



## CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

### **CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR A SEMESTER ABROAD VIA THE ERASMUS + MOBILITY SCHOLARSHIP AT Friedrich-Alexander University of Erlangen-Nürnberg – GERMANY**

The Erasmus+ Project has been established based on the collaboration between UKZN and the Friedrich-Alexander University of Erlangen-Nürnberg, Germany.

The call is open to a Master's level student in the field of Development Economics and International Studies. Students can start their mobility on 1 September (winter semester) if she/he wants to take in an intensive German course, which is paid for, or she/he can come on 1 October (winter semester). The winter semester runs until March 31st, 2025, but the student will be funded until the day of her/his last exam for which the student must be physically present. There is one scholarship available. Selected students are expected to pay their UKZN tuition fees for the semester that they will be abroad.

Students who have been selected for a mobility period within the LLP (Lifelong Learning Programme) or the Erasmus+ for Study or for Internships can apply provided the total number of months of their past/current mobility and the ones they are applying for does not exceed 12 months within the same level of study.

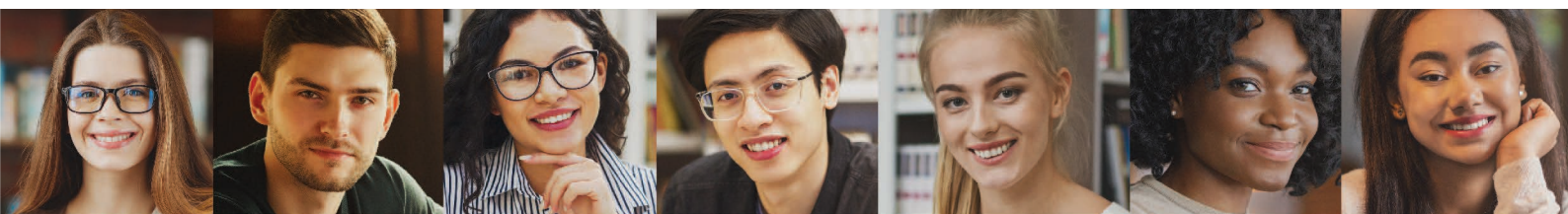
The purpose of the stay is studying and the candidates are expected to take classes of a volume of at least 20 ECTS. Link to the hosting English-taught Master programme (incl. Curriculum) at FAU:

**<https://www.economics.phil.fau.eu/study/degree-programs/master-of-arts-development-economics-and-international-studies/>**

Students can also choose online courses at any Bavarian university through the Virtual University Bavaria (VHB) as soon as they enrolled at FAU. The grades will then be provided on their FAU transcript. The link for the online courses is: **[https://www.vhb.org/fileadmin/kursprogramm/vhb-programme\\_english.pdf](https://www.vhb.org/fileadmin/kursprogramm/vhb-programme_english.pdf)**

### **GRANT FOR candidate:**

The student will receive the travel lump sum (return trip) of 1500 Euro once she/he has arrived at FAU. During her/his stay, she/he will receive a monthly scholarship of 850 Euro. Upon arrival, she/he receives in cash the grant payment for months 1-2 since the costs in the beginning are higher. After opening a German bank account the grant for the following months as a monthly payment will be transferred to the student. The ultimate payment is adapted to the



## Deadline for the applications: 15 April 2024

exact amount of days and final duration of stay. Students must be able to pay for their own accommodation and flights to and from Germany. Refunds are processed only upon arrival at FAU.

Please note that students over 30 cannot obtain public health insurance in Germany. They must buy a private insurance. When they go to the doctor, they must pay almost the triple because of private insurance. Further, students over 30 cannot apply for public student dorms, but only for private ones.

### **Additional funding:**

- Students with fewer opportunities can receive additional funding, so called “top ups”. These will be granted to students with disabilities or chronic illnesses, students coming with their child/children to Germany, students who are the first generation in their family who studies (so called “first time academic”), students who have previously been working and students facing economic barriers.
- Another additional funding of up to 15.000 available for students with handicap or chronic illnesses depending on individual physical condition, or students wishing to bring a minor child along for their study period to cover the extra cost for the child’s travel, accommodation and childcare; a special application is needed long in advance of the mobility with the German National Erasmus agency via the host university

### **APPLICATION PROCEDURE:**

Kindly submit the following documents to Ms Preshantha Reddy on [redryp@ukzn.ac.za](mailto:redryp@ukzn.ac.za)

1. A professional CV
2. A letter of motivation
3. A letter of recommendation from a UKZN academic
4. A copy of a most recent academic record
5. A completed UKZN student exchange application form (attached)
6. A copy of the passport

### **CONTACT:**

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