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Erasmus+

UC ERASMUS+ KA107 STAFF WEEK

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WORKING SESSION 3:
Internationalisation at UC – The International Office´s perspective

Santander, 11-15 March 2019



Working Session 1: Internationalisation at UC

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4. WHAT WE WOULD LIKE TO ACHIEVE IN COMING YEARS

1. UC ORGANISATION FOR INTERNATIONALISATION



A. DEFINITION



Internationalisation:

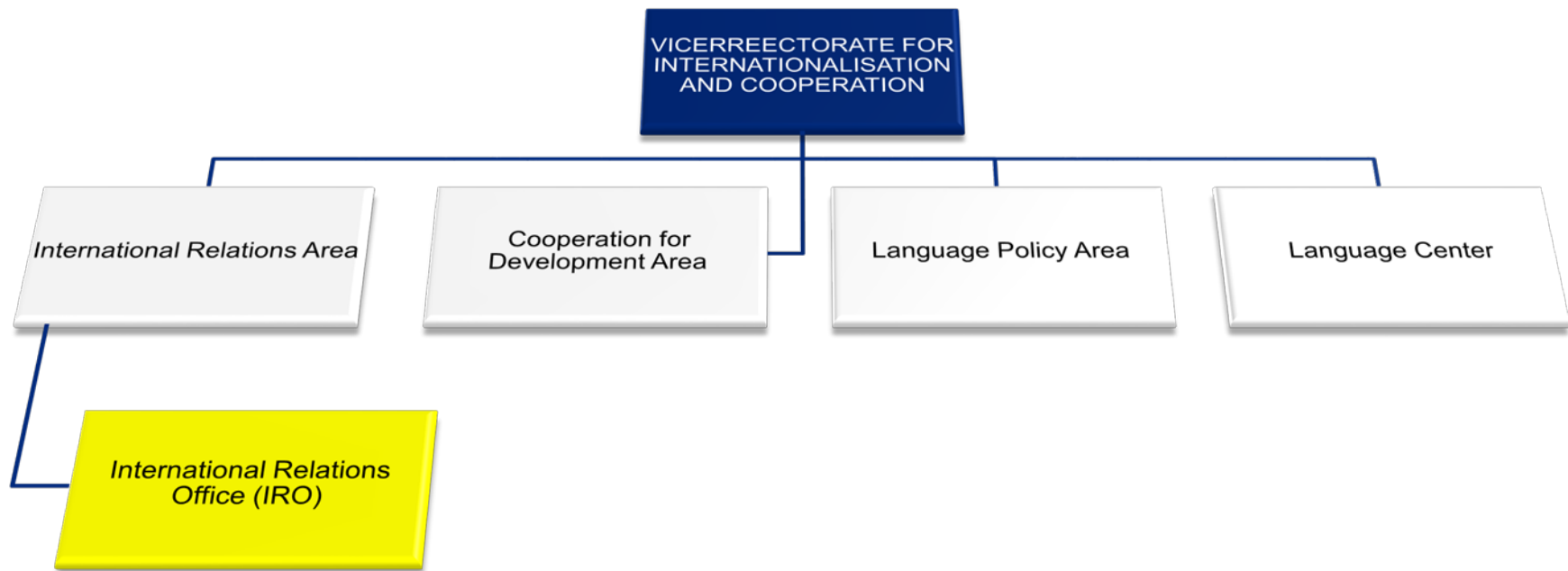
“The process of integrating an international, intercultural or global dimension in the purpose, function or delivery of university education”

Knight, J. (2003) Updated Internationalization definition. *International Higher Education*, 33, 2-3

This process includes the following:

- International mobility
- International projects
- Internationalisation at home

B.1 ORGANISATIONAL CHART



B.2 IRO'S TASKS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Mission: Facilitating the achievement of the UC institutional activities as a reference service for promoting, informing, and managing international actions at UC in the field of education

Promoting new actions and agreements

Coordination of administrative support and services offered to incoming students and staff

Management of mobility programs Erasmus+ and institutional agreements

Information for orientation of the UC community about international programs of cooperation and mobility

Provide support to international actions on campus

1. UC ORGANISATION FOR INTERNATIONALISATION



B.3 IRO'S TEAM



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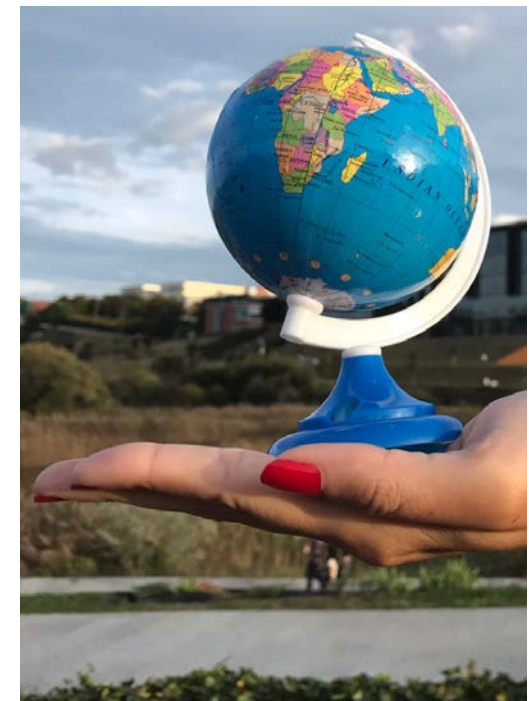
C.1 INTERNATIONALISATION INSTRUMENTS

- Participation in international university networks: Sgroup, Compostela Group, CINDA, AUIP
- Collaboration with partner universities with different level of commitment
- External funding: European Commission, Regional Government, Santander Bank, other programs
- A continuously developing internationalisation strategy
- Erasmus+ programs



C.2 ERASMUS+ PROGRAM

- **Key Action 1**
 - Mobility among European countries
 - Mobility with non-European countries
- **Key Action 2**
 - Strategic Alliances Projects
 - Capacity Development Projects
- **Key Action 3**
 - Institutional Development with partner organisations



1. UC ORGANISATION FOR INTERNATIONALISATION



C.3 FACTS & FIGURES INTERNATIONALISATION UC

Nº outbound students

436 in course 2017/18

Nº countries KA107

7

Nº inbound students

483 in course 2017/18

Nº English-friendly courses at UC

974

Graduated students with mobility experience

24%

Nº Students sent to USA

30

Nº institutional agreements

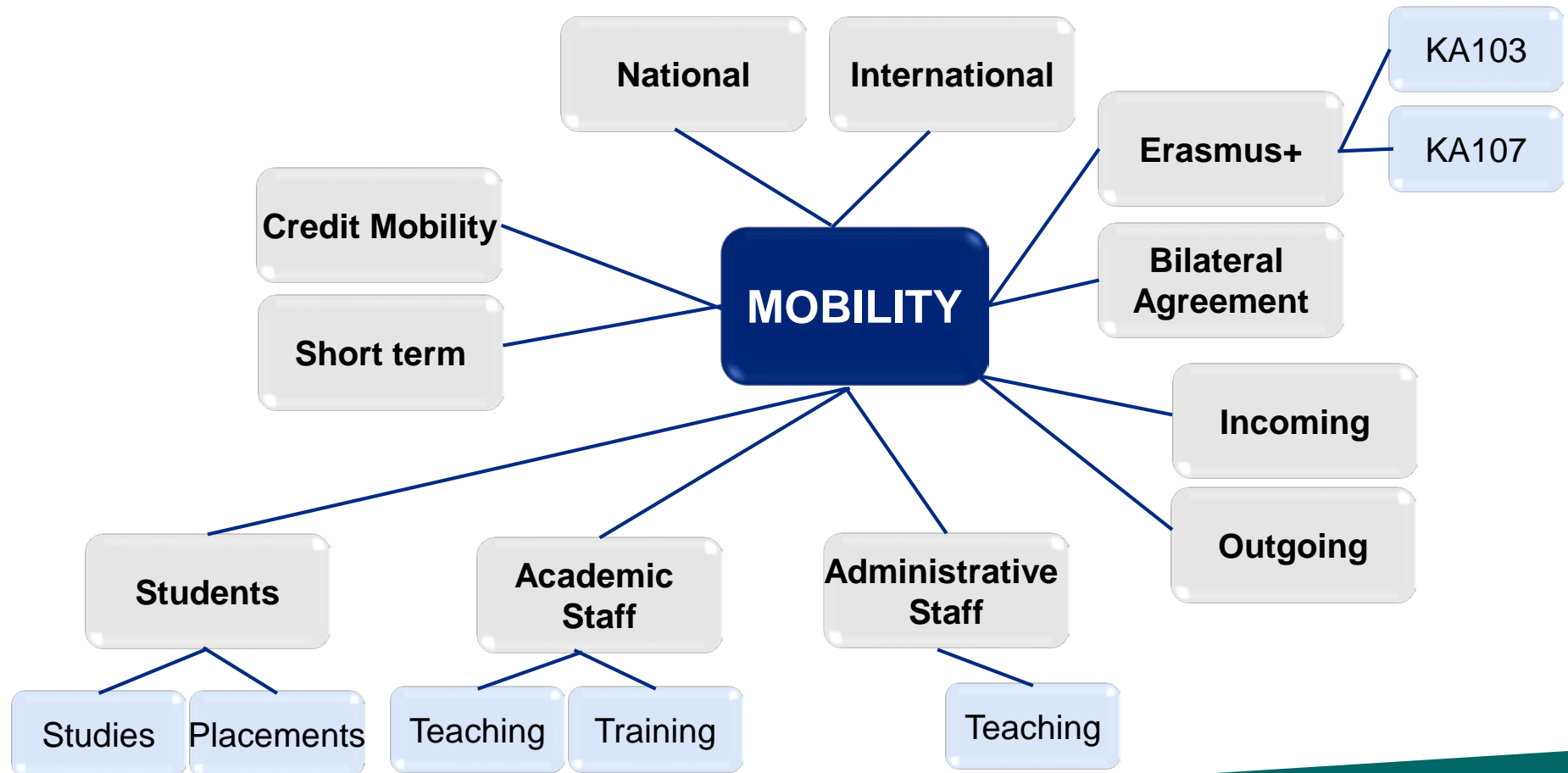
230 with Europe
20 USA, Australia and Canada
145 with Latin America
2 with Asia

Nº double titulations

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A.1 OVERVIEW MOBILITY



A.2 IRO'S TASKS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Administrative support & management of international actions
- Coordination of information & dissemination activities

- International Relations Coordinator network
- Academic orientation & validation

- “Comisión de Internacionalización” chaired by the Vice-rector

- Students Councils (ESN / AEGEE)
- Orientation of students



A.3 MOBILITY INDICATORS: OUTBOUND STUDENTS

Program	2016-2017	2017-2018	2018-2019*
Erasmus (KA-103) + Bilateral Europe	305	346	311
USA, Canada and Australia	32	27	22
Latin-America	17	23	16
Bilateral Asia	5	0	1
SICUE and Cajal	38	36	37
Erasmus (KA-107)	1	0	3
Internships (KA-103)	28	34	19
Internships (KA-108)	0	1	2
	426	467	411

2. WHAT WE DO: MOBILITY



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Programa	2016-2017	2017-2018	2018-2019*
Erasmus (KA-103) y Bilateral Europa	239	227	235
USA, Canadá y Australia	38	57	47
Latino y Visitante	107	120	106
SICUE	20	30	37
Erasmus (KA-107)	6	0	14
Prácticas	30	50	7
Prog. Lengua y Cultura UNCC	63	38	33
Prog. UNCC Banking	9	5	n/d
REAL Summer Program	1	0	n/d
AUIP	5	5	6
Fundación Carolina	3	5	8
Máster EGEI	25	0	0
	546	537	493

A.4 MOBILITY INDICATORS:
INBOUND STUDENTS

2. WHAT WE DO: PROJECTS



B. PROJECTS IN THE FRAMEWORK OF ERASMUS+ 2018

Nº Strategic Partnerships (KA203)

1 coordinated (BLUES)
3 as partner



Nº Mobility Consortiums (KA108)

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Nº Capacity Building Projects

2 as partner

Nº Jean Monnet Actions

3 modules
1 catedra

C.1 ACTIVITIES TO INTERNATIONALISE AT HOME

- Attract foreign students
- Development of academic offer in other languages (English) and “English-friendly” courses
- Facilitate foreign language skill acquisition (English) of all students
- Establish double-degrees
- Introduction of courses and activities with global / international thematics
- Organisations of extra-curricular activities of international character

C.2 FACTS & FIGURES INTERNATIONALISATION AT HOME

- Graduates with international mobility experience: **24%**
- Number of English-lectured courses: **154** in graduate studies, **38** in Máster studies
- Number of double-degrees: **2**
- Number of students with B2 level when entering UC: **30%**

3. EXAMPLES OF “GOOD PRACTICES”



A. AWARENESS RAISING, INFORMATION & INTEGRATION

- **Welcome Program**
- **International day**
- **Team Erasmus**
- **Evaluation & Follow-up meetings**



- Student motivation
- Dissemination of mobility actions on campus
- Awareness-raising from early stages of education
- Student integration



PROGRAMA DE ORIENTACIÓN
Septiembre 2017

3. EXAMPLES OF “GOOD PRACTICES”



B. ADMINISTRATION & MANAGEMENT

Steps towards “Erasmus+ without papers”:

- Learning Agreement → through UC Virtual Campus
- Electronic Visa admission letters
- Transcript of records downloadable through UC Virtual Campus
- Access to UC general computer system data

3. EXAMPLES OF “GOOD PRACTICES”



C. SUPPORT TO DIVERSITY



What is the Supporting Programme?

Being in an unknown context can generate doubts and situations that make difficult to manage our well-being.

Through the Supporting Program we want to offer you a “safe-space” to consult us your concerns during your stay and, if necessary, accompany and support you to overcome them.

3. EXAMPLES OF “GOOD PRACTICES”



D. CERTIFICATE WITH INTERNATIONAL MENTION

- Course in Global studies (3 ECTS)
- Lecturers from UC and UNC Charlotte

Global Study Course + Mobility Period + Language Course



UC Certificate

3. EXAMPLES OF “GOOD PRACTICES”



E. STUDENT INTEGRATION

- Very active student organisations ESN / AEGEE
- Tandem Language Courses
- Sport Activities
- Trips in Cantabria and other regions
- Parties



3. EXAMPLES OF “GOOD PRACTICES”



F. VOLUNTEERING PROGRAMME



área de **cooperación internacional** para el **desarrollo**
VICERRECTORADO DE INTERNACIONALIZACIÓN Y COOPERACIÓN

Meet new people and interact with the local community

Take part in solidarity activities in the region

Practise Spanish and learn about the local culture

¿QUIERES **AYUDAR**,
PERO NO SABES **CÓMO**?
Conoce el **programa de voluntariado de la Universidad de Cantabria**

Si eres estudiante, PAGO o PCI de la Universidad de Cantabria y quieres echar una mano para cambiar cosas, te presentamos el Programa de Voluntariado de la UC con el que podrás participar en un amplio abanico de acciones de voluntariado en entidades de Cantabria.

antes de realizar el voluntariado es necesario realizar la inscripción para el reconocimiento de créditos

¿qué te ofrece el Programa de voluntariado?

- partido:** El programa ofrece un amplio abanico de acciones de voluntariado en entidades de Cantabria.
- flexibilidad:** Puedes elegir el número de voluntarios y el momento de realización de la acción de voluntariado.
- asesoramiento:** Nuestro asesoramiento y orientación te ayudará a elegir la acción de voluntariado que mejor se adapte a tus intereses y necesidades.
- continuidad:** Te presentamos un voluntariado de calidad, con acciones de voluntariado que se realizan de forma continuada.
- inscripciones:** El programa de voluntariado de la UC ofrece un proceso de inscripción sencillo y rápido.
- formación:** Con el Programa de Voluntariado ofrecemos un curso de formación que te ayudará a mejorar tus habilidades de comunicación y de trabajo en equipo.
- reconocimiento:** Los estudiantes participantes en el programa obtienen un certificado de reconocimiento de créditos.



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A. SWOT ANALYSIS

Strengths:

- Centralized management model with a network of committed academic coordinators
- Satisfactory mobility indicators
- Full integration in the EU
- Network of strategic partners
- Privileged relationships with prestigious universities in the USA
- Students with an increasingly better English level

Threats:

- Brexit
- International political situation

Weaknesses:

- Population of local students
- The UC does not teach language degrees
- Decrease in the number of students entering certain centers
- Limited knowledge in other foreign languages

Opportunities:

- New Erasmus+ program
- Develop a more defined strategy

4. WHAT WE WOULD LIKE TO ACHIEVE IN COMING YEARS



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B. OBJECTIVES 2019-2023

- To reach a larger population of students, lecturers and researchers
- To teach courses on internationalisation
- To support the development of blended-learning & virtual mobility
- To make mobility more inclusive
- To develop more and better strategic partnership alliances



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Thank you for your attention!