

## **Shota Rustaveli Theatre and Film Georgia State University**

### **KA171 2025 PROJECT TERM (2025–2028)**

### **ERASMUS STUDENT MOBILITY APPLICATION ANNOUNCEMENT FOR FALL / SPRING SEMESTERS**

#### **Doğuş University – Shota Rustaveli Theatre and Film Georgia State University (Georgia)**

The KA171 project is a type of program that offers higher education students and staff the opportunity to gain academic or professional experience in a country referred to as a “partner country.” This project is also known as ICM (International Credit Mobility) and was formerly referred to as the KA171 Project.

Student Mobility refers to the mobility of higher education students from our country to partner countries, and from partner countries to our country, for study and internship purposes.

Selection will be made for a total of **one (1) undergraduate student quota**.

- **Country:** Turkey
- **University:** Doğuş University
- **Departments:** Acting
- **Project Period:** Fall / Spring Semesters (2026–2027)
- **Application Dates:** November 21, 2026 – December 04, 2026

(Application link or portal to be provided by Shota Rustaveli Theatre and Film Georgia State University.)

### **IMPORTANT**

To ensure the smooth administration of the Erasmus mobility process, students are required to use their “...@tafu.edu.ge” email addresses.

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Before the application process, students must ensure that their Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) is accurate and up to date in the ---- system. Since the GPA available in the system at the time of application will be taken into consideration, students are strongly advised to check the --- system and, if necessary, correct any missing courses or grades through the Student Affairs Office. Any corrections made after the application process has been completed will not be reflected in the application system.

Students who do not yet have a semester-based CGPA may apply using their high school diploma GPA. During the application process, applicants may upload a PDF version of the graduation transcript/TOR document from their previous level of education.

In order to participate in Erasmus Study Mobility, there must be an inter-institutional agreement between the institutions. Information regarding our institution's Erasmus Bilateral Agreements can be accessed through the official website of the Erasmus Institutional Coordination Office.

Considering the high volume of applications, students are strongly encouraged to use the -----@tafu.edu.ge email address for any questions or issues that may arise during the application process. To ensure the healthy continuation of the process, support will be provided only via email.

## APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR ERASMUS STUDY MOBILITY

Undergraduate and associate degree students who wish to benefit from Erasmus Study Mobility must have a sufficient number of courses or ECTS/AKTS credit load for the study mobility period and must complete a workload of 30 ECTS credits per semester during the mobility period.

According to the European Commission's ECTS Guide, the sufficient workload for one academic year is **60 ECTS credits**.

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| 30 October 2026  | Erasmus KA171 Student Mobility Application Announcement Date |
| 21 November 2026 | Erasmus KA171 Student Mobility Application Start Date        |
| 04 December 2026 | Erasmus KA171 Student Mobility Application End Date          |
|                  | Announcement of Evaluation Results                           |
|                  | Appeal Period for Results                                    |
|                  | Announcement of Final Results                                |
|                  | Deadline for Submission of Waiver Petition                   |

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

When applying for student mobility, applicants must carefully consider the following requirements:

- Students must be enrolled in a formal Associate or Bachelor's degree program on a full-time basis.
- Students must have a sufficient number of courses or an academic workload equivalent to **30 ECTS/AKTS credits per semester** for the planned mobility period.
- Students who have previously participated in Erasmus mobility activities at the same or a previous study level may apply. However, it must be noted that Erasmus mobility is limited to a total of **12 months per study cycle**.
- Students enrolled in Double Major or Minor programs may apply only through their **main major**.

- Students who have taken an academic leave of absence may apply, but cannot undertake mobility during the period of leave.
- Students enrolled in Open and Distance Education programs are not eligible to apply.
- Students whose student rights have expired, even if their right to education continues, cannot apply.
- Preparatory class (including scientific preparation) students are not eligible to apply.
- Students participating in an exchange program at our university cannot apply.

### **Academic Requirement (GPA)**

- Minimum Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA):
  - Associate and Bachelor's degree programs: **2.20 / 4.00**

Students who have not yet received a transcript:

- First-year students with no semester GPA must have a high school graduation GPA of at least **2.20 / 4.00**.

Students who do not meet these minimum requirements are not eligible to apply.

Having failed courses does **not** prevent application to the Erasmus mobility program.

### **FOREIGN LANGUAGE EXAM**

Foreign language exams conducted by ---- in the English language department will also be accepted with the same threshold score (**60 or above**).

Validity period of exams:

- TOEFL ve....: valid for **5 years** from the application date.

In addition, Erasmus Foreign Language Exam results conducted by the Canadore Language Centre for the 2026 project periods are valid.

Students who wish to use their foreign language exam scores must upload their documents in PDF format during the application.

**(A Turkish language proficiency certificate is mandatory. B2 Level)**

### **APPLICATION EVALUATION CRITERIA**

Evaluation is based on:

- **50% Cumulative GPA (CGPA)**
- **50% Foreign Language Score**

The total of these scores forms the student's final Erasmus score.

Minimum passing threshold for the foreign language exam: **B1 level (60 points)**

## PLACEMENT PRINCIPLES

- Student ranking is conducted within each Faculty/Institute.
- Placements are final for Erasmus mobility purposes; however, they serve as preliminary selection for grant allocation. Students selected may also participate without a grant within available quotas.
- Associate and Bachelor's students may apply through their faculty agreements if their institute has no Erasmus agreements.
- Students are evaluated separately for each contract period and must meet all announced requirements for that period. The conditions in this announcement apply only to the **KA171 2026/2027 Fall/Spring project term**.

Selection criteria and weighted scores are shown in Table 1 below.

## IMPORTANT NOTES

- In addition to academic and language scores, students who previously participated in Erasmus (2014–2020 or 2023–2027) mobility at the same academic level will receive a **-10 point deduction for each previous activity** (study or internship).
- This deduction does not apply to mobilities at a different study level or non-higher education mobility activities.
- Students who withdraw after being selected must submit a waiver within the designated period. If not, a **-10 point penalty** will be applied in future Erasmus applications.

**Table 1: Evaluation Criteria**

| Criterion                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Weighted Score                     |
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| Academic Achievement Level                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 50% (out of a total of 100 points) |
| Language Proficiency Level                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 50% (out of a total of 100 points) |
| Students with disabilities (provided that the disability is documented)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | +10 points                         |
| For students who have previously benefited from Erasmus+ (2014–2020 or 2021–2027) mobility under the same project type (study or traineeship), whether with or without a grant, a score deduction will be applied for each previous activity in an amount determined by the higher education institution. | -10 points                         |

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| <b>Participating in mobility in the country of which the student is a citizen</b>                                                                                                                    | <b>-10 point</b>  |
| <b>Failure to participate in the mobility without submitting a waiver within the specified deadline, despite being selected for the mobility</b>                                                     | <b>-10 points</b> |
| <b>For selected students: Unexcused non-attendance at meetings/trainings organized by the higher education institution regarding the mobility (applied if the student applies for Erasmus again)</b> | <b>-5 points</b>  |
| <b>Declaring participation in the language exam but failing to attend without a valid excuse (applied if the student applies for Erasmus again)</b>                                                  | <b>-5 points</b>  |

Additional documents required for bonus points must be uploaded to the application portal during the application process. Inappropriate or invalid documents will not be taken into consideration.

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION ON ACTIVITY DURATION**

- The duration of Erasmus Student (Study) Mobility is between **2 and 12 months** for each study cycle (this may correspond to 1, 2, or in some education systems 3 semesters).
- The minimum duration for study mobility is **2 full months or 1 trimester**, and the maximum is **12 full months**.
- If one trimester at the host higher education institution is less than 60 days, the student must inform the Erasmus Institutional Coordination Office before the mobility starts.
- If the student has previously participated in Erasmus mobility activities (2014–2020 and/or 2021–2027) within the same study cycle, the total duration of all activities combined cannot exceed **12 months**.
- Students who are awarded an Erasmus study mobility grant can only receive funding for **one semester**.

#### **IMPORTANT**

For Doğuş University, grant funding will be allocated for one semester. Students who wish may participate in the mobility in the following semester without a grant, depending on the available bilateral agreement quota.

After placement, students may choose to participate without receiving a grant.

Students who take an academic leave of absence cannot carry out study mobility or compulsory internship during the period of leave.

Students receive Erasmus grants to help cover additional costs incurred while staying abroad.

#### **IV. INCLUSION SUPPORT**

The Erasmus+ Programme encourages the participation of individuals with fewer opportunities.

A person with fewer opportunities is a potential participant whose physical, mental, or health condition does not allow participation in the project/mobility activity without additional financial support.

To provide additional funding for students and staff who require inclusion support, the higher education institution must request extra funding from the Turkish National Agency.

The **2025 KA171 Erasmus Handbook** applies during the student selection process.

#### **MONTHLY/DAILY GRANT AMOUNTS BY HOST COUNTRY**

Students are provided with grants to support their additional costs incurred during their stay abroad. These grants are not intended to fully cover all expenses, but only to contribute to them.

The table below shows the individual support grant amounts for students participating in long-term activities:

| <b>Sending Country</b>                                                       | <b>Receiving Country</b>                                                     | <b>Monthly Grant Amount (EUR)</b> |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Türkiye                                                                      | Third Country Not Associated with the Programme, located in Regions 1 and 12 | €700                              |
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#### **Travel Support**

In mobility activities with non-associated third countries, students are provided with additional support for round-trip travel expenses.

The travel cost is calculated using the “Distance Calculator,” which can be accessed via the following link:

[http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/tools/distance\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/tools/distance_en.htm)

Using the distance calculator, the distance (in km) between the sending institution and the host institution must be determined. The travel grant is then calculated based on this distance using the table below.

The amount shown in the table corresponds to the **round-trip (both ways) travel grant** and should **not be multiplied by two**.

Whether the student travels with connecting flights or transfers does not affect the calculated distance obtained through the distance calculator.

| Travel Distance    | Standard Travel Grant | Green Travel Grant |
|--------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| 10–99 km           | €28                   | €56                |
| 100–499 km         | €211                  | €285               |
| 500–1,999 km       | €309                  | €417               |
| 2,000–2,999 km     | €395                  | €535               |
| 3,000–3,999 km     | €580                  | €785               |
| 4,000–7,999 km     | €1,188                | €1,188             |
| 8,000 km and above | €1,735                | €1,735             |

As a general rule, for distances under **500 km**, participants are expected to travel using low-emission transport options.

Since the travel grant is provided as a **lump-sum payment**, students are not required to keep or submit documents showing travel expenses in their application files.

However, as individual support is mandatory for travel days before and/or after the activity, students must retain appropriate documents in order to verify departure and return dates. These may include boarding passes, bus/train tickets, or passport entry/exit stamps.

If the travel dates overlap with the mobility period (i.e., the departure date is the start date of the activity and/or the return date is the end date of the activity), no additional individual support grant is paid for those days.

If travel days are properly documented, a maximum of **two days of individual support** may be granted for non-green travel (one day for departure and one day for return).

## CONTACT INFORMATION

The Shota Rustaveli Theatre and Film Georgia State University Erasmus Institutional Coordination Office will continue to provide support during the application period via the email address:

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The contact details of the coordination office can also be accessed on our website:  
[www.tafu.edu.ge](http://www.tafu.edu.ge)