



# HOW TO PURSUE INTERNATIONALIZATION THROUGH MOBILITY

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**WHY INTERNATIONALIZE?**

**WHY MOBILITY?**

# KHARKIV NATIONAL MEDICAL UNIVERSITY



SINCE 1951, KHARKIV NATIONAL MEDICAL UNIVERSITY HAS BEEN PROVIDING EDUCATION SERVICES FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS. IT WAS THE FIRST MEDICAL UNIVERSITY IN UKRAINE TO OPEN ITS DOORS TO FOREIGN STUDENTS.

THE UNIVERSITY IS CURRENTLY TRAINING ABOUT 7,500 STUDENTS; AMONG THEM, MORE THAN 4000 ARE REPRESENTATIVES OF 89 NATIONS OF THE WORLD.





# INTERNATIONALIZATION STRATEGY:

## **THINK GLOBAL, ACT LOCAL !**

- COHERENCE WITH THE NATIONAL HE INTERNATIONALIZATION STRATEGY
- CONGRUENCE WITH THE STRATEGY OF THE UNIVERSITY DEVELOPMENT
- CLEAR GOALS (LONG-TERM, SHORT-TERM)
- PRECISE STEPS TO IMPLEMENT
- BOTTOM-UP ELABORATION

## IMPLEMENTING THE INTERNATIONALIZATION STRATEGY: ON WHERE TO FOCUS – WEAKNESS OR STRENGTH?

Academic mobility – one of the strategic directions in internationalization. More efforts are usually spent on the organization of student mobility. Staff is more mobile due to personal international scientific contacts, more variable possibilities to go to scientific events, less affection by the curricular.



# INITIALIZATION OF NEW PARTNERSHIPS – FIRST STEP TO MOBILITY



- What are strategic regions for cooperation for your University?
- - Are the education systems of potential partners comparable and compliant?
- - What are the legal regulations in terms of mobility in the countries of partner Universities?
- - Does the potential partner share the same values in internationalization?



# COMMUNICATION WITH PARTNERS – BEST WAY TO AVOID CHALLENGES IN MOBILITY





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# MOBILITY OR NOT?

Student mobility – a process of credit mobility, when a student chooses to undertake a part of the degree course not at his home University.

HOW TO BROADEN?



# SUMMER PRACTICAL COURSES AS ONE OF THE MOBILITY TYPES



# SUMMER PRACTICAL COURSES: ADVANTAGES

- Flexible
- Adjustable
- Not necessarily bound to the curricular
- Variable duration and dates



# STUDY TRIPS – UNUSUAL SOLUTION IN MOBILITY

## Pros and cons:

- No credits gained
- Combine educational and cultural components
- Group trip
- All levels of students can participate
- Understanding of foreign experience systemically
- Prepares for a regular credit mobility

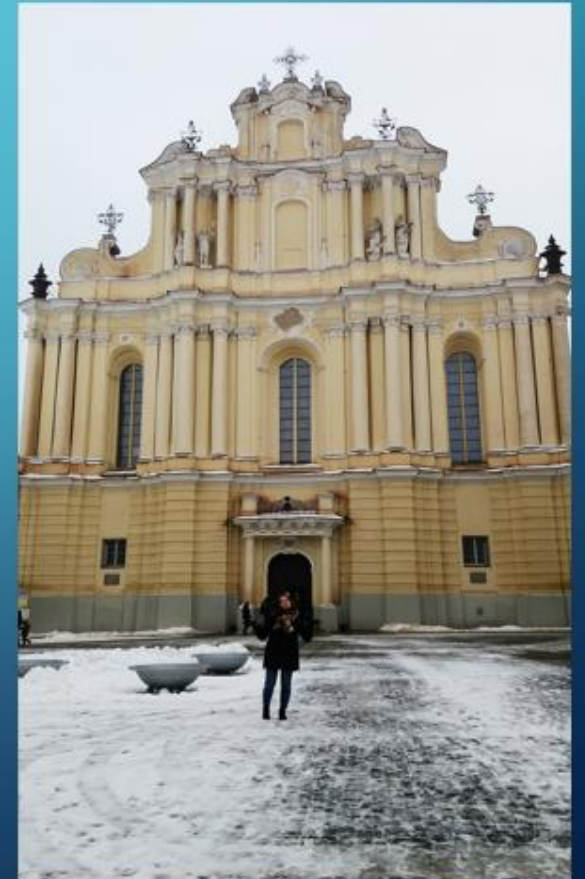






# SEMESTER EXCHANGE: CURRICULAR CHALLENGE

Longer exchange needs thorough comparison of the curricular of both partner Universities. That will ensure unproblematic transfer of credits at the sending University.




# FINANCIAL CHALLENGES OF MOBILITY



**How to support mobility without grants, scholarships or special programs?**





Internal source of the financial support – waiving fees for the courses or education (semester/year), provision with free accommodation on a reciprocal basis.

FIRST the University must carefully weigh the capability in numbers of the students for future exchange with partners.



# MOBILITY: DESTINATIONS TO BE DEFINED...

Strive to diversify directions globally.

Mobility adds value not to professional growth only but promotes intercultural understanding.





# PERSPECTIVES IN INTERNATIONALIZATION THROUGH MOBILITY: THE TENDENCY WILL GROW



# PERSISTENCE IS A FUEL OF WINNERS!

‘The journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step’

Lao Tzu



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**Thank you for your attention!**