

## **Nordplus Rules in brief – Higher education**

### What is Nordplus network

- Consists of a minimum of three partners from three different Nordic or Baltic countries or autonomous regions. One of the partners must act as coordinator.
- The coordinator must be a recognized/accredited higher education institution with the legal right to award degrees.
- Each partner must have a liable contact person.

### Which activities are supported by Nordplus

- Student, teacher and express mobility
- Establishment and development of networks
- Intensive courses
- Joint Study Programmes
- Development projects within higher education including curriculum development

### Accepted costs

- Costs for travel including daily allowance
- Food and lodging
- Mail and phone
- Rent for meeting premises
- Materials
- Teaching fees for external teachers/lecturers
- Salaries (only as the participating institutions own contribution)
- Administrative costs up to 5 percent of the used grant

### Costs that are not covered

- Overhead costs, not directly connected to the Nordplus project
- Possessions (computers, software)
- Costs for non-Nordic and non-Baltic participants
- Costs for activities outside the Nordic-Baltic region

### How are the funds allocated

- The grants are allocated to the network coordinator.
- The network decides internally how the grant is distributed among the partners.
- The distribution of the grant should be based on actual costs.
- No membership fees can be raised for participation in the network.

## Student mobility

- For students studying for a Bachelors' or Masters' degree in a Nordic or Baltic country, independent of nationality
- Full time studies
- Length of exchange: 1 week - 1 year
- The studies abroad must be fully recognized as a part of the degree at the student's home institution
- ECTS shall be used
- A Nordplus scholarship can be granted more than once
- A minimum of one year's studies at the home institution prior to the exchange
- No fees to the host institution (exception: fees to student organizations)
- Must live in the same area where studying, commuting is not allowed
- Grant sum: Max 200 €/month + mobility grant. The network does not have to grant a scholarship for the entire exchange period for which the student applies for. The network decides the size of the scholarship grant in respect to the means available to the network
- Recommendation: Confirmation of receipt of Nordplus Higher Education grant and Learning Agreement.

## Teacher mobility

- For teachers employed by Nordic and Baltic higher education institutions independent of nationality
- Length of exchange: minimum 8 hours of teaching/working
- Scholarship: maximum 355 €/week + travel grant. The network can determine the size of the scholarship and travel grant
- Recommendation: Confirmation of receipt of Nordplus Higher Education grant

## Intensive courses

- Minimum one week (5 working days) and maximum one month
- Participating teachers and students from at least three Nordic and/or Baltic countries or autonomous regions
- One intensive course can receive funding in maximum three years. Applications must be submitted annually.
- Nordplus funds cover maximum 50 % of the total costs
- For further information see Nordplus Handbook

## Joint Study Programmes

- Leads to a degree (Bachelor's or Master's)
- Mobility is built in the programme
- Further definitions of a joint study programme can be read in the Nordplus Handbook
- Funds for establishing and starting a joint study programme can be granted up to three years
- Nordplus funds cover maximum 50 % of the total costs

The Nordplus Handbook can be downloaded at: <http://www.nordplusonline.org>