

# ERASMUS POLICY STATEMENT 2014-2020

#### I.

## Objectives, strategy and priorities of the Erasmus Programme activities

Karel Englis College, Inc. modernizes the attitude towards teaching in Bachelor's study programmes especially by supporting the development of international cooperation, and internationalizes all the possibilities of participation in cooperation with institutions of higher education in the European Union. The strategy of Karel Englis College, Inc. is to develop dynamics of students and teacher's mobility and an increase in the number of incoming students and teachers.

The long-term aim of Karel Englis College, Inc. is to increase the number of students so that at least 20 students and 5 members of academic staff of Karel Englis College took part in the stay abroad.

Karel Englis College, Inc. will aim to take part in all activities enabled by the Lifelong Learning Programme and other European Union's Programmes. Therefore, it will expand the number of bilateral contracts with partnership institutions of higher education, and it will aim to get involved actively also into multilateral projects and thematic networks.

Within the scope of an active communication strategy, Karel Englis College Inc. will regularly publish up-to-date information in the English language on its website, provide distribution of printed materials in the English language to its partnership institutions, organize regular information workshops for student, and publish a web link to final reports of participants in the Programme on its website.

The EUC and EPS will be also published on the college's website.

Karel Englis College, Inc. ensures equal access to education regardless of sex. Moving to new barrier-free premises will make studies of handicapped students easier. Within the project Innovation of Teaching at Karel Englis College supported by ESF, the college has been preparing e-learning support of teaching.



#### II. Quality in Academic Mobility

Karel Englis College, Inc. has its internal regulations for recognition of study results based on the Transcript of Records provided by the foreign education institution. Study results obtained during a stay at a foreign education institution are kept in the information system of the college.

Incoming students can obtain all information about the offered courses on the English version of the website of Karel Englis College, Inc. Outgoing and incoming students can get assistance from the Coordinator for International Relations. Information meetings for outgoing students are organized regularly. Outgoing students are advised to consult their study plans with both the foreign institution and the heads of institutes of Karel Englis College, Inc.

Karel Englis College, Inc. introduced a tutor system. It means that a student of Karel Englis College is assigned as a tutor for an incoming student. Tutors help incoming students to integrate to the college's life right after their arrival. Tutors also organize entertainment activities for incoming students. For all incoming students, there are available all services that are used by current college's students such as the information system, library and canteen. Accommodation is provided in cooperation with the partner company College Living.

Intensive Czech language courses for foreign students are prepared. At least 75% of members of academic staff of Karel Englis College, Inc. with regard to the project Innovation of Teaching at Karel Englis College have achieved the necessary skills to be able to communicate and teach in English.

Karel Englis College, Inc. supports mobility of young academics. Participation in the mobility programme enriches teaching and also enables academics to utilize their experience in their publications.



### III. Quality in Student Placements

Karel Englis College, Inc. is currently not eligible to organize international student placements. With regard to future possibilities of students' assertion on the labour market, we are working on the option of student placement and internships within their studies at the college. The offer is regularly updated on college's website.

Karel Englis College, Inc. prepares its offer of study programmes and their specializations on the basis of external evaluation and monitoring of the employability of its graduates. Specialized internships increase students' chances of their assertion on the labour market because they improve their potential working habits and their language skills.

Student placements are organized within the project Innovation of Teaching. The internships are carried out on the basis of a contract with a partner organization. Students can try practical application of their knowledge gained during their studies at Karel Englis College, Inc. After the placement, students hand in a final report on the placement. Participation in an internship is awarded by credits. Within the project Innovation of Teaching at Karel Englis College, 25 students every year take part a placement with our partner institution SMA Vienna. Participation in a student placement abroad represents a huge enrichment of students' skills.