Faculty of Humanities
Erasmus+ exchange programme

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For whom?

This information is meant for students who want to go on exchange within Europe and Turkey during the first or second semester of academic year 2021-2022.
What is exchange?

Exchanges within Europe and Turkey are made possible through so-called Erasmus+ agreements.

Universities can only exchange a limited number of students. That is why there is a selection process.

Exchange students do not have to pay tuition fee (=collegegeld) to their host university, only to their home university.

Exchange students can never earn a degree at their host university.
Why go on exchange?

• You become more independent
• You learn how to deal with deadlines and admin
• You get to know a new academic culture
• You improve your language skills

Why not?

• We expect a high number of applications -> competitive
• It can be costly (your scholarship does not cover all extra costs)
• You might not able to find enough (interesting) courses (study delay!)
• Some of you need to rearrange your Leiden University programme to accommodate a study abroad period (study delay!)
Who can apply?

Students who meet the following requirements can apply:

1. Successful completion of the first year (propedeuse)
2. GPA 7.0
   If you do not have this GPA, please contact Mrs. K. Aalderink through studyabroad@hum.leidenuniv.nl
How to choose your host university?

1. The agreement needs to be in your field of studies. Check the list of host universities in our Blackboard module: [1920] Study Abroad Humanities: Erasmus+ Exchange Programme Information for 2021-2022;

2. Check the language requirements (mentioned on the same list in Blackboard);
   Optional: do a test to find out about your language proficiency: Dialang explanation and link to the test;

3. Check the general semester dates of the host universities (e.g. in Germany the first semester generally ends in March!);

4. Read the student reports in our Blackboard module: [1920] Study Abroad Humanities.
What about Brexit?

Exchange: Possible

Erasmus+ scholarship: Not sure, but if not, you can apply for a Lustra+ scholarship.

Most recent information about the Brexit and its impact on studying abroad can be found in LU’s Brexit dossier.
How to look for possible courses?

1. Check “For study at” (see the list of possible host university in our Blackboard module)

2. Visit the school or department on the Internet.

3. Make yourself familiar with the vocabulary. For example, at the University of Nottingham a “course” is a degree programme. A “module” a course.

4. Look for a catalogue or prospectus. Sometimes a host university provides a list for incoming exchange students. You can only see courses (“modules”) of the current academic year!

5. Discuss your plan and preferred courses with your coordinator of studies.
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

2. Some host universities have campuses and / or can guarantee housing.
How can I apply?

In short you need to prepare the following documents:

✔ Motivation letter (in English)
✔ Transcript of records
✔ Signed form from your coordinator of studies

You need to upload these documents through our online registration system where you can select up to 5 universities.

The application deadline is **15 February 2021, 23:59** for a study abroad period in academic year 2021-2022.

You can find all details and links in our Blackboard module: [1920] Study Abroad Humanities
Can I get a Erasmus+ study grant?

After you have been selected for a spot, you have to apply for an Erasmus+ study grant.

In 2019 the monthly allowance ranged from €240,- to €360,- 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 make necessary financial preparations.
Plan B

Always make a back-up plan in case your plans abroad need to be cancelled or you do not get a (preferred) spot:

Other possibilities are:

- Minor at LU or another Dutch university
- Courses at NVIC (Egypt) (intake session 14 Oct)
- Minor NIMAR (Morocco)
- Virtual exchange
- Summer school
- Free mover
- Internship
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
Contact & Blackboard

Karin Aalderink (Outbound Student Coordinator for the Erasmus+ programme)

Online appointment (15 minutes): Book [here](#)
Email for short questions: studyabroad@hum.leidenuniv.nl
Course: [1920] Study Abroad - Humanities in [Blackboard archive](#)

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Thank you