



Turing 2023/4 info sheet

The Turing Scheme is the UK government's programme which aims to financially support some of the costs incurred by students undertaking international mobilities.

The window for institutional application for Turing funds has opened. The Erasmus & Study Abroad Office (ESAO) is seeking information regarding any international student mobility activities which might meet the following basic Turing requirements:

- 1. Minimum duration 28 days; maximum duration 12 months
- 2. Mobilities taking place between 01 September 2023 to 31 August 2024 (or part of)

Additional information:

- 3. All destinations are eligible, except UoR's branch campuses
- 4. Activities which can be considered include study, work/training, research, volunteering *etc* provided that UoR recognises activity (in some capacity)
- 5. Participants can be undergraduate, postgraduate taught or PhD
- 6. Turing prioritises funding for students from low-income household, and those cohorts which are historically under-represented in study abroad activities.

Funding:

- 7. Competitive process for HEIs to acquire funds application outcome not guaranteed.
- 8. Different cost of living grant rates based on:
 - Duration short (28 days 2 months) vs long mobilities (2-12 months).
 - Host country

See tables on page 2 for details.

- 9. Participants from low-income households (< £25k per annum) can receive:
 - Higher cost of living grant rates
 - Additional travel support (amount based on distance from UoR)
- 10. If successful, how the funding can be utilised is determined by the Turing Delivery Partner based on set countries and activities which they will specify.

What we need?

- 11.ESAO needs information and data about any non-exchange international student activities due to be taking place which meet the Turing requirements for eligibility.
- 12. Contact ESAO (via studyabroad@reading.ac.uk) if you:
 - o want more information, or

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- want to discuss options and possibilities (ESAO will arrange a time for a member of the team to meet to talk).
- want to be part of UoR institutional application for funds ESAO will ask you for certain information / data which you will need to supply to help complete ESAO complete the application.
- 13. Internal UoR deadline of **17 March 2023** for colleagues to provide ESAO with data requested for institutional application submission (requirements will be shared post-contact with ESAO, and will vary depending on type of activity)

Application process:

- 14. The application is being managed by the Erasmus & Study Abroad Office (ESAO).
- 15. There is only one application per institution, per year, covering all mobilities where funds are sought. There are no second opportunities to apply for funds.
- 16. UoR application will need to be reviewed and approved before it can be uploaded.
- 17. UoR Vice-Chancellor is required to authorise application submission, with deadline in early April 2023.
- 18. HEIs notified of application results in summer 2023.

Grant Rates

Activity / Country group	Standard grant rate	Enhanced grant rate
Short duration: 1	£136.25 per week	£163.75 per week
Short duration: 2 & 3	£120.00 per week	£147.50 per week
Long duration: 1	£380.00 per month	£490.00 per month
Long duration: 2 & 3	£335.00 per month	£445.00 per month

Flight contribution 'enhanced' only: £165 - £1,360 (depending on distance from UoR)

Country groups

Countries	
Group 1	Includes Australia, Canada, Cuba, Japan, New Zealand, Switzerland, USA
Group 2 and 3	Include Europe, Hong Kong, India, Mexico, Thailand, Africa, South America

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