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Intra-Africa Academic Mobility Scheme 2022-2027



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The Intra-Africa Academic Mobility Scheme is the EU's programme to encourage international learning mobility across the African continent.

The Intra-Africa Academic Mobility Scheme is part of the **Youth Mobility for Africa flagship initiative** Global Gateway Africa-Europe Investment Package – which aims to support learning opportunities, exchanges, and cooperation ultimately to promote Africa as an attractive study destination. The scheme provides support for consortia of African higher education institutions (HEIs) and scholarship opportunities for African trainees, students (at master's and doctoral levels) and university staff.

Objectives

The Intra-Africa Academic Mobility Scheme contributes to the economic, social, and human development of Africa by improving the skills and competences of individuals in different areas, through learning mobility opportunities in Africa.

In addition, the scheme supports the harmonisation of programmes and outcome-based curricula between participating HEIs and the development of mechanisms for improved transparency and recognition of credits/ degrees. It supports the HEIs in their capacity to implement mobility projects and therefore their partnerships and academic cooperation, with the aim of contributing to the African higher education and research space.

Moreover, by supporting reinforced collaboration between HEIs and business for student and trainee mobility, the action also strengthens skills anticipation and matching, as well as innovation and knowledge transfer between academia and enterprises, helping to respond to the demand for high-level skills and the knowledge needed to support green economies and the digital transformation across the African continent.

Programme's scope

The programme provides **financial support to consortia** of African HEIs for the organisation and implementation of **student, trainee,** and university **staff** mobility across the continent. The funded projects award scholarships to students (at master's and doctoral levels), to trainees and to university staff members to carry out studies, research, teaching, and training assignments in another African country.

Opportunities for Higher Education Institutions

Consortia of HEIs from Sub-Saharan Africa are eligible to apply for a grant. Each consortium must be comprised of minimum four to maximum of six African HEIs from only one Sub-Saharan African region (sub-regional projects) or from the three Sub-Saharan African regions (cross-regional projects). One HEI from the EU must participate in the consortium as technical partner.

What funding is available?

The selected projects receive a four-year grant of EUR 1.8 million maximum. Indicatively, 50% of the grant contributes to the costs of institutional activities (such as project management, coordination, communication and dissemination, selection of scholarship holders, and services to students including insurance coverage, tuition fees, research activities, etc.) and the other 50% to the grants to be awarded to selected scholarship holders.

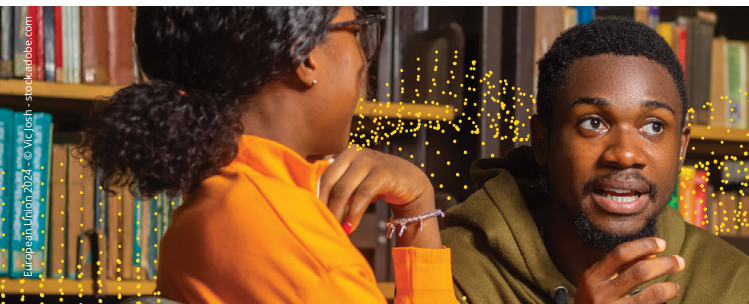
Is your institution interested in applying?

Projects are selected under calls for proposals published by the European Education and Culture Executive Agency (EACEA) in Brussels in the Funding and tender opportunities portal.

Opportunities for individuals

a) Students

Students who are nationals of and resident in an African country and are registered at or have been admitted to, or have obtained a university degree from, an HEI established in Africa, can apply for an



Intra-Africa scholarship. If selected, they will study on a **master's course** or a **doctoral programme** offered by one the African HEIs participating in the project and established in a country different from their country of nationality and residence.

Mobility can be short term or for the complete course of an academic programme. The consortia should ensure the academic recognition of their study, training, and research period abroad.

b) Trainees

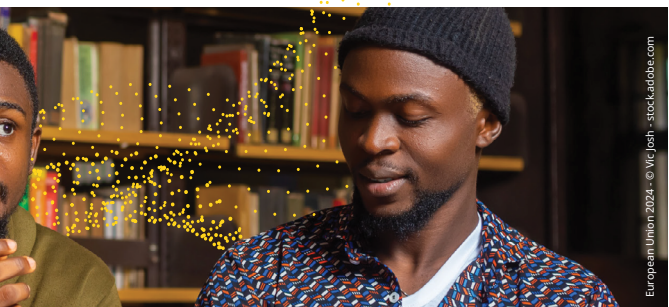
For **trainees**, grants are awarded to students who are nationals of and resident in an African country and enrolled in a bachelor's/master's/PhD programme in one of the African HEIs involved in the consortia. Mobility entails placement periods as part of the trainees' academic programme in private or public organisations/businesses established in a country different from their country of nationality and residence.

c) Staff

Grants are also available for academic, administrative, and technical **staff members** who work in one of the HEIs involved in the consortia to undertake a period of mobility in one of the participating HEIs in Africa. The activities may vary from teaching assignments, research activities, administration, attendance in/delivery of training courses, to curriculum development activities, technical support etc.

What funding is available?

Scholarships/grants are designed to contribute to travel expenses, installation and subsistence costs for the entire duration of the mobility. They vary according to the type of mobility and the duration and are limited to one grant under the projects selected within the framework of the Intra-Africa Academic Mobility Scheme 2022-2027.


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	Master's students	Doctoral candidates	Trainees	Staff
Scholarship contribution (per month of mobility)	€890	€1,230	€1,230	€2,370
Min/max duration	4 to 24 months	6 to 36 months	3 to 6 months	2 weeks to 3 months

Additional support from the consortium might be available for scholarship holders with disabilities.

Are you interested in applying?

Each consortium offers mobility opportunities within a range of disciplines, mainly focusing on areas related to the environment and climate change.

Applications for scholarships/grants should be addressed directly to the selected consortia of HEIs following calls for applications published on their websites. The catalogue of selected projects is available here: Intra-Africa Scholarships (europa.eu)

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