Guidelines for international student mobility a.y. 2020/2021

Decision of the Academic Senate n. 10/2020/III/2 dated 16 June 2020
supplemented by the Decision of the Academic Senate n. 12/2020/IV/2 dated 22 September 2020

The following provisions apply to 1st semester exchanges and if necessary are going to be maintained to 2nd semester exchanges as well.

Incoming students I, II and III cycle (undergraduate, postgraduate, PhD)

Incoming mobility for studies is allowed. Incoming students will be able to attend all classes made available by each degree course, following the same regulations in place for UniTO regular students.

To reduce the number of students involved in face-to-face learning activities during the first semester (September 2020 - February 2021), courses will be available online as well, through our distance learning system.

Partner Universities will be informed promptly on the details of the teaching method chosen by UniTO.

Incoming students for studies are allowed to attend laboratories and/or carry out internships that require face-to-face activities, unless otherwise specified by each degree programme.

Incoming mobility for traineeship (either within or outside the Erasmus+ Traineeship scheme) is suspended for the first semester (September 2020 - February 2021).

Due to the current exceptional situation, UniTO guarantees the possibility for incoming students to postpone their arrival to the second semester (February 2021 - July 2021). Conditions of the exchanges within double degree programmes will need to be discussed and arranged case by case by the coordinators of each program.

When arriving in Turin, incoming students will be duly informed on the current legislation in force and on the code of conduct to reduce the risk of contagion (avoid large gatherings, wearing masks, social distancing, etc...). 

Outgoing students I, II and III cycle (undergraduate, postgraduate, Phds)

Outgoing mobility for studies and traineeship is allowed on the following terms:

- that national and international public health conditions are such as to allow the normal start of activities and international travel.
that no further restricting measures are put into place by the Italian Government, European Commission, Erasmus+ Italian National Agency, Italian Ministry of Education (MIUR) and/or Italian Ministry of Foreign affairs (MAECI).

that the host Partner University authorises and allows students to carry out the exchange as established by each inter-institutional agreement.

Students will be asked to consider carefully all the risks involved in carrying out an exchange abroad in the current ever-changing and uncertain global situation and they will be asked to consider, when possible, postponing their mobility to the second semester. Alternatively, If the host institution offers online learning activities, students will be encouraged to take part to those rather than face-to-face activities.

Students who wish to carry out their mobility in the first semester will receive information on teaching services and social conditions (good practices and restrictions) in place at the host institution and hosting country, taking into account the ever-changing situation worldwide. Students will need to be conscious of the possibility of disruptions that may occur if the pandemic worsens: e.g. cancellation of mobilities and the impossibility to reclaim incurred costs; sudden restrictions to movement during the mobility period and therefore impossibility to return home, etc...

Students who wish to carry out their mobility in person will need to declare that they have been informed by UniTO of all the risks involved and that they take personal responsibility of all associated risks (including but not limited to: getting the appropriate visa when required by the country of destination, quarantine, transportation, accommodation, restrictions to entry into University/receiving institution facilities and venues) and relative added costs incurred as consequences of the public health preventive measures put into place, even without prior notice, by the Italian and/or foreign relevant authorities and/or transportation companies (airlines, railway, local public transportation).

Moreover, students are expected to familiarize themselves with all information provided by the University regarding the possible issues that may arise during their mobility abroad (how to protect themselves during travel and social life; what to do in case of lockdown, etc...)

The University position in this regard aims at guaranteeing the individual freedom of choice, it counts on the sense of responsibility and maturity of its students and on them being aware of all the risks they might incur during these uncertain times.

UniTO, therefore, guarantees students the right to international travel and it is committed to enabling them to start their mobility period with all information and training required to face possible risks. Students are asked to make a conscious and informed decisions. Students who decide to carry out their mobility abroad will need to be aware of the global situation and be ready to face possible difficulties.