

## Call for Applications

### Scholarship to study at The University of Cantabria (Spain) in the framework of the European Programme ERASMUS+ KA171

#### Objective

The Erasmus+ Programme – mobility for study offers the possibility to spend a period of studies at **The University of Cantabria** for **PhD Students** from **The National School of Engineers of Sfax**.

Erasmus+ International Credit Mobility KA171 is a project approved in the framework of Erasmus+ programme, aiming at fostering cooperation in the field of Higher Education between European and partner countries Institutions through a mobility scheme addressing student and staff exchanges. The current call for applications covers a bilateral mobility between the **The University of Cantabria** as Higher Education Institution in the EU and Higher Education Institutions in partner countries.

In order to apply for a grant within the framework of *Erasmus + KA171- ICM* project, candidates must comply with the **following general requirements**:

- They must be official members of their home University, that is:
- Students must be registered in the partner Higher Education Institution and enrolled in PhD level .

Students must have sufficient knowledge of the **language** of instruction of the host universities they apply to.

#### NUMBER AND TYPES OF MOBILITY:

**The University of Cantabria** Erasmus + KA171- ICM project includes the following types of mobility according to the academic level of the candidates:

#### **6 Scholarships for:**

- PhD 3rd Cycle

Mobility students will be awarded a scholarship, will attend courses and will use all the facilities of **The University of Cantabria** on an equal basis as the enrolled students.

#### MOBILITY PERIOD

Autumn 2025: September 2025

## DURATION OF THE MOBILITIES

The duration of the stay of Master and PhD students preparing their thesis will require to be previously agreed with both the academic coordinator at the home and at the host university.

The preferred duration is 5 months. Stays of less than 2 months are not eligible. In case of budget availability and where there is academic justification, longer stays may be approved. The maximum duration may in no case exceed 12 months per study cycle (sum of all Erasmus mobilities undertaken by the participant).

## FIELDS OF EDUCATION

Engineering

## AMOUNT OF GRANTS

The Erasmus+ for study scholarships are contributions to support living costs in the hosting country. The scholarship for Spain is of **850 € per month** for students.

A supplementary sum will cover the travel costs on the basis of the distance between Sfax and **The University of Cantabria** according to the European distance calculator: **275 €**

## Beneficiaries are responsible for:

- Contracting their travel arrangements.
- Visa expenses.
- Contracting insurance cover.

## Conditions and procedures

### *General conditions for admittance*

The candidate student must be enrolled at the University of Sfax that signed the Inter Institutional Agreement within the framework of Erasmus + Programme, with **The University of Cantabria**. The student must be **preselected** and **nominated** by the University of Sfax.

## Application Documents:

1. Erasmus+ KA171 application form: <https://web.unican.es/en/Studying/admission/application-documents-ka171>
2. Copy of passport (must be in force during the whole study exchange period)
3. Information about personal data form: <https://web.unican.es/en/Studying/Documents/INFORMATION%20ABOUT%20PERSONAL%20DATA.pdf>



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4. Curriculum vitae, based on the EUROPASS model:  
<http://europass.cedefop.europa.eu/es/documents/curriculum-vitae>

5. Transcript of Records (from the BAC)

6. Valid certificate(s) of language skills accreditation

7. Certificate of enrolment at home university during the current academic course

8. Learning Agreement signed by the student and the academic co-ordinator (\*):  
[https://web.unican.es/en/Studying/Documents/6.b%20HE%20-%20Learning%20agreement%20for%20studies%202022%20KA171\\_EN.docx](https://web.unican.es/en/Studying/Documents/6.b%20HE%20-%20Learning%20agreement%20for%20studies%202022%20KA171_EN.docx)

9. Participants with fewer opportunities are to submit valid document(s) accrediting this condition in order to apply for additional funding

All documents in Arabic should be translated into English language.

Applications must be signed and approved by: Director of ENIS

Please apply for this opportunity via the following link: <https://forms.gle/TVLh4EEEmeD3KYQZQ9>

**An incomplete application will be considered ineligible.**

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The home Institution will be responsible of selection procedures on the basis **transparent and fair criteria.**

### **Pre-selection criteria at the home university**

The home university will provide a pre-selection of candidates according to the following general criteria:

- Average grade.
- The consistency of the proposed research activities.
- Language skills.
- Any other elements indicated by the student in the application (other learning experiences, specific academic interests, etc.).
- Additional criteria i.e: membership in science clubs or associations, participation in conferences and other mobility programmes etc. (it is up to the sending institution to include the criteria or not)
- Students who meet one or more of the following inclusion and diversity criteria established by the Erasmus+ program:

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- disability (i.e. participants with special needs): people with mental (intellectual, cognitive, learning), physical, sensory or other disabilities;
- educational difficulties: young people with learning difficulties; early school-leavers; low qualified adults; young people with poor school performance.
- economic obstacles: people with a low standard of living, low income, dependence on social welfare system or homeless; young people in long-term unemployment or poverty; people in debt or with financial problems.
- cultural differences: immigrants or refugees or descendants from immigrant or refugee families; people belonging to a national or ethnic minority; people with linguistic adaptation and cultural inclusion difficulties.
- health problems: people with chronic health problems, severe illnesses, or psychiatric conditions.
- social obstacles: people facing discrimination because of gender, age, ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation, disability, etc.; people with limited social skills or anti-social or risky behaviors; people in a precarious situation; (ex-)offenders, (ex-)drug or alcohol abusers; young and/or single parents; orphans.
- geographical obstacles: people from remote or rural areas; people living in small islands or in peripheral regions; people from urban problem zones; people from less serviced areas (limited public transport, poor facilities).

CRITERIA NO.	CRITERIA	SCORE
1.	Average GPA	40
2.	<b>Language knowledge</b>	
	B1	5
	B2	10
	C1/C2/TOEIC/TOEF L	20
3.	<b>No previous Erasmus mobility</b>	30
4.	CV	
	Work experience/traineeship	5
	Social activities / Volunteering/ Clubs	5
5	Proof of inclusion	30

The deadline for applying is fixed on **17 April 2025**.

For any specific question or information, you can contact The International Relations Office ([sci@usf.tn](mailto:sci@usf.tn)) at your home institution.