

INTERNATIONAL

Go away to study, to exchange and live great experiences! Since 2013, the ITS holds the ERASMUS + charter

ITS Tours opened its doors to the international more than 30 years ago and has become even more pronounced with the ERASMUS + 2013 and 2014 accreditation, and thanks to the support of the Centre Val de Loire. ITS encourages and supports the mobility of its learners on European and International area.

It sees mobility as a powerful lever for learning and understanding countries social policies and professional practices. It supports mobility as a form of learning about identity and cultural issues, as well as other forms of apprehension of otherness, which are central subjects of social intervention.

The pedagogical teams are convinced that this mobility experience promotes the professionalisation and the employability of students and apprentices.

The staff's mobility, both outbound or inbound, enables the updating of knowledges and pedagogical innovations.

It is moreover with a view to accelerating the integration of its learners and staff in the European and international area that ITS Tours has joined the <u>Consortium Social des 4 Frontières</u>, which brings together 5 social work training institutions.

ITS Tours is a member of:

- <u>UNAFORIS</u> (Union Nationale des Acteurs de Formation et de Recherche en Intervention Sociale National Union of Social Intervention Training and Research Actors).
- EASSW (European Association of Schools of Social Work)
- <u>AIFRIS</u> (Association Internationale pour la Formation, la Recherche et l'Intervention Sociale International Association for Training, Research and Social Intervention)

Who can go?

People registered in one of the following five training streams:

- Specialized Educator
- Specialized Technical Educator
- Early Childhood Educator
- CAFERUIS
- CAFDES

They can register at the beginning of their training on a mobility course and benefit from the support of ITS Tours' international mobility service as well as the pedagogical teams, before, during and on return from the experience.

While mobility within European area was encouraged, the world stays open to candidates with or without an ITS partner, solo or duo.

ERASMUS +, it's also ...

- The extra baggage: 64 % of employers think that international experience is an important value in recruitment (source https://www.erasmusplus.fr/).
- An opening to mobility for ITS Tours staff and students 'internship mobility, study abroad mobility (within the framework of ECTS), study trips.
- ➤ The reception of foreign students

When and how long to go?

From the second year of higher education for internship or study mobility.

Program permit to leave for a period of 8 to 12 weeks of internship depending on the training stream and whether the student or apprentice status.

- o 8 weeks for apprentices
- o 10 weeks for Early Childhood Educators
- 12 weeks for Special Educators and Specialized Technical Educators.

What kind of financial support?

Depending of status and countries of destination, students, apprentices and persons in employment in the sectors concerned may be eligible for an Erasmus + or Mobi-Centre scholarship, a scholarship from the Office Franco-Allemand or Franco-Quebecois pour la jeunesse (Franco-German or Franco-Quebec Youth Office).

Every request solar ship is directly managed by mobility department of ITS TOURS.

Our international partners

ITS Tours is a member of international networks of French and English-speaking universities and schools of social work, thus contributing to the circulation of its work and the promotion of its training courses in conjunction with partners in the field.

Several partnerships (training schools in social work or NGOs, associations, companies linked to the social and medico-social sector) have been developed over the last 30 years:

- In Europe: Haute École Bruxelles-Brabant: <u>HE2B</u>, <u>Haute École en Hainault</u> à Mont (7000), <u>the Garden</u> of Frankfurt/Germany, <u>the Hexagon</u> of Turku/Finland
- In North America: in Quebec, the <u>CEGEP</u> of Joliette, Marie-Victorin of Montreal and, Baie Comeau
- In South America: <u>Arequipa nursery</u>/ Peru
- In Africa: in Senegal, the Departmental Council of Fatick; Pilot Village of Dakar; Dalal Diam device of Thies; Vivre ensemble of M'Bour; Groupement des Educateurs sans Frontières: GREF in Benin and Morocco; L'Heure Joyeuse de Casablanca in Morocco.

The reception of foreign students

Foreign students are welcome at ITS TOURS, whether for an internship mobility, a study mobility or a mixed mobility combining both. Personalised support will be offered to facilitate their integration and full recognition of ECTS credits.

The annual international events

Since 2000, celebration of 2 international events is organized in ITS:

- The International day of social work, in March - The Erasmus Days, in October

It is an opportunity to promote mobility, to cross regards on the theme of social work and to exchanges between ITS Tours students and trainers, French, European and international professionals.

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