

ERASMUS APPLICATIONS FOR 2026-2027
ERASMUS STUDENT MOBILITY APPLICATION ANNOUNCEMENT

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IMPORTANT NOTICES!

1. The 2026 Contribution Agreement between Turkey and the European Commission has not yet been signed. Therefore, being selected for mobility with or without a grant as a result of your application under the Erasmus student mobility programme does not constitute an acquired right. Whether you will receive a grant or not, or the amount of your grant, will be finalised once the agreement with the European Commission is signed and the subsequent grant allocation processes to our university are completed. Our university or the Turkish National Agency cannot be held responsible for any financial or moral losses that may arise from delays or disruptions in the aforementioned agreement processes.

2- The matters stated in this announcement have been published in accordance with the rules for the 2025 contract period in the Handbook for Higher Education Institutions published by the National Agency. Following the publication of the Handbook for the 2026 contract period, a separate announcement will be made regarding any possible rule changes.

APPLICATION CALENDAR

Students wishing to benefit from the Erasmus study mobility programme for the 2026-2027 academic year will apply within the following schedule:

31 December 2025	Publication of the call
19 January – 1 March 2026	Application submission Start: 19 January at 09:00 End: 1 March at 17:00 Application address: TURNA PORTAL
13 March 2026	Announcement of students eligible for exchange on our office website
13 - 17 March 2026	Appeal period for results (via email)
25 March 2026	Online information session for successful candidates (The meeting date and participation link will be published on our office website)
26–27 March 2026	Withdrawal Period

APPLICATION ADDRESS

Erasmus study mobility applications will be processed via the [TURNA PORTAL](#).

The Application Portal will be open from **9:00** on **19 January 2026** to **17:00** on **1 March 2026**.

After the specified date and time, no applications, documents or information can be entered into the system.

REQUIREMENTS FOR APPLICATION

1. Being an associate degree, undergraduate, master's or doctoral student at Gebze Technical University.
Being in the coursework or thesis phase **for postgraduate students** or being a **second-shift student** does not constitute an obstacle to applying for the Erasmus programme. Second-shift students who participate in mobility programmes will pay their term fees to GTÜ.

Students pursuing a double major may apply for mobility from only one major during the same application period and their procedures will be handled through that major.

Students in foreign language preparatory classes and scientific preparatory programmes are not eligible for the Erasmus programme.

Students who have completed the credits required to obtain a diploma or who will not have a course load equivalent to 30 ECTS credits during the mobility period **are not eligible to apply for mobility**.
2. GTÜ's overall academic grade point average must be at least 2.20/4.0 for **undergraduate students** and at least 2.5/4.0 **for postgraduate students**.
3. A minimum score of 70 must be obtained in the Erasmus English language exam administered by the Department of Foreign Languages. For other exams accepted as equivalent, please refer to the **Language Exam Score** heading.
4. The department must have an inter-institutional agreement. The deadline for establishing a new inter-institutional agreement is the application start date (**19 January 2026**).

If the department does not have an inter-institutional agreement, department students cannot benefit from study mobility.
5. If the student has previously benefited from study or internship activities within their current level of study, the total duration, including the new activity, must not exceed 12 months (24 months for integrated doctorates), even if it is non-grant-funded.

Every student selected as an Erasmus student must use this right within the relevant academic year in the department/programme in which they were selected.

A student who waives their Erasmus right by completing the cancellation procedure for any reason cannot transfer their right to another/subsequent academic year. The student may apply to become an Erasmus student in subsequent application periods, but will be subject to the application and selection process again.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS FOR APPLICATION

PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION USING ONLY YOUR GTU.EDU.TR EMAIL ADDRESS.

1. Language Test Score

Students who have obtained a minimum score of 70 in the YDS, E-YDS, YÖKDİL, E-YÖKDİL exams **within the last five years** and equivalent scores in equivalent exams (TOEFL IBT, etc. [The ÖSYM equivalence table](#) should be checked) are exempt from the foreign language exam when they select these documents through the application system or upload exam result documents not registered in the system.

GTÜ Preparatory Programme completion and pass exams from previous years, GTÜ Erasmus English Exam and IELTS results are not valid.

Applicants who do not have a foreign language proficiency certificate must take the English exam administered by the GTÜ Department of Foreign Languages.

All exam results mentioned above are valid for the student selection process at GTÜ, and students **are also responsible for meeting any additional language proficiency requirements that may be requested by the universities** they are placed in.

2. Transcript

Students with a GTÜ grade point average do not need to upload their transcripts. The average grade is automatically reflected in the Turnaportal application system.

Postgraduate students enrolled in programmes that do not include a grade point average on GTÜ transcripts will upload their graduation certificates or transcripts from their previous level of education when applying to our university.

In accordance with the decision taken, undergraduate first-year students who have not yet obtained a grade point average cannot apply.

Students are responsible for checking the accuracy of the grade point averages reflected in the system and, **in case of any inaccuracy**, must update their averages via the student-staff approval tab on the application portal. After the update, a request for student approval must be sent to our office via email. Once approved by the office, students will be able to complete their applications.

3. Documents Required for Additional Points and/or Additional Grant Support

Students must upload **official documents** to the system during the application process **that** demonstrate their eligibility for additional points and/or additional grant support under the evaluation criteria and additional grant support.

4. Profile photo

Uploaded photographs must be in passport photo format. Applications without photographs will not be accepted. will not be accepted.

EVALUATION CRITERIA

Criterion	Weighted Score
Academic achievement level	50% (out of a total of 100 points)
Language proficiency	50% (out of a total of 100 points)
Being the child of a martyr or veteran ¹	+15 points
Disability ²	+10 points
Students who have been granted protection, care or accommodation under the Social Services Act No. 2828 and the Child Protection Act No. 5395 ³	+10 points
Those who themselves or their first-degree relatives have received disaster relief assistance from AFAD ⁴	+10 points
Having previously benefited from mobility under the same project type (with or without a grant)	-10 points
Participation in mobility in the country of citizenship	-10 points
Applying for two types of mobility at the same time (a reduction is applied to the type of mobility preferred by students who have not previously benefited from mobility type of mobility chosen by the student who has not previously benefited from mobility). *	-10 points
Failing to notify of withdrawal within the specified timeframe after being selected for mobility without withdrawing within the specified timeframe	-10 points
For students selected for mobility: Failure to attend meetings/training sessions organised by the higher education institution regarding mobility without a valid reason (applies if the student reapplies for Erasmus)	-5 points
Declaring that you will take the GTÜ Erasmus language exam and failing to take it without a valid reason (applies if the student reapplies for Erasmus at applies)	-5 points

¹ Children of martyrs and veterans (combat veterans and their spouses and children, as well as the spouses and children of war martyrs, and those who, in accordance with Article 21 of the Anti-Terrorism Law No. 3713 dated 12 April 1991, "public officials who were injured, disabled, killed or murdered as a result of terrorist acts while performing their duties at home or abroad, or even after their duties had ended, due to the performance of those duties" are considered children of martyrs and veterans, and pursuant to Article 7 of Decree Law No. 667 dated 23 July 2016 of Decree Law No. 667 dated 23 July 2016, the spouses and children of those who lost their lives due to the coup attempt and terrorist act carried out on 15 July 2016 and the subsequent acts, or civilians who were disabled, and the spouses and children of these persons. In order for these students to benefit from the +15 points, they must upload a **copy of the Martyr/Veteran Family Card** issued by the Turkish Ministry of Family, Labour and Social Services to the application platforms during their application.

² Persons with disabilities who have a disability rate of at least 50 per cent, as documented by a Disability Health Board report, as stipulated in the "Regulation [on Disability Assessment for Adults](#)" published in the Official Gazette dated 20 February 2019 and numbered 30692. They must present the Disability Health Board report.

³ Those who have been granted protection, care or shelter decisions by the Ministry of Family and Social Services in accordance with [Law No. 2828](#). Students who have been granted protection, care or shelter decisions under [the Child Protection Law No. 5395](#). For prioritisation, the student must submit a letter from the Ministry of Family and Social Policies stating that a decision on protection, care, or accommodation has been made in accordance with Law No. 2828.

⁴ It is applied once for each level of education (undergraduate, postgraduate, doctoral) and each type of project (KA131-KA171). It does not apply to the student's subsequent applications if they participate in mobility. The additional points continue to apply to subsequent applications if the student does not participate in mobility (if they withdraw within the withdrawal period or if there is a compelling reason).

* If a student who has previously benefited from mobility applies for both study and internship activities at the same time, a deduction of "-20" points will be applied for the type of mobility they previously benefited from, and a deduction of "-10" points will be applied for the second type of mobility they are applying for.

OTHER INFORMATION

Department Quotas

One undergraduate and one postgraduate quota has been allocated to each department with an inter-institutional agreement. Applications exceeding these quotas and any remaining department quotas may be distributed according to the estimated grant budget and overall success ranking.

Agreement Quotas

In addition to the information about universities available in the [agreements](#) section [of the](#) GTÜ International Exchange Programmes Office [website](#), it is necessary to review the websites of the relevant institutions to obtain up-to-date and definitive information.

The deadline for establishing a new inter-institutional agreement is the application start date (19 January 2026).

University Preferences

During the application process, students may select **up to five** higher education institutions with which their department has an agreement.

IMPORTANT POINTS TO CONSIDER DURING THE APPLICATION PROCESS

THE DOCUMENTS AND INFORMATION DECLARED ON TURNAPORTAL DURING THE APPLICATION WILL BE TAKEN AS BASIC, AND NO CHANGES TO PREFERENCES, INFORMATION, ETC. WILL BE MADE AFTER THE APPLICATION DEADLINE.

APPLICATIONS MUST BE MADE CAREFULLY AND CHECKED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS INFORMATION.

Erasmus study mobility can be carried out for a minimum of 2 months and a maximum of 12 months at each academic level (undergraduate/postgraduate/doctorate).

The compatibility of courses that can be taken during the Erasmus study mobility period with the corresponding courses at GTÜ can be inquired from the [Erasmus Department Coordinators](#) and/or the student advisor.

Students considering applying during the thesis stage are expected to have found a thesis supervisor at the host institution or at least to be in contact with a faculty member prior to the application stage. If a supervisor cannot be found after placement at the host institution, a change of institution is not possible. In this case, the mobility right is lost and the mobility must be cancelled. It should be asked in advance whether the host institutions award ECTS credits for thesis work. Postgraduate students must have determined their thesis topics before the period of mobility and must make an official notification to the relevant Institute.

Language Requirements of Universities: Students must pay attention to **the language requirements of universities** during the selection process. In particular, since Italy, Spain, France, Germany, and Portugal are countries with a high concentration of universities that prefer to conduct their education in their native languages, when choosing these institutions, students must ensure that they know the language at the required level and possess the required certificate, unless otherwise specified.

As partner universities may change their foreign language level requirements each academic year, in addition to the foreign language conditions listed on our bilateral agreements page, it is necessary to review the relevant institutions' websites to obtain the most up-to-date and accurate information. If any information cannot be found on the websites, the desired institutions should be contacted via email to inquire.

In order for students to carry out the activity after being selected at GTÜ, they must also be accepted by the institutions they will be going to. Information on the application processes, language of instruction, and required language skills for the institutions that can be attended can be found on the websites of the partner universities. GTÜ International Exchange Programmes Office cannot be held responsible if students do not receive acceptance from the partner university after applying.

EVALUATION AND SELECTION RESULTS

Students who have completed their application documents in full and documented their foreign language proficiency level are ranked according to selection criteria using a weighted scoring system.

One undergraduate and one postgraduate quota has been allocated to each department.

Placement is made starting with the student who has the highest score according to the department quotas and continuing downwards.

Applications exceeding these quotas and any remaining vacancies are allocated according to the overall success ranking. Taking all criteria into account;

If the total scores are equal, priority is given to the student with the higher academic achievement grade,

If the academic achievement grades are also equal, priority is given to the student in the higher year within the same level. is given.

The evaluation results are sent to the email address used for the application via the Turnaportal system and are announced on the GTÜ International Exchange Programmes Office website.

IN CASE OF WITHDRAWAL

The student may withdraw their right within the date range announced in the selection result announcement.

If the right is waived without force majeure outside the announced date ranges, Erasmus application will be penalised with a deduction of 10 points.

The withdrawal link will be published on our website when the results are announced.

IN CASE OF AN APPEAL

To appeal the selection results, you must submit your appeal via email to the International Exchange Programmes Office within the appeal period announced after the results are published. within the appeal period announced on our website.

CANDIDACY PROCESS AND BECOMING A FINAL PARTICIPANT

Students who are declared successful at the end of the selection process are candidate students. In order for the student to gain the right to participate in the Erasmus activity, they must obtain an acceptance letter from the institution they will be attending after their GTÜ candidacy is confirmed. The final participant officially gains Erasmus student status after signing the Erasmus mobility agreement with the Erasmus Office before going abroad.

ERASMUS GRANTS

Students are provided with grant support to cover part of the expenses incurred while abroad during the activity period. Grants are not intended to cover all activity-related expenses but are merely a contribution.

The International Exchange Programmes Office undertakes to provide grant support **for a maximum of one academic term**. The grant allocation results will be **finalised** after the National Agency announces the grant amounts to be allocated to universities.

Students who apply and are eligible to benefit from the programme but are unable to receive a grant due to insufficient grant quotas may use their acquired rights without a grant.

Once the grant distribution results have been finalised, students who are confirmed to be eligible for mobility without a grant will be given a withdrawal period. Students who withdraw within the specified period will not have 10 points deducted from their subsequent applications.

Grant Amounts for Learning Mobility

Country groups	Host Country	Monthly Grant for Study (Euro)
1st and 2nd Group Countries	Germany, Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Ireland, Italy, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Sweden, Norway Cyprus, Spain, Malta, Portugal, Greece, Czech Republic, Estonia, Latvia, Slovakia, Slovenia	600
Group 3 Countries	Bulgaria, Croatia, Hungary, Lithuania, Northern Macedonia, Poland, Romania, Serbia.	450

Travel Grant Amounts to be Applied in Learning Mobility

In order to contribute to students' travel expenses, the distance between the starting point of the mobility and the location where the activity takes place is determined using [the distance calculator](#) provided by the European Commission, and the travel grant is calculated using the table below. The grant amount corresponding to the distance calculated in the distance calculator is the round-trip amount shown in the table below, and this amount is not multiplied by two.

Travel Distance	Standard Travel Grant Amount (Euro)	Green Travel Grant Amount (Euro)
10–99 kilometres	28	56
100–499 km	211	285
500–1,999 km	309	417
2000–2999 km	395	535
3000–3999 km	580	785
4,000 – 7,999 km	1188	1188
8,000 km and above	1735	1735

As a general rule, participants must travel using low-emission transport for distances under 500 km.

Green travel refers to travel undertaken using low-carbon public transport. Buses, trains, and car sharing are included in green travel.

To be eligible for green travel support, it must be declared at the time of application that green travel will be undertaken, and more than half of the entire journey must be completed using green vehicles.

Where necessary, an individual grant is provided for the travel period before and after the activity, for a maximum of two days for travel days and a maximum of six days if green travel is used.

Additional Grant Support

Disadvantaged participants receive Additional Grant Support in addition to the grant they are entitled to. Additional grant support is not provided to disadvantaged participants who are not eligible for a grant.

In order for the grant to be awarded, the disadvantaged participant is defined as an individual with limited economic and social opportunities who falls into one of the following subcategories:

- 1) Those subject to a protection, care, or accommodation decision under [Law No. 2828](#) by the Ministry of Family and Social Services
- 2) Students subject to protection, care, or accommodation decisions under [the Child Protection Law No. 5395](#)
- 3) Those receiving orphan/death benefits

⁴Spouses and children of martyrs/veterans, as well as veterans themselves ⁵

- 5) Those receiving a dependency allowance for themselves or their family (for the student themselves, their parents, or

⁵ Combat veterans and their spouses and children, as well as the spouses and children of war martyrs, and those who, in accordance with Article 21 of the Anti-Terrorism Law No. 3713 dated 12/4/1991 “public officials who, while performing their duties within or outside the country, or even if their status has been revoked, have been injured, disabled, killed or murdered as a result of terrorist acts due to the performance of their duties” and their spouses and children, and pursuant to Article 7 of Decree Law No. 667 dated 23 July 2016, spouses and children of those who lost their lives due to the coup attempt and terrorist act carried out on 15 July 2016 and subsequent acts of a similar nature, or civilians who were injured and the spouses and children of these persons, shall be given priority when applying for Erasmus student mobility.

It is sufficient to submit a document proving that they received financial support from municipalities, public institutions and organisations, ministries, social assistance and solidarity foundations, the General Directorate of Foundations, the Red Crescent, AFAD, etc. at the time of applying for Erasmus.

6) Those with a disability **rate** of at least 50%, as documented by a Disability Health Board report included in the "[Regulation on Disability Assessment for Adults](#)" published in the Official Gazette dated 20 February 2019 and numbered 30692, are eligible.
50% disability rate

7) Students receiving disability or need-based allowances under the Law No. 2022 dated 01.07.1976 [on the Monthly Allowance for Needy, Vulnerable, and Homeless Turkish Citizens Aged 65 and Over, and Disabled and Needy Turkish Citizens](#), whose parents or guardians are eligible.

8) Those who themselves or their first-degree relatives have received disaster relief assistance from AFAD.⁶

Students who fall under the above categories may be eligible for Additional Grant Support in the following amounts, depending on the type of mobility, upon request and subject to providing documentation of their circumstances:

Type of Mobility	Additional Grant Support Amount
Student mobility between 2 and 12 months	250 Euros per month

Scholarships from the Student Credit and Dormitories Institution and similar scholarships, other grants, aid and scholarships of a merit-based nature, and one-off grants are not considered within the scope of this financial aid.

⁶ Applies only once. If selected, the student will not receive additional grant support in this category for subsequent mobility periods. will not be provided.