



Erasmus+ Programme

Key Action 1 – Mobility for learners and staff – Higher Education Student and Staff Mobility

Inter-institutional agreement 2014-2021 between programme countries

The institutions named below agree to cooperate for the exchange of students and/or staff in the context of the Erasmus+ programme. They commit to respect the quality requirements of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education in all aspects related to the organisation and management of the mobility, in particular the recognition of the credits awarded to students by the partner institution.

A. Information about higher education institutions

Name of the institution (and department, where relevant)	Erasmus code	Contact details ¹ (email, phone)	Website (eg. of the course catalogue)
Univerzita Mateja Bela v Banskej Bystrici (Matej Bel University in Banska Bystrica)	SK BANSKA01	Prof. Ing. Igor Kosír, CSc. Institutional Erasmus Coordinator Matej Bel University in Banská Bystrica, Národná 12, 97401 Banská Bystrica, Slovakia	
Fakulta prírodných vied (Faculty of Natural Sciences) - Earth Science		FACULTY ADMINISTRATOR Mgr. Terezia Raffayova International Relations Office Tajovského 40, 974 01 Banská Bystrica Slovakia tel.: +421 48 446 74 31 e-mail: terezia.raffayova@umb.sk	http://www.fpv.umb.sk/en/ international-cooperation/
Filozofická fakulta (Faculty of Arts) - Foreign languages		Postal Address: Faculty of Arts MBU International Relations Office Tajovského 40 974 01 Banská Bystrica	General information: In Slovak: http://www.ff.umb.sk/ (Faculty web sites), In

¹ Contact details to reach the senior officer in charge of this agreement and of its possible updates.

		Slovak Republic Tel: +421 48 446 7414 Fax: +421 48 4136153 ingrid.balazova@umb.sk	English: http://www.ff.umb.sk/en/ The course catalogue: http://www.ff.umb.sk/en/erasmus-students/courses-for-international-students.html
Università per Stranieri di Siena (University for Foreigners in Siena)	I SIENA02	Dr. Elisa TRASTULLO Mobilità - Area Management Didattico e URP Piazza Carlo Rosselli, 27-28 53100 SIENA Tel. +39 0577 240217 Fax +39 0577 240148 erasmus@unistrasi.it Erasmus Institutional Coordinator: <i>Prof.ssa Monica BARNI</i>	www.unistrasi.it Incoming Erasmus students: http://www.unistrasi.it/261/676/Incoming_Erasmus_students.htm Courses catalogues: http://www.unistrasi.it/476/2145/Modulistica_corsi_di_laurea.htm

B. Mobility numbers² per academic year

[Paragraph to be added, if the agreement is signed for more than one academic year:

The partners commit to amend the table below in case of changes in the mobility data by no later than the end of January in the preceding academic year.]

FROM [Erasmus code of the sending institution]	TO [Erasmus code of the receiving institution]	Subject area code * [ISCED]	Subject area name *	Study cycle [short cycle, 1 st , 2 nd or 3 rd] *	Number of student mobility periods Student Mobility for Studies Student Mobility for Traineeships * [total number of months of the study periods or average duration*]	
SK BANSKA01	I SIENA02	0532	Human Geography			
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I SIENA02	SK BANSKA01	023	LANGUAGES	1,2,3	4*5 MONTHS	
SK BANSKA01	I SIENA02	023	FOREIGN LANGUAGES (Italian)	1,2, 3	4*5 MONTHS	

² Mobility numbers can be given per sending/receiving institutions and per education field (optional*:

<http://www.uis.unesco.org/Education/Pages/international-standard-classification-of-education.aspx>)

			language)			
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[*Optional: subject area code & name and study cycle are optional. Inter-institutional agreements are not compulsory for Student Mobility for Traineeships or Staff Mobility for Training. Institutions may agree to cooperate on the organisation of traineeship; in this case they should indicate the number of students that they intend to send to the partner country. Total duration in months/days of the student/staff mobility periods or average duration can be indicated if relevant.]

FROM [Erasmus code of the sending institution]	TO [Erasmus code of the receiving institution]	Subject area code * [ISCED]	Subject area name *	Number of staff mobility periods [total number of days of teaching periods or average duration *]	
				Staff Mobility for Teaching	Staff Mobility for Training *
SK BANSKA01	I SIENA02	0532	Human Geography	5	
I SIENA02	SK BANSKA01	0532	Human Geography	5	
SK BANSKA01	I SIENA02	023	LANGUAGES (Italian language)	4*7 DAYS	Only by individual agreement
I SIENA02	SK BANSKA01	023	LANGUAGES	4*7 DAYS	Only by individual agreement

C. Recommended language skills

The sending institution, following agreement with the receiving institution, is responsible for providing support to its nominated candidates so that they can have the recommended language skills at the start of the study or teaching period:

Receiving institution [Erasmus code]	Optional: Subject area	Language of instruc- tion 1	Language of instruc- tion 2	Recommended language of instruction level ³	
				Student Mobility for Studies [Minimum recommended level: B1]	Staff Mobility for Teaching [Minimum recommended level: B2]
SK BANSKA01 (FPV)		English		B1	B2

³ For an easier and consistent understanding of language requirements, use of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) is recommended, see
<http://europass.cedefop.europa.eu/en/resources/european-language-levels-cefr>

SK BANSKA01 (FF)	Subjects in foreign languages	SK	EN, D, HU, RU, PL, FR, ES, IT, F	SK: B2; EN: B2; D: B2; HU: B2; RU: B1; PL: A2; ES: B1; IT: B1; F: B1	All languages C1
I SIENA02		ITALIAN		B1	

SK BANSKA01: A type of certificate for students: a confirmation from sending institution (signed by a staff of university or faculty or department)

D. Additional requirements

SK BANSKA01: *The candidates with disabilities can only be accepted after the consultation with the Faculty of Natural Sciences of Matej Bel University in Banská Bystrica.*

Students: The sending institution on the nomination letter (name, e-mail, area of study, period of study) must notify the International Relations Office (ingrid.balazova@umb.sk) about their interest in studying at the Faculty of Arts at Matej Bel University two months prior to the deadline. Students must arrive at least 7 days before the academic year starts.

Foreign students coming to Banská Bystrica are automatically enrolled in the buddy system (ESN UMB).

Students in Bachelor and Master study programmes must attend courses minimum: 20 credits per one semester; PhD. students minimum: 10 credits per one semester.

Subject areas only in Slovak language: 225 History, 226 Philosophy and Ethics, 223 Mother tongue (Slovak language and literature), 813 Sports. Minimum recommended level B2.

Staff: Teachers must notify the departmental coordinator about their interest in teaching at the Faculty of Arts at Matej Bel University two months prior to their arrival. The teaching plan and invitation letter will be signed by the Erasmus Administrator (ingrid.balazova@umb.sk).

I SIENA02 has the infrastructures to welcome students and staff with disabilities (petreni@unistrasi.it).

E. Calendar

1. Applications/information on nominated students must reach the receiving institution by:

Receiving institution [Erasmus code]	Autumn term* [month]	Spring term* [month]
SK BANSKA01	Nomin: 15 May, Appl: 15 July	Nomin: 30 Sept, Appl: 15 November
I SIENA02	31 st May for nominations 15 th July for applications	31 st October for nominations 15 th December for applications

[* to be adapted in case of a trimester system]

2. The receiving institution will send its decision within 1 week.
3. A Transcript of Records will be issued by the receiving institution no later than 5 weeks after the assessment period has finished at the receiving HEI. *[It should normally not exceed five weeks according to the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education guidelines]*
4. Termination of the agreement

[It is up to the involved institutions to agree on the procedure for modifying or terminating the inter-institutional agreement. However, in the event of unilateral termination, a notice of at least one academic year should be given. This means that a unilateral decision to discontinue the exchanges notified to the other party by 1 September 20XX will only take effect as of 1 September 20XX+1. The termination clauses must include the following disclaimer: "Neither the European Commission nor the National Agencies can be held responsible in case of a conflict."]

F. Information

1. Grading systems of the institutions

SK BANSKA01 (FPV): <http://www.fpv.umb.sk/en/international-cooperation/ects-courses.html>

SK BANSKA01 (FF): Grades: **A** – EXCELLENT - outstanding performance with only minor errors, **B** – VERY GOOD - above the average standard but with some error, **C** – GOOD - generally sound work with a number of notable error, **D** – SATISFACTORY - fair but with significant shortcomings, **E** – SUFFICIENT - performance meets the minimum criteria, **FX** – FAIL - some more work required before the credit can be awarded. The value of local credits corresponds to ECTS credits

I SIENA02:

The Italian Grading System ranges from 18/30 to 30/30. The highest mark is 30/30 with distinction (*Lode*). Exams under 18/30 are considered as "not passed" and cannot be registered on the final transcript of records. The following chart compares Italian grade and ECTS grading system and provides a translation of the numerical value of Italian grade.

<u>Local Grade</u>	<u>Translation</u>
30 e lode	with distinction
29-30	excellent
28-27	very good
26-24	good
18-23	sufficient

2. Visa

The sending and receiving institutions will provide assistance, when required, in securing visas for incoming and outbound mobile participants, according to the requirements of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education.

Information and assistance can be provided by the following contact points and information sources:

Institution [Erasmus code]	Contact details (email, phone)	Website for information
SK BANSKA01	http://www.foreign.gov.sk/en/contact__us/mfa_contact	http://www.foreign.gov.sk/en/consular_info/visa

(FPV)		
SK BANSKA01 (FF)	Incoming + outgoing: PhDr. Ingrid Balážová, Erasmus Administrator, ingrid.balazova@umb.sk , fax: +421 48 413 6153 http://www.foreign.gov.sk/en/contact_us/mfa_contact	http://www.ff.umb.sk/en/erasmus-students/ http://www.foreign.gov.sk/en/consular_info/visa
I SIENA02	Accoglienza Area Management Didattico e URP Tel. +39 0577 240104/102 Fax +39 0577240148 accoglienza@unistrasi.it	

3. Insurance

The sending and receiving institutions will provide assistance in obtaining insurance for incoming and outbound mobile participants, according to the requirements of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education.

The receiving institution will inform mobile participants of cases in which insurance cover is not automatically provided. Information and assistance can be provided by the following contact points and information sources:

Institution [Erasmus code]	Contact details (email, phone)	Website for information
SK BANSKA01 (FPV)	terezia.raffayova@umb.sk +42148 446 74 31	http://www.fpv.umb.sk/en/international-cooperation/incoming-students.html
SK BANSKA01 (FF)	Incoming + outgoing: PhDr. Ingrid Balážová, Erasmus Administrator, ingrid.balazova@umb.sk , fax: +421 48 413 6153	http://www.ff.umb.sk/en/erasmus-students/
I SIENA02	accoglienza@unistrasi.it	http://www.unistrasi.it/280/950/Accordi_e_convenzioni_per_l-assistenza_medica.htm

SK BANSKA01: The foreigner must submit a document confirming health insurance during the stay in the Slovak Republic. Students can arrange it in their own country.

4. Housing


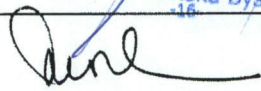
The receiving institution will guide incoming mobile participants in finding accommodation, according to the requirements of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education.

Information and assistance can be provided by the following persons and information sources:

Institution [Erasmus code]	Contact details (email, phone)	Website for information
SK BANSKA01 (FPV)	terezia.raffayova@umb.sk +42148 446 74 31	http://www.fpv.umb.sk/en/international-cooperation/incoming-students.html
SK BANSKA01 (FF)	PhDr. Ingrid Balážová, Erasmus Administrator, Tajovského 40, 974 01 Banská Bystrica, Slovakia, ingrid.balazova@umb.sk , fax: +421 48 413 6153	http://www.ff.umb.sk/en/erasmus-students/
I SIENA02	accoglienza@unistrasi.it	http://www.unistrasi.it/165/526/Alloggio.htm http://alloggi.unistrasi.it/

SK BANSKA01: Foreign students can stay at University residence halls Študentský domov 3, Tajovského 51, Banská Bystrica. The residence hall provide rooms with three bedrooms. Each floor has a shared kitchen with two electric cookers and a fridge. Students can use university wi-fi.

G. SIGNATURES OF THE INSTITUTIONS (legal representatives)

Institution [Erasmus code]	Name, function	Date	Signature ⁴
SK BANSKA01	Prof. Ing. Igor Kosír, CSc, Vice-Rector for International Cooperation, Institutional Erasmus Coordinator	18 MAR. 2014	 UNIVERZITA MATEJA BELA v Banskej Bystrici REKTORÁT Národná 12 974 01 Banská Bystrica
I SIENA02	Prof.ssa Monica BARNI Rector	17 MAR. 2014	



⁴ Scanned signatures are accepted

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