

Faculty of Humanities

Faculty (Erasmus+) exchange programme

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Why go on exchange?

- It is a great experience!
- You become more independent
- You learn how to deal with deadlines and admin
- You get to know a new academic culture
- You can build an academic network
- You improve your language skills



Why not?

- You want to do a premaster;
- You want to do a minor in a different discipline;
- You want no stress and no surprises;
- It can be costly (your scholarship does not cover all extra costs);
- You might not be able to find enough (interesting) courses which can cause a study delay;
- Some of you need to rearrange your Leiden University programme to accommodate a study abroad period which causes a study delay.

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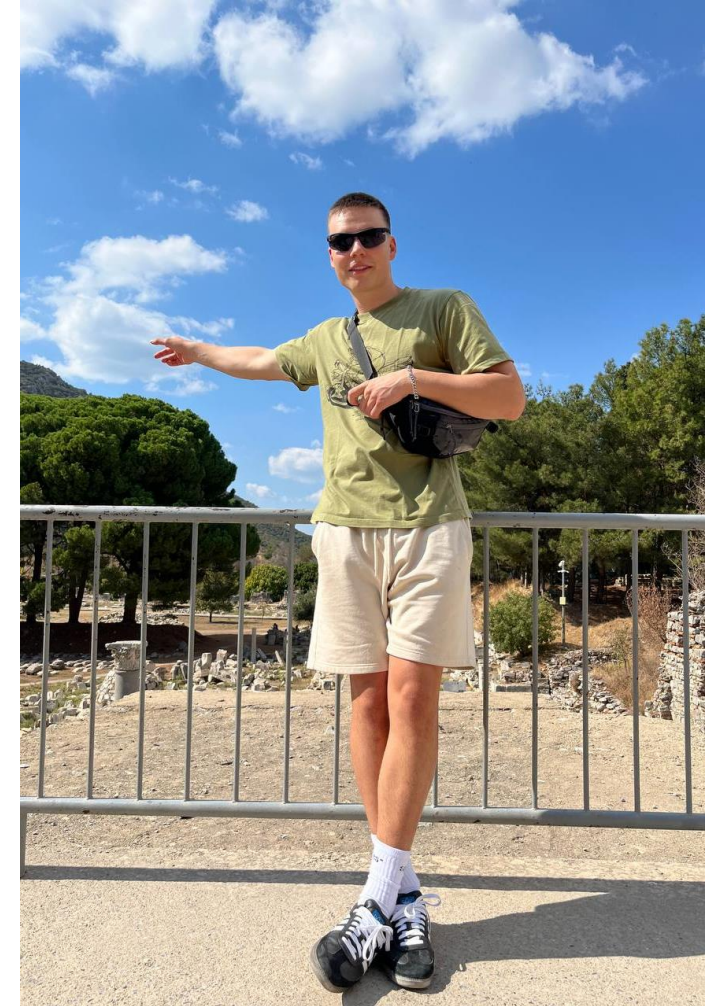
- Linda Huizinga-Coolen is the coordinator of this programme (until 1 December);
- The programme has around 70 exchange agreements with partner universities;
- We can only exchange a limited number of students per agreement. That is why this programme has an (internal) selection process;
- Your (online) application needs to be submitted on February 15th the latest;
- After a successful internal application, you need to go through the application process of your host university;
- Selected students can apply for the Erasmus+ grant (except the UK)



Who can apply?

Students who meet the following requirements can apply:

1. Advanced students (i.e. after successful completion of the first year of the undergraduate programme)
2. GPA 7.0
3. Possibility to go on exchange for one semester during academic year 2024-2025



How can you apply?

- Prepare the following documents:
 - ✓ Motivation letter – for the internal selection
 - ✓ Signed form from your study advisor
- Upload these documents through our online application platform (uSis)
- You can select up to 5 universities

The application deadline is **15 February 2024, 23:59**

Finding your destination

Study Abroad Word Map

- ✓ The agreement needs to be in your field of studies. Check possible host universities in the [World Map](#);
- ✓ Choose Faculty exchange programme!
- ✓ Check if you belong to the target group and if you meet the language requirement;
 - ❖ You can do a test to find out about your language proficiency: [Dialang explanation and link to the test](#);
- ✓ Check the general semester dates of the host universities (e.g. in Germany the first semester generally ends in March!);
- ✓ Read student reports in the [Student Report Database](#).



How to look for suitable courses?

- ✓ Check “Open for the following programmes” and “fields of study”
- ✓ Follow the link to the catalogue or prospectus. You can only see courses (“modules”) of the current academic year!
- ✓ Get to know the vocabulary. For example, in the UK a “course” is a degree programme. A “module” a course.
- ✓ Visit the school or department on the internet
- ✓ Discuss your plan with your study advisor.



How to arrange accommodation?

1. You have to arrange accommodation yourself.
 - Host universities provide you with necessary information during the application process;
 - Facebook groups;
 - Student reports;
 - [Housinganywhere.com](https://www.housinganywhere.com)
2. Some host universities have campuses and / or can guarantee housing. Check the info in Worldmap.



Can you get a Erasmus+ study grant?

After you have been selected for a spot, you can apply for the Erasmus+ study grant.

In 2023 the monthly allowance ranges from € 270,- to € 390,- per month, depending on the [host country](#).

Your grant is not sufficient to cover all (extra) costs. You need to keep your DUO loan and / or make other necessary financial preparations.

UK students apply for the Lustra+ scholarship (1 x € 450,-)



General time line

March

- Selection results
- Erasmus+ kick-off meeting

March/April/
May

- Apply for admission at the host university
- Choose courses
- Arrange accommodation

June / July

- Apply for the Erasmus+ scholarship

Plan B



Think of a back-up plan in case you do not get your preferred spot:

Other possibilities are:

- ✓ [Minor at LU or another Dutch university](#)
- ✓ Courses at [NVIC \(Egypt\)](#) (Presentation on Friday 13 October, Anna van Burenplein, Auditorium, The Hague)
- ✓ [Minor NIMAR \(Morocco\)](#)
- ✓ [Summer school](#)
- ✓ Free mover (Please contact HIO via studyabroad@hum.leidenuniv.nl)
- ✓ [Internship](#)

Internship

The Career Service Humanities team helps students with internships.

Information on the website

Personal meetings

Workshops

CV and cover letter checks

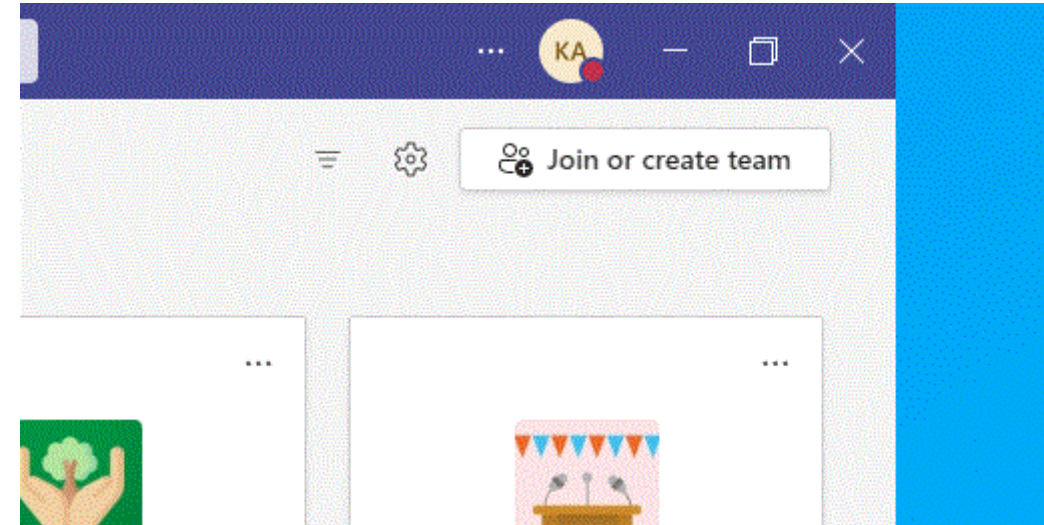
Website: [Careerzone](#)



Where can I find back all information?

MS teams tile “Study Abroad Humanities” the code “vng6tød”

- Open MS Teams
 - Go to Teams (left side menu)
 - Click on “Join or create team” (right upper corner)
- > Files / Faculty wide (Erasmus+) exchange programme



Contact

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Drop in hours (Lipsius Building)

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=FIRST READ ALL INFORMATION BEFORE MAKING AN APPOINTMENT!=

Thank you



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