

Programme	<u>NICE - Intercultural Competence to facilitate Entrepreneurship</u>
Overall description	<p>NICE is a Virtual Exchange programme, which envisages seven didactic modules with the aim of promoting the development of transversal competences and in particular entrepreneurial and intercultural competences, relationship and collaboration skills, team-working skills, problem-solving approach, with the purpose of promoting professional growth and insertion in the world of work. The students will work both individually and in interdisciplinary and multicultural groups with the aim of solving an operational question (Global Challenge), together with colleagues from other universities participating in the programme.</p> <p>The programme is subdivided in 2 parts: 1) NICE Online Course 2) NICE Summer School that will take place from 28 June to 3 July 2026 at the University College Dublin (Ireland) - exact starting date not yet confirmed.</p>
Contents	<p>The project is broken down into seven educational modules aimed at developing soft skills, namely entrepreneurial, intercultural, and interpersonal skills, ability to cooperate, team-working skills, and problem-solving approach, in order to promote the students' professional growth and entry into the labour market. Students will work both on an individual basis and in interdisciplinary and multicultural teams to solve a "Global Challenge", together with colleagues from the other universities involved in the programme.</p> <p>For more information: https://www.nice-eu.org/participate</p>
Number of places	30
Programme dates	<p>Virtual component 2 March - 14 June 2026</p> <p>NICE Summer School (physical component for 10 selected students only) from 28 June to 3 July 2026 (start date to be confirmed)</p>
Mode	Blended
Host institution (if applicable)	<p>https://www.nice-eu.org/participate</p> <p>University College Dublin (Ireland) in collaboration with the University of Edinburgh (UK)</p>
Credits and recognition	3 CFU that can be included in the study plan as INTERCULTURAL COMPETENCE TO FACILITATE ENTREPRENEURSHIP

	(EPQ3102928) ¹ , if the President of the degree programme and the Student Office of the student's degree course agree.
Financial support	No funding is provided to students participating in the online programme component only.
Eligible degree courses	NICE is open to all students enrolled at the University of Padua regardless their degree programme.
Selection criteria and application documents	University selection criteria + motivation Documents required: 1. English language certification 2. Copy of Bachelor degree with transcript ONLY for students enrolled in the first year of a Master degree course or in the Second Year of a Joint Programme (having spent the first year abroad) 3. Motivation video (in English, max 2min) Please prepare the upload in time and calculating the deadline is sharp on 27 th of January 2026, 1PM
Application link	link
Language requirements	English - B2 level or higher
Further requirements	<p>Students participating in the NICE programme can also apply to take part in the Summer School that will take place from 28 June to 3 July 2026 at the University College Dublin (start date to be confirmed) . Indications about the application time and deadline will be provided to all students who have been already selected for the NICE Online Course. Students will be selected on the basis of their academic merit and the level of involvement and participation demonstrated during the virtual part as well as their motivations and curriculum.</p> <p>The NICE programme makes use of mobility grants from the Erasmus+ Programme (2021 - 2027) to support students participating in the Summer School, which consist of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Erasmus+ BIP mobility grant, amounting to EUR 79 per day for each day of activities • contribution to travel expenses will be paid as unit contribution per distance range from the university of origin to the university of destination: Between 500 and 1999km: EUR 309.00 • NON EU students might be required to have a visa • Accommodation will be reserved by the hosting institution <p><i>The duration is counted on the basis of the actual days spent abroad as certified by the host institution and against the achievement of the results of the activities. The Erasmus+ scholarship will be transferred after the confirmed arrival at the host institution. The disbursement by the University does not correspond to the debiting</i></p>

¹ <https://didattica.unipd.it/off/2024/LM/EP/EP2444/001PD/EPQ3102928/N0>

	<p><i>of the beneficiary's bank account. There is no further financial support available. The hosting institution has currently reserved accommodation for the students, information on this will follow.</i></p>
Restrictions	<p>The following students cannot apply to this programme:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- First year's students (bachelor level)- Students from a partner university currently on exchange at the University of Padua- Double / joint degree students