



Erasmus Mundus Scholarships for European¹ students and doctoral candidates

Erasmus Mundus Scholarships are available for students from all over the world – including Europe – to take part in Erasmus Mundus Joint Masters Courses and Doctoral Programmes.

Erasmus Mundus Joint Masters Courses and Doctoral Programmes

These are **joint study or research programmes** offered by a consortium of higher education institutions or research organisations from the EU and – in many cases – from outside Europe. These integrated joint programmes include a mandatory study or research period in at least two different European countries. If the consortium includes partners from countries outside the EU, the "mobility tracks" offered may also include a period of study/research at these institutions. All programmes lead to the award of a joint, double or multiple degree recognised in the European countries represented in the consortium.

There are currently 123 Erasmus Mundus Masters Courses (ranging from 60 to 120 ECTS) and 24 Erasmus Mundus Joint Doctorate Programmes (lasting three or four years), covering a wide range of academic disciplines (see "How to apply" section below) and offering Erasmus Mundus scholarships/fellowships for studies and research activities starting in the academic year 2011/2012.

While during the first phase of Erasmus Mundus (2004-2008), scholarships were only available for non-European students, **since the academic year 2010/2011, students and doctoral candidates from the EU are also eligible for Erasmus Mundus scholarships and fellowships.**

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Master Student Scholarships

The masters scholarships cover:

- The student's participation costs in the joint masters programme, up to a maximum of € 4 000 per year (including a comprehensive insurance scheme);
- A contribution of € 500 per month to the students' living costs, paid during the entire duration of the joint programme (including the academic breaks and the period spend in the student's home country);
- A contribution to the travel costs if the programme foresees a mobility period outside Europe.

The scholarship can amount to as much as €23 000, depending on the duration of the joint masters, the fee level and the mobility tracks offered.

For the academic year 2011/2012 **over 800 Masters scholarships will be available** for European students enrolled in an Erasmus Mundus Joint Masters Course.

Doctoral Candidate Fellowships

The doctorate fellowships cover:

- The candidate's participation costs in the joint doctoral programme
- A monthly salary (or living allowance) for a period of 36 months, amounting to approximately € 1 600 per month;
- For those candidates recruited under "employment contracts", a comprehensive range of social security benefits equivalent to those of employees;
- A contribution to the travel costs if the programme foresees a mobility period outside Europe.

The fellowship can amount to as much as € 125 500, depending on the recruitment method, the research project and the mobility tracks offered.

For the academic year 2011/2012, **over 70 Doctoral fellowships will be available** for European doctoral candidates enrolled in an Erasmus Mundus Joint Doctoral Programme.

¹ Throughout this text, the terms EU, Europe and European refer to nationals or institutions from the countries eligible under the Erasmus Mundus programme. This means the 27 EU Member States plus Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway



How to apply

European students or doctoral candidates interested in an Erasmus Mundus scholarship/fellowship should consult the list of Erasmus Mundus [Masters](#) and [Doctorates](#) on the Erasmus Mundus website:

http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus_mundus/results_compendia/selected_projects_en.php

This list provides a general description of each joint programme, as well as a link to the relevant consortium's website. Here, students and doctoral candidates can find more information about the joint programme's objectives and expected learning/research outcomes, the mobility tracks offered, the entry requirements and scholarship/fellowship application procedure and deadlines.

Applications are made direct to the consortium.

Candidates wishing to enrol in an Erasmus Mundus Joint Programme at masters or doctoral level in the academic year 2011/2012, will have to **apply directly to the consortium or consortia of their choice during the period November 2010 – January 2011**. Applicants should note that each consortium is responsible for designing and implementing its own selection procedure, criteria and timetable. As a result, **the scholarship/fellowship application deadline will vary from one consortium to another**.

Erasmus Mundus Joint Programme consortia will have to submit their list of candidates proposed for an Erasmus Mundus scholarship/fellowship to the European Commission by 28 February 2011 and the applicants will be **informed of the outcome of their application by April 2011**.

More information?

Erasmus Mundus website:

http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus_mundus/index_en.php

On the Erasmus Mundus website, you can consult a range of FAQs for students, as well as the *Erasmus Mundus Programme Guide*. This document provides a detailed description of the main characteristics of Erasmus Mundus Joint Programmes, and of the scholarship/fellowship scheme that accompanies them.

Erasmus Mundus functional mailbox:

EACEA-erasmus-mundus@ec.europa.eu

If after having consulted the information contained on the website, applicant students or doctoral candidates have additional questions concerning the Erasmus Mundus scholarship/fellowship scheme, they can address them to the Erasmus Mundus Unit in the Executive Agency for Education, Culture and Audiovisual using the above email address.

Other useful links:

Erasmus Mundus Students and Alumni Association

<http://www.em-a.eu/>

Erasmus Mundus National Structures in EU countries

http://ec.europa.eu/education/erasmus-mundus/doc1515_en.htm