CALL FOR APPLICATIONS ERASMUS+ BLENDED INTENSIVE PROGRAMME (BIP) FOR THE PARTICIPATION IN 6 BLENDED INTENSIVE PROGRAMMES ORGANISED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF BABEŞ-BOLYAI (CLUJ-NAPOCA, ROMANIA) A.Y. 2024/2025

(deadline 16th October 2024 – h 12:00 p.m)

ART. 1 – Presentation of the Blended Intensive Programme (BIP)

- 1. Mobilities selected through the present Call are disciplined by the provisions of the 2021-2027 Erasmus+ Programme, and financed with funds of the Erasmus+ for studies Call 2023.
- 2. The Erasmus+ programme 2021-2027 supports Blended Intensive Programmes (BIP), allowing for groups of higher education institutions to jointly develop short, intensive programmes that use innovative ways of learning and teaching. The BIP enables new and more flexible mobility formats that combine a short physical mobility abroad with a compulsory virtual component. The virtual component must bring the learners together online to work collectively and simultaneously on specific assignments that are integrated in the blended intensive programme and count towards the overall learning outcomes. BIPs are addressed in particular to students with fewer opportunities, who might have greater difficulties in carrying out a long-term mobility.
- 3. The present Call aims at selecting students for the following BIPs organized by Babes-Bolyai University (Cluj-Napoca, Romania), partner of Ca' Foscari in the frame of the European University EUTOPIA, which will be offered in English and are planned as follows:

TITLE	VIRTUAL MOBILITY	PHISICAL MOBILITY	CONTENTS	COURSES AT CA' FOSCARI THE BIP IS INTENDED FOR	STUDY CYCLES	N° OF AVAILABLE PLACES
Promoting Equity and Inclusive Practices, Supporting Multiculturalism and Social Diversity in HEI	From 03/02/2025 to 07/02/2025	From 10/02/2025 to 14/02/2025	Inclusive practices in HEI, psychological safety in inclusive learning environments, promoting factors of social inclusion for students with disabilities in higher education, biases as barriers to social inclusion	All BA and MA programmes, from any Department	BA-MA	15

Empowered Leadership: Managing People and Business Skills	From 13/03/2025 to 14/03/2025	From 17/03/2025 to 21/03/2025	Human resource management (HRM) practicies, business skills of empowered leadership in a multicultural setting, Talent acquisition and management, workforce development and Training	- All BA and MA programmes from the Venice School of Management - Intercultural Development of Tourism Systems -Hospitality Innovation and e-Tourism -Language and Management to China	BA-MA	15
Human Relationships in the Digital Era	From 25/02/2025 to 26/02/2025	From 03/03/2025 to 07/03/2025	Production of high- quality documentary theatre pieces, Documentation Techniques, Scriptwriting Skills, Performance Skills, Understanding character development	- Conservation of Cultural Heritage and Performing Arts Management, curriculum Economics and Management of Arts and Cultural Activities; and curriculum Performing Arts and Media Studies - History of Arts and Conservation of Artistic Heritage, curriculum Contemporary and curriculum Modern	BA-MA	15
Cybersecurity Strategies in the Era of Artificial Intelligence	From 24/04/2025 to 25/04/2025	From 05/05/2025 to 09/05/2025	Cybersecurity, Cybercrime prevention, typologies of cybercrime, interpersonal cybercrime, Hacktivism (Disinformation Campaigns through AI).	- Computer Science (BA) -Computer Science and Information Technology -Computer Science (MA) -Data Analytics for Business and Society	BA-MA	15
Cultural Chronicles: Cultural Journalism in Urban Landscapes	From 19/05/2025 to 21/05/2025	From 26/05/2025 to 30/05/0202	Journalism, ethical consideration in reporting practices, journalism integrity, cultural diversity.	All BA and MA programmes from the Department of Linguistics and Comparative Cultural Studies, the Department of Humanities, the Department of Philosophy and Cultural Heritage and the Department of Asian and North African Studies	ВА-МА	15

Conflict Resolution from Theory to Practice. An International and Multidisciplinary Approach	From 27/02/2025 to 28/02/2025	From 03/03/2025 to 07/03/2025	Reconciliation after Violent and Protracted Armed Conflicts, EU Ordinary Legislative Procedure Simulation Crisis Communication Strategies, Conflict Management as a Prerequisite for the EU Enlargement Policy	- Comparative International Relations -Philosophy International and Economic Studies - Trans- Mediterranean Studies: Migration, Cooperation and Development	BA-MA	15
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The detailed programme of each BIP can be found in Annex 1 to the present Call.

- 4. Each BIP consists of two types of mobilities, both mandatory for the participation and recognition of the activity:
 - a) A virtual mobility, which allows students to meet online with teachers, students and students of foreign universities and to work on a programme in order to achieve specific learning outcomes. It is a compulsory and complementary activity to the physical mobility that does not allocate any financial contribution.
 - b) A short-term physical mobility at the University of Babeş-Bolyai in Cluj-Napoca (Romania), which provides for the allocation of specific mobility grants for the duration of the activities carried out in person, in accordance with art. 4 of this Call for Application.

The University of Babeş-Bolyai offers the possibility to benefit from reduced fees for housing (see Annex 1).

- 5. Selected students will be exempted from corresponding tuition fees to take part in the BIP.
- 6. Selected students will be required to comply with all procedures that will be communicated by the International Office after the selection process. The attendance of the activities planned by the BIP is mandatory, the mobility cannot be reduced, except for documented cases of *force majeure*, which will be evaluated by the International Relations Office and the institution organizer of the BIP.
- 7. During the BIP students cannot carry out the following activities at Ca' Foscari University of Venice:
 - Academic activities (courses and exams, even if provided remotely); this obligation does not apply to mandatory online courses required for students of the International College, provided that they do not interfere with the attendance of BIP activities.
 - Tutoring activities, student collaborations, laboratory practice, internships and equivalent activities, even if carried out remotely;
 - All activities that might interfere with courses and all activities planned in the framework of the mobility period.
- 8. Selected students who will not conclude all mobility procedures correctly, or who will graduate before the recognition of the activities carried out during the mobility period, will have their mobility cancelled and will be requested to reimburse the grant received.

- Ca' Foscari University of Venice reserves the right to decide whether to block the student's academic career.
- 9. It is each student's responsibility to consider possible health and security risks that they might incur during the mobility, and to frequently check the website www.viaggiaresicuri.it.
- 10. In case the mobility is interrupted due to documented causes of force majeure, the International Office (hereafter referred to as IRO) will submit the relevant documentation to the Italian Erasmus+ National Agency INDIRE, which will decide whether to approve the request of interruption and recognise the mobility period carried out.
- 11. Should selected students be subject to disciplinary action, or should they have failed to comply to the regulations of previous or ongoing mobilities, their mobility will be cancelled and, should their mobility have already started, the IRO will ask for the reimbursement of the grant received.

ART 2. – Admission criteria

- 1. The selection is open to:
 - students regularly enrolled at the time of application submission and throughout the whole duration of the BIP at Ca' Foscari University of Venice for a.y. 2024/2025 in one of the courses specified in Art. 1, paragraph 3 in the following years:
 - o 2nd and 3rd year, for Bachelor's Degree Courses;
 - o 1st and 2nd year, for Master's Degree Courses.

Applications from behind-schedule students are not accepted.

- Graduating students of the autumn session of the 2024 calendar year (academic year 2023/2024), who intend to enrol before the start of the mobility program in one of the courses listed in art. 1, paragraph 3, for the academic year 2024/2025.
- 2. The candidates must also meet the following requirements:
 - a. not be selected or called as reserves in the frame of the a.y. 2024/2025 Erasmus+ for studies Call for Applications:
 - b. have at least a B2 level of proficiency in English (to be certified through certification or enrolment in a study program entirely taught in English);
 - c. have registered in their online *libretto* by 11:59 PM on October 16, 2024:

2° year Bachelor	3° year Bachelor	1° year Master's	2° year Master's
Degree	Degree	Degree	Degree
48 CFU *	96 CFU*	No requirements needed	48 CFU*

^{*}students with part-time status are exempted from these requirements.

3. Applicants must take into consideration that, should they have already participated in other mobilities in the frame of the Erasmus+ programme, they cannot exceed the maximum duration allowed for physical mobility, that is 12 months per study cycle.

ART 3. – Recognition in the student's career

 Each BIP provides with the opportunity to obtain 3 credits, which will be regired in the student's career as extra credits. The recognition procedure is under the responsibility of the professors listed at this page: <a href="https://www.unive.it/pag/fileadmin/user upload/ateneo/internazionale/documenti/and-are-estero/studio/erasmus studio/erasmus out 2024 2025/Specifics on accordigenerali EUTOPIA 2024-2025 Erasmus call for applications.pdf

The credit recognition is allowed only in case of completion of the whole BIP and in case of compliance with procedures described in the present Call, at page www.unive.it/bip and communicated via email by bip@unive.it.

ART. 4 - Grant

1. Students who will be selected in the frame of this Call for Application can benefit from the following forms of funding for the period of short-term physical mobility under the BIP programme:

For everybody:

Individual support for short-term physical mobility (79 Euros per day);

For students who, before October 16th at 11.59 pm, have requested a 2024 ISEE certificate valid to access all forms of university financial aid, with an indicator amounting to up to 25,000 Euros, or in one of the disadvantaged conditions described in Art. 6 under the heading "Other factors of potential socio-economic disadvantage" if positively evaluated by the Selection Committee:

- Additional contribution amounting to 100 Euros *una tantum*
- Travel contribution:
 - o 275 Euros in case of non-ecological means of transport:
 - 320 Euros in case of sustainable means of transport to travel both the outward and return journey (bus, train, car-sharing of a rental vehicle, bike):
 - 79 Euros/per day for the days of outward and return journey (up to 3 days financed for the outward journey, and up to 3 days financed for the return) in case of sustainable means of transport to travel both the outward and return journey (bus, train, car-sharing of a rental vehicle, bike).

For students without ISEE certificate or with an ISEE indicator amounting to more than 25,000 Euros, and who are not in one of the above-mentioned disadvantaged conditions:

- Travel contribution:
 - In case of non-ecological means of transport, 79 Euros for the days of outward and return journey (max. 2 days, if additional to the days of activities);
 - o In case of sustainable means of transport to travel both the outward and return journey (bus, train, car-sharing of a rental vehicle, bike):
 - 50 Euros una tantum;

 79 Euros/per day for the days of outward and return journey (up to 3 days financed for the outward journey, and up to 3 days financed for the return).

The above-mentioned financial contribution will be paid to eligible students on their CartaConto.

Requesting the ISEE certificate is not compulsory. However, it provides advantages in the selection process and the allocation of the financial contributions for the mobility, if submitted by the above-mentioned deadline. The 2024 ISEE certificate must be valid to access all forms of university financial aid, and must apply to the student requesting the financial contribution, whose fiscal code must be indicated in the document. The certificate must not show omissions/discrepancies. Selected students must have requested the ISEE for financial aid by compiling the DSU self-certification form concerning the composition of their household and the income and asset situation of each member of the household. This can be done either by students themselves by filling in the form in the "online services" section of the INPS website (www.inps.it) or with the help of a CAF centre or professional tax consultant. Should more than one student from the same household be applying for financial aid, the certification must contain a note specifying that the ISEE applies to financial aid for each student concerned, whose Fiscal Code must be indicated on the document. Students must NOT submit any hard copy of their 2024 ISEE certification to the International Office, which will access it directly from the INPS database.

Non-Italian students or Italian students residing abroad: according to the Article 8, paragraph 3, of Legislative Decree no. 68 of March 29, 2012, the actual income and asset situation of foreign students or Italian students residing abroad is defined through the I.S.E.E.E. indicator, which is obtained by combining and assessing the total sum of the income earned abroad and the 20% of the asset possessed abroad in accordance with the procedures set out in Article 7, paragraph 7, of Legislative Decree no. 68 of March 29, 2012. Non-Italian students or Italian students residing abroad income and asset situation is defined through the ISEE/ISPE parificato indicator. These students can upload their ISEE partificato certificate in the application form for this Call or send it by email to bip@unive.it before before October 16th at 11.59 pm, 2024.

- 2. The financial contributions described in paragraph 1 will be paid in two instalments the 70% of the estimated total grant before the mobility and the 30% final instalment following the conclusion of the mobility.
- 3. The financial contributions described in paragraph 1 can be revoked at any time, in case of non-compliance with procedures, or failure to complete the planned activities.

ART. 5 – How to apply

In order to apply, students must fill in the form available at https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeO0dJnwMJ9fx7gQqB6kUnTb-Sjp51eGZ4CW51ohdz51rtZFA/viewform?usp=sf link , for one BIP programme only (multiple applications will be discarded), by 12:00 pm (noon) on 16th October 2024, penalty of exclusion.

Any reports, including reports on technical malfunctions in the online form, must be submitted to bip@unive.it by 12:00 pm (noon) on 16th October 2024.

ART 6 - Rankings

1. Applications will be evaluated by a Selection Committee composed of professors from Ca' Foscari University of Venice and staff from the International Office. The Selection Committee will draw up a ranking of the eligible students based on the following criteria:

	Up to 12,000 Euros	10 points	
	Between 12.001 and 25.000 Euros	8 points	
ISEE indicator	Between 25.001 and 30.000 Euros	6 points	
	Between 30.001 and 60.000 Euros	4 points	
	Higher than 60.000 Euros or not requested	2 points	
Other factors of potential socio-economic disadvantage:	Up to 10 points, based on the evaluation of the Commission.		
 Disability/Learning disability/special physical and psychic conditions; State of orphan State of caregiver Working student Student athlete Alias career Refugee status Other non-listed factors will be evaluated by the Committee. 			

- 2. In the event of a tie, the younger candidate will be given priority.
- 3. The rankings will be published in the Personal Area at www.unive.it (section "Mobilità Internazionale") by 25th November 2024. Any postponements of the ranking list will be notified on the website at: https://www.unive.it/pag/49056/.
- 4. Selected students will not need to formally accept the place. Their nominations will be submitted without further formalities to the host institution. In case a participant decides to withdraw from the mobility, they must promptly communicate their decision to bip@unive.it

- 5. The host university may at any time modify the planning of mobilities, in terms of actual realisation of the BIP programme, number of available places, duration and period of mobility.
- 6. Selected students must comply to all procedures communicated by the host institution and by Ca' Foscari University of Venice to their institutional e-mail account *matriculationnumber@*stud.unive.it.
- 7. Non-EU citizen selected students must make sure well in advance:
 - that they hold all the travel documents required to enter and stay in the country of their mobility, by contacting the host institution to receive information concerning the necessary documents for their stay in the country (immigration policies may vary from country to country);
 - to hold a valid Italian stay permit when they return to Italy.

 The Immigration Team is available for support on the matter (immigrationteam@unive.it).

ART. 7 - Privacy policy

- The applicant's personal data are processed in accordance with the applicable domestic and European Union laws and regulations (Legislative Decree n.196/2003 and EU Regulation 2016/679) and the processing is solely aimed at carrying out the selection process. For further details, please read the privacy policy attached to this Call.
- 2. The provision of personal data is mandatory. It is necessary to evaluate the qualifications requested to take part in the selection process.

ART. 8 – Annexes to the Call:

- 1- BIPs programme
- 2- Privacy Policy

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