

Provisional Program: Intercultural Competences for International Mobility

STW July 06-10, 2026

Estimated Daily Schedule: 9:00–14:00

This week-long training program is designed to foster knowledge exchange, strengthen international cooperation, and improve communication strategies within the context of higher education mobility and internationalization. Each day will include interactive sessions, group discussions, and practical activities focused on the following key topics:

Program Highlights:

- **Intercultural Communication**
Explore the dynamics of cross-cultural interaction and develop strategies to enhance mutual understanding in international environments.
- **Erasmus+: Students Abroad – What Could Go Wrong?**
Identify common challenges faced by students during mobility periods and discuss effective solutions and support mechanisms.
- **Holistic Support for Academic Mobility: cultural awareness, cultural shock.**
Address the psychological and cultural challenges of mobility by providing tools to manage cultural shock and foster deeper cultural sensitivity among participants.
- **Welcoming International Students and Staff.**
Examine best practices and protocols for the initial reception of international visitors to ensure a smooth integration into the university community.
- **Improving Communication with Students: Good Practices for IROs**
Share and analyse successful communication strategies used by International Relations Offices to engage and support students.
- **Using Intercultural Competence to Enhance Equality, Diversity, and Inclusion.**
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- **Managing Erasmus+ KA171 Mobility Projects**
Gain insights into the administration of KA171 projects, with a special focus on resolving doubts and supporting new partners.
- **Emergency Management in International Mobility**
Understand the structure of the Vice-Rectorate for Internationalization and review protocols for managing emergencies during mobility periods.
- **Interculturality in the Academic Workplace.**
Analyze the impact of cultural diversity within university staff and develop collaborative tools to improve professional relationships and efficiency in multicultural academic settings.

Additional Activities:

To complement the academic sessions, participants will have the opportunity to take part in **cultural activities**, such as **guided visits to historical buildings**, offering a deeper insight into the cultural and historical context of the host city and fostering informal networking among attendees.

Kindly note that this is a draft program and may be updated or modified.