

## **Erasmus plus**

Erasmus+ or Erasmus Plus is the latest version of the original Erasmus Programme which was founded in 1987.

Established in 2014, the original student exchange programme now combines EU schemes for education, youth and sport to give European students the opportunity to study, train and gain work experience abroad.

Visit the official site for Erasmus + for more information about its aims and opportunities available.

## **Erasmus + with Moncorress**

### a. Moncorress

Moncorress is an experienced agency which offers a quality service specializing in internships and placements both abroad and in France.

### b. Work experience

Erasmus + is incredibly valuable for future professional development.

Moncorress will collaborate with local Erasmus + agencies to select companies whose staff and activities meet with the programme requirements.

Our aim is to make sure every student who is on an internship eventually acquires and develops both professional and additional skills related to their interests.

Various vocational areas can be catered for.

As the project must cover a work experience module, students will do a minimum of 60 hours over their 2 week's work experience.

Employers will be made aware that the student's level of French may not be always very good.

As this work experience is funded by authorities in the student's country, payment of a wage will not be required from the employer.

### c. Improving French language

This programme will not only contribute to the student's vocational training it also aims at expanding their command of French.

To facilitate this, homestay placements are the ultimate choice for accommodation. This way of immersion combines a friendly welcome, as well as guaranteeing conversation and a lesser concern for chores ! In addition host families can organize local transport. However if the students prefer, the local coordinator can make arrangements for self catering in a youth hostel or in shared accommodation.

Language courses can also be organized by Moncorress's local partners working in registered language schools.

### d. Personal development

Personal development is also at the heart of the programme.

Local coordinators can help with travel arrangements from France and will be at the airport or train station to pick up the student. The local coordinator will remain at their disposal for the duration of the stay to help, should any difficulty arise.

Moncorress will contact the student regularly to monitor the progress of their work experience / internship, to ensure all is well and resolve any problems that may arise.

### e. Insight into French culture

Culture plays a key role within the programme and the way it is organized

To improve the student's cultural awareness, the local coordinator will be happy to advise them on visits /excursions / activities and other possibilities nearby and make arrangements so that students travelling together can meet on those occasions.

### f. The benefits

The Erasmus + experience will undeniably provide students with significant and valuable tools for personal and professional development. The experience will also enhance communication in (the) French (language), improve their understanding of the French culture and build lasting relationships with French people.