









# EXTRACT OF THE CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

MUSA (MOBILITÀ UNIVERSITARIA SPORT E ALIMENTAZIONE) AND MOBIS (MOBILITÀ INCOMING STUDIO) PROJECTS, FUNDED BY THE APULIA REGION ACADEMIC YEAR 2017/2018

#### **SUBJECT**

**Number of places available**: 3 student for one semester (5 months) will be covered by monthly grant within MUSA and MOBIS projects founded by the Apulia Region.

Eligible participants: students enrolled in a course of study of I, II and III level at the University of Elbasan;

Deadline for the applications: 19th June 2017, at 12 pm.

**Destinations:** the mobility for study takes place in the framework of the MUSA and MOBIS projects founded by the Apulia Region between the University of Elbasan and Universita di Foggia (Italy). **Duration of Exchanges:** The University of Elbasan and the University of Foggia agree to exchange individual students for a semester.

Eligible period: from 1st June 2017 to 31st of October 2018

# ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

In order to be eligible, students have to be enrolled at their course of study for maximum the number of years of the course plus 2 academic years.

Incoming students must meet language proficiency requirements as established by the University of Foggia.

Incoming students are required to possess a **B1 level of knowledge of English or Italian language**. Selected students applying to degree courses taught in Italian with no previous knowledge of Italian language will be offered free of charge Italian language courses (60 hours each, and 3 ECTS credits each).

This essential requirement can be certified as follows:

- a. through a certificate;
- b. if you are a native speaker of the language of the destination;
- c. through a language exam already passed in your curriculum studiorum (for the language of the destination and for the required level equal or higher);
- d. if you attended a secondary school in the language of the destination or if you obtained a Bachelor's or Master's Degree in a country where the official language is the one required for the destination or if you completed a course of study in the language required for the destination;
- e. through an exam (written and oral) passed in order to take part in other Calls for international mobility;
- f. Specifically for English, to be enrolled at a Master's or PhD's course in English; International students can't select universities in their own Country of Residence.

## ACADEMIC STATUS OF STUDENTS

All students will remain enrolled as regular candidates at the home institution and will not be enrolled as candidates for degrees at the University of Foggia. Credits toward the student's degree/academic career are to be awarded by the home institution.

The University of Elbasan and the University of Foggia will agree upon a learning agreement for studies which, prior to the student's mobility period (one semester) at the University of Foggia (learning agreement before the mobility section), will be signed by all involved parties.

The signature of the learning agreement for studies (learning agreement after the mobility section) will ensure full recognition of the study period performed by the incoming student at the University of Foggia.

The ECTS grading scale and table is used to facilitate the transfer of academic results (expressed in terms of grades). Marks are provided according to the ECTS grading system at the University of Foggia.

Students are expected to maintain the equivalent of a full course load at the host institution.

# REQUIREMENTS AT THE BEGINNING OF MOBILITY

Bachelor's students have to be enrolled at least in the second year. Students have to hold language knowledge as indicated above.

#### APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Applications are to be made by presenting the required documents to the International Relations Office (Rectorate building) no later than 19th June 2017, at 12 pm. We recommend you to finalize the application some days before the deadline. For any technical problems or doubts, please write to the Staff of International Relations office (int.relations@uniel.edu.al, int.relations1@uniel.edu.al). Documents to be presented with the students' application:

- study programme / thesis research project;
- linguistic knowledge certificate if needed;
- in case of thesis research project, the Host Institution's acceptance (by email is sufficient).

Documents to be presented with the PhD' application:

- study programme/research project;
- linguistic knowledge certificate if needed;
- the Host Institution's acceptance (by email is sufficient);
- in case of degree title achieved abroad, the certification.

#### SELECTIONS AND EVALUATIONS CRITERIA

The admission to the selection is conditioned to the check of the information provided. The students will be evaluated according to the following criteria:

- linguistic knowledge;
- study programme/thesis research project;
- weighted average of the exams' grades registered in EMS System on 31st March 2017. For students enrolled in the first year of master courses or single courses can be considered the final degree grade of the previous cycle;
- other criteria chosen by the relevant Department.

The doctoral students will be evaluated according to the following criteria:

- linguistic knowledge;
- study programme/research project;

- final grade of the University degree that gave access to undertaking doctoral studies;

- other parameter chosen by the Academy Board.

All information about the selection process (calendars, lists of candidates, rankings, etc.) will be available on International Mobility section of the University of Elbasan. The rankings will be published by 25<sup>th</sup> June 2017. Destinations will be assigned by 1<sup>st</sup> June 2017 (by 30th September 2017 in case of reallocations – by this date the assignment process has to be closed).

# STUDY GRANT

Each student will pay his/her regular tuition and fees to the home institution.

Selected students will receive a study mobility grant, which will be determined on a lump sum basis according to the following criteria:

- Monthly contribution for attending courses + Monthly contribution for the student's stay = up to 1480,00 euro (accommodation, food expenses, and any costs relating to entry visas and residence permits for non-EU citizens, health insurance).
- Travel cost reimbursement (*one-off payment*) = 592,00 euro upon presentation of the original travel tickets (round trip)

It is understood that the University of Elbasan will strive to designate well-qualified individuals for participation in the program, and that academic backgrounds will be provided by the University of Foggia.

Students can't receive other European grants/funds for the same period of mobility.

Students with special needs can request an additional financial help. Please refer to the European Programmes and International Mobility Service for this purpose.

Students will be covered for civil responsibility and for accident by the University's insurance policy. Students keep on paying University fees to University of Elbasan and not to the Host Institution. University of Elbasan guarantees the recognition of the study period certified by the Host Institution.

#### CONTACTS

According to the area of study, the Staff for International Activities answers to the following e-mail addresses:

- int.relations@uniel.edu.al
- int.relations1@uniel.edu.al

## PLEASE NOTE

This English text is meant to help you understand the most relevant aspects of the Call for applications. For more information please refer to the above contacts.

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