

Erasmus Policy Statement (EPS)

The Angelus Silesius State School of Higher Vocational Education is located in Wałbrzych, town in south-west Poland. It is a young institution founded in 1999, offering bachelor and master studies for students and non-degree-courses for postgraduates, which raise qualifications of graduates in various professional fields, e.g. public relations, European administration, pedagogy, enterprise financing and taxation.

The School is the biggest one in Wałbrzych and leading education institution in local and regional environment with strong national and international relations. Since many years our school successfully participate in different international programmes, first of all in Erasmus mobility programme, which help us to raise the knowledge gained abroad, competences and skills by our student, teacher and administrative staff. The School is very aware of the importance of establishing strong and fruitful international relationships with other educational institutions and third parties for further and better development and quality improvement of our educational offer. The awareness of our school of the significance of the establishment and maintenance of international relationship is very stressed in our international strategy.

Our School undertake necessary efforts and steps for maintenance of the existing relationship and establishing new ones within the range of European Higher Education Area and beyond. Therefore we are in the course of steady improvement of our facilities and administration work to better cope with the future challenges to come. This will enable us to provide more opportunities and possibilities for our students to go abroad and gain additional, relevant knowledge and skills necessary in today life and of course to prepare them to respond in effective way to the requirements of the knowledge economy.

The participation of our school in the Erasmus programme is for us an important task and the big challenge as well. Working on this issue, we want not only to contribute to increase the number of higher education graduates but through the cross-border exchanges of our students, teachers and administrative staff contribute to steady improvement of our educational offer and with this in mind, to assure the better accessibility of our students to the demands of today and future labour market.

The vocational character of our school means that we are focusing on the professional education of our students, which corresponds perfectly with an idea of student placement mobility. Obligatory student placement are part of each study curriculum at all the departments of our school. Through our effort on this way we want to strengthen and tighten the three areas of education, business and research to provide the students not only with theoretical but also practical skill and competences useful for the labour market access.

Especially established for this purpose - Office for Student Placement - coordinates the schedules of placement, which vary depending on the study subject. Our students may choose placement from the list of agreed enterprises or find themselves a suitable enterprise, which has to be approved by the coordinators from the Office for Student Placement. In the course of realization of the new Erasmus programme we want to place more emphasis on encouraging and enabling our students to undertake more actions and steps towards executing their placement abroad in foreign enterprises.

Our school consider the higher education as a key factor and instrument to gain an additional advantage, which can deliver positive results for better jobs and economic development in today world. Therefore we are focusing on the excellence of our educational offer and undertake steps towards realization of these aims. The cross-border exchange of our students and teachers enable us to place more stress on quality in the education process and the modernisation of our school. In the frame of those actions we intend to create and promote such incentives (financial, and non-financial instruments) to boost and support the excellence and quality in education area.

Supporting tools in the proper fulfilment of this programme in the light of the publicity and the encouragement are the school internal information devices such our web site, television station „Zamkowa” and student magazine „Jazda Humanistyczna”, which promote and support the Erasmus activities undertaken by our educational institution.