UNITA – Universitas Montium
UNITA Rural Mobility Call 2024

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ART. 1 – SCOPE AND DESTINATION OF MOBILITY

The European Alliance 'UNITA - Universitas Montium', within the framework of the Erasmus+ programme 'European Universities' - Key Action 2 'Alliances for Knowledge', brings together the University of Turin and eleven Partner Universities:

- Universidade da Beira Interior (Portogallo)
- Universidad de Zaragoza (Spagna)
- Université de Pau et des Pays de l’Adour (Francia)
- Université Savoie Mont Blanc (Francia)
- Universitatea de Vest din Timisoara West (Romania)
- Politécnico da Guarda (Portogallo)
- Università degli Studi Brescia (Italia)
- Universidad Pública de Navarra (Spagna)
- Universitatea Transilvania din Brasov (Romania)
- Haute école spécialisée de Suisse occidentale (Svizzera)
- Chernivtsi National University (Ucraina)

The alliance 'UNITA - Universitas Montium' aims to involve teachers, students and administrative staff in a participatory process aimed at:

✔ promoting research and innovation on cultural heritage, green energy, circular economy and environment, digital transitions, global health and Inclusive societies;
✔ promoting multilingualism through intercomprehension between Romance languages;
✔ promoting European citizenship in border regions and in rural and mountain areas;
✔ promoting inclusion through the active use of related languages.

In this context, the University of Turin promotes the UNITA Rural Mobility programme, which offers the opportunity to carry out training placements with institutions, companies and municipalities of rural communities in Portugal, Spain, France, Italy and Romania.

ART. 2 – RECIPIENTS

Full and part-time students who are regularly enrolled on a first, second/single cycle or third cycle study course at the University of Turin for the academic year 2023-2024 and who meet the eligibility criteria set out by this Call and indicated in the UNITA Rural Mobility Offer Catalogue may apply for this call for applications.

ART. 3 – AVAILABLE PLACES

The UNITA partner universities offer a total of 165 places within the UNITA Rural Mobility 2024 Call for applications. The description of the proposed internship offers is available in the UNITA Rural Mobility Offer Catalogue.
ART. 4 — ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Art. 4.1 — Academic requirements
Students participating in the Rural mobility must be officially enrolled for the academic year 2023-2024 at the University of Turin and must maintain their student status until the end of the Rural Mobility.

Students enrolled in Bachelor’s degree programmes who apply for a Rural Mobility in Spain may only participate if they have already registered 90 ECTS in their career plan at the time of application.

Rural Mobility is compatible with other international mobility programmes, provided that the entire period of the Rural Mobility project is carried out in presence. Failure to meet the requirements listed in Article 4.1 may result in exclusion from the Rural Mobility.

Art. 4.2 — Language requirements
Admission to the Rural Mobility is only possible if the candidate meets the language requirements established by the Rural Mobility offer in which he/she is interested, as listed in the UNITA Rural Mobility Offer Catalogue.

To certify the language level required by the rural mobility offer in which they are interested, students must present via the application form one of the following documents:

- language knowledge certificate according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR);
- valid international language certificate;
- home institution certificate;
- self-certification of language level (in accordance with art. 46 D.P.R. 445 del 28/12/2000).

Knowledge of the required languages may be checked at the interview stage. Failure to meet the language requirements or to submit a certificate of language proficiency will result in the application being rejected.

ART. 5 — CALENDAR AND DURATION OF THE INTERNSHIP

Rural Mobility projects under this call will have a duration ranging from 3 to 24 weeks and will take place between June and November 2024, as detailed in the UNITA Rural Mobility Offer Catalogue.
ART. 6 – RECOGNITION OF ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES DURING THE MOBILITY

Students who participate in the Rural Mobility offered by the University of Turin will receive an online open badge at the end of the mobility. In addition, those who intend to apply for recognition of the educational activity in their professional career must check the possible recognition modalities compatible with their course of study.

Students who participate in the Rural Mobility offered by one of the UNITA universities must fill in the Learning Agreement for Rural Mobility provided by the UNITA and International Mobility Office of the University of Turin. This document will allow the possible recognition of the ECTS for the activities carried out during the Rural Mobility.

For further information, please refer to the document FAQ - Rural Mobility Recognition, which can be found at the following address: www.unito.it - Internationality - UNITA - Universitas Montium - UNITA Rural Mobility.

ART. 7 – FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Students participating in Rural Mobility will receive a financial support including:

- **115 € contribution per week for a maximum of 8 weeks;**
- **Travel support contribution:** travel contribution is detailed in Table 1 considering where the Rural Mobility takes place;

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<th>Table 1: Travel support for mobility undertaken within the UNITA Rural Mobility by UniTo students</th>
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For mobilities to the University of Brasov (Romania)  

275 €

The contribution will be accredited after the signature of the Mobility contract selected students have signed a Mobility Contract which sets out the terms and timing of the payment.

ART. 8 – SUBMITTED APPLICATIONS

Applications must be submitted via the online application form available at the following address: www.unito.it - Internationality - UNITA - Universitas Montium - UNITA Rural Mobility.

The application form must be submitted online. Students must use their institutional email (@edu.unito.it).

The deadline for applications is Tuesday 16th April, 2024, 12 p.m.

No changes or integrations to applications will be accepted after this deadline.

Candidates are required to upload in the application form the following documents:

- Certificate or self-certification of the required language level;
- Certificate of enrolment for the academic year 2023-24;
- Certificate or academic self-certification of the exams taken, indicating the grades and credits obtained in the current career; students enrolled in a Master's course must also enclose a certificate or academic self-certification of the exams taken in the previous course (Bachelor's degree);
- Curriculum Vitae (the use of the Europass CV is recommended);
- Only for those applying for the destinations offered by the University Partner (except UniTo), Letter of Motivation (candidates have to explain the reason of their application, their motivation and their academic objectives).
- Only for those applying for the destinations offered by the University of Turin, a short video presentation explaining the reasons for applying, motivations and academic goals is required. The video must be in English and/or Italian. The video must be shared as an open link (Google Drive, WeTransfer, Microsoft OneDrive). The content of the video will only be treated for selection purposes.
Students should be aware that:

- They can select 2 UNITA Rural Mobility offers under this Call;
- incomplete applications will not be considered, nor will documents received after the application deadline or if they do not meet the application criteria set out above;
- there is no fee for applying for this call.

Further information on Application form is available online under the following path: www.unito.it—International Relations – UNITA - Universitas Montium – UNITA Rural Mobility.

Submission of the application implies acceptance of the conditions set out in this call and the possession of the necessary requirements for participation.

Students who experience difficulties or technical problems accessing the online application can contact UNITA and International Mobility at unita.students@unito.it.

**ART. 9 – EVALUATION PROCEDURE**

**Art. 9.1 – Processing of applications**

**Phase 1: Application assessment**
The UNITA and International Mobility office will check that the applicants meet the requirements in the Article 4.1 (Academic requirements) of this call and that their documentation complies with the provisions of the same. Incomplete applications will not be evaluated.

**Phase 2: language skills, CV and motivation evaluation**
The evaluation will be performed at partner university level. The host university will be responsible for the selection of students on the basis of the language skills, the motivation and the match between the offer and the candidate's curriculum. During this phase, the host university will be supported by the participating organisations which may require an additional interview with the candidate(s). The partner university may assess as non-ELIGIBLE students who apply for a rural mobility that is not consistent with their curriculum.

**Phase 3: definition of the ranking list**
The University of Turin will receive the list of the selected candidates and an Evaluation committee composed of at least 2 teaching staff members and one administrative staff member in charge at the Internationalisation Relations services will draw up eligible student list per each Rural Mobility offer based on each candidate's score.

The procedure in this call will be processed on a competitive basis and in accordance with the principles of publicity, objectivity, transparency, equality and non-discrimination.
The Evaluation Committee shall adopt its agreements by majority vote.

At the end of the three phases, a ranking list will be drawn up, including:

- Winners for the destination;
- Eligible but not winners for the destination, who may be placed in the event of a scrolling of the ranking list or a reassignment (see Art. 10 – Ranking list, Accepting/Refusing the mobility).

Art. 9.2 – Assessment criteria
Applications are evaluated according to the following criteria:

a. Language skills certified on the basis of the procedures indicated in Article 4.2: up to 25 points;

b. Motivation: up to 25 points;

c. Relevance to the profile required by the host partner, also on the basis of the certificate or academic self-certification of the exams taken: up to 50 points.

In the event of an equal score, priority will be given to the student with the highest score under point c.
Failure to achieve at least 20 points under point c. will result in the application being considered ineligible.

ART. 10 – RANKING LIST, ACCEPTING/REFUSING THE MOBILITY

The final ranking of eligible candidates will be published on the website of the University of Turin at www.unito.it – International Relations – UNITA - Universitas Montium – UNITA Rural Mobility.

The publication of the eligible candidate list for this call is scheduled by 15th May 2024. This publication will be considered an official notification to those concerned.

In the case of vacant rural mobility places, the Commission may reallocate eligible but not selected students to another destination that does not correspond to the two destinations for which they have applied.

The selected students must accept or refuse the mobility following the instructions that will be duly communicated, after the completion of the selection procedure, within 5 working days from the publication of the final eligible candidate list.

Failure to accept the mobility offered within the deadline will be automatically result in exclusion from the mobility.
ART. 11 – SCROLLING OF THE RANKING LIST

Places not filled due to non-acceptance or renunciation of the mobility or vacant places may be assigned by scrolling the eligible candidate list according to the criteria defined in Article 10 (Ranking list, accepting/refusing the mobility) up to 15 days from the internship period. In this case, substitute candidate will be notified of the assignment of the mobility only through a communication to the e-mail address indicated at the time of application.

ART. 12 – PRIVACY

The University of Turin will operate in accordance with the "Privacy Policy" regarding processing personal data, as per Art. 13 of EU General Regulation 679/2016 on data protection.

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