

BLENDED INTENSIVE PROGRAMMES (BIP)

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WHAT IS A BIP?

BIPs are short, intensive exchange programs that take place partly in-person (physical component) and partly online (virtual component), enabling higher education institutions to collaborate on developing joint teaching and innovative activities for students and staff.

Staff (VIP, TAP) at AU can apply for organizational support to host a BIP at AU through the Erasmus+ program. Students and staff can apply for Erasmus+ grants to participate in BIPs abroad, but only if either a) AU is a partner or b) a Circle U. partner is the coordinator.

10 BIP REQUIREMENTS

1. A BIP must be organized by at least three institutions (1 coordinator, 2 partners).
2. There must be an Erasmus+ exchange agreement between the partners in a BIP.
3. Coordinators host the physical component and receive participants from partners.
4. A minimum of 10 “mobile” (traveling) Erasmus+ participants is required.
5. Participants in a BIP can be either students or staff.
6. The physical component must last between 5-30 days for participants.
7. The virtual component has no duration or timing requirements (before, after, during)
8. BIPs must award credits and a transcript of records.
9. BIPs must offer at least 5 ECTS for AU students.
10. BIPs must be recognized as part of the degree (incl. pre-approval, credit transfer).

HOW TO APPLY

- **Coordinators** apply for organizational support (4-8.000 €) at erasmus@au.dk.
- **Staff** (VIP, TAP) can apply for an Erasmus+ grant (incl. travel grant) [here](#).
- **Students** apply in their study portal (“Study abroad” > “Other travel opportunities”).
- **All participants** must apply for admission into BIPs directly through the BIP host.

AFTER BIP

- **BIP coordinators** must submit an overall report to the Erasmus+ platform Beneficiary Module (via the International Office).
- **All participants** must submit a report (and be registered in Beneficiary Module)

LEARN MORE

www.medarbejdere.au.dk/administration/internationalt/blended-intensive-programmes

TIPS FOR BIPS

GOOD TO KNOW BEFORE COORDINATING A BIP AT AU OR JOINING ONE AS A PARTNER



GET STARTED EARLY

Start preparations with your BIP partners well in advance of the scheduled start date.



TIMING

The physical part of a BIP is 5-30 days, but if the program days fall within the middle of a semester, are students able to travel and miss these days of class?



ERASMUS+ GRANTS

BIP grants for students and staff are not guaranteed. Grants are only available if a) AU is a partner in the BIP or b) a Circle U. partner is the coordinator.



CREDITS

BIPs must award minimum 5 ECTS. Credits must be pre-approved and recognized as part of the students' degree programmes.



EXCHANGE

BIPs must be part of students' study programme (be exchanged for e.g. an elective). If a BIP is 5 ECTS and students mainly have 10 ECTS courses, be sure that they have other 5 ECTS courses to reach a round number (e.g. 30 ECTS).



EXCHANGE AGREEMENT

It is a requirement that there is an Erasmus+ exchange agreement between the partners in a BIP that receive and send participants. Consult the international coordinators at your faculty to find out if there is.