12.

When returning student should bring:

- Signed hardcopy of **Learning Agreement** (see paragraph 1), if it was not sent earlier by e-mail;
- **Transcript of Records** of study results at host university (it should be prepared according to the form of host university or filled-in inside of Learning Agreement (3 part) and it should include passed and not passed exams). Hardcopy should be submitted to Dean's office, copy to ICD-AA);
- The hardcopy of **Statement of ERASMUS study period** is to be submitted to ICD-AA. **No corrections are allowable!**
- **Reporting-survey forms** about studies abroad to be filled in on-line:
- 1) **EU online survey** according to the request of European server (ec.europa.eu);
- Electronic language assessment (OLS) test according the invitation of ERASMUS+ server (erasmusplusols.eu), which should be filled in twice (at the beginning and at the end of studies abroad). The invitation for internet language courses.
- PhD students additional report of research work confirmed by accepting professor should be submitted to supervisor at VMU and ICD-AA;
- Annotations (summaries) of studied subjects in English should be submitted to Dean's office.

The mentioned documents and information on European Credit Transfer system are available in:

http://int.asu.lt/socrates/nauddoken.html

REMEMBER: If the student will arrive to host university later or return earlier when planned study period he/she should return the part of grant for the time which was not spent in host university !

13.

After the return from ERASMUS studies abroad student should fill in the **Application for Faculty Dean** to continue his/her studies in VMU-AA. Request form is available in internet (see paragraph 11).

Vice-Deans - ERASMUS coordinators at the faculties:

- Faculty of Agronomy A.Adamavičienė (phone: +370 37 788 108, e-mail: <u>aida.adamaviciene@vdu.lt</u>);
- Faculty of Bioeconomy Development B.Vaznonis (phone: +370 37 752 277, e-mail: <u>bernardas.vaznonis@vdu.lt</u>);
- Faculty of Forestry and Ecology A.Stiklienė (phone: +370 37 752 282, e-mail: <u>aida.stikliene@vdu.lt</u>);

- Faculty of Water and Land Management R.Skominas (phone: +370 37 752 351, e-mail: <u>rytis.skominas@vdu.lt</u>);
- Faculty of Agricultural Engineering E.Vaiciukevičius (phone: +370 37 752 332, e-mail: edvardas.vaiciukevicius@vdu.lt).

Useful contacts:

Airtickets:

Travel agencies: **"Start in**", Rotušės a. 23, Kaunas, phone: +370 37 209098 **"Delta Interservis**", Laisves al. 89, LT- 44297 Kaunas, phone: +370 37 424211, 423211

Low-budget flights:

 RyanAir: http://www.ryanair.com

 EasyJet: http://www.easyjet.com

 WizzAir: http://wizzair.com

 All flight tickets: www.skrisk.lt, www.greitai.lt

Reservation and purchase of bus tickets: Kautra, Karaliaus Mindaugo pr. 49, Kaunas, phone: (37)322222. Tickets: <u>www.autobusubilietai.lt</u> or <u>www.luxexpress.eu</u>

More information on ERASMUS programme:

<u>http://intern.asu.lt/erasmus-for-incoming-students</u> <u>http://intern.asu.lt/erasmus/erasmus-information-for-</u> <u>international-students-of-asu</u> <u>http://www.smpf.lt</u>



For additional questions - VMU-AA ERASMUS coordinator (*Raimundas Rukuiža*, VMU-AA Central building Room 202, phone: +370 37 788149, local 2149, 476).

Address of VMU International Cooperation Department (ICD-AA):

International Cooperation Department Agriculture Academy of Vytautas Magnus University Studentų 11, Akademija, LT-53361 Kauno r., Lithuania

Phone:	+370 37 788149, 752398
E-mail:	<u>erasmus.zua@vdu.lt</u> ,



INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS

going to study at European and partner countries universities under

ERASMUS programme

in study year 2020/2021



VYTAUTAS MAGNUS UNIVERSITY AGRICULTURE ACADEMY

Agriculture Academy of Vytautas Magnus University (VMU-AA)

Akademija, Kauno r., 2020

In charge of ERASMUS studies:

- ⇒ Agriculture Academy Unit of International Cooperation Department (ICD-AA) – regarding organisation and financial questions on ERASMUS studies;
- ⇒ Dean's Offices (vice-deans ERASMUS coordinators at the faculties) regarding content and accounting of studies.

VMU-AA students selected for ERASMUS studies abroad should fill in the application to according European universities, read and sign that are introduced with this information and VMU-AA rules for the selection of candidates and order of studies abroad under ERASMUS programme. After confirmation from host university that their are accepted students should take care on:

1.

Students should coordinate their study plan content and exact time of their studies abroad with Vice-Dean responsible for ERASMUS programme at the faculty:

https://zua.vdu.lt/en/about-academy/international-2/international/erasmus-contact-persons-in-faculties/

the study supervisor (for PhD and MSc students) at VMU-AA and partner in host university.

Learning Agreement (LA) should be confirmed by Vice-Dean before the start of their studies abroad. The changes of LA are possible after arrival to host university, but the LA should newly filled-in and sent by e-mail to Dean's Office or ICD-AA within 3 weeks after arrival to host university. Link: <u>http://int.asu.lt/socrates/Naud_dok/Learning-Agreement.zip</u>

2.

Students should ask the partners from host universities to send the confirmation (by post mail or e-mail) about acceptance for ERASMUS studies for planned period.

3.

VMU-AA foreign students should make (if they not have it yet) the **health insurance** valid in according European country. Students can make insurance in any other insurance company, ex. UADBB "Insurance Brokers Group" (Gedimino pr. 32-3, LT-01104 Vilnius, phone: +370 633 78334, 8~5 212 6550, *grazina.lisovskiene@ibg.lt*).

4.

Students could get international student card ISIC at VMU Students Centre (<u>https://www.vdu.lt/en/contacts/vmu-student-centre/</u>, S.Daukanto st. 27 - 206/210, 44249 Kaunas, e-mail: <u>studentas@vdu.lt</u>).

REMEMBER: Visa formalities can take some weeks !

5.

VMU-AA foreign students going to study to non-Schengen countries (United Kingdom, Ireland, Turkey, Croatia, Romania, non-EU countries) need to receive D visa for studies. In some cases (if the student not have TRP), also Schengen country university can require the visa. Students should apply for that in Embassy of according country in Vilnius. See the web-sites of these embassies here:

http://www.urm.lt/default/en/embasycontacts/

6.

After arrival to host university the students should register at local Migration service. They could be required for:

- passport;
- **invitation** from host university;
- Statement on ERASMUS study period from VMU;
- health insurance policy;
- possible local **forms** and **pictures.**

7.

Before departure, the students should make at ICD-AA (*Raimundas Rukuiža*) financial **agreement about ERASMUS studies abroad**. Students have to prepare:

- The data form of financial agreement (<u>http://int.asu.lt/socrates/Naud_dok/era-sut-stud-en.zip</u>, "Dotacijos sutartis su studentu VDU-ZUA - en - 2019 handwritten fill-in.doc") and send the filled-in MS Word file to ICD-AA by e-mail. After that they should come to ICD-AA and sign the financial agreement.
- Application to VMU Rector for allowance to study abroad under ERASMUS programme (should be filled-in, confirmed by VMU-AA ERASMUS coordinator and presented to according Dean's Office).
- Statement of study period (should be confirmed by VMU-AA ERASMUS coordinator and after return from studies abroad it should be presented to ICD-AA with the confirmation of host university).
- First time fill-in the electronic language assessment (OLS) test according the invitation of ERASMUS+ server (erasmusplusols.eu).

8.

Students should have and if they do not have it – they should obtain the **payment card** of SEB, Swedbank or other bank in Lithuania (Visa, MasterCard or other) where the grant will be transferred.

9.

Grant value depends on the country of studies:

- Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Ireland, Norway, Sweden, United Kingdom 520 EUR/month;
- Austria, Belgium, Croatia, Cyprus, France, Germany, Greece, Italy, Malta, Netherlands, Portugal, Spain - 470 EUR/ month.
- Bulgaria, Czechia, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, North Macedonia, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Turkey – 320 EUR/ month.

Grants for ERASMUS placements are higher (700, 650 and 500 EUR/month for according countries).

Grant is paid in Euro by the transfer to the card account of the student in two parts. The first higher part (80%) is transferred before the student's departure. Final payment is made when the student will return and present all requested documents of ERASMUS studies abroad.

Information about bank cards and ERASMUS grant payments could be retrieved by the bookkeeper responsible for students' grants payments (*Alina, VMU-AA Central building, Room 224, phone +370 37 752347, e-mail: <u>alina.zvirbliene@vdu.lt</u>).*

10.

ICD-AA could advise regarding the ways and prices of travelling to other European countries.

11.

Grant is rendered for 1 semester (5 months). If the students want to prolong their stay for one more semester (but only for Spring semester and not longer than 10 months in total) they should send (by post mail or e-mail) to ICD-AA the certificate or the information about exams (it should be not less than 80% successful exams of study plan) and motivated request (including study plans with targeted subjects in home and host universities) until 30th January.

REMEMBER: If the student will refuse the studies and he will not inform about that at right time (not later than 1,5 months before start of planned study period) student could be charged for booked accommodation in host university and VMU-AA could also have financial claims !