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# Erasmus+ short mobility PhD

- KA131 (Europe)

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## **What is PhD short mobility?** **short mobility for doctoral students**

- The "Erasmus+ Short Mobility for PhD Students" program is aimed at Unipd PhD students enrolled in a PhD programme in the 2025/2026 academic year:
  - 41st cycle
  - 40th cycle
  - 39th cycle
  - 38th cycle
  - 37th cycle (four-year)
- short physical mobility abroad are funded, up to a maximum of 3, and it is always possible to add a virtual component.
- The 3 mobilities cannot be towards the same destination and the periods cannot overlap



## **PhD Short Mobility KA131 - European Countries**

- It is possible to combine the KA131 mobility(s) with the KA171 mobility call 2024 and in this case too, any overlaps are not permitted.
- The total duration of all Erasmus+ funded mobilities undertaken during the doctoral program cannot exceed 12 months in total.



## List of PhD short mobility destinations

The list of destinations is available on the web page  
<https://www.unipd.it/en/phd-shortmobility>

- [Destinations Europe KA131](#)
- It is necessary for the partner institution to confirm its availability to welcome the PhD student by completing a simple form.



## ISCED CODES

- In general ALL ISCED CODES are allowed except for some exceptions specified in the [DESTINATIONS file](#)



## Mobility grant amount, fundable days and travel expenses

- **Scholarship amount:** EUR 79.00 per day up to the 14th day of activity (calculated on the actual days of stay at the host institution) and EUR 56.00 per day between the 15th and 30th day of activity;
- **Fundable days** : Physical mobility must last between 5 and 30 consecutive days, with no interruptions. A virtual component (not funded) is always encouraged.
- **Travel expenses:** A flat-rate reimbursement is provided, calculated according to the program rules based on mileage and type of travel (green or non-green). Participants will be required to submit their boarding passes or corresponding proof of travel.



## Travel expenses

**STEP 1** : proceed with the mileage calculation with Distance Calculator

<https://erasmus-plus.ec.europa.eu/resources-and-tools/distance-calculator>

**STEP 2** : Transfer the mileage into the table to get the total amount of travel expenses

Kilometer bands	Green Travel	Non-green travel
Between 10 and 99 KM	56 Euro per participant	28 Euro per participant
Between 100 and 499 KM	285 Euro per participant	211 Euro per participant
Between 500 and 1999 KM	417 Euro per participant	309 Euro per participant
Between 2000 and 2999 KM	535 Euro per participant	395 Euro per participant
Between 3000 and 3999 KM	785 Euro per participant	580 Euro per participant
Between 4000 and 7999 KM	1188 Euro per participant	1188 Euro per participant
Between 8000 and more	1735 Euro per participant	1735 Euro per participant

# Green Travel

What is meant by Green travel ?

Green travel includes the following means of transport:

- Train



- Bus



- Carpooling (in a car with at least 3 passengers)



- Bicycle





# NON-green travel

NON-green travel ?

- Airplane



- Ship



- Car/Motorcycle





## Documents to attach to the application (PDF format)

1. [Learning Agreement signed by both institutions](#)
2. [Letter of support from the supervisor at the University of Padua](#)
3. [Acceptance letter from the host institution](#)
4. CV in English
5. [Program of activities to be carried out abroad \(courses, seminars, research projects, etc.\)](#)
6. Language certificate of knowledge of the language of the destination country and/or vehicular language

Please note: it is not possible to change the destination and/or planned activities in any way.



## **Activities permitted at the foreign office**

- ✓ Research activities;
- ✓ Participate in courses offered by host institutions;
- ✓ Participate in seminars and other training programs.

### **PLEASE NOTE:**

In the proposed activities, the doctoral student will always have to play the role of learner;

Training activities can be combined with a period of research, but not with teaching or dissemination;

Participating in congresses / conferences / etc. is not permitted.



## POINTS OF ATTENTION AND RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE DOCTORAL STUDENT

- ☐ Be regularly enrolled at the University of Padua in the 2025/2026 academic year in the 41st, 40th, 39th, 38th, or 37th cycles (four-year) of a PhD program with administrative seat in Padua.
- ☐ For non-EU citizens: possess a residence permit. Doctoral students are responsible for verifying renewal procedures and ensuring they are compatible with the period of physical mobility abroad.
- ☐ Any visa procedures will be the responsibility of the PhD student and will be at his/her expense;
- ☐ Do not complete your doctoral program before your mobility period;
- ☐ Co-supervised PhD students will be able to access this opportunity only if their administrative seat is the University of Padua.
- ☐ Erasmus+ mobility cannot take place at the same time as other international mobilities, whether physical or virtual.



## Additions / increase

- No further supplements or reimbursements are foreseen for travel costs;
- Mobility grants are compatible with the doctoral grant **increase for periods of no less than 15 days;** <https://www.unipd.it/dottorato/tasse-borse-studio-opportunita-dottorati>



## **Financing incompatibility**

- Erasmus mobility grants are not compatible with other European funding, including PNRR grants, ERC grants, and other community contributions.
- Winners will still be able to participate in the program by renouncing the contribution (Zero Grant), in case of eligible activities.



# Assignment methods and selection criteria

1. Relevance of mobility for the doctoral program;
  2. Project quality and objectives;
  3. Joint activities or activities of particular relevance to the University
- Applications will be processed by the Project and Mobility Office – Mobility Sector and the candidate will receive a response within 15 days of receiving the application.
  - If the outcome is positive, the candidate will be able to begin the mobility period starting from the 30th day after the date of the positive outcome.

Depending on the availability of funds, mobility may be partially funded or accepted with zero grants, i.e., without funding.



## Duration of mobility

- Physical mobility must be between a minimum of 5 and a maximum of 30
  - mobility must be continuous and no interruptions are permitted;
  - A virtual component (not funded) is possible.
- mobility may be carried out between 1 August 2025 and 31 July 2026
- Applications will be accepted until funds run out and in any case no later than December 31, 2025.





## How to submit your application

- ★ Connect to uniweb <https://uniweb.unipd.it/> -> switch on english -> Mobility -> Exchange programmes -> PHD Short and proceed with the application and upload all attachments;

### ATTENTION

- ★ The candidate does not need to submit any additional applications to obtain the available funding, as these are automatically assigned to the winners, barring any incompatibilities;
- ★ After submitting your application, you will receive a confirmation email to your email address ( [name.surname@studenti.unipd.it](mailto:name.surname@studenti.unipd.it) ).



## Contacts

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**Thank you for your  
participation**

**Projects and Mobility Office  
International Relations Division  
University of Padua**



## Frequently asked question

How much Erasmus funding is available for my study programme?

The Erasmus+ 2021-27 mobility programme allows you to benefit from  
A maximum of 12 months of mobility per study cycle. Shorter periods are  
included in the overall study period count.



## Frequently asked question

Is it possible to complete a 30-day mobility abroad (funded by Erasmus+ Short PhD) and add 4 or 5 months funded by the PhD scholarship with the funds allocated for mobility?

Generally speaking, it is possible, and it is possible to benefit from the increase even while receiving the Erasmus grant, therefore overlapping for those 30 days.



## Frequently asked question

If I want to add the virtual component, will this also be counted as actual mobility for my PhD program, which requires mandatory mobility?

Generally, periods spent abroad remotely (i.e., without physical travel) are also recognized, but are not eligible for the increased rate. Those receiving PNRR grants, which require the period spent abroad to be completed in person, are excluded.



## Frequently asked question

If my PhD is funded by PNRR funds, can I participate in the Erasmus+ Short PhD programme?

Yes, it is possible but only in the "ZERO GRANT" mode = "WITHOUT FINANCING"



## Frequently asked question

If you have a master's degree earned in English (and your PhD program is also taught in English), is it still necessary to have a language certificate?

Yes, a certificate of language proficiency is sufficient.