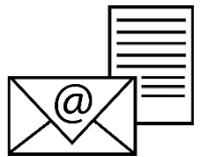


# ERASMUS+ Information Sheet: Coronavirus Crisis

Despite the coronavirus pandemic, the ERASMUS programme has continued. Physical mobility is possible and is also financially supported. Please check the latest travel warnings on the [homepage of the German Foreign Office](#).

**New features in 20/21 and 21/22:** For the first time, virtual mobility is also allowed in the ERASMUS programme, i.e. exclusively online study at the host university from within Germany, if the host university offers online study. However, virtual mobility is not financially supported. Fortunately, the European Commission has decided that virtual mobility periods in one's home country do not count towards the Erasmus+ quota of 12 months per study cycle. This also applies to the virtual portion of mobility that is carried out in a blended approach (i.e. partly virtual, partly on-site). Recipients thus have the opportunity to have the experience of virtual mobility and at the same time the option to use the remaining months of the Erasmus+ quota for a physical mobility at a later stage. Due to the coronavirus pandemic, there is an exception for the 2019 project: graduate internships funded by the 2019 project grant can be completed within 18 months of graduation. Should you have any questions about this, please contact Ms. Lehnig (see below for contact).



Please note that approval of mobility is subject to change. Depending on the situation, the EU, national governments, and the host universities will decide on regulations that will ultimately be binding and that we will have to follow. As soon as the International Office receives the relevant information, e.g. from the DAAD as our national agency, we will publish it on our homepage and inform you by e-mail if applicable. Please also check the pages of your host university on your own.

**Information for students who withdraw from their stay abroad – Force Majeure:** For students who are studying or doing an internship at a partner university within the scope of Erasmus+ and would like to terminate their stay due to the current situation, we will check whether the force majeure provision can be applied within the context of the programme and whether the funding can be paid out proportionally or in full as stipulated in the funding agreement. Students should contact Ms. Lehnig by email and submit appropriate supporting documents online, such as rental agreements or appropriate payment receipts, and bus, airline and/or train tickets.

**Information for students continuing their stay on site and attending online courses at partner institutions:** If you decide to stay on site and attend online courses, please let us know. The requirement to earn 20 ECTS points during the stay abroad remains in place. If it is not possible to earn the required number of ECTS points due to course changes, please provide us with a rationale. Questions regarding credits should be clarified with the relevant department of University of Bayreuth. The Erasmus+ documents to be submitted for the 2nd installment are still required.

**Information for students planning virtual mobility:** Please note that submitting the Erasmus+ documents is mandatory even if there is no Erasmus+ funding.

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