



Erasmus+ Blended Intensive Programme | (Faculty of Arts and Humanities, University of Porto)



What Is A BIP?

A blended intensive programme (BIP), funded by the Erasmus+ Programme, is implemented by at least 3 higher education institutions (HEIs) from at least 3 Programme Countries. BIPs should encourage transdisciplinary and multinational teaching and training.

Key Words



Structure



Short-term physical group mobility abroad
minimum 5 maximum 30 days



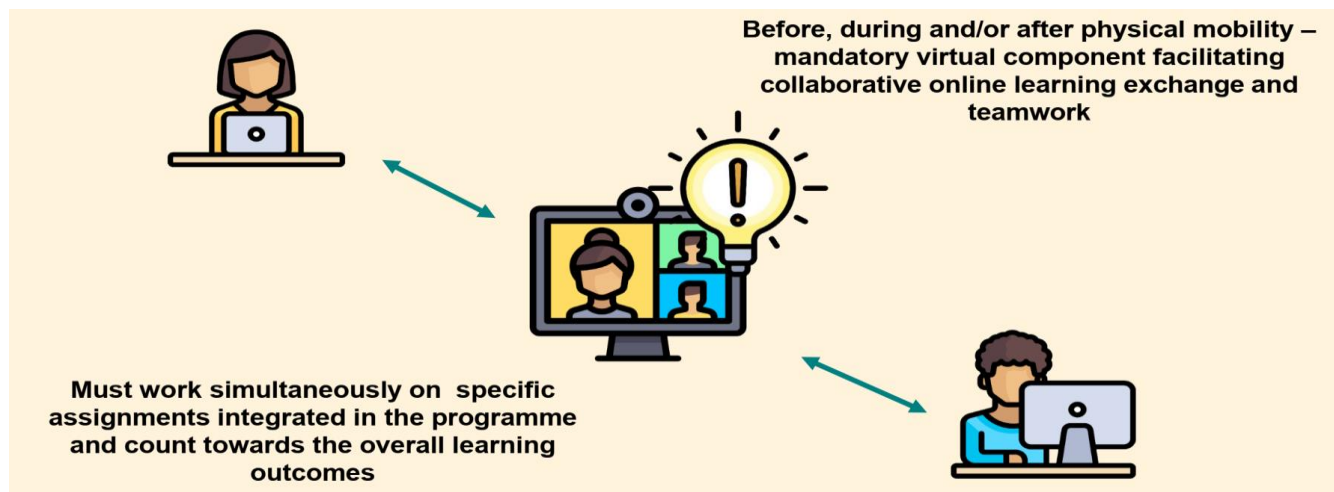
Compulsory **virtual component**
before, during and/or after the mobility



Minimum **3 HEIs** from 3 programme countries
Minimum **15 participants**
Minimum **3 ECTS** credits

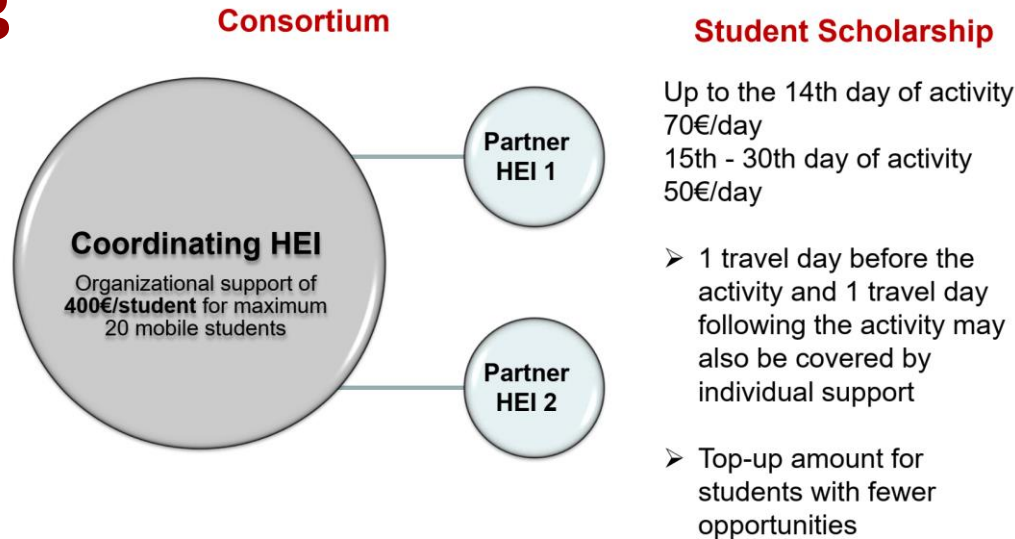


- **The physical component:** this component should be organized by the minimum 3 (or more) partner universities jointly, i.e., the topics, course syllabus, modules and teaching staff. The University of Porto is responsible for the BIP's accreditation so as to award the ECTS certificate.
- **The online component:** this component should be organized by the minimum 3 (or more) partner universities, and is an integral part of the blended intensive program:





Funding



- The coordinating HEI institution is awarded funding for organizational support, i.e., for the local organization of the BIP, but DOES NOT FUND the incoming participants.
- The sending HEI institutions have to obtain the funding under their overall KA131 Erasmus grant application from their national agency to offer the mobility grants for the students and staff who will participate in the BIP.



Participation

- **Who can participate:**
 - ❖ Undergraduate, Master's and PhD students in the BIP's areas of specialisation
 - ❖ Lecturers, trainers and researchers from HEIs in Erasmus+ Programme Countries
 - ❖ Recruitment: Each partner institution is responsible for student and teacher recruitment, according to their specific criteria and procedures
- **Funding: Erasmus+ KA131 funds from sending HEI**
 - ❖ Erasmus+ funding can only be awarded to participants (students and staff) from Programme countries
 - ❖ Students: minimum 5 course days plus 2 travel days (€70/day)
 - ❖ Teachers/trainers/researchers: Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Teaching/Training rules apply (country-specific daily rate x course days + 2 travel days + travel band)



Erasmus+ BIP in Porto





The contribution of Military Orders in peripheral territories to boosting European globalization (12th-16th centuries) - 2nd Edition

- **Dates (provisional):**
 - ❖ Virtual component, before mobility (2,5h): 17th March 2025
 - ❖ Physical mobility (20h): 24th to 28th March 2025 (plus two travel days)
 - ❖ Virtual component, after mobility (2,5h): 11th April 2025
- **Partner Universities:**
 - ❖ Universidade do Porto (PT)
 - ❖ Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München (DE)
 - ❖ Universitat Rovira I Virgili (ES)
 - ❖ Stockholms Universitet (SE)
 - ❖ Plus invited HEI
- **Credits: 3 ECTS credits**





Aims and description

Aims: This program aims to study and discuss the contribution of the military orders in peripheral territories to boosting European globalization (12th-16th centuries). Coming from the eastern Mediterranean, these institutions spread across the European territory and constituted a totally innovative challenge in the Middle Ages.

Description: Featured by a unique religiosity, of commitment to laity, the military orders became involved in an extraordinary way in religious, political and social matters. They promoted mobility in Europe and in the surrounding Mediterranean spaces for devotional and charitable reasons, heritage management, war, political and religious borders, contributing to multiculturalism and to creating an identity of that world. They had a strong relationship with the monarchies and the papacy and were attractive from a social point of view. Thus, military orders are one of the pillars of present-day Europe and have been the subject of study by numerous scholars, but to significantly varied degrees in different academic traditions throughout Europe.



Modules and topics (proposal)

- **Virtual component (before mobility)**
 - ❖ Archival resources and bibliography
 - ❖ Definition of a military order
 - ❖ Background: eastern Mediterranean *versus* peripheral European territories
- **Physical mobility: Taught Modules**
 - ❖ The political role of the military orders: settlements, religious and diplomatic borders
 - ❖ The Teutonic Order in Prussia: a European periphery managed by the military orders
 - ❖ The Johannites in Scandinavia. Royal favours and female donations
 - ❖ Between Centre and Periphery: The Templars in France and England
 - ❖ Crown and Cross: The Templars' Political and Religious Alliances in Medieval France and England
 - ❖ Origin and mission of the military orders: from Jerusalem to Iberia and the Baltic
 - ❖ The social profile of the friars: attractiveness and mobility
 - ❖ Field trips: Convent of Christ, Tomar, a Templar city: a commandery as a war territory; and Leça do Balio Monastery: a commandery as a pilgrimage centre
- **Virtual component (after mobility)**
 - ❖ Seminar on case studies



Social Programme (provisional)

- ❖ Lunches provided at the university canteen
- ❖ Welcome dinner and farewell events
- ❖ Douro River cruise and Port wine cellars
- ❖ Guided tour of Porto's Historical Centre

** Costs of the social programme are covered by the Host Institution as BIP Organisation*





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