



Erasmus+: Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degrees

Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degrees (EMJMD) aim to:

- foster QUALITY improvements, INNOVATION, EXCELLENCE and INTERNATIONALISATION in Higher Education Institutions (HEI);
- increase QUALITY and ATTRACTIVENESS of the EHEA – supporting EU EXTERNAL Policy in the higher education (HE) field, by offering full degree scholarships to the best Master students worldwide;
- improve the level of COMPETENCES and SKILLS of Master graduates, in particular their relevance for the LABOUR MARKET, through an increased involvement of employers.

An Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degree is a high-level integrated international study programme of 60, 90 or 120 ECTS, delivered by an international consortium of HEIs and - where relevant – other educational and/or non-educational partners with specific expertise and interest in the study areas/professional domains covered by the joint programme. The programme must include a mandatory study period in at least two different Programme Countries (EU 28 + EEA, MK, TK) and the successful completion must lead to the award of either a joint degree or multiple degrees.

EMJMD main principles:

- Very **high selectivity** of the EMJMDs: only excellent joint master programmes will be selected and funded;
- Implemented by consortia of **fully recognised HEIs**, in the EU and (where relevant) in Partner Countries;
- **Full scholarships** for the best master students worldwide with a priority on non-EU students (***a minimum of 75 % will be earmarked for students from Partner Countries***);
- Support to **invited scholars (/guest lecturers)** contributing to the EMJMD teaching/training/research activities;
- **Joint degrees** encouraged but not mandatory (***double/multiple degrees still eligible***);
- Focus on the **socio economic environment**, the **employability** of graduates and the **sustainability** prospects of the EMJMD;
- Focus on the excellence of the selected EMJMD through a **strengthened selection** and **monitoring procedure**;
- **Centrally managed** in Brussels by the Executive Agency.

Taking part as an organisation

- EMJMDs are open to **any public or private organisation** located in Programme or Partner Countries
 - Higher Education Institutions (HEIs)
 - Non-academic partners (enterprises, non-profit organisations, NGOs, foundations, etc.)
- Applicant must be a **HEI established in a Programme Country**. The HEI applies on behalf of the EMJMD consortium
- Minimum consortium composition: at least **3 HEIs** as full partners from at least **3 different Programme Countries**

- Associated partners (optional): contribute indirectly to the implementation of specific tasks/activities. For contractual management issues they are **not considered** as part of the EMJMD consortium

EMJMD award criteria

Projects will be assessed against the following criteria:

- Relevance of the project (max 30 points)
- Quality of the project design and implementation (max 25 points)
- Quality of the project team and the cooperation arrangements (max 20 points)
- Impact and dissemination (max 25 points)

To be considered for funding, proposals must score at least 70 points overall and

- First step: 75% (22,5 points) of the maximum allocated points for "relevance"
- Second step (if first step passed): 60% of the maximum allocated points for each of the remaining award criteria

Additional mobility schemes: the applicants may apply for additional scholarships for one or more regions / sub regions / countries) of the world: Asia, Central Asia, Middle East, South Africa, Latin America, Eastern - Southern neighbours, Gulf countries.

Duration of the project: 1 preparatory year + 3 intakes (5 years maximum)

EU Grant will vary indicatively between **2 and 3 million EUR**:

- **Lump sum for consortium management & invited scholars**
 - 170 000 EUR => 20 000 EUR for the preparatory year (+) 50 000 EUR per intake of the EMJMD
- **Fixed number of student scholarships for the 3 intakes (between 13-20 per intake)**
 - maximum 25 000 EUR per academic year and per scholarship; the actual amount of the individual scholarships will vary in accordance with the EMJMD length (60, 90 or 120 ECTS), the student country/region of residence and the EMJMD participation costs.

Taking part as an individual

EMJMD student scholarships include:

- *a travel allowance (1 000 - 3 000 EUR per academic year)*
- *an installation allowance (1 000 EUR - Partner Country students only)*
- *a fixed monthly allowance for all scholarship holders (1 000 EUR)*
- *coverage of the students' participation costs /tuition fees*
(9 000 EUR / year - Partner Country student)
(4 500 EUR / year - Programme Country student)

Thinking of applying?

For Organisations:

https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/actions/key-action-1-learning-mobility-individuals/erasmus-mundus-joint-master-degrees_en

Applications to be submitted using an eForm with attachments

1. Register the partnership's organisations in the Participant Portal and receive a Participant Identification Code (PIC)
2. Create your electronic application form using your PICs
3. Fill in the eForm
4. Attach completed versions of the attachments within the eForm
5. Submit the eForm on-line

Deadline for 2nd E+: EMJMD Call for proposals 04.03.2015 – 12:00 CET.

For individuals:

Various Master and Doctoral Programmes will be offering EU funded scholarships for courses taking place in the academic year 2015-2016: http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/actions/key-action-1-learning-mobility-individuals/joint-master-degrees/scholarships_en