

Fact Sheet for International Partners

Institutional Details	
Institution	UNIVERSIDADE DA BEIRA INTERIOR
Acronym	UBI
Erasmus Code	P COVILHA01
PIC	996437254
Vice-Rector for Internationalization	João Manuel Messias Canavilhas
Website	http://www.ubi.pt/en/
Web for incoming students	http://www.ubi.pt/en/page/erasmus
Address	Rua Marquês D'Ávila e Bolama 6201-001 Covilhã Portugal
Academic Community	The University of Beira Interior is today a reference institutional at national and international level, in the fields of teaching, research, innovation and entrepreneurship. It is one of the 150 best institutions of higher education in the world of Times Higher Education (THE). UBI currently has about 30 1st cycles/bachelor's degrees, about 45 2nd cycles/master's degrees and about thirty 3rd cycles /doctorates, distributes by five faculties: Faculty of Sciences, Faculty of Engineering, Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities, Faculty of Arts and Letters and faculty of Health Sciences. UBI has more than 7300 students, 700 teachers and 250 employees.

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Incoming Mobility	Sofia Lemos Erasmus mobility Worldwide Exchange E-mail: inter@ubi.pt Tel: +351 275242056 International Credit Mobility E-mail: icm@ubi.pt
Traineeships	E-mail: carreiras@ubi.pt
Mobility Coordinators	https://www.ubi.pt/en/courses#10_Ciclo

Academic Information	
Nomination Deadlines	The students should be nominated by their university. Deadlines for nominations: First semester/ Full academic year: until 31 April Second semester: until 31 October The nominations must be sent by e-mail and must contain the full name, gender, e-mail, course, cycle study and the period of the stay. We will not accept applications after these deadlines.
Application Procedure	Erasmus + International Credit Mobility Step 1 - After the nomination we will send the student an e-mail to apply on-line. Step 2 - After the submission, please print the Learning Agreement and send by e-mail to inter@ubi.pt For students who meet the required criteria will be sent the acceptance letter. Worldwide exchange After received the nomination we will send the applications forms to the respective sending institution. The sending institution must send the Application form and Learning

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	Agreement, including the documents: - One passport size picture; - The information page in the Passport/ID; - Health insurance card or PB4
Application Deadlines	Applications must be submitted: - until 31 May (first semester) - until 30 November (second semester)
Credits	The maximum number of credits per full academic year is 60, per semester 30 credits. 1 credit ECTS =28 hours of work The students can change their learning agreements at UBI: <u>Deadlines:</u> 1st Semester: till 31st October 2nd Semester: till 31st March
Courses Catalogue	The courses catalogue usually updates at the end of June. The learning agreement may be subject to change. You will find a list of the courses available here. Selecty the level of your programme: - First Cycle Degrees - Integrated Master's Degrees - Second Cycles Degrees The UBI offers subjects taught in English: select International options
Academic calendar	The academic year has two semesters: First semester: September-January Second Semester: February – July Academic calendar: https://www.ubi.pt/Ficheiros/Entidades/GRP/Academic_Calendar.pdf

Visa Requeriments

Who need a Visa

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Citizens who are not nationals of a European Union country and who wish to undertake study / traineeships mobility must obtain a visa from the Portuguese Consulate / Embassy.

The visa application must be done well in advance. Visa issues demand some time.

Check with the Embassy / Consulate for the necessary documents to obtain a visa. Consult the [Community Portal](#) of the consulate nearest to your area of residence.

Health And Accident Insurance

Accident Insurance

Erasmus+ or Exchange Students shall have adequate insurance coverage - liability insurance for studies and traineeships. For traineeships is mandatory the accident insurance coverage. The copy of the insurance should be sent to the Office of Internationalization, Internships and Careers (GISP).

Health Insurance

Students from European Union countries should obtain the European Health Insurance Card in their country. The European Health Insurance Card gives access to the Portuguese public health system.

Students who are not European Union citizens must obtain a private insurance.

Non-EU citizens coming from a country with whom Portugal has a celebrated International convention on health, must carry the documents which will allow them to access the Portuguese public health system (The PB4 form, for Brazil).

Other Information

Portuguese Language Course

The Department of Letters of the University of Beira Interior provides Courses of Portuguese as a Foreign Language directed to non-native speakers who want to learn the language in an immersion and authentic context.

The course is taught during the first semester, second semester and intensive summer courses.

Price:

Course fee – 200 €

Administrative fees – 40 €

You can find more information [here](#)

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Free languages courses	In addition to formal courses, the University of Beira Interior offers in its language lab, free courses of English, Spanish, French, Italian and German, and even assures the teaching of Portuguese to foreigners, including the Erasmus students, but not only. More Information here
Recommended Language Skills	B1 English (students) B2 English (Professors) In general, the classes will be taught in Portuguese. During all the academic year, the students will have tutorial classes in English.
Mentor ESN (Erasmus Student Network)	The International ESN is formed by volunteers whose primary purpose is to rely on Exchange programs making it easier to personally and socially integrate students into their host institutions. Before starting the mobility, the students will be contacted by his/her mentor. More information about ESN http://www.esn-covilha.org/
Living Covilhã	Because Covilhã is a city located in the inner part of the country, the cost of living is significantly lower than that of the great cities of the coast, which is reflected in the prices of food and housing, for example. Security is another of the factors that distinguish the city: Covilhã is a small/medium-sized city that lives around the University, creating an atmosphere of closeness very safe and cozy.
How to get to Covilhã	The main airports of mainland Portugal are located in the cities of Lisbon and Oporto, both at about 250 km from Covilhã. The connection of these cities to Covilhã can be made by car, train or bus. Learn more

Accommodation

University of Beira Interior has seven residences for students and teachers. In the section accommodation of SASUBI, there are detailed information on each space/ building as regulations, how to apply and prices.

[Learn more](#)

More information: aloja@ubi.pt

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Private Accommodation

In Covilhã there are several real estate agencies with a wide range of all sorts of apartments in the city, please visit https://www.ubi.pt/en/page/living_covilha