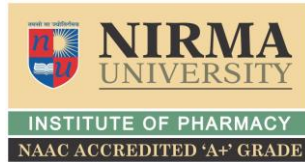




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## **Call for Applications Erasmus+ Partner Countries – IIA-KA171 for PhD students of Nirma University, Institute of Pharmacy, Ahmedabad**

### **ART. 1 - Objectives and features of students' mobility from Partner Countries to University of Torino (UniTO)**

The EU Erasmus+ Programme (Erasmus Plus) 2014/2020, launched on January 1<sup>st</sup> 2014, has introduced significant changes to higher education mobility programmes for students, namely the repeatability of the mobility for study and traineeships and the opening of the programme to third non-European countries, the so-called *Partner Countries*.

Erasmus+ Programme allows university students to spend a study period abroad, in one of the universities involved in the Erasmus+ projects selected and funded at a European level.

The sending and receiving Institutions have to sign a inter-institutional agreement in the frame of Erasmus+ Programme.

Participants will receive a monthly financial support by the Italian National Erasmus+ Agency to cover part of the expenses related to their study period abroad. Moreover, a contribution for travel is also provided. The present Call refers to the joint-project between the University of Torino and the Nirma University, Institute of Pharmacy, Ahmedabad

Euro 850,00 per month grants covering 9 months will be allocated to students of the Nirma University, Institute of Pharmacy, Ahmedabad that will spend a mobility period at the University of Torino in the framework of the Erasmus+ Partner Countries – KA 117.

### **ART. 2 - Eligibility requirements**

To apply for the present call for Erasmus+ mobility, students shall meet the following requirements:

1. Essential: Full time Ph D students (2<sup>nd</sup> Year onward) of Institute of Pharmacy, Nirma University can apply for this call
2. Paper Publications/ Research experience
3. Desirable: Having passed the GPAT exams/
4. Past experience of Erasmus mobility
5. Candidates shall have a proper knowledge of the main language of instruction (e.g.: Italian, English, French...depending on the study course)



### **ART. 3 - Erasmus mobility duration**

The minimum duration of the mobility period is 9 months according to Erasmus+ guidelines; shorter periods are not eligible. The mobility period shall be carried out without interruptions. In any case, the mobility activity shall start From February 2023 and shall be concluded within July 2025.

### **ART. 4 - Eligible and ineligible activities during the mobility period**

Eligible activities during the mobility at UniTO include:

- courses attendance and exam sessions;
- additional traineeships activities;
- additional research for final dissertation.

### **ART. 5 – Participants with fewer opportunities**

The Erasmus 2021-2027 programme promotes equal opportunities and equal access, inclusion, diversity and equity in all its actions. Organisations and participants with fewer opportunities are at the focus of these objectives and, in this view, the programme makes dedicated resources available to them.

For the purposes of this call, and in line with the provisions of the Erasmus 2021-2027 Programme Guide and the relevant Community provisions<sup>1</sup>, the Nirma University, Institute of Pharmacy considers participants with fewer opportunities as those students in one of the following conditions:

- Minority communities under Section 2 (c) of the National Commission for Minorities Act, 1992 of India considering the overall Higher Education students population
- Students from remote or rural areas (cultural differences);
- Economic obstacles (students with low or no income and not benefiting of other funding);
- Children of parents with disability, health issues including severe illnesses, chronic diseases;
- Breadwinners, orphans, living in institutional care
- Refugee status

The status of minor opportunities provides for:

- dedicated scholarships, as indicated in art. 5 of this notice;

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<sup>1</sup> Commission Implementing Decision on the framework of measures for the inclusion of the Erasmus+ and “European Solidarity Corps” programmes for the period 2021-2027: <https://erasmus-plus.ec.europa.eu/document/commission-decision-framework-inclusion-2021-27>

Guidelines for the implementation of the Erasmus+ Inclusion and Diversity Strategy and the European Solidarity Corps: [https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/resources/implementation-guidelines-erasmus-and-european-solidarity-corps-inclusion-and-diversity\\_it](https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/resources/implementation-guidelines-erasmus-and-european-solidarity-corps-inclusion-and-diversity_it)



- the allocation of financial contributions, as set out in art. 6 of this notice.

#### **ART. 6 - Financial support and grant restitution**

The financial support for the mobility period corresponds to Euro 850,00 per month. In addition, the participant shall receive a contribution of Euro 820 for travel, according to the EU Commission distance band, in order to cover travel expenses. Further financial support will not be provided by the University of Torino.

Payments shall be made to the participant in full (100%), including the contribution for travel, according to the following guidelines:

- any contract received within the 1<sup>st</sup> working day of the month shall be paid by 25<sup>th</sup> of the same month;
- any contract received by the 2<sup>nd</sup> working day of the month shall be paid by 25<sup>th</sup> of the following month.

In the case of participants with fewer opportunities (see Art. 5 of this call), the following contribution is also envisaged:

- TOP-UP amount for students with fewer opportunities" equal to €250.00 per month. The requirements for "minor opportunities" status are set out in art. 4 of this call.

A pre-financing, corresponding to the travel costs (Standard Travel Grant) and 90% of the total amount of the mobility grant (individual support + TOP-UP less opportunities, if applicable), is granted to the participant on the basis of the timing of receipt of the Agreement by our Office:

- it will be made indicatively from the 25<sup>th</sup> day of the month in the case of receipt of the Agreement by the UNITA and International Mobility Section of the UniTO University by the 1<sup>st</sup> working day of the same month;
- for agreements received from the 2<sup>nd</sup> working day onwards, payment will be made from the 25<sup>th</sup> day of the following month.

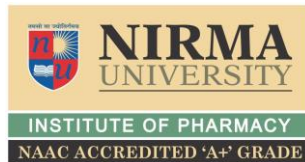
These timeframes do not apply to the months of August, December and January, for which payment is still made in the following month.

- The mobility period abroad shall last at least 2 months, failure to comply will result in the restitution of the amount received for the days of mobility not realized.
- Participants who end their mobility period before the scheduled date stated in the Mobility Agreement will have to return the amount corresponding to the number of days the participant did not spend at UniTO multiplied per 1/30 of the unit cost per month.
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Should the participants not give back, if due, the corresponding amount, UniTO will not issue any Transcript of Records.



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Extension of mobility period requests shall be submitted at least one month before the end of the originally planned mobility period. Potential extension periods do not automatically imply an extension of the financial support

#### **ART. 7 - Application procedure**

Students shall fill in the application form available on the

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSennpcPqpqZfoGwelVZuu46SeaZtSHSk85BeAWgnJ9Y-V4zaQ/viewform>

#### **ART. 8 - Application deadline**

Deadline for application is set on 03/12/2023 at h 18:00

#### **ART. 9 - Selection procedure**

Candidates will be first evaluated by an internal committee on the basis of their applications; shortlisted candidates/all candidates will be further evaluated through an interview in case of necessity.

#### **ART. 10 - Final ranking of selected candidates and acceptance of Erasmus scholarship**

The final selected candidates will be informed through email on or before 05/12/2023.

Selected students must accept or waive the grant award within 10 calendar days starting from the day after the announcement of results by sending an emails. Failure to comply will result in the exclusion from the ranking list and the impossibility to carry out the mobility. Selected candidates will be provided with the relevant information in order to complete all of the required administrative procedures for the Erasmus mobility period before their departure.

#### **ART. 11 - Contacts**

For any questions related to this Call for application please refer to the Director, IP-NU office at the following mail address: [director.ip@nirmauni.ac.in](mailto:director.ip@nirmauni.ac.in)