



# Going abroad with Erasmus+

Organizing your mobility with Erasmus+ SMS (Student Mobility for Studies)

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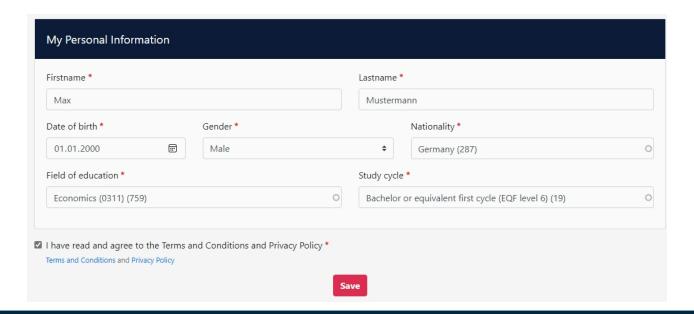
- Application, selection, nomination: Subject coordinator (FK)
- Declaration of acceptance to Erasmus+ team (online), exception: online applications
- Online Language Support (OLS): Provided by the European Commission shortly before the stay
  - Mandatory for EVERYONE (except native speakers of the destination language)
  - Free of charge
  - A language test will be assigned to you in the language of instruction (by email):

CURRENTLY AN OLS TEST is NOT mandatory BEFORE the stay!!!

However, you have the option to participate voluntarily in free online language courses (please send an email request to erasmus@uni-saarland.de)



- Learning Agreement (LA): MANDATORY!
- Since winter semester 24/25: only OLA (Online Learning Agreement):
- If this is not technically possible for the partner university, then as a PDF
- LA or OLA must be signed in full and sent to the International Office as a PDF





Please select your mobility type. Choose carefully, if you pick the wrong one you'll have to start over.

**Semester Mobility** 

Discover a new culture and gain new experiences by going on traditional academic mobility of between 2 and 12 months at another higher education institution! Be sure to check out the possibility to upgrade your mobility experience with optional virtual components (e.g. online courses) next to your academic experience on campus.

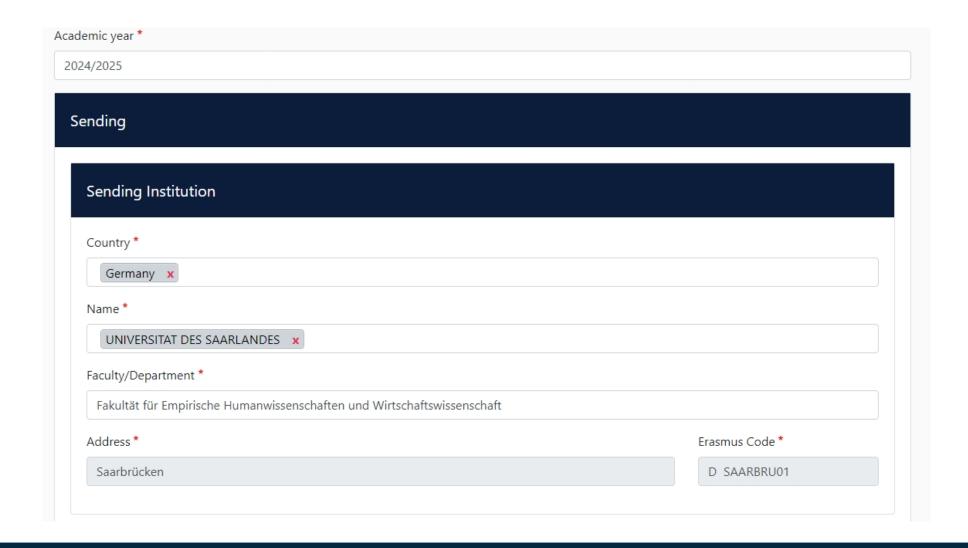
Blended Mobility with Short-term Physical Mobility

In case regular semester mobility is too long or otherwise inaccessible for you, experience short-term blended mobility! This format foresees between 5 and 30 days of physical mobility at another higher education institution combined with a compulsory virtual component.

**Short-term Doctoral Mobility** 

Develop your skills and find contacts by going on **short-term doctoral mobility of between 5 and 30 days** at another higher education institution! To enhance the synergies with Horizon Europe, doctoral mobilities can also take place in the context of Horizon Europe funded research projects.







Exemplary for Business students: Departmental coordinator Waldemar Schwarzkopf

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# Sending Responsible Person

First name(s) \*

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Schwarzkopf

Position \*

Coordinator for signing OLA

Email \*

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Phone number

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Responsible person at the Sending Institution: an academic who has the authority to approve the Learning Agreement, to exceptionally amend it when it is needed, as well as to guarantee full recognition of such programme on behalf of the responsible academic body. The name and email of the Responsible person must be filled in only in case it differs from that of the Contact person mentioned at the top of the document.

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institution, may be the departmental coordinator or works at the international

relations office or equivalent body within the institution.



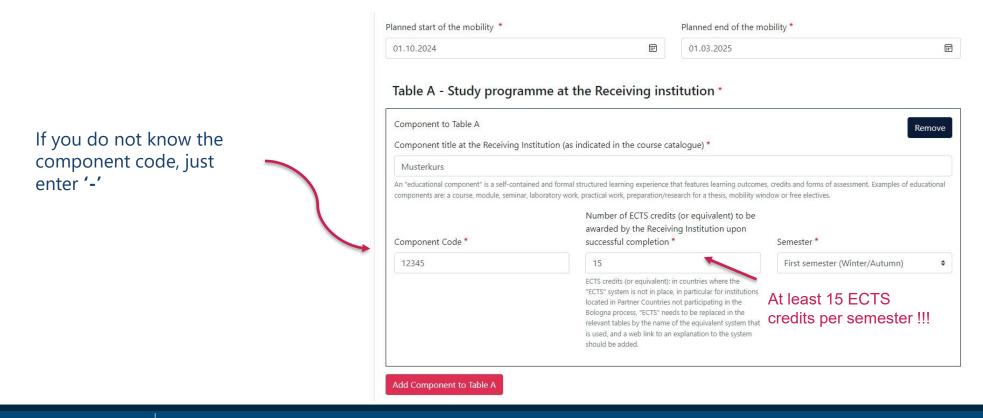
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• Table A: List of courses that you are taking abroad (Minimum: 15 ECTS credits per semester). You must sit the examinations for all of the courses listed in Table A.

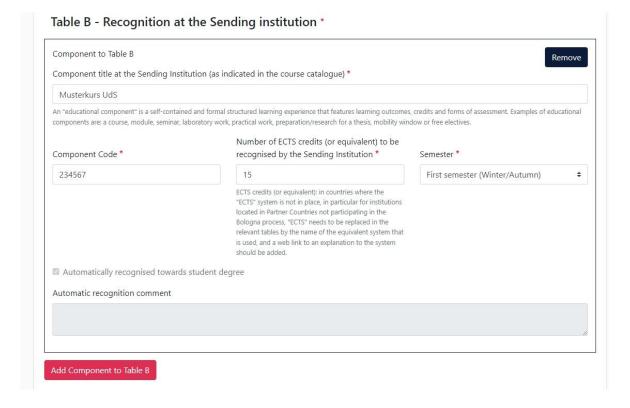
# Failure to pass an exam has no effect on your grant!





• Table B: List of courses that are recognized at Saarland University. If not yet known, please enter <u>0 CP in the 'Mobility window'</u>.

The ECTS credits may differ from those in Table A.





• Sign the OLA (signature date must be **BEFORE** the start of the stay): <u>The</u> **subject coordinator** is required to sign on behalf of the sending institution!!

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### Commitment

By signing this document, the student, the Sending Institution and the Receiving Institution confirm that they approve the Learning Agreement and that they will comply with all the arrangements agreed by all parties. Sending and Receiving Institutions undertake to apply all the principles of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education relating to mobility for studies (or the principles agreed in the Inter-Institutional Agreement for institutions located in Partner Countries). The Sending Institution and the student should also commit to what is set out in the Erasmus+ grant agreement. The Receiving Institution confirms that the educational components listed in Table A are in line with its course catalogue and should be available to the student. The Sending Institution commits to recognise all the credits gained at the Receiving Institution for the successfully completed educational components and to count them towards the student's degree as described in Table B. Any exceptions to this rule are documented in an annex of this Learning Agreement and agreed by all parties. The student and the Receiving Institution will communicate to the Sending Institution any problems or changes regarding the study programme, responsible persons and/or study period.

Commitment	Name	Email / Phone	Position	Date	Signature
Student					
Commitment	Name	Email / Phone	Position	Date	Signature
Responsible person at the Sending Institution					
Responsible person at the Receiving Institution					

# BEFORE/DURING YOUR MOBILITY



**BEFORE YOUR MOBILITY:** Online: The Online Learning Agreement must first be signed by the student, then by the subject coordinator at Saarland University and finally by the subject coordinator at the partner university.

- Recognition of academic credits is ONLY arranged by the subject coordinator/examinations office!
- The International Office is not involved in credit recognition and credit transfer procedures!

**DURING YOUR MOBILITY:** Changes: It is possible to make changes during your stay:

- Tables A2 and B2 must be adjusted accordingly
- The exams for the courses listed in A2 must be taken
- The subject coordinator, the partner university and the student must sign part 2 again
- The Erasmus+ team must be informed of any changes in the Learning Agreement and requires a copy of part 2 of the Learning Agreement: 'During the mobility' as a PDF which must be uploaded via the application portal
- 15 ECTS credits in Table A2 (or in total with A) must still be ensured! Table B/B2 may contain a different number of ECTS credits!



### **MISCELLANEOUS**

- Certificate of enrolment from Saarland University (for the current semester [application period] and the semester(s) abroad, re-registration at Saarland University via the <u>SIM</u>
   <u>portal</u> is required!)
- Proof of health insurance (EHIC or certificate of private insurance for abroad)
- International liability insurance\*
- International personal accident insurance\*
- Repatriation insurance\*

\*optional, but strongly recommended (see grant agreement)!

Compare with the insurance offered by the DAAD: www.daad.de/versicherung



# IN ADDITION (please check individually)

- A leave of absence is NOT mandatory, please clarify with the subject coordinator
  whether a leave of absence makes sense / is possible. -> If yes, you need a trilingual
  Erasmus+ certificate. Requests for leave of absence must be submitted to
  the <u>Admissions Office</u>.
- <u>BAföG student loan for studying abroad</u> (Form 06 [BAföG] or trilingual Erasmus+ confirmation from subject coordinator)
- Semester travel ticket refund (<u>General Student Committee (AStA)</u>)
- Applications you may need to make for additional individual funding (top-up funding or green travel) Important: Applications must be made 4 weeks BEFORE the start of the stay – top-up funding/green travel funding will not be approved after this date (exception: stays starting in August)! Supporting documents can be submitted up to 2 weeks after the start date



**TOP-UP** FUNDING (the Erasmus team will send you a declaration of honour (self-certification) that you will need to submit):

- Students with fewer opportunities: top-up of €250 per month
- Rating of at least 20% on the German disability status scale (copy of disability card, medical certificate)
  - Chronic illness (medical certificate, without specifying exact name of illness!)
  - Students going abroad with their child/children (copy of birth certificate)
- Students from a non-academic background (declaration by parents) (the amount of BAföG support you receive while abroad will be reduced accordingly)
- Employed students who have earned between €450/month and €850/month on average in the last 6 consecutive months prior to their mobility (the amount of BAföG support you receive while abroad will be reduced accordingly)
- > To be submitted 4 weeks before the start of your mobility (except for students who start their stay in August already)
- > Further information
- Funding of up to two travel days for non-environmentally friendly travel is available for all students (automatically, no application needed)



- ERASMUS FUNDING IS NOT POSSIBLE WITHOUT A GRANT AGREEMENT
- The grant agreement must be signed BEFORE your stay!!!
- The grant agreement will be filled in by us after submitting all mandatory documents. We will send it to each student individually via e-mail.
- Grant agreement:
- Please download the file and digitally sign the Grant Agreement and then save it
- Submit it by uploading it

### Erasmus+ - Study

### GRANT AGREEMENT

### AGREEMENT: ERASMUS+ MOBILITY FOR INDIVIDUALS

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Academic year: 2024/25 Erasmus+ Mobility ID No: n/a	
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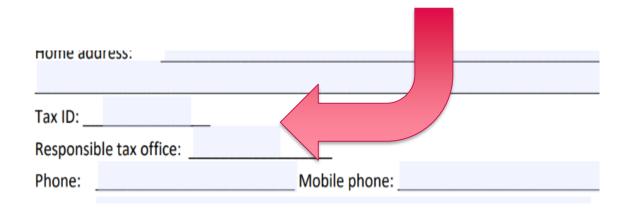


# Grant agreement

• Important additional information to be included in the grant agreement:

### Tax Identification Number:

- Where do you get this? -> From your responsible tax office
  - International students can obtain this number from the Residents' Registration Office (Bürgeramt) where their place of residence in Germany is registered. It will be sent by post to the registered address!
- Name of your responsible tax office (determined by your registered address)
- Home address (if your registered address is still with your parents)





- Certificate of Arrival: The first instalment will be paid after receipt of your Certificate
  of Arrival (as soon as all required documents have been received): 80% of the total
  grant amount
- The first instalment will be paid within 30 days provided **ALL** documents have been submitted with your Certificate of Arrival (see grant agreement)
- Send your Certificate of Arrival to the Erasmus team directly after you arrive at the host university
- If you are staying for two semesters, please include this information on your Certificate
  of Arrival!
- Please complete in full!



### **EXTENDING OR SHORTENING YOUR STAY:**

- Application for possible extension of stay ⇔ new grant agreement.
- Extension is approved <u>without financial</u> funding (zero grant)
- Applications must be submitted at least 4 weeks before the start of the extension!
- Notification that you intend to shorten your stay
   The grant amount will be adjusted!
- Shortening of stay to less than 60 days 
   Repayment of the entire grant
   Exception: force majeure (see grant agreement)



### **GRANT AMOUNT:**

- Only the actual duration of the stay is financed!
  - From the first day of courses
  - If applicable: from the first day of the orientation units or language courses
  - Until the last day of **your examinations** at the host university (if shorter than 4 / 8 months)
  - 1 month = 30 days
  - However, the maximum grant period for 1 semester is 4 months, for 2 semesters 8 months! Any mobility days beyond this are supported on a zero grant basis!
  - If the second semester is shortened, a maximum of 4 months will be funded, the rest will be supported on a zero grant basis!
- Grant amount by country:
  - Group 1 (€20 per day or €600/month) BE, DK, FR, FI, IE, IT, LI, NL, NO, SE, IS, LU, AT and also UK, CH, Faroe Islands
  - Group 2 (€18 per day or €540/month) EE, ES, GR, LV, PT, MT, CY, SK, SI,
  - Group 3 (€18 per day or €540/month) BG, HR, HU, LT, PL, RO, FYROM, TR, CZ



### **TOP-UP FUNDING:**

- Funding of up to 6 travel days for **environmentally friendly means of transport** (Green Travel: 'green travel' or 'environmentally friendly travel' is defined as travel in which more than half of the total distance is covered using low-emission modes of transport, such as bus, train, bicycle, or car sharing.
  - A declaration of honour is required (will be sent by the Erasmus+ team)

# Travel days are calculated as follows:

The distance in kilometres is calculated using the <u>Erasmus distance calculator</u> and the number of allocated travel days is determined based on the following distance bands:

# environmentally friendly means of transport (Green Travel)

Distance	Travel days
10 to 100 KM	2
101 to 1500 KM	4
1501 to 2200 KM	5
2201 and more KM	6

# WÄHREND DER MOBILITÄT



### **TOP-UP FUNDING:**

Funding of up to 2 travel days for <u>non-environmentally</u> friendly means of transport (for example, via plane or boot)

# **Travel days are calculated as follows:**

The distance in kilometres is calculated using the <u>Erasmus distance calculator</u> and the number of allocated travel days is determined based on the following distance bands:

# Non-environmentally friendly means of transport

Distance	Travel days	
10 KM to 500 KM	1	
501 KM or more	2	

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# **NEW:** Travel allowance (non-green travel or green travel)



Distance	Standard traveling	Green Travel
10 und 99 KM	28 EUR	56 EUR
100 und 499 KM	211 EUR	285 EUR
500 und 1999 KM	309 EUR	417 EUR
2000 und 2999 KM	395 EUR	535 EUR
3000 und 3999 KM	580 EUR	785 EUR
4000 und 7999 KM	1.188 EUR	1.188 EUR
8000 KM oder mehr	1.735 EUR	1.735 EUR

If no application for Green Travel is submitted, we will automatically charge the travel allowance for a standard trip for your stay.

The distance in kilometres is calculated using the <u>Erasmus distance calculator</u> and the amount of the travel allowance is determined accordingly (depending on whether green travel has been recognized or not)

# AFTER YOUR MOBILITY



- Certificate of Erasmus+ Stay:
- ➤ Please pay attention to the dates on the Certificate of Arrival! There is a tolerance of up to 5 days (shorter or longer than in Certificate of Arrival)!
- Must be signed on exactly the same day of your last exam (not before!)
- Complete in full! ('date of the end of physical classes' and 'date of the end of physical examinations' must be filled in)

If the stay was shorter than 4 months (for 1 semester) or 8 months (for an academic year), then the grant will be calculated based on the exact number of days

If the stay is longer than 4 or 8 months, only 4 or 8 months will be funded. The rest of the time is approved on a zero grant basis and students retain their Erasmus+ status.

- ➤ Erasmus status with zero grant (stay is longer than 4 or 8 months) ≠ Grant period (maximum grant period = 4 or 8 months)
- ➤ Zero grant extensions still count towards the period eligible for funding (Bachelor: 12 months, Master: 12 months, PhD: 12 months; exception: degree programmes with state examination (teacher training, law, medicine)

# AFTER YOUR MOBILITY



- Mandatory online report (participant report): Will be requested by the EU Commission by email (check your spam folder!).
- If the recognition procedure has not yet been completed at the end of your stay, you will receive a new request for a separate report after about 6 weeks.
- Payment of the second instalment: the payment will be adjusted according to your actual stay (if shorter than 4 or 8 months)!
  - Stay = Certificate of Arrival: 20%
  - Stay > Certificate of Arrival: 20%, rest of the time zero grant
  - Stay < Certificate of Arrival: Partial repayment</li>
  - Stay < 60 days: Repayment of the grant amount received (exception: force majeure)

A tolerance of 5 days (+ or -) difference is allowed in the calculation

The second instalment will only be paid if all documents are complete and the <u>online report</u> has been submitted! You may be asked to pay back the entire grant if documents are missing!

# AFTER YOUR MOBILITY



- The **Transcript of Records** from the host university: a copy for the Erasmus+ team is mandatory (stamped and signed as a PDF), must match OLA/changes
- Recognition of credits earned abroad must be agreed with your subject coordinator/the examinations office!
- Diploma Supplement: An important document for recognition purposes: the Diploma Supplement can list all academic achievements that are not directly credited to your study programme. Internships abroad can also be included in the Diploma Supplement. The document is automatically issued by your examinations office at the end of your study programme together with your examination certificate.

# THE ERASMUS PROGRAMME IS BECOMING MORE INCLUSIVE



# Erasmus short-term mobilities are possible under certain circumstances

- ⇒ Only if long-term mobility is not possible
- ⇒ Only if combined with virtual component
- ⇒ Only if at least 3 ECTS credits are earned
- ⇒ Stay must last min. 5 days and max. 30 days
- ⇒ If all requirements are met => grant amount: €79 per day
- $\Rightarrow$  Top-ups are also possible. For details please see the <u>website</u>.

# **NEW: UPLOADING THE DOCUMENTS**

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Help us to reduce the mountains of paper!

- Online portal for applications/ uploading Erasmus+ documents
  - > Follow-up form Bank details outgoing
  - > Follow-up form Updating my mobility information
- Please upload and submit ALL documents digitally (insurance, enrolment certificate,
  Online Learning Agreement, grant agreement, applications for top-up funding, green
  travel and relevant documentary proof, Transcript of Records ...) via the online
  portal using the provided form (you can choose between English and German at
  the top right; It is possible to send the form various times, If possible, reduce the size
  of the files (combine PDFs)

# **NEW: UPLOADING THE DOCUMENTS**



For all students <u>not submitting an online application</u>:

- Please register in advance using your Teams ID!
- You can then fill in and send the <u>follow-up form bank details outgoing</u>
- Please fill in and submit the <u>follow-up form Updating my mobility information</u> with all the documents you can submit by now
- You will then receive the Grant Agreement from us with a request for your signature > Upload the document using the same follow-up form and submit it

For all students submitting an **online application (Business Administration, Medicine, Computer Science and English Studies)**:

- Sign in to the application portal with your Teams ID
- You can then fill in and send the <u>follow-up form bank details outgoing</u>
- Please fill in and submit the <u>follow-up form Updating my mobility information</u> with all the documents you can submit by now
- You will then receive the Grant Agreement from us with a request for your signature > Upload the document using the same follow-up form and submit it
- If you are experiencing technical problems with the registration process/uploading documents, please contact mobility@uni-saarland.de

# **NEW: UPLOADING THE DOCUMENTS**



Do <u>NOT</u> start <u>a new application</u>, navigate to the follow-up forms on the page!

Online Services	
Here you can find all application forms for Outgoings at Saarland University	
Form	Status
Application for outgoing students	Start
Application for outgoing traineeships in Europe	Start
Application for UdS - Outgoings GradUS global	<u>Start</u>
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Follow-up form <b>Updating my Mobility Information</b>	Start

# Follow-up form bank details outgoing

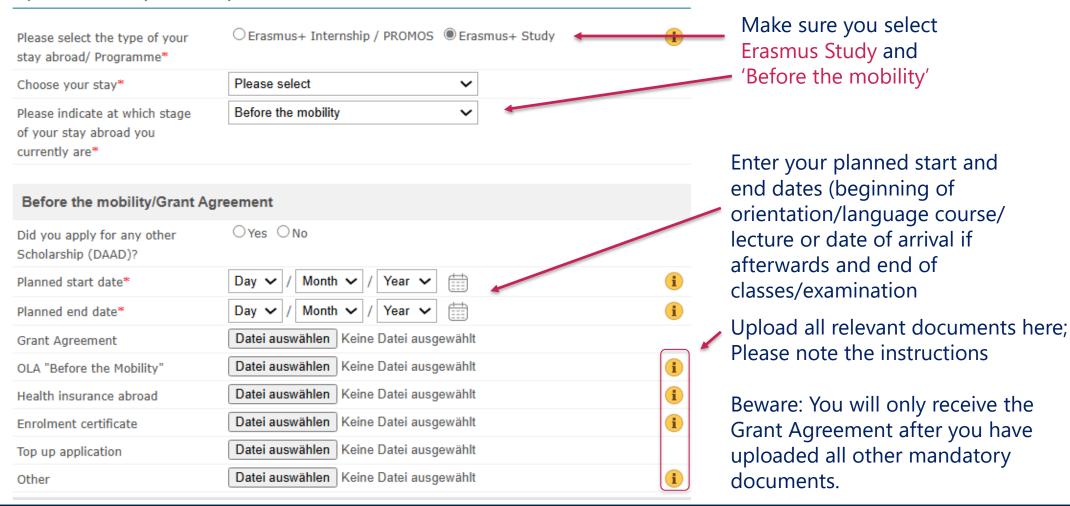
- Bank details: enter IBAN, BIC, including Tax Identification Number, tax office
- International Student Identity Card: virtual International Student Identity Card
  (ISIC) with integrated European Card (ESC): You must consent to data
  processing > Click Yes if you agree and wish to take advantage of the benefits

# **UPLOADING DOCUMENTS – Erasmus Study**



# Follow-up form Updating my mobility information

Updates to my mobility



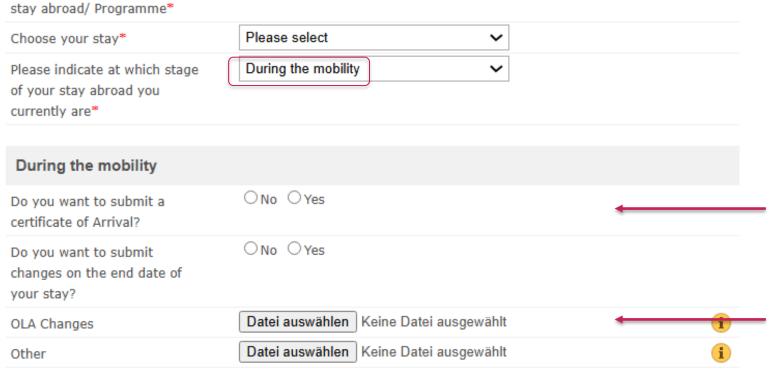
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Make sure you select Erasmus Study and 'During the stay mobility'

# Updates to my mobility

Please select the type of your



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Upload the Certificate of Arrival

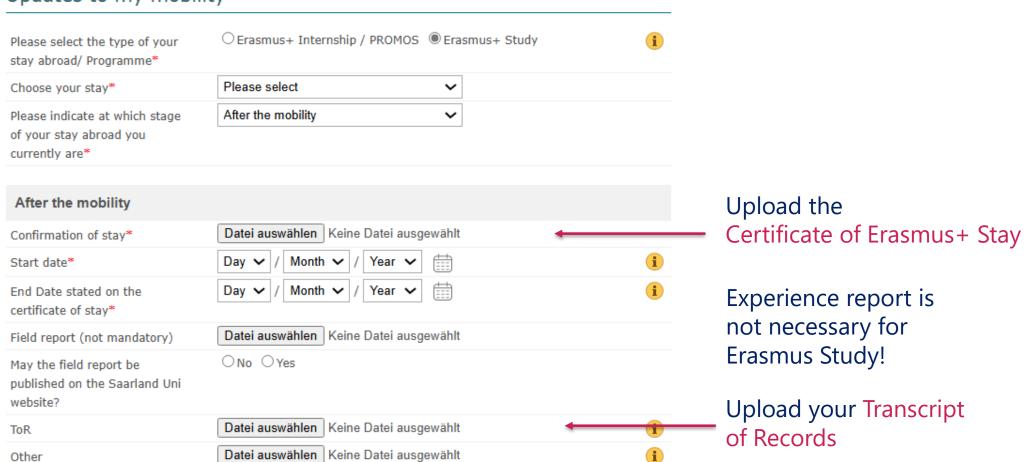
Upload your OLA with the required three signatures and any **missing** documents

# **UPLOADING DOCUMENTS – Erasmus Study**



Make sure you select Erasmus Study and After the mobility

### Updates to my mobility



# TO ENSURE SMOOTH PROCESSING



- Send us good quality documents!
- Please use one of the many free scan apps for your smartphone!
- Fill in documents carefully and in full, please read them through again before sending!
- For Learning Agreements that could <u>not</u> be completed <u>online</u>: Please fill in the Learning Agreement (Word) on the computer, insert table columns (if necessary) and add up the ECTS credits! A copy with the required three signatures is to be sent <u>via</u> <u>upload</u> as a PDF to the Erasmus+ team!



# TO ENSURE SMOOTH PROCESSING



- Communication: Svenja Heinrich is now your main contact for Erasmus + Study
- Read the documents provided!
- Do you need to withdraw, extend or cancel your stay? Please contact us!
- Questions, problems or requests? Please contact us!
- Please include your name in all emails
- Please use erasmus@uni-saarland.de if you want to ask any questions!



# ERASMUS+ INTERNSHIP (SMP – Student Mobility for Internships)



- Contact: Valentina Tibesh (erasmuspraktikum@uni-saarland.de)
- Grants are available for internships of 60 days or longer (shorter internships can be combined with Erasmus+ SMS on a zero grant basis!)
- Internships relevant to your study programme
- Full time
- Erasmus internship is still possible after completing your study programme for a period of one year
- Additional Top-up funding of €150 is possible for internships
- Apply at least 4 weeks before the start of your internship
- All information about the application process can be found on the <u>website</u>!
- **Erasmus grant:**
- Up to 12 months per study cycle (Bachelor, Master, PhD)
- Up to 24 months for state examinations (Staatsexamen)
- 12 months for PhD
- However, the maximum grant period for 1 semester is 4 months, for 2 semesters 8 months! Any
  mobility days beyond this are supported on a zero grant basis! Erasmus International Mobility:
  maximum grant period: 3 months



# WE WISH YOU AN ENJOYABLE ERASMUS+ STAY ABROAD!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!