The call is announced for the first, second, third and fourth semester PhD students of TSU to obtain scholarships within the Erasmus+ ICM program funded by the European Commission.

!!! The implementation of physical mobility will depend on the epidemiological situation in Georgia and Europe, as well as on the regulations related to entry and stay in the host country!!!

!!! Please note that the list of universities may change, therefore, we kindly ask you to periodically check the given page for most up to date information.

List of scholarships according to the countries, universities and fields of studies:

Germany

Justus Liebig University Giessen

Fields of study in German: Exact and Natural Sciences, Economics, Business, Culture Sciences, Sociology, Politics Sciences

https://www.uni-giessen.de/en/intternational-pages

Mobility period: Fall semester of the academic year 2023/2024

Saarland University

Fields of study in German: German Philology, Law Mobility period: Fall semester of the academic year 2023/2024 <u>https://www.uni-saarland.de/en/intternational/profile.html</u>

> University of Stuttgart

Fields of study in English: Education Sciences, Education Psychology Mobility period: Fall semester of the academic year 2023/2024 https://campus.uni-stuttgart.de/cusonline/ee/ca2/app/desktop/#/home?\$ctx=lang=en

Spain

Santiago de Compostela University

Fields of study in English: Mathematics, Chemistry, English Philology, Geography, Geology, Law, Economics, Education Sciences.

It At the aforementioned call, the PhD students (except of students of English philology) must be in the possession of language competence in English (B2) and Spanish (B1)! Mobility period: Fall semester of the academic year 2023/2024

University of Granada

Fields of study: Social Sciences, Faculty of Humanities, Faculty of Law Language of study: English/Spanish

https://internacional.ugr.es/pages/perfiles/estudiantes/incoming-erasmusdimensioninternacional?lang=en# doku academic offer

Please note that only applicants having Spanish language certificate (B1) or one of the below <u>listed international language certificates can apply</u>

Mobility period: Fall semester of the academic year 2023-24

Italy

Sapienza University of Rome
Field of Study in English: Economics and Business; Law; Physics; Computer Sciences
https://corsidilaurea.uniromal.it/en
Mobility period: Fall Semester of the academic year 2023/2024

France

> Université Paris 8

Fields of study in French: <u>French philology, international relations, political sciences</u> Mobility period: Fall semester of the academic year 2023/2024

University of Bordeaux Montaigne

Field of study: French philology https://www.u-bordeaux-montaigne... https://www.uni-miskolc.hu/miskolc Mobility period: Fall semester of the academic year 2023/2024

INSA Rennes
Field of study: computer sciences
Mobility period: Spring semester of the academic year 2022/2023 (at least 60 days and no more than 90 days).
https://www.insa-rennes.fr/

Hungary

Eötvös Loránd University (ELTE) Fields of study: <u>history</u>, archaeology, <u>public geography</u> Mobility period: Fall semester of the academic year 2023/2024 <u>https://www.elte.hu/en/</u>

Finland

University of Jyväskylä Field of study: Social Work Mobility period: Fall semester of the academic year 2023/2024 <u>https://www.jyu.fi/en</u>

Czech Republic

Palacký University Fields of study: sociology, cultural studies Mobility period: fall semester of the academic year 2023/2024 <u>https://www.prf.upol.cz/en/prospective-</u>

The applicants for the given call should meet one of the below listed prerequisites:

a) The following certificates taken no earlier than 4 calendar years before the end of the registration of the current competition:

- ✓ English Language: TOEFL (90 IBT), IELTS (6.5 minimum average score),
- ✓ Cambridge B2 FIRST (CAMBRIDGE ENGLISH FIRST /FCE) Certificate,
- ✓ German language: Testdaf (TDN 3), DSH (DSH 1), DSD (B2), Goethe Cert. (90-100),
- ✓ French language: Delf (B2),
- ✓ Italian language: CILS (B2), PLIDA (B2)

b) The result of institutional testing of foreign languages organized by the university (with a minimum score of 71 points), which is valid for the semester of testing and the following semester (therefore, for the purposes of this competition the results of the tests of March 10, 2023 and October 5, 2022 are valid).

c) Official certificate confirming attendance at least 1 semester in a foreign higher educational institution's program, indicating the language of the program the applicant is currently applying for as the official language of the studies at the host university s/he has spent a semester at;

d) Official certificate confirming the completion of the research internship attendance abroad in a higher educational or research institution indicating the language of the research internship, where the language of the internship is the same as the language of studies at the university/program you are currently applying at; the minimum duration of the research internship should be 3 months.

e) Official confirmation of teaching activity/experience at the university level in the language of the mobility the applicant is applying for. The teaching experience has to have lasted minimum of 2 academic semesters and should have been worth of a minimum 5 credit load in each semester.

f) TSU students attending fully foreign-language educational programs are exempt from relevant foreign language testing obligations, except for the cases when the host university requests a certificate of foreign language competence of the nominated applicants.

Selection process:

- Eligibility check (Tbilisi State University)
- > Interview with the selection committee (Tbilisi State University)
- > Final selection /scholarship award (the host University).

List of required documents:

1. Identity card or passport copy (scanned PDF version);

- 2. European CV format in English: https://europa.eu/europass/en/create-europass-cv;
- 3. Certificate of enrollment at TSU (in English, scanned PDF version);

4. A Transcript of Records of the current academic level (in English; the document should indicate the GPA, to be scanned and uploaded in the PDF version);

5. A certificate of English language competence (please see the conditions above). The applicants having positive results in the TSU institutional test do not need to upload the reference;

6. Scanned pdf version of an applicant's Master's diploma;

7. A scanned copy of the applicant's Master's Diploma Supplement in English (with GPA)

8. Additional support for applicants with fewer opportunities (If available, scanned pdf version):

- A person with disabilities (status must be confirmed by medical reference issued by a relevant authority);
- Socially vulnerable person (status must be confirmed by a relevant authority);
- Internally displaced person from the occupied territories of Georgia;
- A person living in the occupied territories (status must be confirmed according to the statement issued by a relevant authority);
- The parent of a minor child (status must be confirmed by a birth certificate of the minor);
- Representative of the national minority

9. Duly filled and signed learning agreement (scanned pdf version).

The agreement should be signed and sealed by a relevant representative of the home Faculty Quality Assurance Service and the applicant, please see the Appendix 1. (Familiarize yourself with the appropriate regulation);

In the case of the University of Santiago de Compostela please, complete the learning agreement provided by them (Appendix 4).

10. A letter of recommendation in English or in Georgian languages (recommendation should be submitted electronically by filling in the questionnaire available in the mobility management portal (mobility.tsu.ge), by a recommender indicated in the application form by the applicant; the questionnaire is sent automatically to the e-mail address entered in the portal by the applicant).

11. An outline of the research plan in English with a length of no more than 2 pages; technical specifications: font - Times New Roman, font size - 12, line spacing - 1.0, fields - 2 cm; An outline should be written in the language of instruction applicable to the program for which you are applying;

12. A letter of interest/pre-acceptance issued by the Host University (an official letter is not mandatory, an email confirmation that states clearly the email author's availability, relevance and willingness to host a PhD student is sufficient).

13. List of desired universities in English according to the Latin alphabet (Application can be made at a maximum of 3 universities);

14. Applicant's informed consent form (please download Appendix 2, fill the required fields, sign, scan and upload a pdf version).

Students interested in applying for an exchange program must register and upload the complete list of application documents to the portal <u>mobility.tsu.ge</u> (in pdf format) and send the application electronically no later than 2pm (Tbilisi time) on April 4th, 2023!

- The portal does not allow modifying the submitted application and/or replacing the uploaded document(s).
- An incomplete application cannot be submitted, therefore, please make sure that the recommender is well informed about the deadline of the application.

Scholarship includes:

- Tuition waiver
- Monthly stipend in the amount stipulated by the EACEA
- International travel costs (within the financial limit set by the EACEA, see the distance calculator for details)

!!! Visa and travel insurance related costs are not included in the scholarship and should be paid for by the selected student(s).

Additional important information:

a) The mobility management portal mobility.tsu.ge

Please note that the mobility management portal mobility.tsu.ge:

- Does not allow submissions after the deadline (2pm, April 13, 2023);
- Does not allow registering an incomplete application package;
- The application form is considered electronically submitted only after pressing the send button;
- Upon successful submission of the application, the applicant will receive a relevant email notification;
- The date and time of the interview will be communicated individually to all applicants on the email address indicated in the portal mobility.tsu.ge.

b) Finances and restrictions related to Covid-19

Please note that:

Physical mobility may be related to compliance with administrative rules and regulations regarding entry into the host country, such as PCR examination (once or repeatedly), stay in quarantine space, travel, health and accident insurance that are related to financial costs. All such costs should be paid for by the selected student(s).

c) The rule of organizing the committee and selection procedure:

The joint order of the rector of TSU and the head of the administration approval of selection rules for participation in exchange and mobility programsTSU.ge change

In accordance with Article 49², Paragraph 4 of the Law of Georgia on Higher Education, students retain active enrolment at their home universities while on a study abroad. Therefore, successful completion of the administrative registration at TSU at the beginning of each semester spent abroad is absolutely mandatory! Noncompliance with this rule will result in the suspension of mobility. https://tsu.ge/assets/media/files/42/Outbound%20Mobilities/UserGuide_mobility.tsu.ge_v1.pdf

For additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact our team at outgoingmobility@tsu.ge