Erasmus+ Grant

Erasmus+ International Mobility KA171/Mobility for Long-Term Studies

The National and Kapodistrian University of Athens (NKUA) provides financial support to participants in accordance with the Erasmus+ regulations.

Students participating in Erasmus+ Long-term studies are eligible for funding for the following:

- 1. Mobility Period,
- 2. Top-up for participants with fewer opportunities,
- 3. Travel Days (at least 1 day before the start and 1 day after the end of the activity, if applicable and utilized),
- 4. Travel Expenses,
- 5. **Green Travel** (*if applicable*, for environmentally sustainable travel options).

For detailed information, please see below.

1. Funding for the Mobility Period

Incoming students will receive individual financial support of €850 monthly rate. The start date of the mobility period is defined as the first day participants are required to be present at the NKUA, while the end date is the last day they need to be present at the NKUA.

2. Top-up for Participants with Fewer Opportunities

Students with fewer opportunities on long-term mobility receive a top-up amount of €250 per month.

You will be personally informed about the eligibility criteria via email from the European and International Relations Office.

This top-up amount is not provided in an accumulative way in case of multiple barriers faced by the participant with fewer opportunities.

3. Travel Days

Participants can additionally receive grant **for two travel days**, one day before the start of the mobility, and one day after the end of the mobility.

If travel days coincide with mobility days, no additional travel days are compensated for.

Example Scenarios:

If someone's mobility period is June 5th to June 9th (5 days):

- a) If arrival day is June 5th and departure day is June 9th:
- No additional grant for travel days.
- b) If arrival day is June 4th (or earlier) and departure day is June 10th (or later):
- Entitled to 2 travel days (79€ x 2).
- c) If arrival day is June 4th (or earlier) and departure day is June 9th:

Entitled to 1 travel day.

d) If arrival day is June 5th and departure day is June 10th (or later): Entitled to 1 travel day.

Important:

For travel days, boarding passes are considered proof, and only the dates indicated on them are taken into account. *Travel time is not considered*.

4. Funding for Travel Expenses

Incoming staff members will receive an allowance for travel expenses. This allowance is determined based on the kilometric distance between their home country and Athens, regardless of actual expenses incurred or the chosen travel route.

To calculate the distance in kilometers between your home university and NKUA, please visit the following link: <u>Distance</u> Calculator.

Travel distances	In case of non-green travel	In case of green travel
Between 10 and 99 km	€ 28 per participant	€ 56 per participant
Between 100 and 499 km	€ 211 per participant	€ 285 per participant
Between 500 and 1999 km	€ 309 per participant	€ 417 per participant
Between 2000 and 2999 km	€ 395 per participant	€ 535 per participant
Between 3000 and 3999 km	€ 580 per participant	€ 785 per participant
Between 4000 and 7999 km	€ 1188 per participant	€ 1188 per participant
8000 km or more	€ 1735 per participant	€ 1735 per participant

5. Green Travel

To promote the Erasmus+ program's principles of environmental sustainability, participants are encouraged to choose transportation options with a lower carbon footprint, such as buses, trains, or carpooling.

For travel to be classified as "green":

- More than half of the total distance between the home institution and the destination institution must be covered using low-carbon transportation.
- Participants who opt for green travel may receive up to 4 additional days of individual support funding to cover extra travel time for the round trip.

Note:

- The decision to use green travel must be made at least one month before the mobility period starts.
- Retroactive changes to green travel are not allowed.

Payment Details

Participants will receive 80% of the total financial support after the Department of International and European Studies receives:

- The signed Grant Agreement sent via courier.
- All required supporting documents (e.g., visa, tickets, insurance contract) sent to erasmus@uoa.gr.

The remaining 20% of financial support will be paid:

- After participants' departure.

- Following the final assessment of the mobility period and successful submission of the online EU survey (see also "After Departure").

Participants must provide evidence of the actual start and end dates of the mobility period based on the Certificate of Participation. Boarding passes and tickets serve as supporting documents for mobility activities and indicate the place of departure and arrival.

Important Notes

- Financial support or a portion thereof may be reclaimed if participants fail to conduct the mobility activity in accordance with the terms of the signed agreement.
- Participants must promptly submit the required documents by the specified deadlines to ensure timely disbursement of the Erasmus+ grant.
- Failure to adhere to the schedule may result in delays or inability to process grant payments.

The Department of European and International Relationships is committed to ensuring a smooth and timely process for grant disbursement. Participants are encouraged to follow the instructions provided and communicate any issues promptly.