 30	= credits/89 * 30

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Current year's study	Formula 1° call	Formula 2° call
1° year	Application not available	Application not available
2° year	= Credits/57 * 30	= credits/75 * 30
3° year	= Credits/121 * 30	= credits/134 * 30
4° year	= Credits /177 * 30	= credits/200 * 30
5° year	= Credits /236 * 30	= credits/263 * 30
6° year	= Credits /300 * 30	= credits/320 * 30



- C. **Weighted average** of the grades obtained; the average will be calculated by the Uniweb system based on the grades earned as of November 30th 2024 for the first call and as of March 30th 2025 for the second call.

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Current year's study	Formula
From 2° to 5° year	=weighted average

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Current year's study	Formula 1° call	Formula 2° call
1° year	= (entrance test grade - min) / (max-min) * 30	= weighted average
2° year	=weighted average	= weighted average

- D. **Motivational Interview / Cover letter**

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Mode (Interview)	Maximum score
Shortly after the application deadline candidates will be invited for motivational interview. The purpose of the interview is to assess their motivation for this experience.	10

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Mode (Letter)	Maximum score
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<p>Motivational letter and any supplementary documentation of the supervisor's thesis abroad including the subject of the thesis and contact with the supervisor abroad, to be attached to the application in PDF format. The motivational letter must be in PDF format A4. It is written in English exclusively by the candidate and is therefore authentic; it does not exceed the maximum length of one page, font arial 11, line spacing 1.15. The candidate may range by mentioning past experiences, present experiences, future prospects, ambitions, desires and achievements. The applicant explains and expresses his/her reasons for applying for the international mobility programme.</p>	<p>10</p>
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E. **Language knowledge** The score assigned for language skills takes into account:

- The level of proficiency in the MAIN language of the host country (verify what is considered the official language in Table 1 and the corresponding score based on the level in Table 2, column 2).
- The candidate's proficiency level in a potential second language, referred to as the BONUS LANGUAGE. The bonus language is English if the official language of the destination country is German, French, or Spanish. Alternatively, it is the minority language of the destination country, if applicable (refer to the score assigned based on the level in Table 2, column 3)

Table 1 – Official language	
PAESE DI DESTINAZIONE	LINGUA VEICOLARE
Spain	Spanish
France	French
Belgium (French-speaking area)	



Switzerland (French-speaking area)	German
Austria	
Germany	
Switzerland (German speaking area)	English
Belgium (Flemish-speaking area)	
Switzerland (German-speaking area)	
Switzerland (Italian-speaking area)	
All other destination	

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2 - POINT ASSIGNMENT		
LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY LEVEL	SCORE FOR THE <u>MAIN LANGUAGE</u>	SCORE FOR THE <u>BONUS LANGUAGE</u>
C2	20	10
C1	20	10
B2	16	8
B1	12	6
A2	8	4
A1	4	2

The certifications taken into consideration for the purpose of calculating the score are the following ones:

- Certifications listed in the following link: <https://cla.unipd.it/test-linguistici/certificazioni/>
- Certificates issued by the Centro Linguistico di Ateneo (the university language center) after having undertaken a test. The languages offered include English,



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French, Spanish, and German, and proficiency levels available are either B1 or B2. The assessable skills include reading and listening.

It's important to note that the test can be taken only once. A test session is scheduled for the beginning of January 2025 (15/16 January), for students intending to apply in the 1st call for the academic year 25/26. Registrations opened on December 1st and will close on January 9th, 2025.

For registrations: <https://cla.unipd.it/test-linguistici/erasmus-out-fase-di-domanda/>

- Language courses taken as part of the academic curriculum at UniPD.
- Following Ministerial guidelines, the International baccalaureate corresponds to a B2 Level.

In case of confusion between levels, the evaluation of the University Language Center will prevail. If a candidate submits multiple certificates for the same language, the certificate that awards the highest score will be the one taken into consideration.

The certificate's expiration date is not considered, the certificate is therefore going to be considered valid for the purpose of scoring.

NATIVE SPEAKERS: Candidates wishing to claim native speaker status for the main language or for the bonus language must specify how many years of education they have received abroad (high school and/or university). These information contributes to the calculation of the score. Those who have not spent a study period abroad and lack other language certifications but possess native speaker **legal status** will have to inform the mobility desk of the School of Medicine that will contact them to verify their status.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WINNERS

1. All candidates who win the call and accept the international mobility scholarship will have the opportunity to participate in either:
 - a 30-hour language course (at the end of the course participants will not receive a proficiency certificate but only a certificate of attendance)
 - a test to assess their language proficiency after which they will receive a proficiency certificate.

Both the courses and the test are offered by the CLA and are free of charge.

More information can be found at:

- Language courses: <http://cla.unipd.it/attivita/corsi/erasmus-out>
- Language tests: <http://cla.unipd.it/test-linguistici/erasmus-out>



2. **BEFORE DEPARTURE** □ All departing students will have the opportunity to take a specific language test, which can also be retaken at the end of their mobility period to track the improvements made during the time abroad. For this purpose, they will receive the necessary credentials to create an account on the Online Linguistic Support platform, which is required for both the initial and final test. Link: <https://erasmus-plus.ec.europa.eu/it/resources-and-tools/online-language-support>
- Throughout the mobility period, a free online course will be made available for students to consult at their convenience; attendance is highly recommended.

LEARNING AGREEMENT

The Learning agreement can be submitted in [Uniweb](#).

For all the degrees

- Learning Agreement – **before the mobility** - must be submitted by the student:
 - Within June 15th for the first semester;
 - within October 15th for the second semester;
- During the mobility it's possible to modify the Learning Agreement - **during the mobility**
 - From 1st to 31st of October for the first semester;
 - From 1st to 31st of March for the second semester;

The learning agreement can be modified for up to **four** times, penalty is the deactivation of the account.

- All the recognized activities must appear in the Learning Agreement: It's not possible to ask for a recognition of an activity which is not present in the preapproved Learning Agreement.



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STEP BY STEP: FROM THE APPLICATION TO THE RECOGNITION

STEP 1 | APPLYING

<https://www.unipd.it/en/erasmus-studies-out>

STEP 2 | ACCEPT YOUR PLACE

<https://www.unipd.it/en/accept-decline-place-erasmus-out>

STEP 3 | BEFORE THE MOBILITY

<https://www.unipd.it/en/before-mobility-erasmus-out>

STEP 4 | DURING THE MOBILITY

<https://www.unipd.it/en/during-mobility-erasmus-out>

STEP 5 | AFTER THE MOBILITY

<https://www.unipd.it/en/after-mobility-erasmus-out>

6 – ACTIVITIES' RECOGNITION AFTER THE MOBILITY

After the mobility, students are required to submit all end-of-mobility documents through the portal Mobility Online. The School of Medicine and Surgery's mobility desk will contact students via email to proceed with the full recognition process for activities carried out abroad and approved in the Learning Agreement.

The conversion table is available at the following link:

<https://www.unipd.it/en/ects-erasmus-out>

The score will be given as it follows:

1. The partner university assigns to the passed activity a local grade;
2. The partner university assigns a grade in ECTS (A = excellent, B = very good, C = good, D = satisfactory, E = sufficient);
3. The partner university sends the results through Transcript of Records;
4. The International Mobility service of the school of medicine and surgery will proceed with the conversion based on the document "**Statistiche Voti Scuola di Medicina e Chirurgia**"