INCOMING EXCHANGE GUIDE · ERASMUS+

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2026/27



Hellenic Mediterranean University
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HELLENIC MEDITERRANEAN UNIVERSITY

HMU at a glance

1000+
Erasmus mobilities in 2024–25

150+
courses taught in English for exchange students

300+
departmental bilateral agreements

639
incoming students 2020–25

10+
Blended Intensive Programmes a year

2
MSc programmes taught in English

10k+
students

11
departments

17
MSc programmes · 900+ MSc students

230+
PhD candidates · 35k+ graduates

SCHOOL OF **Health Sciences**

SCHOOL OF **Management & Economic Sciences**

SCHOOL OF **Engineering**

SCHOOL OF **Agricultural Sciences**

SCHOOL OF **Music & Optoacoustic Technologies**



Five campuses, one island

Our main campus is at Estavromenos, Heraklion. Four more campuses run along the north coast of Crete, from Chania in the west to Sitia in the east. Distances below are approximate road distances from Heraklion.

Chania
≈140 km

Rethymno
≈80 km

Heraklion
main campus

Agios Nikolaos
≈65 km

Sitia
≈135 km

Getting here

International airports in Heraklion (HER) and Chania (CHQ), plus daily ferries to Piraeus/Athens.

Teaching

Courses are taught in Greek and English. Every exchange student can take Greek language classes.

No tuition fees

Exchange students pay no fees. Monthly living costs are around €450–600.

FACT SHEET

Plan your exchange

ERASMUS CODE
G KRITIS05

TUITION FEES
Free

LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION
Greek & English

ADDRESS

Main campus at Estavromenos, 71410 Heraklion, Crete. Four more campuses across Crete.

ACCOMMODATION

Some single rooms are available in the Residence Halls (€120/month). Contact Dr Owens before you arrive. ESN helps students find private rentals.

GREEK LANGUAGE

Lectures (3 h/week), seminars every two weeks and workshops, worth 2–3 ECTS.

INSURANCE

You need proof of health insurance. EU students can send a copy of their European Health Insurance Card (EHIC). Internship students also need (a) third-party liability insurance and (b) personal accident insurance. Primary health services are available on campus.

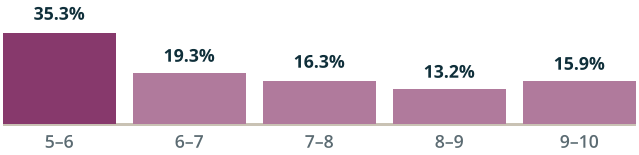
Academic calendar

	WINTER SEMESTER	SUMMER SEMESTER
Nomination / application deadline	**31 May**	**30 November**
Welcome Week & course registration	September	February
Semester runs	October – February	February – June

Grading scale

A	B	C	F
8.50–10 Excellent Άριστα	6.50–8.49 Very good Λίαν καλώς	5.00–6.49 Sufficient Καλώς	0–4.99 Fail Ανεπιτυχώς

Grade distribution, all departments, 2024–25 (passing grades only · pass rate 76.6%)



Department tables: iro.hmu.gr/grading-and-recognition

MONTHLY BUDGET

€450–600 / month

Single-room flat	€150–250
Living costs	€300–350
Residence Hall room	€120



Theatre, concerts, sport: student life at HMU

INTERNATIONAL LEARNING · 2026/27

COILs & BIPs

Learn with students from partner universities. A COIL runs fully online, and a BIP adds an intensive week in Crete. Ask your home Erasmus office about joining.



AI Literacy

Starts Wed 21 Oct 2026 · Wednesdays 18:30–20:00 CET · Zoom

Register by 19 Oct

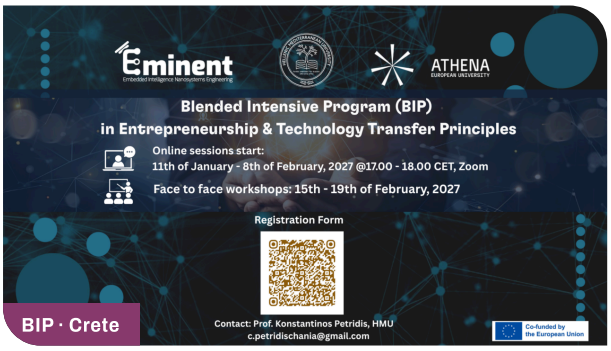
The foundations of artificial intelligence, its practical uses and the ethical questions it raises, studied in mixed international teams. With Mansoura University (Egypt), Odisee University (Belgium) and Avantika University (India).



Cultural Communication

Online · VISTA · LEAD · HOPE projects

Build intercultural awareness and learn to communicate in culturally diverse settings. Students recognise and overcome stereotypes, explore different cultural values, and handle misunderstandings and disagreements constructively through collaborative, reflective activities.



Entrepreneurship & Technology Transfer Principles

Online: Mondays 11 Jan – 8 Feb 2027, 17:00–18:00 CET

In Heraklion: 15–19 Feb 2027 · 3 ECTS

From idea to venture: customer discovery, technology transfer, intellectual property and pitching, with hands-on workshops in design thinking and Scrum. Open to all academic backgrounds. With Eminent and ATHENA European University.

Contact for all three programmes: Prof. Konstantinos Petridis · c.petridischania@gmail.com · details and registration at iro.hmu.gr

COIL · ONLINE INTERNATIONAL LEARNING

Weekly online sessions where students from HMU and partner universities learn and work together. No travel needed.

BIP · BLENDED INTENSIVE PROGRAMME

Online sessions plus one intensive week (5 days) on campus in Crete, working in international teams. You earn at least 3 ECTS.

5 ECTS · W Winter · S Summer · W · S Both

Management, Health & Agriculture

MANAGEMENT & ECONOMIC SCIENCES

Department of Business Administration & Tourism

Erasmus coordinator: Asst. Prof. Nikolaos Trichas · ntrihas@hmu.gr

Destination Branding	6	S
Food and Beverage Management	5	W · S
Special Interest and Alternative Forms of Tourism	6	W

MANAGEMENT & ECONOMIC SCIENCES

Department of Management Science & Technology

New Technologies in Marketing	5	W · S

MANAGEMENT & ECONOMIC SCIENCES

Department of Accounting & Finance

Erasmus coordinator: Asst. Prof. Dimitrios Vortelinos · dvortelinos@hmu.gr

Applied Econometrics I	5	W
Applied Econometrics II	5	S
Audit & Assurance	6	W · S
Corporate Finance I	5	W · S
Corporate Finance II	6	W · S
Derivatives Products and Hedging Techniques	6	W · S
Financial Risk Management	6	W · S
Macroeconomics	5	W · S
Managerial Accounting	6	W · S
Microeconomics	5	W · S
Portfolio Management	5	W · S
Research Methodology	5	W · S
Special Topics in Financial Management	6	W · S

HEALTH SCIENCES

Department of Social Work

Erasmus coordinator: Asst. Prof. Zacharoula Kasseri · kasseriz@hmu.gr

Asylum and Migration in Europe and the Mediterranean	4	S
Community-Based Participatory Research	4	W
Domestic Violence and Social Work Practice	4	W
Field-Based Practice in Social Work II	9	W · S
Field-Based Practice in Social Work III	14	W · S
Interpersonal Relationships and Well-Being	4	W · S
Person-Centred and Culturally Sensitive Communication in Community Health and Social Work	6	S
Positive Psychology	4	W · S

HEALTH SCIENCES

Department of Nursing

Erasmus coordinator: Assoc. Prof. Michalis Zografakis · mzografakis@hmu.gr

Nursing Practice in Hospital (Internship)	30	W · S

HEALTH SCIENCES

Department of Nutrition & Dietetics Sciences

Erasmus coordinator: George Tsikalakis · gtsikalakis@hmu.gr

Clinical Nutrition II	6	S
Environmental Resources and Food Production	4	W · S
Food Chemistry and Analysis	6	W · S
Food Microbiology and Hygiene	5	W · S
Food Processing and Quality Control	6	S
Nutrition and Metabolism II (Macronutrients)	6	W · S
Nutrition Through the Lifecycle I	4	W
Nutritional Epidemiology	4	S
Nutritional Research Methodology	2	W
Nutritional Supplements and Supplementary Medicine	2	W · S

AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES

Department of Agriculture

Erasmus coordinator: Asst. Prof. Konstantinos Paschalidis · kpaschal@hmu.gr

Agricultural Hydraulics	5	S
Agricultural Organic Waste Management	5	W
Apiculture	5	S
Field Crop Production I (Gramineae and Leguminosae)	5	W
Field Crop Production II (Industrial and Energy Crops)	5	S
Genetics	5	W
Geology – Geophysics	5	W
Introduction to Agricultural Sciences	4	S
Plant Breeding	5	W
Plant Physiology	5	W
Renewable Energy in Agriculture	5	S
Research Methodology and Academic Writing in Agricultural Sciences	5	S
Soil Microbiology	4	S
Soil Science	5	W
Soilless Cultivations	5	W
Sustainable Management of Biotic Resources in Agriculture	5	W

Engineering · Electrical, Computer & Mechanical

ENGINEERING

Department of Electrical & Computer Engineering

Erasmus coordinator: Prof. George Papadourakis · papadour@hmu.gr

Advanced Embedded Systems	7.5	S
Advanced Photovoltaic Devices	4	W
Advanced Programming Techniques	4	W
Advanced Software Engineering and Big Data Modelling	7.5	W
Advanced Technology Electronic Devices	4	W
Advanced Topics in Antennas, Propagation of EMF fields, and Wireless Networks	7.5	S
Advanced Topics in Artificial Intelligence	7.5	S
Advanced Topics in Databases	4	S
Advanced Topics in Educational Technology	7.5	S
Advanced Topics in Multimedia and Computer Graphics	7.5	W
Advanced Topics in Usability Evaluation	7.5	S
Advances in Digital Imaging and Computer Vision	7.5	S
Agile Software Development	4	W
Algorithm Analysis and Design	6	W
Applied Mathematics	7.5	W
Big Data	5	W
Broadband and Next Generation Networks	4	W
Computational Intelligence	7.5	W
Computer Architecture	5	S
Computer Networks I	4	W
Computer Organization	5	S
Computer Systems Security	4	W
Data and Information Visualization Systems	4	W
Design of Digital Circuits and Systems	4	W
Digital Signal Processing	6	S
Distributed Systems and Applications	7.5	W
Distributed Systems and Cloud Computing	4	S
Electrical Drive Systems	4	W
Electrical Machines II	4	S
Electromagnetic Compatibility	4	S
Electronics I	6	W
Electronics II	6	S
Embedded Systems	4	W
Games Design and Development	4	S
Human Computer Interaction	4	W
Internet Multimedia and Computer Graphics	4	W
Knowledge Representation and Reasoning for the WWW	4	W
Logic Design	6	S
Neural Networks	4	S
New Technologies in Education	4	W
Operating Systems	4	S
Optical Communications	4	W
Parallel Processing	4	S
Pattern Recognition	4	W
Power Electronics	6	W
Realistic Multimedia and Animation	4	S
Reliability Engineering	4	S
Semantic Web	7.5	W
Software Engineering	6	W
Television Systems	4	S
Usability Engineering	4	S
Wireless Networks	4	S

ENGINEERING

Department of Mechanical Engineering

Erasmus coordinator: Prof. Konstantinos Condaxakis · condax@hmu.gr

Buildings Energy Performance Simulation	6	W
Final Project Thesis	30	W · S
Geothermal – Bioenergy – Cogeneration – Smart Grids	6	W
Introduction to Modern Physics – Quantum Structure of Matter	4	S
Mechanical Design I	5	W
Mechanical Design II	5	S
Mechanical Drawing II / CAD	5	S
Optimal Control	5	S
Solar Energy and Applications	6	S

COURSES OFFERED IN ENGLISH

5 ECTS · W Winter · S Summer · W·S Both

Electronics, Music & IRO Academy

ENGINEERING

Department of Electronic Engineering

Erasmus coordinator: Asst. Prof. George Kakavelakis · kakavelakis@hmu.gr

An Introduction to Laser Physics and Applications	5	S
Analog and Digital Control	4	W·S
Antennas and Wireless Communications	4	W
CAD/CAM Systems, 3D Modeling & Reverse Engineering	5	W
Computer Architecture	5	W
Data Structures	5	W
Digital Image Processing	5	W·S
Digital Signal and Image Processing	6	S
Electromagnetic Compatibility	4	S
Introduction to Plasma Engineering	4	W·S
Microwave Communications	4	S
Microwave–Millimetre Wave Communications & Antennas	4	S
Mobile Communications	5	W
Organic Electronic Devices	4	W·S
Power Electronics	5	W·S
Satellite Communications and Systems	4	W
Scattering, Propagation & Radiation of Electromagnetic Waves	4	W
Structured Programming	5	W

MUSIC & OPTOACOUSTIC TECHNOLOGIES

Department of Music Technology & Acoustics

Erasmus coordinator: Asst. Prof. Stella Paschalidou · pashalidou@hmu.gr

Acoustic Ecology and Sound Arts	6	W
Applied Machine Learning	6	S
Audio over Computer Networks	6	S
Audio Software Development	7	W
Digital Music Representations	6	S
Electronic Musical Instruments	6	S
Elements of Music Theory and Notation	6	W
Historical Elements of Music and Organology	5	S
Laboratory in Electroacoustics	4	S
Multimedia Technology	6	W
Programming Environments for Sound & Music	7	W
Sound Design	6	W
Sound Engineering I	7	S
Sound Engineering II	7	W
Structured Programming	7	S

OPEN TO ALL INCOMING STUDENTS

HMU-IRO Academy

Coordinator: Dr Gareth Owens · ogareth@hmu.gr

AI Tools for Learning and Innovation	3	W·S
An Introduction to Cultural Communication	1	W·S
Business English and Intercultural Communication I	5	W·S
Business English and Intercultural Communication II	5	W·S
Community-Based Participatory Research (CBPR)	4	W·S
Greek Language	3	W·S
Introduction to History of Crete & Greece	3	W·S
Introduction to Project Management	3	W·S
Next Step – Plan Your Career Pathway	1	W·S
Public Communication Skills	1	W·S
Soft & Research Skills Development	3	W·S

Choosing your courses

Mix courses from any department and school, plus IRO Academy and Greek language classes. A full semester is usually 30 ECTS.

1. Check the semester each course runs (W / S).
2. Agree your selection with the department's Erasmus coordinator.
3. Confirm your registration during Welcome Week.



Your Erasmus starts here.

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HOW TO APPLY

1. **Get nominated**
   Your home university nominates you to HMU.
2. **Apply online**
   By 31 May (winter) or 30 November (summer) at iro.hmu.gr.
3. **Learning Agreement**
   Choose your courses with the departmental coordinator.
4. **Arrive in Crete**
   Join Welcome Week and register for your courses.

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