You apply to a programme, not to "Erasmus".

Erasmus Mundus: how to apply, in 4 steps

Erasmus Mundus Joint Masters (EMJM) are master's programmes run by a consortium: a group of at least three universities in at least three countries that teach one joint programme. There is no central EU application. The European Commission's Erasmus+ page states that students apply directly to the institution running their chosen programme.

Who can apply: students from all over the world with a bachelor's degree (or a recognised equivalent), or in the last year of a bachelor's and graduating before the master's starts.

When: applications usually open in October and close in January. Each programme sets its own dates.

The 4 steps

1. **Find programmes in your field.** Search the Erasmus Mundus Catalogue on the site of EACEA, the EU agency that manages the programme (eacea.ec.europa.eu, "Erasmus Mundus catalogue"). Shortlist three to five.
2. **Read each programme's own page.** Write down: the deadline and its time zone · the degree fields it accepts and those it does not · the English test and score · the documents (motivation letter,

references, writing sample) · whether there is an interview · how many scholarships it gives, if it says.

3. **Apply on the programme's own system.** One application per programme, on the consortium's website. Upload every document before the deadline; in some programmes referees submit their letters separately, so ask them early.

4. **Selection and scholarship results.** Programmes rank applicants and offer scholarships to the best ranked. The programme's page gives its results date.

What a scholarship covers

The European Commission's page says scholarships cover your participation costs (tuition and other required costs) and contribute to travel, visa and living costs. Each programme states the monthly amount for its intake on its own page; read it there.

Can I get the scholarship twice? No: programmes state that you cannot receive an EMJM scholarship if you have already had one (Euroculture's page, for example).

Is there an application fee? Read the programme's page. The EU page states no general rule.

Your checklist for each programme

- [ ] Programme name and consortium website: _____
- [ ] Deadline (date, time, time zone): _____ (convert it with our S01 guide)
- [ ] My degree field is accepted: yes / no
- [ ] English test and score asked: _____
- [ ] Motivation letter: ____ · References: ____ (how many, by when) · Writing sample: ____
- [ ] Scholarship amount and what it covers, from the programme's page: _____
- [ ] Interview: yes / no

> **Our advice:** apply to more than one programme in your field; each one selects separately.

Worked example with real dates, and our verified Erasmus Mundus programmes: scholarmena.com/guides/erasmus-mundus-how-to-apply/

Sources

Our editors read these official pages on 10 Nov 2026. If anything differs, the official page is the reference.

1. At least 3 institutions from at least 3 countries; apply directly to the institution; eligibility; all nationalities; coverage; usually October to January https://erasmus-plus.ec.europa.eu/opportunities/individuals/students/erasmus-mundus-joint-masters
2. Euroculture: EUR 1,400 a month, coverage, no repeat EMJM scholarship, no application cap stated https://www.euroculturemaster.eu/erasmus-mundus-scholarship
3. Euroculture dates, interview, results https://www.euroculturemaster.eu/application-procedure
4. Catalogue on the EACEA site https://www.eacea.ec.europa.eu/scholarships/erasmus-mundus-catalogue_en