

The University of Modena and Reggio Emilia, in the context of LLP aims to improve quality standards of the incoming and outgoing mobility organization for teachers and students; to stimulate and promote mobility through a complete recognition of the study period abroad; to implement the ECTS system and the Diploma Supplement.

Student mobility for the a.y. 2006/2007 is increased :+50% for outgoing students and +27% for incoming students.

University encourages the mobility towards countries with less used languages using also the Erasmus Intensive Language Course (EILC). Thanks to this policy in the last years the mobility towards Spain is decreased and it has been more and more an increasing interest for Sweden, Norway and Denmark. Obviously there has been a growth towards United Kingdom, Germany and France too.

At the moment the existing bilateral agreements are about 220 covering the major subject areas.

In order to stimulate students mobility the University offers an integrative grant (total amount € 172.000), a regional grant according to D.P.C.M. 9/04/2001 and a ministerial grant - Legge 11/07/2003 n.170 ( €131.762,28).

Another Institution's objective is the multilateral cooperation among European Universities participating to cooperation projects and networks.

At the moment the University takes part to the thematic network EIE- Surveyor: Reference point for electrical and information engineering in Europe whose purpose is the implementation of the Bologna-Process, innovation in teaching methods, fostering the development of joint programmes and specialised courses.

The University is partner of a Comenius project together with Poland , Spain Portugal and Hungary for the training of school education staff through new didactics methodologies.

Thanks to the Leonardo da Vinci Program the Institution offers grants to graduates and activates joint works with enterprises and private and public bodies.

The University participates to the Jean Monnet Program through the activation of different didactic modules by the Faculties of Law and Economics.

The EPS has been projected by the Institutional Coordinator for International Relations Office .

It has been evaluated and approved in date 14/02/2007 by the Academic Senate- responsible for planning teaching and research activities and it indicates the lines of development.

Its approval will allow the adoption of particular deliberations of the government bodies, the monitoring of the Institutional Coordinator about the effective realization and a coordination of the offices.

There will be a periodical involvement of the Erasmus coordinators through topic meetings. The EPS will be published on the university web site. The EUC will be delivered to all the government bodies and to all the Faculties.

Our Institution fosters disabled incoming students mobility through services such as accommodation and integration in the university world, transport, specifically equipped living quarters within the university complex, teaching aids (auxiliary computer aids, tutors). The outgoing disabled students can obtain economic provisions in addition to the National Agency special grant.

The Institution is improving the implementation of the ECTS system. In September the ECTS Counsellors during their visit found the Institution motivated and well prepared for students mobility. All periods of study abroad are properly recognised. Before their leaving all the students, in accordance with the Coordinators, undersigned a Learning Agreement that report all the credits related to the abroad study period. When the students come back each Faculty activates the recognition in quick terms avoiding the delay for the achievement of the studies. The recognition is simply thanks to the exact correspondence between Italian credits (CFU) and ECTS credits.

The English version of the Training Offer on the university web site helps the foreign student to fill-in the learning agreement. To outgoing students the International Relations Office gives informative

materials about foreign Universities and the Linguistic Center offers the linguistic support. Incoming students have the opportunity to socialise: usually a “Welcome day” is organized and one of the aims is to put “pair” local students which have mobility experience as guidances for incoming students. The Linguistic Center organizes free Italian Courses at different levels and at the achievement of them the students will acquire 4 credits. The Incoming students have access to libraries, canteen and they can activate a discounted season ticket. Incoming students are allocated to the University Residence which can host teachers, researchers and 100/150 foreign students, in double rooms with all comforts.

Each year the Institution promotes teaching staff mobility using grants offered by the Erasmus National Agency that give the opportunity of short teaching periods by foreign Universities. The grants are increasing and offer the possibility to stipulate new contacts for the presentation of European projects and to develop a further co-operation with all European countries.

The University contributes to the planning and management of the placement abroad promoted by the society “Educazione all’Europa” within the Leonardo da Vinci Program. Thanks to this program grants are assured to new graduates for the carrying out of training working experiences by foreign enterprises. The University manages the planning step of the ban and of the candidates selection. The placement of trainees is followed by Educazione all’Europa which undersign various agreements with foreign partners appointed to the organization of the stage based upon the abilities and the requests of the grants winners.

The Faculties through their stage offices plan training periods abroad both for undergraduate and graduate students further to the Leonardo da Vinci Program. The stage offices have to fulfil administrative and organizing aspects related to the planning and realization of the stages. All the societies and the students/graduates interested to activate or to take advantage of a training must apply to these offices which are managed by tutors who have the assignment to create integration among the Faculty, the enterprise and the trainee. They act as interface between the teacher, named scientific tutor, who follows the trainee, the host enterprise and the trainee.

Training agreements and formative projects are undersigned directly between the Faculty and the host subject: tutors receive all the requests to activate stages from the enterprises and promote the organization. Furthermore a monitoring activity is possible either during the course or at the end of the training through questionnaires distributed to trainees and host subjects.

At the end of the stage the trainee receives certificate which declares the period of attendance and the abilities acquired. The training gives the right to the acquisition of credits as provided for the different didactic systems and the activity will be recorded even on the Diploma Supplement that the University is now settling.