

# CALL FOR STUDENT PARTICIPATION LEARN WITH CHARM-EU: EXPERIENCE TRANSNATIONAL ONLINE EDUCATION

Do you want to take part in an innovative European learning experience? Applications are open to students of CHARM-EU universities who want to expand their academic portfolio with online courses from other CHARM-EU partners.

The CHARM-EU transnational online catalogue is available here: <a href="https://charm-eu.eu/learning/educational-offer/course-catalogue/">https://charm-eu.eu/learning/educational-offer/course-catalogue/</a>

#### What is CHARM-EU?

CHARM-EU is a European University alliance, co-funded by the Erasmus+ Programme, between University of Barcelona (coordinator), Trinity College Dublin, Utrecht University, University of Montpellier, Eötvös Loránd University Budapest, Åbo Akademi University, Julius Maximilians University of Würzburg, Ruhr West University of Applied Sciences and University of Bergen. At CHARM-EU we work together to design and create a new university model to become a world example of good practice to increase the quality, international competitiveness, and attractiveness of the European Higher Education landscape.

CHARM-EU represents a **Ch**allenge-Driven, **A**ccessible, **R**esearch-based and **M**obile model for the co-creation of a **European University** aligned with the European Values, the European Green Deal and the sustainable development goals (SDGs). This international programme employs innovative pedagogical approaches and mechanisms to engage staff and students of diverse backgrounds and disciplines to facilitate, foster and enhance the links between education, research, and innovation. Furthermore, active engagement with CHARM-EU's extended network of academic experts and extra-academic actors increases the potential development and employability of our graduates.

## What is the CHARM-EU transnational online catalogue?

CHARM-EU Universities provide access to some of their hybrid or online courses for the students at the partner universities and **facilitate transnational online learning activities**. This way students will get first-hand transnational experience without physical mobility. **The credits of the online courses can be recognized in line with the standard procedures of the home university.** 

#### What are the benefits for me?

- Take part in a global learning experience by studying with students from other countries, backgrounds and disciplines.
- Gain experience and enhance your intercultural competences through international collaboration and connect with other students from around Europe.
- Participate in online courses that offer the flexibility to attend from your own home or university.
- Earn credits and enhance your academic portfolio in exciting and innovative courses.
- Get access to courses that are not available at your home institution.
- Increase your future career opportunities by improving your skills and competencies in key areas of employment need.
- Learn from acknowledged professors and lecturers from prestigious universities of the CHARM-EU Alliance.
- Experience learning online at a CHARM-EU alliance university as a potential stepping stone to future physical mobility.

If you are ready for an international university challenge, and interested in becoming an international student, you are a perfect candidate to apply!

#### What types of courses are offered?

The majority of the courses in this call are accredited as a core or as an elective course in a Bachelors, Master's or Doctoral programme at the advertising university. For most of the courses, students can earn ECTS. Credit recognition will be managed in line with the standard procedures of your home university. Also, the courses

- are delivered in English or German
- give access to the course materials online in an LMS (Moodle, Teams, Canvas)
- are either fully online (all students are online) or hybrid (regular students attend classes in person, virtual exchange students attend classes online at the same time)
- are delivered either synchronously or asynchronously
- are interactive (students have an opportunity to interact with the course materials, the instructor, and the other students in the class, for example during international group projects, Moodle forums or breakout rooms)
- are in broad study fields but some of them may be related to one of the areas below:
  - ✓ Sustainability and Climate Change
  - ✓ Transversal skills
  - ✓ Technology and STEM
  - ✓ Entrepreneurship, innovation, and business
  - ✓ European values, culture, and language

# Who can apply?

- If you are a Bachelor's, Master's student or Doctoral candidate in the following CHARM-EU universities:
  - Utrecht University (UU)
  - Eötvös Loránd University Budapest (ELTE)
  - University of Montpellier (UM)
  - Åbo Akademi University (AAU)
  - Julius Maximilians University of Würzburg (JMU)
  - University of Bergen (UiB)
  - CHARM-EU Master's in "Global Challenges for Sustainability" students
- If your background and experience (e.g. language attainment level where relevant) align with the requirements of the module.

# When should I apply?

The deadline to apply:

- For the courses to be started on 31 January 2025 or earlier: 9 December 2024.
- For the courses to be started on 1 February or later: 20 January 2025.

#### How should I apply?

- 1. Scan the <u>Transnational online catalogue</u> and identify any courses that fit your study programme or are of interest to you.
- 2. Contact your study advisor (i.e. the person responsible for the programme you are currently doing at your university), discuss whether the course is suitable for your programme and clarify whether the course could be taken as a core subject or as an elective one.
- If your study advisor approves, please complete the Learning Agreement (available for download here: <a href="https://charm-eu.eu/wp-content/uploads/2024/11/CHARM-EU-Learning-agreement\_2024-V2.docx">https://charm-eu.eu/wp-content/uploads/2024/11/CHARM-EU-Learning-agreement\_2024-V2.docx</a> and have it signed by the Erasmus+ coordinator at your faculty or department (both digital signature and scanned copies of the signed document are acceptable).
  - a. Students of the CHARM-EU Joint Master programme and students at the University of Montpellier are eligible to participate, but without the opportunity to get recognized the credits gained. For this reason, they are not requested to prepare a Learning Agreement.
  - b. Students at Utrecht University do not require a signature from the study advisor in the Learning Agreement. Instead, Mirne van der Cammen (details below) can sign it.
  - c. The Learning Agreement does not yet give you a guarantee for credit transfer towards your own study programme. Credit recognition will be managed in line with the standard procedures of your home university. For details, please turn to the contact person of your university (see details below).
  - d. In case you are in the final semester of your current study programme, the credits obtained may not be counted towards the overall credits of your programme, as credit transfer takes place (in most cases) retrospectively, after the end of the semester / at

the beginning of the next semester. In case you are hesitant in this regard, please contact your local registrar's office.

- 4. To apply for one of the courses, please fill in the online application form which is available here: application form.
  - a. It is possible to register for multiple courses, but it is strongly advised to consider the workload of it. For each course a separate application should be submitted.
  - b. At some host universities a selection might apply.
- 5. Students whose applications are approved must send the signed Learning Agreement to the contact person of their own university (see below).

# When do I get a reply?

After the deadline for applications, we will check all documents and allocate the available places. You can expect to have a final answer:

- In case of the 9 December deadline by 16 December 2024.
- In case of the 20 January deadline by 27 January 2025.

After you are admitted, your host institution will onboard you and give you access to the course materials and other things you may need.

Please, contact the host university as soon as possible, if for any reason you cannot attend the course after registration.

### Where can I ask a question?

At each participating university, there's a contact point for your questions. Please, raise your questions to the contact point of your own university.

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