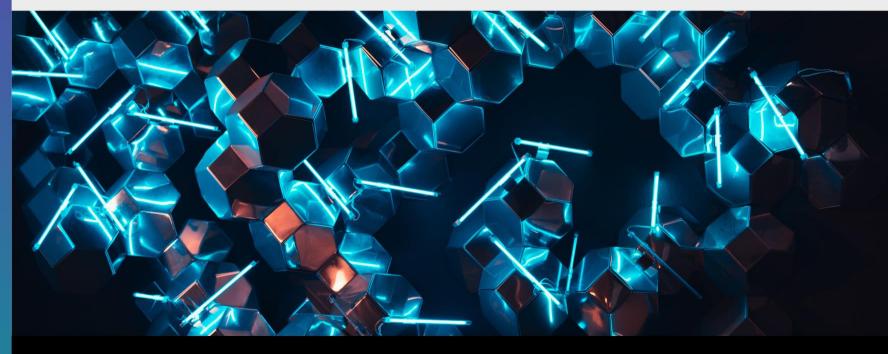


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21 March - 28 April 2023



TRAINEESHIP ABROAD. HOW TO ADAPT TO A MULTICULTURAL ENVIRONMENT

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Erasmus+



- **☒** Practical skills
- **☒** International Network
- **☑** Visit many countries
- **E** Recognition
- **区** Language
- **Money**



Erasmus+ is...



Studies + **Traineeship** =12 months/study cycle

4 Selections for Erasmus+ traineeship:

- December
- March
- June
- September

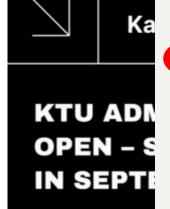
Students have to find a traineeship place by themselves!

How to organize the process



HOW TO FIND TRAINEESHIP PLACE?





Quality Management

Sustainability

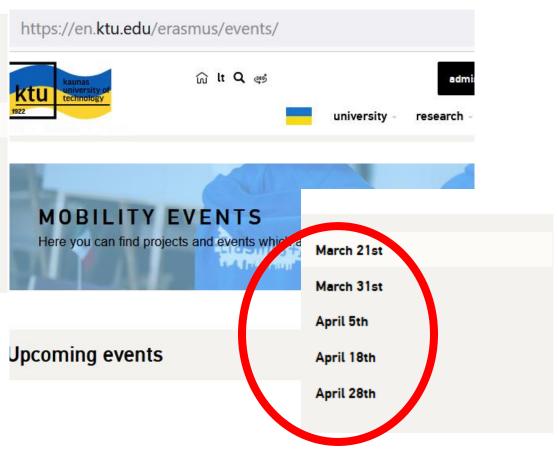
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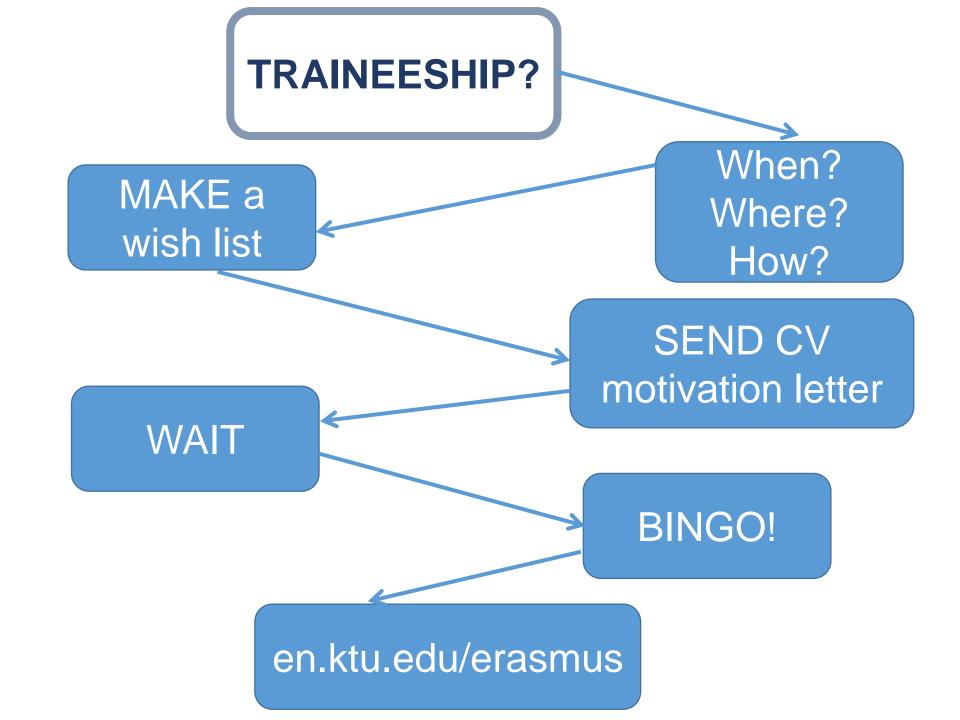
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SUMMER TRAINEESHIP WITH EXASMUS+





Apply before June 1st

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Cultural Differences at Work



Communication:

HOW and WHEN information is provided?

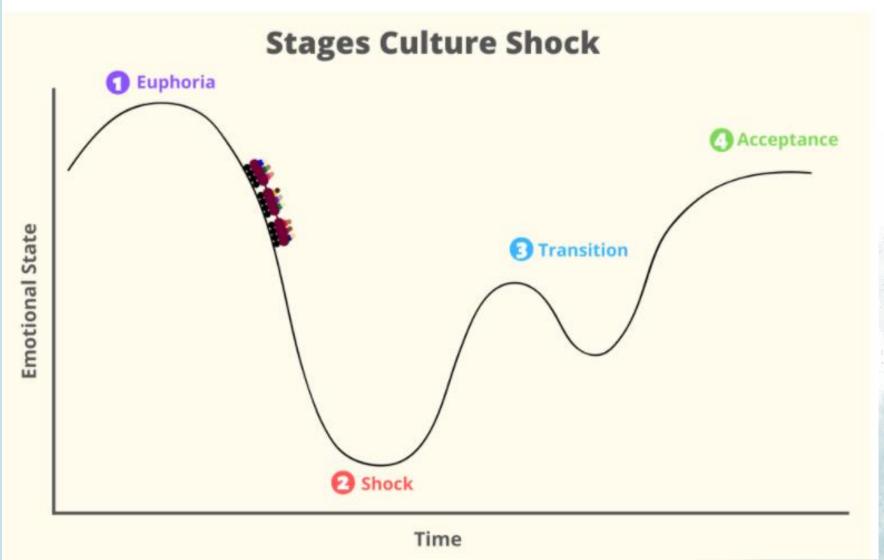
Accurate and promptly MANNER?

DIRECT or INDIRECT ways?

- Way of work (individualistic/ teamwork culture?)
- Time awareness (balance between work and family life? Fixed or flexible deadlines?)
- Beliefs (religious events? Holidays affect schedules and calendars)
- Worldview (active or passive attitude?)
- Formality (dress code, greetings, body language, respect?)
- Hierarchy (horizontal or vertical? Leadership style?)

Adapting to a different culture





How to Deal with a Toxic Supervisor



- Do not let the toxic behaviour last
- Talk and explain
- Follow your tasks
- Be polite, honest, and clear
- Don't gossip
- Keep detailed records
- Inform you university supervisor about the problems
- Develop some coping mechanisms (keep a safe emotional distance)
- Remember why have you chose to go on traineeship
- Remember, the traineeship will not last forever
- Make the decision to stay or go

How to Be a Successful Trainee Abroad?



- Learn about the culture of the country
- Be open-minded, flexible, take initiatives
- Go beyond stereotypes (don't be arrogant about any culture)
- Consider that culture is relative (use your observation and listening skills)
- Ask questions
- Be patient (everybody makes mistakes)
- Make a budget
- Manage time wisely
- Expand your network
- Ask for feedback from your supervisor and co-workers



HOW COULD KTU PREPARE STUDENTS FOR A BETTER? ADAPTATION



Intercultural Learning Course*



- Only for Exchange Programme Participants
- Only one group per semester (spring/autumn)
- Only in English
- Only mixed groups from different faculties/different study cycles
- Not evaluated by the mark ("completed " (IT) or "not completed " (NT))

*Module codes: DS00B107 (for Bachelor students) / DS00M109 (for Master students)

Learning Journey



- **I. Preparation (Pre-departure. Face-to-Face Training):** introduction to academic exchange, first intercultural learning session in a mixed group of outgoing exchange students and trainees.
- II. Support (online activities in Moodle): during your stay abroad, online lectures on intercultural topics in combination with exercises that allow for interaction and self-assessment.
- **III. Online stories:** reporting on your experiences gained abroad and exchanging practical information.
- **IV. Reflection (Re-entry. Face-to-Face Training):** evaluation of and reflection on your intercultural experiences, integration of acquired intercultural skills into your CV, internet profile, job interviews.





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