

**Erasmus+ Programme  
Key Action 1  
– Mobility for learners and staff –  
Higher Education Student and Staff Mobility**

**Inter-institutional<sup>1</sup> agreement 2018/19-20[21]<sup>2</sup>  
between institutions from  
programme and partner countries**

**[Minimum requirements]<sup>3</sup>**

The institutions named below agree to cooperate for the exchange of students and/or staff in the context of the Erasmus+ programme. They commit to respect the quality requirements of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education in all aspects of the organisation and management of the mobility, in particular the recognition of the credits (or equivalent) awarded to students by the partner institution. The institutions also commit to sound and transparent management of funds allocated to them through Erasmus+.

**A. Information about the higher education institutions**

| Full name of the institution / country  | Erasmus code or city <sup>4</sup> | Name of the contact person  | Contact details (email, phone)   | Website  |
|---|-----------------------------------|---|--|--|
| <b>POLITECHNIKA GDAŃSKA</b><br><br><b>Gdańsk University of Technology</b><br><br>International Relations Office,<br>Narutowicza 11/12, 80-233<br>Gdańsk, Poland | PL<br>GDANSK02                    | Institutional Erasmus+ Coordinator<br><b>Ms. Maria DOERFFER,</b>  | <a href="mailto:international@pg.edu.pl">international@pg.edu.pl</a><br><a href="mailto:mdoerffer@pg.edu.pl">mdoerffer@pg.edu.pl</a><br>tel.: +48 58 347 12 89 | <a href="http://pg.edu.pl/international/news">http://pg.edu.pl/international/news</a>  |
|   |                                   | Coordinator at Faculty of Applied Physics and Mathematics<br><b>Justyna Szostak</b><br><br>Contact Person :<br><b>Prof. Tomasz Klimczuk</b>   | justyna.szostak@pg.edu.pl<br>phone: +48 58 347 20 12<br><br>tomasz.klimczuk@mif.pg.edu.pl  | <a href="https://pg.edu.pl/international/abouterasmusplus">https://pg.edu.pl/international/abouterasmusplus</a><br><br><a href="http://pg.edu.pl/international/study-in-english">http://pg.edu.pl/international/study-in-english</a><br><br><a href="http://ects.pg.edu.pl/wyszukiwarka-kierunkow-studiow">http://ects.pg.edu.pl/wyszukiwarka-kierunkow-studiow</a><br><br><a href="https://ftims.pg.edu.pl/main-page">https://ftims.pg.edu.pl/main-page</a> |
| <b>McMaster University</b><br><br>1280 Main Street West<br>Hamilton, Ontario L8S 4L8<br>Canada  | McMaster University               |   |  |  |
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<sup>1</sup> Inter-institutional agreements can be signed by two or more higher education institutions (HEIs), at least one of them must be located in a Programme Country of Erasmus+.

<sup>2</sup> Higher education institutions have to agree on the period of validity of this agreement.

<sup>3</sup> Clauses may be added to this template agreement to better reflect the nature of the institutional partnership.

<sup>4</sup> Higher Education Institutions (HEI) from Erasmus+ programme countries should indicate their Erasmus code while Partner Countries HEI should mention the city where they are located.

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|  |  | Secretary of the<br>Executive Committee,<br>International<br>Organization for Crystal<br>Growth<br>Ni Jadon<br>Senior Project<br>Manager/Internation<br>al Liaison Officer<br>Office of<br>International Affairs<br>Alumni Memorial Hall<br>- Rm203 McMaster<br>University<br>1280 Main Street<br>West<br>Hamilton, Ontario,<br>Canada<br>L8S 4K1 | Tel: 905-525-9140 ext.<br>24616<br>Fax: 905-546-5212<br><br>Email:<br><a href="mailto:iadon@mcmaster.ca">iadon@mcmaster.ca</a> | <a href="http://www.mcmaster.ca">www.mcmaster.ca</a> |
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**B. Mobility numbers<sup>5</sup> per academic year**

**Possibility of granting financial support to the following mobility flows will depend on level of funding received each year by Gdańsk University of Technology.**

*[Paragraph to be added if the agreement is signed for more than one academic year:*

*The partners commit to amend the table below in case of changes in the mobility data by the end of January at the latest in the preceding academic year.]*

**Student Mobility**

| FROM<br>[Erasmus code<br>or city of the<br>sending<br>institution] | TO'<br>[Erasmus code<br>or city of the<br>receiving<br>institution] | Subject<br>area<br>code<br>*<br>[ISCED<br>2013] | Subject area<br>name<br>* | Study cycle<br>1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> or 3 <sup>rd</sup><br>* | Number of student<br>mobility periods  |
|--|---|---|---------------------------|--|--|
|  |   |   |                           |  | Student Mobility for Studies<br>[total number of months of<br>the study periods or<br>average duration*] |
| PL<br>GDANSK02   | McMaster  | 0533  | Physics                   |  | 2 students (4 months each)   |
| McMaster<br>PIC <sup>6</sup> :<br>998225740                        | PL<br>GDANSK02  | 0533  | Physics                   |  | 2 students (3 months each)   |

<sup>5</sup> Mobility numbers can be given per sending/receiving institutions *and per education field (optional\*):* <http://www.uis.unesco.org/Education/Pages/international-standard-classification-of-education.aspx>

<sup>6</sup> The European Commission's unique 9-digit Participant Identification Code (PIC) provided to every organisation participating in a European project. See:

<https://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/organisations/register.html>



[\*Optional: subject code & name and study cycle are optional. Inter-institutional agreements are not compulsory for Student Mobility for Traineeships or Staff mobility for Training. Institutions may agree to cooperate on the organisation of traineeship; in this case they should indicate the number of students that they intend to send to the partner country. Total duration in months/days of the student/staff mobility periods or average duration can be indicated if relevant.]

### Staff Mobility

| FROM'<br>[Erasmus code or city of the sending institution] | TO'<br>[Erasmus code or city of the receiving institution] | Subject area code *<br>[ISCED 2013] | Subject area name * | Number of staff mobility periods   |  |
|--|--|-------------------------------------|---------------------|--|--|
|  |  |                                     |                     | Staff Mobility for Teaching<br><br>[total number of days of the teaching periods or average duration*] | Staff Mobility for Training *              |
| PL GDANSK02  | McMaster   | 0533                                | Physics             | 2 persons (5 days of teaching period each)   | 2 persons (5 days of training period each) |
| McMaster<br>PIC <sup>7</sup> : 998225740                   | PL GDANSK02  | 0533                                | Physics             | 2 persons (5 days of teaching period each)   | 2 persons (5 days of training period each) |

### C. Recommended language skills

The sending institution, following agreement with the receiving institution, is responsible for providing support to its nominated candidates so that they can have the recommended language skills at the start of the study or teaching period.

| Receiving institution<br>[Erasmus code or city] | Optional: Subject area | Main language of instruction | Additional language of instruction | Recommended language of instruction level <sup>8</sup>          |  |
|---|------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|--|
|   |                        |                              |                                    | Student Mobility for Studies<br>[Minimum recommended level: B1] | Staff Mobility for Teaching<br>[Minimum recommended level: B2] |
| PL GDANSK02                                     | All areas              | Polish                       | English                            | B1  | B2   |
| McMaster  | B.Tech                 | English                      | English                            | English B1  | English B2   |

For more details on the language of instruction recommendations, see the course catalogue of each institution [Links provided on the first page].

<sup>7</sup> The European Commission's unique 9-digit Participant Identification Code (PIC) provided to every organisation participating in a European project. See:

<https://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/organisations/register.html>

<sup>8</sup> See Common European Framework of Reference for Languages

#### **D. Respect of fundamental principles and other mobility requirements**

The higher education institution(s) located in a **programme country**<sup>9</sup> of Erasmus+ must respect the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education of which it must be a holder. The charter can be found here:

[http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/funding/2014/call\\_he\\_charter\\_en.php](http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/funding/2014/call_he_charter_en.php)

The higher education institution(s) located in a **partner country** of Erasmus+ must respect the following set of principles and requirements:

The higher education institution agrees to:

- Respect in full the principles of non-discrimination and to promote and ensure equal access and opportunities to mobile participants from all backgrounds, in particular disadvantaged or vulnerable groups.
- Apply a selection process that is fair, transparent and documented, ensuring equal opportunities to participants eligible for mobility.
- Ensure recognition for satisfactorily completed activities of study mobility and, where possible, traineeships of its mobile students.
- Charge no fees, in the case of credit mobility, to incoming students for tuition, registration, examinations or access to laboratory and library facilities. Nevertheless, they may be charged small fees on the same basis as local students for costs such as insurance, student unions and the use of miscellaneous material.

The higher education institution located in a **partner country** of Erasmus further undertakes to:

##### **Before mobility**

- Provide information on courses (content, level, scope, language) well in advance of the mobility periods, so as to be transparent to all parties and allow mobile students to make well-informed choices about the courses they will follow.
- Ensure that outbound mobile participants are well prepared for the mobility, including having attained the necessary level of linguistic proficiency.
- Ensure that student and staff mobility for education or training purposes is based on a learning agreement for students and a mobility agreement for staff validated in advance between the sending and receiving institutions or enterprises and the mobile participants.
- Provide assistance related to obtaining visas, when required, for incoming and outbound mobile participants. Costs for visas can be covered with the mobility grants. See the information / visa section for contact details.
- Provide assistance related to obtaining insurance, when required, for incoming and outbound mobile participants. The institution from the Partner country should inform mobile participants of cases in which insurance cover is not automatically provided. Costs for insurance can be covered with the organisational support grants. See the information / insurance section for contact details.
- Provide guidance to incoming mobile participants in finding accommodation. See the information / housing section for contact details.

##### **During and after mobility**

- Ensure equal academic treatment and services for home students and staff and incoming mobile participants and integrate incoming mobile participants into the institution's everyday life, and have in place appropriate mentoring and support arrangements for mobile participants as well as appropriate linguistic support to incoming mobile participants.

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<sup>9</sup> Erasmus+ programme countries are the 28 EU countries, the EFTA countries and other European countries as defined in the Call for proposals.

- Accept all activities indicated in the learning agreement as counting towards the degree, provided these have been satisfactorily completed by the mobile student.
- Provide, free-of-charge, incoming mobile students and their sending institutions with transcripts in English or in the language of the sending institution containing a full, accurate and timely record of their achievements at the end of their mobility period.
- Support the reintegration of mobile participants and give them the opportunity, upon return, to build on their experiences for the benefit of the Institution and their peers.
- Ensure that staff are given recognition for their teaching and training activities undertaken during the mobility period, based on a mobility agreement.

#### **E. Any additional requirements**

##### **PL GDANSK02**

On-line application for Erasmus students : <http://pg.edu.pl/international/erasmus-incoming-students> More information about possibilities to learn Polish language can be found at the following website:

<https://pg.edu.pl/international/polish-language-courses>

Gdansk University of Technology welcomes students and teachers with disabilities. For all questions please, contact, Rector's representative for persons with disabilities [jakub.olczyk@pg.edu.pl](mailto:jakub.olczyk@pg.edu.pl) , tel: +48 58 347 13 13 There is a variety of events and programmes for incoming students organized by Gdansk University of Technology <http://gdansk.esn.pl/>

##### **McMaster University**

Selection/preparation/integration of incoming students and staff will be carried out in accordance with the principles of the Erasmus University Charter.

Partner University will send a detailed nomination list with the beneficiaries of the Erasmus mobility, by e-mail, to [dabkoh@mcmaster.ca](mailto:dabkoh@mcmaster.ca) for BIMR,

[centeadn@mcmaster.ca](mailto:centeadn@mcmaster.ca) for B.Tech, and [jadon@mcmaster.ca](mailto:jadon@mcmaster.ca) for International Affairs

*[To be completed if necessary. Other requirements may be agreed on academic or organisational aspects, e.g. the selection criteria for students and staff; measures for preparing, receiving and integrating mobile students and/or staff including cultural preparation before mobility; the recognition tools used]*

*[Please specify whether the institutions have the infrastructure to welcome students and staff with disabilities.]*

#### **F. Calendar**

1. Applications/information on nominated students must reach the receiving institution by:

| Receiving institution   | Autumn term*   | Spring term*   |
|---|--|--|
| [Erasmus code or city]  | [month]  | [month]  |
| PL GDANSK02<br>Academic calendar :<br><a href="https://pg.edu.pl/dzial-ksztalcenia/academic-calendar">https://pg.edu.pl/dzial-ksztalcenia/academic-calendar</a> | June, 30th   | December, 15th   |
| McMaster University   | As Early as possible<br>Summer Session :<br>May - August | As Early as possible Summer<br>Session :<br>May - August |

*[\* to be adapted in case of a trimester system or different seasons]*

2. The receiving institution will send its decision within 4 weeks.



3. A Transcript of Records will be issued by the receiving institution no later than 5 weeks after the assessment period has finished at the receiving HEI. *[It should normally not exceed five weeks according to the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education guidelines]*
4. Termination of the agreement

*[It is up to the involved institutions to agree on the procedure for modifying or terminating the inter-institutional agreement. However, in the event of unilateral termination, a notice of at least one academic year should be given. This means that a unilateral decision to discontinue the exchanges notified to the other party by 1 September 20XX will only take effect as of 1 September 20XX+1. The termination clauses must include the following disclaimer: "Neither the European Commission nor the National Agencies can be held responsible in case of a conflict."]*

## G. Information

### 1. Grading systems of the institutions

PL GDANSK02

<http://pg.edu.pl/international/grading-system>

- A (5.0) very good / bardzo dobry
- B (4.5) more than good / dobry plus
- C (4.0) good / dobry
- D (3.5) quite good / dostateczny plus
- E (3.0) satisfactory /dostateczny
- F (2.0) insufficient / niedostateczny

| University degree-course    | Degree                                    | Total Credits | Years |
|-----------------------------|---|---------------|-------|
| <u>Undergraduate course</u> | Bachelor/ Engineer                        | 180/210 ECTS  | 3/3.5 |
| <u>Master's course</u>      | Master's degree/Master's degree, Engineer | 120/90 ECTS   | 2/1.5 |
| <u>Doctoral course</u>      | Doctoral degree                           | -             | 4+    |

McMaster

| McMaster University | A. Grading System |                  |       |                        |
|---------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------|------------------------|
|                     | Grade             | Equivalent Point | Grade | Equivalent Percentages |
|                     | A+                | 12               |       | 90-100                 |
|                     | A                 | 11               |       | 85-89                  |
|                     | A-                | 10               |       | 80-84                  |
|                     | B+                | 9                |       | 77-79                  |
|                     | B                 | 8                |       | 73-76                  |

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|----|---|----------------|
| B- | 7 | 70-72          |
| C+ | 6 | 67-69          |
| C  | 5 | 63-66          |
| C- | 4 | 60-62          |
| D+ | 3 | 57-59          |
| D  | 2 | 53-56          |
| D- | 1 | 50-52          |
| F  | 0 | 0-49 – Failure |

**Curriculum Structure of the Canadian University system**

| University degree-course                  | Degree          | Total Credits | Years |
|---|-----------------|---------------|-------|
| <u>Undergraduate course</u>               | Bachelor        | 120           | 4     |
| <u>Master's course</u> (2-years duration) | Master's degree |               | 2     |
| <u>Doctoral course</u>                    | Doctoral degree | -             | 4+    |

*[It is recommended that receiving institutions provide the statistical distribution of grades according to the descriptions in the ECTS users' guide<sup>10</sup>. A link to a webpage can be enough. The table will facilitate the interpretation of each grade awarded to students and will facilitate the credit transfer by the sending institution.]*

**2. Visa**

The sending and receiving institutions will provide assistance, when required, in securing visas for incoming and outbound mobile participants, according to the requirements of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education.

Information and assistance can be provided by the following contact points and information

<sup>10</sup> [http://ec.europa.eu/education/lifelong-learning-policy/ects\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/education/lifelong-learning-policy/ects_en.htm)

sources:

| Institution<br>[Erasmus code or city] | Contact details<br>(e-mail, phone)  | Website for information   |
|---------------------------------------|---|---|
| PL GDANSK02                           | Paulina Szumera,<br><a href="mailto:pauszume@pg.edu.pl">pauszume@pg.edu.pl</a><br>tel:+48 58 347 23 84  | <a href="http://pg.edu.pl/international/legal-stay">http://pg.edu.pl/international/legal-stay</a>   |
| McMaster                              | McMaster University<br><br>dabkoh@mcmaster.ca for<br>BIMR<br><br>centeadn@mcmaster.ca<br>for B.Tech<br><br>jadon@mcmaster.ca for<br>International Affairs | <a href="https://iss.mcmaster.ca/our-services/immigration-matters/entry-visa-temporary-resident-visa-trv.html">https://iss.mcmaster.ca/our-services/immigration-matters/entry-visa-temporary-resident-visa-trv.html</a> |

### 3. Insurance

The sending and receiving institutions will provide assistance in obtaining insurance for incoming and outbound mobile participants, according to the requirements of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education.

The receiving institution will inform mobile participants of cases in which insurance cover is not automatically provided. Information and assistance can be provided by the following contact points and information sources:

| Institution<br>[Erasmus code or city] | Contact details (e-mail,<br>phone)   | Website for information   |
|---------------------------------------|--|---|
| PL GDANSK02                           | Paulina Szumera,<br><a href="mailto:pauszume@pg.edu.pl">pauszume@pg.edu.pl</a><br>tel:+48 58 347 23 84                         | <a href="https://pg.edu.pl/international/medical-care">https://pg.edu.pl/international/medical-care</a>   |
| McMaster                              | dabkoh@mcmaster.ca for<br>BIMR<br><br>centeadn@mcmaster.ca<br>for B.Tech<br><br>jadon@mcmaster.ca for<br>International Affairs | <a href="https://iss.mcmaster.ca/our-services/immigration-matters/entry-visa-temporary-resident-visa-trv.html">https://iss.mcmaster.ca/our-services/immigration-matters/entry-visa-temporary-resident-visa-trv.html</a> |

### 4. Housing

The receiving institution will guide incoming mobile participants in finding accommodation, according to the requirements of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education.



Information and assistance can be provided by the following persons and information sources:

| Institution<br>[Erasmus code or city] | Contact details<br>(e-mail, phone)   | Website for information   |
|---------------------------------------|--|---|
| PL GDANSK02                           | Paulina Szumera,<br><a href="mailto:pauszume@pg.edu.pl">pauszume@pg.edu.pl</a><br>tel:+48 58 347 23 84 | <a href="https://pg.edu.pl/international/accomodation">https://pg.edu.pl/international/accomodation</a> |



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| McMaster | dabkoh@mcmaster.ca for BIMR<br><br>centeadn@mcmaster.ca for B.Tech<br><br>jadon@mcmaster.ca for International Affairs | <a href="https://iss.mcmaster.ca/our-services/immigration-matters/entry-visa-temporary-resident-visa-trv.html">https://iss.mcmaster.ca/our-services/immigration-matters/entry-visa-temporary-resident-visa-trv.html</a> |
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**SIGNATURES OF THE INSTITUTIONS (legal representatives)**

| Institution<br>[Erasmus code or name and city]            | Name, function   | Date       | Signature   |
|---|--|------------|---|
| <b>Gdańsk University of Technology</b><br><br>PL GDANSK02 | <b>Prof. Piotr Dominiak</b><br><br>Vice-rector for Internationalization and Innovation | 19 04 2019 | <br>Vice Rector for Internationalisation and Innovation<br>Professor Piotr Dominiak<br> |
| McMaster  | Dr. Peter Mascher<br>Vice-Provost, International Affairs                               |            |   |