



THE COMPACT DEPARTMENT OF ELEMENTARY EDUCATION ERASMUS GUIDE

ERASMUS, the European Union's flagship mobility programme in the field of education and training, was established in 1987, and the University of Patras has been an active participant for many years. ERASMUS which stands for "EuRopean Community Action Scheme for the Mobility of University Students" was named after the philosopher, theologian and humanist Erasmus (1465-1536), who lived and worked in several countries in Europe. His quest was for the knowledge, experience and insights which only such contact with other countries could bring. Originally part of the SOCRATES programme, Erasmus has, since 2007, been a sub-programme of the EU's Lifelong Learning Programme (LLP) http://ec.europa.eu/education/lifelong-learning-programme/doc78_en.htm.

LLP/Erasmus supports two types of students' mobility:

- mobility for the purposes of [studying](#) in Member States in higher education institutions
- [placements](#) in enterprises, training centers, research centers or other organizations. ERASMUS scholarships are partly financed by the European Union. Grants are awarded only within the framework of Bilateral Agreements between two Universities, or more as in the case of networks, from different countries. The amount of scholarship varies depending on the countries of destination and the length of stay.

Information for INCOMING Erasmus Students

You have made a very important decision in relation to your academic career - the decision to study abroad as an Erasmus student. We are delighted that you are considering the Department of Elementary Education (DOEE – PTDE) at the University of Patras (UPatras) as your Erasmus study destination. It has the distinction of being the UPatras' department which has the highest number of ERASMUS students it annually both sends and receives.

Today the university has over 21,000 undergraduate and 3,260 postgraduate students. It has 754 faculty members, 238 teaching staff, and 481 administrative personnel. We have a long and valued tradition of learning and scholarship here at UPatras and are committed to expanding and deepening our international links through staff and student exchanges and research collaboration.



The UPatras and especially our Department, place a tremendous value on the cultural and academic contribution that you will make during your time with us. We are confident that in return you will find your stay here both intellectually stimulating and personally enriching.

The Department of Primary Education was established in 1982 and began offering courses towards a four-year university degree during the academic year 1986-1987.

The Department's responsibility is to foster and further the Sciences of Education through academic teaching and research. Its fundamental objective is to educate teachers both at the undergraduate and graduate levels and to equip them with the necessary qualifications and skills in order to enable them to work in schools and other educational establishments.

The Department undertakes extensive research in education related fields that are linked to the interests of each division. The Department also is actively involved in continuing education and in-service teacher training. Among other things the Department has established the University of Patras - Didaskaleio, a two-year in-service teacher education programs for primary school teachers of Greece. In addition, Greek language courses are offered by the University to people, for whom Greek is not their first language.

Programs of Studies

The Department of Primary Education offers the following programs of studies:

- Undergraduate Program of Studies in Sciences of Education (Bachelor's Degree, 4 years of studies)
- Post-graduate Program of Studies in Sciences of Education (M.Sc., Ph.D.)

Divisions

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- Division of Pedagogy
 - Division of Psychology
 - Division of Sociology of Education
 - Division of General Studies

Laboratories

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- Laboratory of Pedagogical Research (includes the [Deaf Studies Unit](#) and the Multiculturalism and Education Unit)
 - Laboratory of Relational Dynamics, Pedagogy and Counseling
 - [Laboratory of Historic Archives of Contemporary Greek and International Education](#)
 - Laboratory of Cognitive Analysis of Learning, Language and Dyslexia
 - Laboratory of Basic and Applied Psychological Research
 - Laboratory of Analysis and Planning of Educational Policy, Sociological Analysis of Educational Data
 - Laboratory of Continuing Education and Training
 - [Laboratory of Sciences](#)
 - Laboratory of Theoretical Studies
 - [Computers and Educational Technology Laboratory](#)

Education Centers and Museums

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- [Primary Teachers- In-Service Training College](#)
 - [Museum of Education](#)

Useful information for incoming ERASMUS students concern the following:

- [LLP Erasmus – Contact details](#)

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Public Relations & Publications**

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- [Before arrival](#)
The three necessary documents (hyperlinks to these can be further down in the guide) – forms to apply at the UPatras within the Erasmus Programme for studies, provided there is a Bilateral Agreement, are:

Student Application Form
Learning Agreement Form
Student Housing Application Form

After completion, students should send the above documents, as a package, to:

University of Patras
International Relations Office (IRO)
Administration Building
University Campus, 265 04 Patras, Greece

The IRO will forward the above documents to the Departmental Erasmus Coordinator, in order to be informed about your arrival and sign appropriately. After this the documents are also signed by the Vice-Rector of Academic Affairs and Personnel.

- [LLP/Erasmus Student Application Form](#)
- [LLP/Erasmus Learning Agreement](#)
- [Changes in the Learning Agreement](#)
- [Transcript of Record](#)
- [List of Subject Area Codes-ISCED](#)

APPLICATION PROCESS

Incoming Erasmus students for 2014-15 (and their coordinators) are requested to read carefully the information given here in relation to applying to the UPatras' Department of Elementary Education.

Each university has its approved procedure for selecting which students will come to the UPatras. The nomination of students is based on bilateral exchange agreements in specific subject areas.

Once you have been nominated, you must complete the UPatras Erasmus Application Form for 2014-15 (which will be available here in due course). It is a paper form; there is currently no online application. You should print out the form and fill it in carefully, noting the following:

PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOU WRITE LEGIBLY ON THE FORM, USING BLOCK LETTERS!

PROPOSED STUDY PLANS: It is important to study the file entitled: *The DOEE-PTDE Program of Studies* as it has all the information you need to complete your Learning Agreement prior to your arrival at the Department of Elementary Education. It is of course possible that you will need to make changes to your program but it is very important that we know what courses you initially at least, plan to study.

One passport photograph must accompany your application form: please be sure to write your name on the back of the photograph and attach it securely (e.g. staple it) to your form. When you arrive you will need two more for your transcript of records as well as your student ID card.

You must have the form signed and stamped by your Erasmus coordinator, and return it to the UPatras IRO by the relevant deadline. Please note that we can only accept applications from students who have been nominated by the Erasmus coordinator in the home institution, and where there is a valid Erasmus Bilateral Agreement between that institution and UPatras.

- [Application deadlines](#) The necessary documents should be sent to the International Relations Office, no later than: October 15th - for Spring Semester and June 15th - for Autumn Semester.
- [Accommodation](#): It is important to complete applications for housing as early as possible as accommodations are limited. For their accommodation, the students have three choices with related fees:
 - A. The [Greek Student Home-Stavropoulos Dormitory](#) managed by the National Youth Foundation (email: info AT fep.gr), a special-purpose building hosted outside the University Campus (Kastelokampos area). It is a new building and each room has kitchenette, fridge and internet. The price rates for each type of room are the following. The price includes electricity, water and heating expenses and internet.

	Single room underground	Single room ground and 1st floor	Double room underground	Double room ground and 1st floor
first 15 days	128€	173€	180€	236€
1-3 days	12€/day	15 €/day	16 €/day	20 €/day
4-7 days	9 €/day	12 €/day	13 €/day	16 €/day
8-15 days	7 €/day	10 €/day	10 €/day	14 €/day
more than 15 days	5 €/day	7 €/day	9 €/day	11 €/day

- B. The Hall of Residence for students of the University of Patras, residing about 4 Km away from the University Campus (with regular bus transportation to the University). It is owned by the University and operated by the Directorate of Student Affairs. You can ask for more details about your accommodation in the Dormitory by calling at: +30 2610 992 360 requesting to be connected to the internal numbers 241 or 246 (Secretary of the National Youth Foundation).

Monthly cost:

- Single room: 100 €
- Double room: 140 €. The price includes electricity, water and heating expenses and internet. A deposit is also required equivalent to a monthly cost.

C. Rooms to rent

For the first two choices, the students should make special arrangements with the faculty who is their contact person in the University of Patras. Concerning the third choice, the incoming student should make his/her own arrangements.

- [Student Housing Application Form](#) (should be send by e-mail to llp.incoming@upatras.gr)
- DOEE/PTDE Erasmus Departmental Coordinator/Committee

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Patras and the University -



<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Patras>



<http://www.upatras.gr/index/index/lang/en>



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