



ERASMUS STUDENT CHARTER

The status of 'Erasmus student' applies to students who satisfy the Erasmus eligibility criteria and who have been selected by their university¹ to spend an Erasmus period abroad – either studying at an eligible partner university or carrying out a placement in an enterprise or other appropriate organisation. For study mobility, both universities must have an Erasmus University Charter awarded by the European Commission. For placement in enterprise the home university must hold an extended Erasmus University Charter (i.e. also covering rights and obligations relating to placements).

As an Erasmus student, you are entitled to expect:

- Your home and host universities to have an inter-institutional agreement.
- The sending and receiving institutions to sign with you and before you leave a Learning/Training Agreement setting out the details of your planned activities abroad, including the credits to be achieved.
- Not to have to pay fees to your host university for tuition, registration, examinations, access to laboratory and library facilities during your Erasmus studies.
- Full academic recognition from your home university for satisfactorily completed activities during the Erasmus mobility period, in accordance with the Learning/Training Agreement.
- To be given a *transcript of records* at the end of your activities abroad, covering the studies/work carried out and signed by your host institution/enterprise. This will record your results with the credits and grades achieved. If the placement was not part of the normal curricula, the period will at least be recorded in the *Diploma Supplement*.
- to be treated and served by your host university in the same way as their home students.
- to have access to the Erasmus University Charter and Erasmus Policy Statement of your home and host universities.
- Your student grant or loan from your home country to be maintained while you are abroad.

As an Erasmus student, you are expected to:

- Respect the rules and obligations of your *Erasmus grant agreement* with your home university or your National Agency.
- Ensure that any changes to the Learning/Training Agreement are agreed in writing with both the home and host institutions immediately when they occur.
- Spend the full study/placement period as agreed at the host university/enterprise, including undergoing the relevant examinations or other forms of assessment, and respect its rules and regulations. Write a report on your Erasmus study/placement period abroad when you return and

¹ "University" means any type of higher education institution which, in accordance with national legislation or practice, offers recognised degrees or other recognised tertiary level qualifications, or vocational education or training at tertiary level.

provide feedback if requested by your home university, the European Commission or the National Agency.

If you have a problem:

- Identify the problem clearly and check your rights and obligations.
- Contact your departmental coordinator for Erasmus and use the formal appeals procedure of your home university if necessary.
- The Institutional Exchange Co-Ordinator at DCU is Audrey Byrne, International Office, who can be contacted at ph: 00353 1 7005574 or email: exchange@dcu.ie

If you remain dissatisfied, contact your National Agency. The National Agency for Ireland is the Higher Education Authority (HEA) - <http://www.heai.ie/en/students>