



Division I Service for Educational Offer and Student Services Office of Mobility and International Cooperation

Erasmus+ Programme KA131 a.y. 2025/2026

Call for Applications for the award of no. 6 short-term mobility grants for participation in the Blended Intensive Program (BIP) entitled "Threats and Opportunities for Human Rights in the Digital Age"

Agreement no. 2024-1-IT02-KA131-HED-000196723

Deadline for online application submission:

12:00 p.m. on October 23, 2025

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PREMISE - THE ERASMUS 2021-2027 PROGRAMME

The Erasmus+ Programme contributes to the creation of the European Education Area, to the development of transnational and transdisciplinary study programmes, and to innovative learning and teaching methods. It promotes employability, social inclusion, innovation, and environmental sustainability in Europe and beyond, offering all students the opportunity to study or train abroad.

Through Erasmus+ mobility, **students and recent graduates** can enhance their learning performance, strengthen their employability and career prospects, increase empowerment, self-esteem, and civic engagement, and deepen their understanding of the European project and EU values.

Art. 1 General information - Blended Intensive Programmes (BIPs)

Developed by groups of higher education Institutions with an **innovative pedagogical approach**, BIPs involve short periods of **face-to-face activities combined with online learning and cooperation activities**, in which joint groups of students, teaching staff, and administrative staff **from different countries** can participate to collaborate on specific tasks collectively and simultaneously.

In a Blended Intensive Program (BIP), the virtual component is mandatory, and the use of digital technologies allows the Institutions involved to both improve their ability to implement innovative teaching and learning methods and reach a larger number of learners, including students from subject areas with limited mobility opportunities.

A Blended Intensive Program (BIP) can be based on an existing program that has been renewed in terms of delivery methods, or it can be entirely new, focusing on specific topics not taught elsewhere. The innovative formula of blended intensive programs is designed to **develop transnational and transdisciplinary curricula**, **innovative teaching and learning methods**, including online collaboration, and to stimulate research-based learning through a **challenge-based approach** strongly linked to the current context.

Blended intensive programs must award at least 3 **ECTS** credits to students.

Art. 2 Destination Countries

Short-term BIP mobility may take place at a partner university located in one of the Erasmus+ Programme countries:

- EU Member States: Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden;
- European Economic Area (EEA) Countries: Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway;
- Candidate countries: Turkey, North Macedonia.

Art 2.1 Mobility to the Country of Origin

Students who are citizens of one of the countries participating in Erasmus+ and enrolled at the University of Tuscia are eligible for mobility at a university in their country of origin, provided that they are not still resident in that country; in any case, they will not be given priority in the selection process. Furthermore, before confirming their acceptance of the exchange place, they must obtain clearance from the host university.

A comparative evaluation procedure is announced for the awarding of **no. 6 short-term mobility grants** for students regularly enrolled in the following Bachelor's and Master's Degree programs at the University of Tuscia: L19, L20, LM5, LM62, LM90, LM91, LMG01, funded by the Erasmus+ program, Agreement No. 2024-1-IT02-KA131-HED-000196723 for participation in the Blended Intensive Program (BIP) entitled *"Threats and Opportunities for Human Rights in the Digital Age"* (BIP ID: 2024-1-ES01-KA131-HED-000214403-3).

The BIP is coordinated by the *Universidad de Jaén*, Spain, with a physical mobility period scheduled for November 10-14, 2025; the deadline for participation is **October 23, 2025**.

Art. 4 Participation

The winners will be required to participate in both in-person training at the *Universidad de Jaén*, Spain, and online training on the following dates:

In-person: November 10-14 at the University of Jaén (Spain), 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Online: November 19; November 26; December 3; December 10; December 17, 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Participation will entitle students to acquire the number of CFU/ECTS credits recognized in the study plans according to the regulations of each degree program.

Art. 5 Admission Requirements

Eligible participants include all students:

- who are regularly enrolled in the following Bachelor's and Master's Degree programs at the University of Tuscia: L19, L20, LM5, LM62, LM90; LM91; LMG01
- who hold a **B2 or higher English language certificate**.

Art. 5.1 Incompatibility

Students applying for this Erasmus+ call:

- may obtain an Erasmus grant for each cycle of study (Bachelor's, Master's, and PhD) and for a total period not exceeding 12 months for each cycle; in the case of single cycles, the maximum number of months is 24;
- may not be recipients of other funding for stays abroad provided by European Union funds (including grants to attend Joint Master's Degrees formerly Erasmus Mundus Action 1) that overlap, even partially, with the Erasmus+ internship period (to be declared at the time of acceptance of the scholarship);
- any incoming international students who are enrolled in Master's Degree programs and receive
 the Erasmus Mundus Action 2 scholarship cannot simultaneously receive the Erasmus Mundus
 Action 3 scholarship and the Erasmus grant. For EMA2 projects that allow it, students may
 suspend the relevant scholarship if they are awarded the Erasmus grant, after having first
 informed and obtained approval from the project coordinator.

Art. 6 Evaluation Criteria

The ranking will be drawn up on the basis of the following criteria:

- number of CFUs acquired by the closing date of the call divided by 15 (up to a maximum of 12 points);
- weighted average in thirtieths of the grades on the GOMP portal on the closing date of the call divided by 3 (up to a maximum of 10 points);
- not having undertaken other mobility experiences abroad during the current cycle of studies or being the recipient of scholarships for mobility abroad during the 2025/2026 academic year (up to a maximum of 10 points);
- having already undertaken mobility experiences abroad during the current cycle of studies (up to a maximum of 5 points).

In the event of a tie, priority will be given to the younger student.

Art. 7 Application

The application form (Annex A), written on plain paper and signed in original by the candidate, must be sent by email to the following address: protocollo@pec.unitus.it no later than **October 23, 2025**, under penalty of exclusion from the selection process, specifying in the subject line: **Domanda di partecipazione BIP 2025 - Jaén**.

The application (Annex A) must be sent together with:

- Copy of valid identification document;
- Copy of tax code;
- Certificate of exams taken (downloadable from the UNITUS student portal CERTIFICATES AND FORMS); if the university is not UNITUS, attach a certificate of exams taken issued by the registrar's office of the university of origin;
- Self-certification or certification attesting to knowledge of a foreign language at level B2, as per art. 5;
- Residence permit valid for the entire period of mobility (ONLY for international students).

The absence of the above documents, as well as the lack of truthfulness of the self-certified or declared information, will constitute grounds for exclusion.

The absence of any of the required documents will result in the candidate's exclusion from the selection process. Candidates are admitted to the selection process subject to verification of the prescribed requirements. The University of Tuscia may, at any time, issue a reasoned decision to exclude candidates from the selection process for failure to meet the admission requirements set out in this call for applications.

Art. 8 Selection Committee

The Commission, composed of three members, will draw up a merit ranking in descending order of the points awarded to candidates. The ranking will be published on the following web page: https://www.unitus.it/internazionale/studiare-all-estero/erasmus/

Art. 9 European Union Contribution for Students Participating in BIPs Mobility

European funding for students participating in Erasmus+ study mobility programs for participation in the BIP is to be considered as a contribution to the additional expenses related to staying abroad.

Students participating in a Blended Intensive Program benefit from an Individual Support Contribution (Erasmus+ scholarship) for five (5) days of in-person activities at the partner university.

Students are granted two (2) additional days as a Travel Grant.

Art. 9.1 Individual Support Contribution

The Individual Support Contribution (Erasmus+ scholarship) for short-term mobility is calculated as shown in the following table:

Duration of physical mobility	Daily contribution for short-term mobility (EU and non-EU countries)
Until the 14th day	€ 79
From the 15th to the 30th day of activity	€ 56

Candidates with fewer opportunities in short-term physical mobility receive a one-time supplement for fewer opportunities, in addition to the individual Erasmus+ grant, as indicated in the following table:

Countries of destination	Monthly supplement for fewer opportunities (short-term mobility)
GROUP 1	€ 100 for short-term mobility for a period of between 5 and 14 days
	€ 150 for short-term mobility for a period of between 15 and 30 days
GROUP 2	€ 100 for short-term mobility for a period of between 5 and 14 days
	€ 150 for short-term mobility for a period of between 15 and 30 days
GROUP 3	€ 100 for short-term mobility for a period of between 5 and 14 days
	€ 150 for short-term mobility for a period of between 15 and 30 days

Students with fewer opportunities are defined as participants who meet one or more of the following conditions:

- · disadvantaged socioeconomic conditions;
- physical, mental, or health-related needs.

Students and recent graduates with disadvantaged socioeconomic conditions are identified by Directorial Decree No. 180 of 28.2.2025, which identifies students and recent graduates with disadvantaged socioeconomic conditions for the 2025/2026 academic year and links economic disadvantage to an Equivalent Economic Situation Indicator (ISEE) equal to or less than €27,948.60.

In order to identify students eligible for the supplementary individual grant, the ISEE and/or ISEEUP submitted at the time of enrollment/registration for the academic year 2025/2026 will be taken into consideration.

The data must be available on the GOMP portal before the deadline for this Call for Applications. Otherwise, the additional contribution cannot be awarded.

For candidates with physical, mental, or health-related needs, special funding allocated by the European Union is also available based on the actual costs incurred.

For further information, please contact the Mobility and International Cooperation Office: erasmus@unitus.it.

Art. 9.2 Travel Contribution and Green Travel

The maximum contribution for travel, as set out in the Erasmus+ Program Guide, will be calculated on the basis of unit cost scales for distance bands, as shown in the following table:

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

Please note: "kilometer range" refers to the distance between the place of origin and the destination, while the "amount" covers the contribution for travel both to and from the destination. The distance must be verified using only the calculation tool provided by the European Commission, available at the following web address: http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/tools/distance_en.htm, indicating the place of origin, where the University of Tuscia is located, and the destination, where the host organization is located.

Action 1 of the Erasmus+ 2021/2027 program encourages the use of green transportation, i.e., transportation methods with low CO2 emissions, to make international mobility more inclusive and sustainable.

A "Green Travel Grant" will therefore be awarded to those who use sustainable means of transport (such as trains, car sharing, buses) to reach their destination.

The contribution will be recognized at the end of the Erasmus mobility period and will be paid upon presentation of receipts for expenses incurred proving that green travel was actually undertaken.

Those who undertake a sustainable journey will be recognized:

- a one-time TOP UP contribution of € 50,00;
- a **daily allowance equal** to the daily amount of the monthly allowance. The daily allowance will be paid for each day of green travel (both outward and return) necessary to reach the destination, for a **maximum of 4 days**.

Eligible days for travel:

- 2 days
- 4 days if traveling green

The travel allowance will only be paid if the journey is made on the same day or the day immediately before the start of the mobility period and on the same day or the day immediately after the end of the mobility period.

Any expenses exceeding the eligible travel allowance shall be borne entirely by the candidate. Participants shall be responsible for purchasing their own travel tickets.

Upon returning from the mobility period, participants shall submit the original travel documents (airline tickets and boarding passes) to the Mobility and International Cooperation Office.

Art. 10 Scholarship Disbursement

The Erasmus+ grant will be paid in a single installment, including the Individual Contribution and the Travel Contribution.

The methods of payment of the grant and the minimum clauses defined by the European Commission for obtaining the contribution are indicated in the Erasmus+ Mobility Financial Agreement that each student signs with the University of Tuscia.

Art. 11 Tax Treatment of the Erasmus+ Grant

Pursuant to Art. 1, paragraph 50, of Law No. 208 of December 28, 2015, the exemptions provided for in Article 1, paragraph 3, of Decree-Law No. 105 of May 9, 2003, converted with amendments by Law No. 170 of July 11, 2003, apply to scholarships for international mobility, unless further legislative changes occur.

Art. 12 Deadlines and Procedures for Winning Students

By October 30, 2025, students must:

- confirm acceptance of the short-term mobility grant by sending an email to erasmus@unitus.it, indicating in the subject line of the email "Accettazione Programma Erasmus+ BIP 2025 Jaén." Failure to comply with the above deadline will be considered as a waiver. In case of waiver, the commission will proceed to assign mobility to the next students in the ranking, who will then be contacted by email/phone and invited to respond within 2 working days, under penalty of revocation of mobility.
- contact the BIP representative, Prof.ssa Barbara Giovanna Bello from the <u>Department of Legal, Social, and Educational Sciences</u> (DIKE), email: <u>barbaragiov.bello@unitus.it</u>, and check the teaching activities to be carried out online and in person;
- complete and sign the Learning Agreement.

Within 15 days of returning from the mobility, participants must submit the following documents to the Mobility and International Cooperation Office:

- certificate of participation in the BIP, issued by the Universidad de Jaén (Spain);
- original travel documents, both for Green and Non-Green travel.

For information and clarification, please contact:

Mobility and International Cooperation Office - Via S. Maria in Gradi, n. 4, 01100 Viterbo

Dott.ssa Felicetta Ripa - Tel. 0761 357917; e-mail: erasmus@unitus.it

Office hours: Monday - Tuesday - from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Art. 13 Insurance coverage

Health Insurance

Each beneficiary must personally arrange for health coverage. If the candidate possesses the European Health Insurance Card (EHIC), they are automatically entitled to National Health Service (NHS) benefits in all EU member states. For more information, visit the following websites: http://ec.europa.eu/social/main.jsp?catId=559&langId=it; www.sistemats.it). However, the coverage provided by the EHIC or private insurance may not be sufficient. It is therefore recommended to take out additional private health insurance. Students on mobility are responsible for ensuring they have adequate health coverage during their stay abroad, as required by the host country.

Civil Liability and Accident Insurance

The insurance coverage (civil liability and accidents) is provided by the University. For activities performed outside the University, and only for the necessary time to complete them, the University has contracted the following policies:

• AXA Company - Accident Insurance for Companies and Collectives Policy No. 40773461

Duration: 30/11/2024 - 30/11/2027

• UNIPOLSAI Company - Civil Liability for Various Risks Unitus Policy No. 65.185314010

Duration: 30/11/2024 - 30/11/2027

In the event of an injury or other issue with a prognosis longer than 3 days that occurs at the host institutions abroad, the student must immediately contact the Office of Mobility and International Cooperation by sending an email to erasmus@unitus.it.

Art. 14 Processing of Personal Data

Personal data provided by candidates will be collected by the University of Tuscia. Under EU Regulation 679/2016 (General Data Protection Regulation), the Data Controller is the University of Tuscia; the Mobility and International Cooperation Office is responsible for collecting and processing the data. The candidates' data will be collected and processed solely for the purpose of managing the selection. Providing these data is mandatory for the evaluation of participation requirements, and failure to do so will result in exclusion from the selection process.

Art. 15 Responsible for the Procedure

In accordance with Law No. 241 of August 7, 1990, and subsequent amendments, the responsible person for the procedure, for matters under the exclusive competence of the University of Tuscia, is Dr. Carlo Contardo, Head of the Mobility and International Cooperation Office, Via S. Maria in Gradi 4, 01100 Viterbo, email: carlocontardo@unitus.it.

Art. 16 Final Provisions

ALL ACTIVITIES AND RELATED FUNDING PROVIDED FOR IN THIS CALL FOR APPLICATIONS ARE GOVERNED BY AGREEMENT NO. 2024-1-IT02-KA131-HED-000196723 FOR ERASMUS MOBILITY FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2025/2026, ENTERED INTO BETWEEN THE ERASMUS+ NATIONAL AGENCY INDIRE AND THE UNIVERSITY OF TUSCIA.

Any subsequent official provisions issued by the Indire National Erasmus+ Agency that differ from the contents of this call for applications shall prevail over the rules set out in the call itself. The Erasmus+ call for participation in the BIP for the academic year 2025/2026 provides for the mobility of students at a partner university in the European Community and has been produced with the support of the European Commission. However, the content of this call does not necessarily reflect the position of the European Commission or the Erasmus+ Indire National Agency, and does not make them responsible in any way.

Art. 17 Referral Provision

Unless expressly provided for in this notice, the provisions of the legislation referred to in the preamble to the decree publishing the notice, as well as the relevant laws in force, shall apply as applicable. In the event of any differences in interpretation between the English and Italian versions of this notice, the Italian text shall prevail.