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## MASTER ERASMUS MUNDUS CULTURES LITTERAIRES EUROPEENNES



# Useful information 2023-2024















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### ARISTOTLE UNIVERSITY OF THESSALONIKI

#### **ERASMUS - Mundus Institutional Form**

#### Aristotle University of Thessaloniki https://www.auth.gr/en/



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## Academic Calendar

The academic calendar provides a framework for the educational program and determines the pattern of campus life. There are two semesters each lasting 13 weeks.

Contracts are as a rule allocated and must be accepted for full semesters. Autumn semester: 1 October - 31 January.

Spring semester: 17 February - 30 May.

Exam period: At the end of each semester (usually February and June). Exact dates are determined by the University Senate.

Every semester has two exam periods:

• Fall semester courses are examined during the exam period January-February and re- sit exams are held in September;

• Spring semester courses are examined during the exam period of June and re-sit exams are held in September.

Please take into account any special deadlines that you might have. Apart from July and August there are <u>no classes</u> on the following dates:

#### Autumn semester

October 26 Saint Dimitrios Day - Feast of the city's Patron Saint. Liberation of Thessaloniki from the Ottoman occupation (Religious & National Holiday)

October 28 National Celebration ('Ochi Day')

November 17 National Celebration (Students' uprising in the National Technical University of Athens against the junta in 1973)

Dec.24-Jan.7 Christmas holidays (2weeks)

January 30 The Three Patron Saints of Education Day (religious holiday)

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#### Spring semester

Carnival From Thursday before Lent to the day after Lent Monday (movable feast)

Clean Monday At the beginning of the 7th week before Orthodox Easter Sunday (movable feast)

March 25 National Celebration (National Anniversary of the revolution of 1821 against the Turkish rule)

Easter Holiday From the Monday of Easter Week to the Sunday after Easter Sunday / movable feast (2 weeks)

May 1 Labor Day

Holy Spirit Movable feast (Monday after Pentecost) Day

N.B. CLE students should be present during 3 - 6 September (Fall Semester) at the Aristotle University.

#### COURSES IN MODERN GREEK LANGUAGE

CLE students must follow Greek classes in AUTh. For that reason our Department is collaboration with the School of Modern Greek Language.

The School of Greek Modern Language offers, also, intensely monthly summer course starting at 20 August, finishing at 14 September.

http://smg.web.auth.gr/wordpress/?lang=en http://smg.web.auth.gr/wordpress/? page\_id=3197&lang=en

The tuition fees for the Modern Greek courses are covered by the CLE consortium.





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#### GETTING A STUDENT VISA

If you are a non-EU student, you will receive an INVITATION LETTER, which you need in order to apply and get a Student Visa. With this letter in hand, you should contact the nearest authorized Greek Embassy or Consulate and receive information about all the necessary documents and the formal application procedure. Greek Missions around the world can be found at: http://www.mfa.gr/en/appendix/greece-bilateral-relations/ a.html. It is advised to start the visa application process as soon as possible since the procedures can require a considerable time. To obtain a visa, you need to go in person to the Greek Embassy or Consulate in your home country and hand in the required documents. Keep in mind that after your arrival you'll have to contact the Immigration Office at Thessaloniki in order to get a residence permit for the period of your staying in Greece. Health insurance coverage is required in order to obtain your stay permit.

Type of Visa : D (long stay) Number of entries requested: multiple Purpose of travel : Other : Studies

Supporting documents:

- Valid passport (with at least 2 blank pages)
- Financial means :
- a) Certificate of Award of the Erasmus Mundus Scholarship

b) For those students who do not receive an Erasmus Mundus Scholarship, a bank account with a minimum amount of 500euros, in order to be able to prove their ability to cover leaving expenses is necessary.

- Invitation: Admission letter
- Health insurance : Erasmus Mundus Insurance Scheme

#### **RESIDENCE PERMIT**

Students from non-European countries and who are going to study in Thessaloniki for more than three months should apply for a Residence Permit at the Immigration Office of the Municipality of Thessaloniki: Immigration Office of Thessaloniki (1, Taki Oikonomidi Street / tel: 2313309202 - 2313309207 / e-mail: <u>sg@rcm.gr</u> / You can reach the immigration office go by bus No. 5 or No. 6 from White Tower asking the driver for 'Palio Elliniko Kolegio')





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#### **Supporting documents:**

- 1. Application provided by the Immigration Office
- 2. 2 Colour photos-passport size.
- 3. A copy of your passport (at least 2 blank pages) and a copy of your visa.
- 4. A copy of your health insurance translated in Greek.
- 5. A confirmation of health examinations (blood test and chest x-rays) which can be done in every public hospital (it will be asked, if needed, at the time of the submission of the application).

6. A certificate that you are an Erasmus+ / ERASMUS MUNDUS student provided by the AUTH's Erasmus Office

7. A confirmation of scholarship from your home University that needs to be translated in Greek by a translation office.

8. The letter of acceptance sent by our Institution to your University or for ERASMUS MUNDUS grantees, the letter of acceptance from the Coordinator.

9. 2 File-folders with two elastic cords.

#### **RENEWAL RESIDENCE PERMIT**

Non-EU students who are coming in Thessaloniki for the entire second year of their studies they will have to renew their residence permit.

#### Supporting documents:

- 1. Former residence permit
- 2. Valid passport (at least 2 blank pages)
- 3. 2 colour-passport photos
- 4. Last academic year's transcript of records.

5. An attestation given by the AUTH's Erasmus Office in which must be mentioned in Greek that you are a CLE student in AUTH, that you have health insurance covered by the Erasmus Mundus Scheme and the type of scholarship that you receive in order to avoid opening a Greek bank account.(For those students who do not receive any kind of scholarship or financial help, a Greek bank account with a minimum amount of 500euros, is necessary, in order to be able to prove their ability to cover leaving expenses.

6. Fees for the renewal

7. Health insurance (health insurance scheme mentioned in the attestation provided by the Erasmus Office)

Non-European Union students who own a permission (residence permit) to stay in Europe from other European countries, which is valid during their studies, will not have to renew it, unless it expires.





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#### **OPENING A BANK ACCOUNT**

Foreign students can open a bank account (in Euro or in other currency). It is highly recommended that they ask their home bank in order to know if it is associated to a Greek one.

In Greece, the payments in cash take place only in Euros.

In order to open a bank account, they need to have a tax number (AFM). For this purpose, they will have to visit the Tax Authority: D' Eforia ( $\Delta$ ' E $\varphi$ o $\rho$ i $\alpha$ ), Department "Mitroo", Vas. Irakliou 38, Thessaloniki.

Numerous banks are also located around the university campus (National Bank of Greece, Pireus Bank, Agricultural Bank of Greece, Emporiki Bank)

Basic documentation

- Identity Card or passport.
- Specifically for students: any document confirming student status (provided by the Erasmus Office), such as a certificate of attendance issued by the student's educational institution, as above, student identity card or special discount card (OASA).
- Tax number
- In some cases it may be asked proof of address.

#### INSCRIPTION AT AUTH - ERASMUS CARD, STUDENT CARD

#### **ERASMUS CARD**

Before your arrival you must arrange an appointment at the Erasmus Office (1st floor, Administration Building, University Campus) in order to get the Erasmus Card. Valid passport, a

Greek telephone number and your admission letter.

First thing to do, you have to book an online appointment clicking to the link below with Mrs. Konstantina Tolia.

https://eurep.auth.gr/en/contact

#### STUDENT CARD

After getting your Erasmus Card you have to pass by the Secretariat of the Department of French Language and Literature (3rd floor, Administration Building, University Campus) in order to get the Student Card. The documentation needed is the same to the above.













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