MOBILITY REGULATION

ERASMUS+ PROGRAMME

The Senate of the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki (A.U.Th.) in its assembly number 2980/20 & 21-2-2019 decided to approve the adoption of good practices for the correct implementation of the ERASMUS+ programme, which apply proportionally to all AUTH Study cycles, in accordance with the current Legislation and the Regulation of the respective Postgraduate Programme.

Additionally, since then the procedures are updated and specialized according to the guidelines of the State of Scholarships Foundation and are published respectively by the Department of European and Educational Programs (E.E.P.) on its website https://eurep.auth.gr/el/students/studies .

The above Decision of the Senate of AUTH is as follows:

A) Outgoing Students

1. For Postgraduate Diploma Thesis

1. Mobility for Postgraduate Diploma Thesis

Through the Erasmus+ program, postgraduate students are given the opportunity to prepare their Diploma Thesis in one of the countries of the European Union or the rest of the world (ERASMUS+ International).

2. Basic conditions for participation in the ERASMUS+ program

On the E.E.P. website: <u>https://eurep.auth.gr/el/students/studies</u> the student can see the collaboration agreements of the School of Informatics with the respective universities to which he/she can move.

Right to participate in mobility

- 1. The student must be a citizen of a member state of the European Union or of another country participating in the programme.
- Must have passed 4 courses at the time of application so that he/she can complete his/her Diploma Thesis at the Host University during the 2nd year of studies.
- 3. Must have sufficient knowledge of the English language, which will be the writing language of the Diploma Thesis and fulfill the language proficiency requirements provided

by the Erasmus+ bilateral agreement with the Host University through which he/she is moving.

4. The student may receive a 6-month mobility grant, regardless of his/her participation in mobility as an undergraduate student. Tuition fees, registration fees and examination fees are not paid at the Host University, while national scholarships and loans are still paid in full to outgoing students.

Selection Criteria of the Student

The selection of students is made by the ERASMUS+ Coordinator of the School, based on the preferences of the universities that have declared and a process, which is described in detail on the Erasmus evaluation website and includes:

- a) score based on the level of language proficiency provided for by the mobility agreement, degree grade and participation motivation,
- b) classification of applications according to the amount of the available fund and
- c) evaluation of the applications by the Host Universities.

Announcement of Selection Results

Those interested can see if they have been selected for transfer, in the announcements on the Programme's website within a reasonable period of time after the deadline for submitting applications. Their names will also appear on the website of the Department of European Educational Programs (EEP).

3. Recognition of Master Diploma - before departure

The Erasmus+ programme provides for and ensures full recognition of the study period at the Host University. This process is ensured by the fact that the participation of any School of A.U.Th. in the program implies its commitment to the recognition of the studies that the students carry out abroad as they are declared before their departure in the Learning Agreement for Studies and as they are modified with the Changes to Learning Agreement form.

The Student's Learning Agreement before his/her departure for the Host University should be approved by the School's Assembly after a recommendation by the Graduate Studies Steering Committee of the programme and the relevant application of the student. The topic of the Postgraduate Diploma Thesis should necessarily fall within the subjects of the programme, its preparation should correspond to a load of 30 ECTS and the supervisor at the Host University should be one of the permanent teaching staff. The Steering Committee designates a faculty member with a relevant subject as co-supervisor and two more academic staff as members of the Three-Member Thesis Examination Committee.

4. Writing a Postgraduate Diploma Thesis

The writing is done in the English language, in accordance with the standards mentioned in the Postgraduate Diploma Thesis Regulation and the sections on Intellectual Property -Plagiarism.

5. Recognition of the work with the return of the student

When the student returns, he/she must present an official document from the Host University stating the grade received during the examination of the Postgraduate Diploma Thesis at the Host University.

The Postgraduate Diploma Thesis is defended before the Three-member Examination Committee on a date and place specified by the Committee. The complete text of the Postgraduate Diploma Thesis is presented to the members of the Three-member Committee at least 15 days before the examination date.

The three-member Examination Committee approves and assigns the grade of the Postgraduate Diploma Thesis to the grading scale of the programme. Following its approval by the Committee, the Postgraduate Diploma Thesis is submitted in electronic format (pdf file) to the library of the A.U.Th. and is compulsorily posted on the website of the relevant School.

6. Funding

- i. The student receives a grant depending on the country of destination.
- Detailed information on the financing as well as the process of submitting the necessary supporting documents is provided by the E.E.P. provided that he/she has successfully completed the preparation of his/her Postgraduate Diploma Thesis.

B) Incoming Students

1. It is regarded necessary to ensure adequate knowledge of the language of instruction by incoming students, based on the conditions of the bilateral agreement. It is recommended

to send a recognized certificate of language proficiency (where required by the Schools) provided that this obligation is included in the annex of the bilateral agreement.

2. Mandatory mailing of incoming students' grades to the Home Institutions (Transcript of Records) no later than five weeks after the end of the mobility period. It is reminded that non-compliance with this obligation may be a reason for the termination of cooperation between two Institutions and for this reason the ECTS coordinator in collaboration with the members of the Secretariat of the Schools should make sure of the timely sending of the grades of the incoming students.

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POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMME COMMUNICATION NETWORKS & SYSTEMS SECURITY SCHOOL OF INFORMATICS

The ERAMUS+ Mobility Regulation has been approved by the School of Informatics S.T.443/20-12-2023 and has been posted on the program's website.

1. Program ERASMUS+

Information on the mobility of postgraduate students with the ERASMUS+ program (Mobility for Studies), adopting the good practices for the proper operation of the program approved by the AUTh Senate are provided by the ERASMUS+ Coordinator at the Department of Informatics, the Department's website <u>https://www.csd.auth.gr/en/studies-en/llp-erasmus-program/</u> as well as by the Department of European Educational Programs (E.E.P.) at <u>https://eurep.auth.gr/en</u>.

2. Mobility for Elaborating Postgraduate Diploma Thesis

Through the Erasmus+ program, postgraduate students are given the opportunity to elaborate their Postgraduate Diploma Thesis in one of the countries of the European Union or the rest of the world (ERASMUS+International).

3. Basic terms for participating in ERASMUS+ programme

On the E.E.P. website: <u>web link</u>, the postgraduate student can see the cooperation agreements of the School of Informatics with the respective universities to which he/she can move.

3.1 Right to Participate in the Mobility Program

- 1. The beneficiaries must be Citizens of a Member State of the European Union or of another country participating in the program.
- 2. The beneficiaries must have passed 4 courses at the time of application so that they can complete his/her diploma thesis at the Host University during the 2nd year of studies.
- 3. He/she must have sufficient knowledge of English, which will be the writing language of the diploma thesis and fulfil the language proficiency requirements provided for by the Erasmus+ bilateral agreement with the Host University through which he is moving.
- 4. The student can receive a 6-month mobility grant, regardless of their participation in mobility as an undergraduate student. Tuition fees, registration fees and examination fees are not paid at the Host University, while national scholarships and loans are still paid in full to outgoing students.

3.2 Postgraduate Student Selection Criteria

The selection of postgraduate students is made by the ERASMUS+ Coordinator of the Department, based on the preferences of the universities that have declared and a process, which is described in detail on the <u>Erasmus evaluation</u>¹ website and includes

- a. scoring based on the level of language proficiency provided by the transfer agreement, the grade point average of the undergraduate degree (BSc), and the motivations for participation,
- b. ranking of applications and serving the first N according to the amount of the available fund, and c) evaluation of the applications by the Host Universities.

3.3 Announcement of Selection Results

Interested postgraduate students can see if they have been selected for mobility in the announcements on the Postgraduate Course Program website within a reasonable period after the deadline for submitting applications. A little later their names will also appear on the website of the E.E.P.

4. Postgraduate Diploma Thesis Recognition – Before Departure

The Erasmus+ program provides for and ensures full recognition of the study period at the Host University. This process is confirmed by the fact that the participation of any Department/School of the AUTh in the program implies its commitment to the recognition of the studies that the students carry out abroad as they are declared before their departure in the Learning Agreement for Studies and as they are modified with the Changes to Learning Agreement form.

The Student's Learning Agreement before his/her departure for the Host University should be approved by the Department's Assembly after a recommendation by the Postgraduate Studies Coordinating Committee (CC) of the Postgraduate Course Program upon an application by the student concerned. caused by a relevant application of the student. The subject of the diploma thesis must necessarily fall within the subjects of the Postgraduate Course Program, its elaboration must correspond to a load of 30 ECTs, and the supervisors at the Host University must be permanent faculty. CC appoints a faculty member teaching in the Postgraduate Course Program with relevant expertise as co-supervisor and two more tutors as members of the Three-Member Examination Committee of the Postgraduate Diploma Thesis.

5. Writing the Postgraduate Diploma Thesis

Thesis is written in English, in accordance with the standards mentioned in the Postgraduate Diploma Thesis Regulation and the sections on Intellectual Property - Plagiarism.

¹ In Greek. To translate in English, use Google chrome and Google translate.

6. Recognition of Postgraduate Diploma Thesis – Upon Return

When the student returns, he/she must present an official document from the Host University stating the grade received during the examination of the diploma thesis at the Host University.

The diploma thesis is defended before the Three-member Examination Committee on a date and place specified by the Committee. The full text of the diploma thesis is sent to the examiners at least 15 days before the examination date.

The Three-member Examination Committee approves and maps the grade of the diploma thesis to the grading scale of the Postgraduate Course Program. Following its approval by the Committee, the diploma thesis is submitted in electronic format (pdf file) to the library of the AUTh and is compulsorily posted on the website of the relevant School.

7. Funding

- i. The student receives a grant depending on the country of destination.
- ii. Detailed information on the funding as well as the process of submitting the necessary supporting documents is provided by the D.E.E.P. and provided that the student has successfully completed the preparation of his/her diploma thesis. Thesis Initially the student receives 80% of the grant he/she is entitled to and the remaining 20% is deposited after his/her return subject to the condition that he/she has concluded successfully his/her Postgraduate Diploma Thesis.