

Applications invited from Ph.D students of University of Kalyani (K.U) for participation in the Erasmus + Program with University of Lodz, Poland during the session 2022-2023

Applications in prescribed format are invited from interested Research Scholars who have been registered for the Ph.D. program of K.U. for participation in the Erasmus + Program (details given below) :

➤ **Name of the Program :**

Erasmus + KA107 International Credit Mobility Program for Ph.D. students between Programme Country (POLAND) and Partner Country (INDIA).

➤ **Details:**

Under this programme, one (01) Ph.D. student from our University will have the opportunity to visit University of Lodz, Poland for research for 4/4.5 months during the summer semester of 2022-23 (February, 2023 – June, 2023).

➤ **Funding :**

The Ph.D. student selected for participation in the Program will be entitled to the following :

1. Scholarship @ 27 Euro per day for 4/4.5 months.
2. Travel grant for to-and-fro travel (shortest distance) from Kolkata (India) to Poland and back.
3. Visa fee up to 60 Euro may be reimbursed.

[It may be noted that as per Kalyani University Rules, the Ph.D. student who will finally participate in the Erasmus+ program will have to forego any fellowship that he/she may be enjoying here for the period of 4/4.5 months as he/she will be getting scholarship @ 27 Euro per day for 4/4.5 months.

Upon successful completion of the Program, when the Ph.D. student returns to Kalyani University after 4/4.5 months he/she will once again be disbursed the fellowship that he/she was enjoying before going to Poland.

The 4/4.5 months that the student spends at University of Lodz will be continuous with his/her Ph.D. work i.e. the visit will be a part of the Ph.D. work]

➤ **Procedure for selection**

1. Interested students are requested to apply to Prof. Swati De, Dept. of Chemistry, Erasmus Program Coordinator, K.U. in the Application form attached along with preliminary Doctoral Students Researchers' Agreement

Please also refer to the List of required documents as given in Promotional Material attached. These must also be attached with the application.

The applications must also be submitted as soft copy (pdf) and should be submitted to the following e-mail addresses :

ku.erasmus2022@gmail.com

2. The applications should be submitted in the format specified and should be duly forwarded by the Ph.D. supervisor of the student. It is desirable that the Ph.D. supervisor mentions the usefulness of participation of the Ph.D. student in the Erasmus+ program.
3. The applicant must also submit an English Language Proficiency Certificate duly forwarded by the Registrar.
4. As the number of scholarships for 2022-23 is limited (only 01), as per the guidelines not more than Five (05) applications (initially screened at KU) will be sent to University of Lodz. The final decision shall be taken by the International Relations Office, University of Lodz depending on the suitability of the applicant.
5. Skype interviews if necessary will be held individually by University of Lodz.
6. It must be noted that submission of application does not mean selection. The final selection will be based on a two-tier process :
 - i) The submitted applications will be initially screened at K.U. by a screening committee and not more than Five (05) applications will then be officially forwarded to the International Relations Office, University of Lodz, Poland.

- ii) The International Relations Office, University of Lodz, Poland will finally select one applicant based upon the merit of the application, research proposal and the availability of a Professor at University of Lodz willing to host the student for 4/4.5 months.

➤ **Who are eligible to apply?**

1. Only full-time Ph.D. students of the University of Kalyani are eligible to apply. Part-time Ph.D. students and those having permanent jobs are not eligible to apply.
2. The applicant's Ph.D. supervisor must be a permanent Faculty of any one of the University Postgraduate departments (housed within K.U. campus).
3. At the time of application, the applicant should have at least 1 year remaining to complete his/her Ph.D. work at K.U. The latter condition is to ensure that the selected Ph.D. Student after completion of research at University of Lodz returns to the home University (K.U.) and works for at least ½ year more contributing to his /her research laboratory here at K.U.
4. The applicant must be proficient in English (this is an essential requirement for the Erasmus + exchange program). The applicant may have to appear for a Skype Interview to be conducted by the authorities of University of Lodz for English Proficiency assessment.
5. Only those Ph.D. students who have completed the vaccination schedule can apply.

➤ **Submission Deadline**

The applications must be submitted latest by 25th November, 2022.