

## Erasmus Policy Statement

The aim of the State Higher Vocational School in Racibórz is to provide the best quality of educational services, complying with European standards of education. We declare to proactively deliver employment-related skills that will enable our graduates to be successful on the job market.

Since its founding, the State Higher Vocational School in Raciborz has succeeded in establishing and maintaining cooperation and contacts with numerous foreign partners. We see international cooperation as an essential element in the development strategy of our institution.

It should be emphasised that the authorities of our school recognise the importance of the internationalisation process of higher education in Europe and will actively promote further development of European cooperation in the years 2014-2020.

Our main objectives and priorities concerning Erasmus Plus are as follows:

1. Improving the level of education so that our graduates' skills and qualifications meet the European standards by ensuring high-quality mobility of students with view to acquire additional competence, either formal or informal, which will increase their chances on the job market.
2. Improving the quality and relevance of higher education by allowing students to choose which learning outcomes within a given field of study are most relevant to their future careers.
3. Increasing the scope and quality of mobility within Erasmus Plus, regarding both our students and teaching staff.
4. Promoting Erasmus+ by disseminating information about the programme and Erasmus-related activities among students, employees, partners and in the regional media.
5. Expanding our network of contacts with universities, secondary schools and cities in Poland and abroad, as well as the largest employers in the region.
6. Providing opportunities of organising and participating in projects and conferences organised jointly or on our own.
7. The modernisation of the curricula with a view to making the learning process more international, with a particular focus on gender equality, multiculturalism and linguistic diversity of the educational content offered and the fight against racism and xenophobia.
8. Erasmus Policy Statement will be published on the PWSZ website and included in key documents of the University. The school will provide equal opportunities to all students and teachers, regardless of their gender, age, social status, political views or class and guarantee full access to study to people with disabilities. Academic achievements will be the main criterion for the selection and evaluation of students at the State Higher Vocational School in Racibórz.

Other provisions concerning the quality assurance program at the State Higher Vocational School in Racibórz:

1. The will seek to offer more mobility opportunities by signing inter-institutional agreements with other higher education institutions.
2. The incoming Erasmus+ students will not be charged any kind of fees for educational services, recruitment, examinations, access to libraries and laboratories.
3. Students who have successfully completed a course within Erasmus+ exchange receive full credit recognition.
4. The organisation of staff and student mobility will be carried out with greatest care and ensuring the highest quality of work.
5. Information on study programs will be regularly updated, transparent and easily accessible. ECTS will be used.
6. Erasmus+ students and PWSZ students will be treated equally.
7. The school will support efforts to integrate incoming students.
8. The school will provide the timely information and documentation concerning incoming students and their parent universities themselves.
9. The school will promote and ensure transparency within the Erasmus +.
10. Erasmus+ University Charter and Erasmus Policy Statement are readily available to students and made public in the building of the university.
11. The school has implemented the principle of non-discrimination as set by the Erasmus+.