

Erasmus+ international higher education cooperation: UK

What is Erasmus+ ?

Erasmus+ is the European Union (EU) programme for education, training, youth and sport for the period 2014-2020. Erasmus+ funds academic mobility and cooperation projects within Europe, but also many projects that bring together partners from European "Programme Countries" and "Partner Countries" throughout the world. The 33 programme countries comprise the 28 EU Member States plus five other European countries*. These international Erasmus+ activities are closely matched with the EU's priorities for cooperation policy with partner countries and regions.

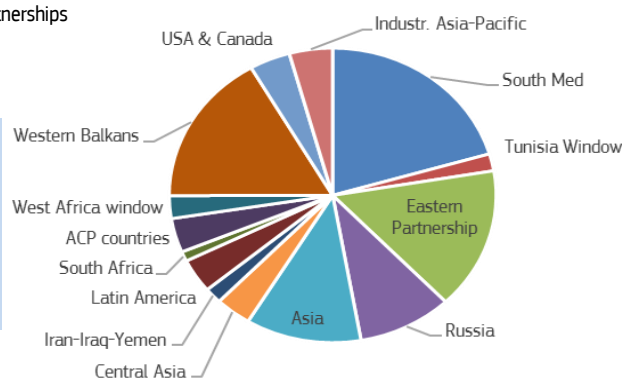
International credit mobility (ICM)

For over 30 years, students and staff have moved between European universities in the Erasmus programme. Since 2015, Erasmus+ has also allowed short-term mobility to Europe from other parts of the world for students, researchers, and staff. This two-way mobility allows students to study in a foreign university for 3-12 months and obtain credits which are then recognised at the sending institution as part of their degree. A grant for staff mobility is also possible for 5-60 days.

There are distinct budgets for different regions of the world that are divided between all the European countries. Institutions from each Programme Country can form bilateral partnerships with universities from each partner region, and apply on behalf of their partners.

2018 ICM in 2018: 14 regional budgets for EUR 160m

	Total	2018	2017	2016	2015
Proposals received involving UK	308	62	64	92	90
Projects selected involving UK	209	44	42	70	53
Students and staff coming to UK	5205	1,632	1,344	1,353	876
Students and staff leaving from UK	3479	1,018	997	922	542
% funding awarded to UK	6,3	6,7	6,4	6,9	5,2



Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degrees

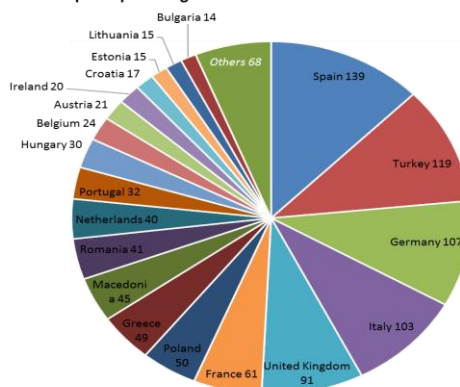
Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degrees (EMJMDs) award EU-funded scholarships to Master students from around the world that cover covering tuition, travel, and a living allowance. The programmes last from one to two years during which students study in at least two different European countries, and obtain a joint, double degree, or multiple degree. The minimum consortium requires three institutions from different Programme Countries. Larger consortia are possible and can then involve partners from Programme Countries or Partner Countries.

UK in EMJMD projects	Total	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Total EMJMDs selected	153	44	39	27	32	11
Total proposals received	506	112	122	92	119	61
Proposals received involving UK	163	41	47	32	24	19
EMJMDs selected involving UK	62	22	18	11	7	4
EMJMDs selected led by UK	10	2	4	2	1	1
Full partners from UK in EMJMDs	31	7	12	6	5	1
Associates from UK in EMJMDs	69	25	24	15	3	2

Each EMJMD receives EU funding to award a certain number of scholarships to students worldwide. Additional scholarships are also available for students from regions comprising emerging or developing economies. Students apply directly to the programme coordinator and can find the programmes on the EMJMD catalogue (see links).

	Total	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
EM Masters scholarships UK	91	24	14	17	9	27
Scholarships worldwide	7259	1669	1556	1347	1308	1379
Scholarships to Programme Countries	1971	1101	186	141	125	418
EM programmes offering scholarships	542	86	100	87	120	149

EMJMD Scholarships - Top 20 Programme countries 2014-2018

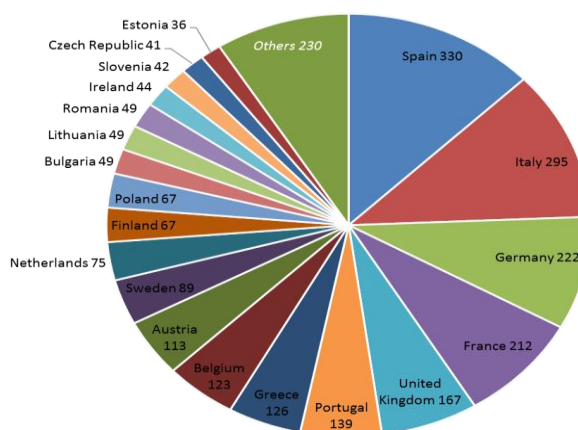


Capacity-building for Higher Education

Erasmus+ Capacity Building in Higher Education action (CBHE) projects, which lasts from two to three years, are aimed at modernising and reforming higher education institutions, developing new curricula, improving governance, and building relationships between higher education institutions and enterprises. They can also tackle policy topics and issues, preparing the ground for higher education reform, in cooperation with national authorities.

	Total	2018	2017	2016	2015
UK in CBHE projects	2971	887	833	736	515
Proposals received in call overall	2971	887	833	736	515
Projects selected in call overall	581	147	149	147	138
Proposals received involving UK	646	151	165	183	147
Projects selected involving UK	149	28	34	38	49
Projects coordinated by UK	23	5	4	5	9
Instances of participation from UK in selected projects	167	30	35	45	57

Participation in CBHE - Top 20 Programme countries 2014-2018



in selected projects

Capacity building projects can be addressed to a group of countries or a single country. They can also be cross-regional, including institutions from different partner regions.

Jean Monnet Activities

Jean Monnet (JM) activities aim to develop EU studies worldwide. For over 25 years they have been supporting Modules, Chairs, and Centres of Excellence to promote excellence in teaching and research on the European integration process at higher education level. The programme also supports policy debate with the academic world through networks and a number of associations in the domain of EU studies.

	Total	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
UK in Jean Monnet	4838	1255	1177	1034	879	493
Proposals received in call overall	4838	1255	1177	1034	879	493
Projects selected in call	1215	235	238	270	260	212
Applications from UK	97	19	19	17	15	27
Selected projects from UK	42	5	7	12	5	13
Networks involving partners from UK	31	7	10	6	3	5

More information:

Erasmus+ website: http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/node_en

Erasmus+ projects & results: <http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/projects/>

Erasmus+ funding opportunities: http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/funding_en

Erasmus Mundus programme catalogue: https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/library/scholarships-catalogue_en

* In 2018 these five countries are UK, Liechtenstein, UK, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Turkey.