

## EDUC-SHARE Science Journalism Internships – Call for Applications

**EDUC Alliance** "European Digital UniverCity", co-financed by the European Erasmus+ Program, is a joint initiative of 6 European universities (Potsdam, Rennes 1, Cagliari, Paris-Nanterre, Pecs, and Masaryk) with the main objectives to promote new models of physical and virtual mobility of students, teachers, and staff, to foster common research projects and face the challenges of the society in an innovative and multidisciplinary way. Each partner university identified one or two priority research topics:

- Life Long Health and Wellbeing (University of Pécs, Hungary)
- Culture and heritage (Paris Nanterre University, France)
- Justice, inequality and inclusion (Paris Nanterre University, France)
- Mobility / Smart cities (University of Rennes 1, France)
- European Union Studies (University of Cagliari, Italy)
- Sustainable Changes: climate and resources (University of Potsdam, Germany)
- Cyber Security and Artificial Intelligence (Masaryk University, Czech Republic)

**EDUC-SHARE project (H2020) – the research and innovation part of EDUC - will introduce pilot tools to enhance multidisciplinary collaborative research, working on a long-term roadmap addressing key global challenges. Citizens, and youth specifically, will be engaged in science.**

**Within Working Package 8 "Dissemination and communication" and specifically in Task 8.2 "Internships for student journalists in genuinely scientific environment" EDUC-SHARE project offers a science journalism internship for students from media relations, journalism and communication fields of study. They will have the opportunity to cover a specific priority research topic defined by [EDUC Alliance \(see the list above\)](#).**

### Internship Description

**An opportunity for journalism and communications students to practice their skills in genuinely scientific environments: participants will meet researchers, learn about their studies and projects, and report their findings and upcoming initiatives to the general public. The internship includes 1-week-long funded mobility to visit the researchers at their home institutions abroad. At the conclusion of the internship, students will prepare a set of PR materials that will be shared and published.**

After a successful application, an internship tutor will be assigned to each student and will agree with him/her on a program for the whole internship.

Each student will be connected to one of the research topics listed above. The internship will be scheduled in two stages:

- 1) During the first stage, he or she will get in touch with relevant scientists with the goal to find out information about their research and use the knowledge to draw up/draft PR outcomes such as articles, social network posts, interviews, stories, podcasts, and videos. Selected students will cooperate and exchange experiences and insights through a web collaboration platform receiving feedback on their work. Most of the exchange between students and researchers during this stage will be hosted online.

- 2) Students who complete successfully the first stage will be offered a one-week funded mobility and may continue with the internship in the university selected.

The student who completes the whole internship will receive a final certificate. The internships mobility will take place during 2023 spring semester. The PR materials and outcomes must be created in English.

#### Timeline of the internship:

- **February 20 – March 12:** collecting applications
- **March 13 – March 26:** applications evaluation process
- **Beginning of April:** start of the internship (students will be contacted via email), exchanges with the internship tutor, get to know the research and EDUC
- **End of April:** deadline for delivering 1<sup>st</sup> set of PR materials to the host university
- **May/June:** possible mobility, delivering of 2<sup>nd</sup> set of PR materials, end of the internship

## Application rules and process

Who can apply:

**Bachelor's and Master's students of journalism, media studies, or similar communication fields from one of the 6 universities of the EDUC Alliance.**

#### Application requirements

Language skills: **English level required B2**

Other skills:

Basic knowledge of journalistic writing, various formats of media communication, and of the concept of public relations

Creativity, initiative, and ambition are welcome especially for the work in PR materials

#### Selection and recruitment process

You will send an application to the EDUC-Share coordinator at your university. Your university will do an evaluation and will select a candidate. Afterward, at an EDUC-Share meeting, the students will be matched with one of the research topics above by a Selection Committee.

All applications should be submitted in English by **March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023**, to: [educ-shareh2020@unica.it](mailto:educ-shareh2020@unica.it) along with the following documents included in an official application form:

- 1) A **short CV** (including contact information, the field of study, and English level)
- 2) A **short motivation letter** (1600 characters including spaces maximum)
- 3) A **short answer to the question:** What do you think science journalism is and is it important? (500 characters including spaces maximum).
- 4) Optional: work samples (articles, podcasts, social networks posts, interviews...)

To apply, use our [application form](#) and send it to [educ-shareh2020@unica.it](mailto:educ-shareh2020@unica.it) by **March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023**.