IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS FOR INTERNATIONAL MOBILITY

(ERASMUS/INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMME)

Students are responsible of informing themselves and provide all documents required by:

- The University of Valencia
- The host university
- The government of the foreign country where the exchange takes place.

To accept nominated students, sometimes foreign governments and partner universities have specific requirements, additionally to the ones the UV demands.

Hereunder are some examples. E. g.:

- Language certification before the arrival or departure
- Final grades from high school (PAU or GENED for United States)
- Specific medical insurance
- Visa requirements or documents
- Bank guarantee requirements
- Transport card payments
- Lab fees, online courses, etc. payments

When the time comes, the host universities themselves will inform the students. They should pay extreme attention to any notification received either by the home university or the host university, since this type of requirements, conditions or incidents may arise unexpectedly.

In this sense, the mobility coordinator of the Faculty of Economics (UV) will not manage any document formalities, as they are only responsible of academic issues. In any case, students should contact the UV's International Relations Central Services (<u>erasmus.estudis@uv.es</u> / <u>programa.internacional@uv.es</u>) and the host university's coordinators for help and support.

Language requirements. Specific reference to UK (Brexit).

We've been informed that the British government has forced all British universities to require an especial language certificate different from the B2 diploma, before accepting any mobility student. Due to the high number of requirements, it has been linked in the student's platform (*Portal alumne*) a list of each partner university with their own information and demands.

Furthermore, the Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS) will be acquired only if the language level certificate is provided together with the application form.

Besides, the requirements differ depending on the period of stay:

- <u>Less than 6 months stay</u>: students must meet the host university's language requirements. The list of those certificates may differ with the ones required for annual periods of stay.
- <u>Annual stay</u>: students must meet the language requirements from both the host university and the immigration authorities. They will publish a list with all the admitted certificates. In case the student's level diploma is not in the list, they must send it (in .pdf format) to the host university and ask about its validity. If it's invalid, the student will need to held an exam among those specified in the list.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, just in terms of vacancy assignment for UK, the UV will first distribute vacancies in British universities to students who have provided the language certificates in due time and form within the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR). Nevertheless, students are responsible of providing the host university with the specific required certificates to obtain the CAS and, consequently, the visa card. One action doesn't exempt the other.

Academic requirements.

All Erasmus+ students must provide an official copy in English of their academic record as part of the application procedure (both electronic and scanned version will be accepted). You can ask for a copy at the Faculty of Economics' Secretary (UV).

Visa card requirements in UK.

- <u>Annual or more than 6 months stay</u>: students with no British nor Irish passport, must apply for a student visa. Firstly, they should ask for the CAS to the host university at least 3 months before the mobility exchange starts, in order to apply for the student's visa. The current fee for it is £348 plus the charge for the NHS coverage of £470 (a total amount of £818). This will ensure access to the NHS during the stay.

 Less than 6 months stay: students with no British nor Irish passport, must apply for a standard or tourist visa. Some nationalities can obtain this visa in the UK border, the rest must apply for it in advance and the fee is currently around £95. This visa category doesn't include the NHS coverage. Students should check on the British government website if they need to apply for this visa in advance.

Passport control in UK. ID card is no longer valid.

From October 1st, 2021, students from the EU or the EEE will need a passport to enter the UK. Entry will not be allowed anymore with an ID card (DNI/NIE).

Students must provide a coloured copy of the information page in their passports as part of the application procedure. Every visa application will also need a valid passport.

Visa applications will be managed by a Visa Application Center in Madrid or Barcelona.

UK health insurance.

- Students travelling to UK with a student's visa (annual stay) will pay an NHS fee that will guarantee a healthcare coverage during their stay. It's recommended to be well informed about the insurance coverage.
- Students travelling to UK with a standard or tourist visa (less than 6 months stay) will not have free access to the NHS. They should pay for a healthcare insurance for their period of stay. The UV has an agreement with *Oncampus Insurance Company*. However, each family can contract with the private insurance company they consider appropriate.