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Do you know what it means to be a "free mover" student? The medical faculties of Sapienza have agreed to update the regulation to bring it into line with the times

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The **innovative teaching** experimented in the Erasmus+ projects represents an important moment **for harmonizing teaching** at a European level. DOMINOS is one of these projects.



WELCOME TO THE INCOMING ERASMUS STUDENTS!

It is customary that in the third week of September Sapienza organizes the Welcome Week aimed at *incoming* Erasmus students. The Erasmus offices of the Faculty of Pharmacy and Medicine organized a meeting on 18th September to introduce ourselves to the *incoming* students who will enrolled in our study courses.

It is always a quite exciting moment to enter a new academic community of students and teachers, to find yourself faced with the challenge of following lessons and taking exams in another language, and at the same time to have the possibility of creating new friendships, which perhaps will last for a lifetime.... Once again, dear students, welcome!!

On 18th September the Faculty of Pharmacy and Medicine welcomed around 100 international students participating in the Erasmus+ Program for the first semester or the entire academic year 2024/2025, and coming from the many partner universities with which our Faculty has active student mobility agreements.

During the meeting, which was held in the Department of Odontostomatological and Maxillofacial Sciences, practical information was provided to the students by the RAEF on the structure and organization of the Pharmacy and Medicine areas of the Faculty, on attendance at lessons and on how to book exams in InfoStud. The "Erasmus Student Network" (ESN) presented its offer which ranges from support to Incoming students to help them solve practical problems, to recreational and socialization initiatives to get to know each other and to discover Italy, as well as Rome, the eternal city!

At the end of the meeting it was a pleasure to chat with the Erasmus students during a welcome reception.

Special thanks go to the Academic Mobility Managers (RAM) who approve the Learning Agreements of the students we host and, in particular, to the administrative staff (RAEF), Drs. Luana Girolami, Sabina Imbimbo and Maria Carlotta D'Addona.

CIVIS: the offer of the European University for our students

CIVIS – Europe's Civic University Alliance was born as the result of the collaboration between 11 European universities who decided to intensify institutional cooperation by setting some common objectives such as: increasing mobility; support new intersectoral collaborations within 5 thematic Hubs including the Health Hub of which Sapienza is co-coordinator; encourage innovation in the training offer and facilitate the award of joint European diplomas. In this regard, the call for educational activities has just closed.

Students, as the beating heart of the Alliance, are called to have a central role, participate in activities, but also propose and lead their own projects. The initiatives currently open and directly addressed to them are:

- BIPs Blended Intensive Programmes, innovative training units that integrate online teaching with short periods of physical mobility at a CIVIS partner university. The list of active courses can be found on the <u>CIVIS website</u>, the deadline to apply is October 31st, but new possibilities will open at the beginning of 2025;
- the <u>call for student-led projects</u> with deadline 31 October: a unique opportunity to be an active part of the CIVIS alliance

The "free movers" student regulations have been updated

"Free movers are those students who do not participate in an exchange program organized by the university, such as Erasmus, but instead choose the host university on their own initiative, organizing the study period abroad independently"

Without prejudice to <u>the definition of "free mover"</u> student of Sapienza University of Rome, as well as the **general methods for carrying out this type of mobility**, the Faculty of Pharmacy and Medicine, together with the other two medical faculties of Sapienza, has approved an update to the "free mover" regulation, to adapt it to changing times and needs.

The Faculties grant students the possibility of spending a period of study and/or traineeship abroad (minimum 1 month maximum 6 months), **outside** of mobility agreements for which participation in a selection call is instead based on merit and a financial contribution from Sapienza is expressly foreseen.

The "free mover" mobily, for which no financial contribution is expected from Sapienza, requires **authorization** from the Course of Studies and is **connected to specific interests of the student** for which the institutional exchanges already activated do not provide answers.



DOMINOS project and Serious Games

The third and last Transnational Meeting of the Erasmus+ <u>DOMINOS</u> project took place in Sapienza on 3-4 October 2024. The Department of Odontostomatological and Maxillofacial Sciences (director: Prof. Umberto Romeo) has made its premises available for this event.

Greetings to the participants of the 6 European universities involved in the project were pronounced by the vice-rector of Sapienza, prof. Giuseppe Ciccarone, by the dean of the Faculty of Pharmacy and Medicine, prof. Paolo Villari, and by the deputy dean of the Faculty of Medicine and Dentistry, Prof. Livia Ottolenghi.

The meeting represented an important moment aimed at discussing the results of the project and the future developments of OSCE training for students in the healthcare sector. The DOMINOS teachers have decided to launch three new courses (each with 6 Serious Games) in which students in the last two years of the degree courses in Medicine and Surgery, Dentistry and Dental Prosthetics, Pharmacy will be able to enroll spontaneously and evaluate the effectiveness of teaching and learning of the DOMINOS Serious Games. <u>Visit our web page</u>!