Erasmus Policy Statement

DTU is globally recognized as a leading technical university with roots in Denmark and international in scope and standard.

DTU will be recognized and respected globally as a leading technical university because of the quality of its research, its alumni, its values and its university culture.

DTU will be among the 10 leading technical universities in Europe.

DTU’s degrees at the bachelor, master and PhD levels will have a high international standard and will be among the most highly rated in Europe.

DTU will have many qualified applicants from Denmark seeking admission to its degree programs and an increasing proportion of graduates who have carried out part of their studies at recognized universities outside Denmark.

DTU will be among the world’s leading research centers, including private and public centers, within three to five well-defined fields.

DTU’s research will interact internationally with leading private and public research centers and especially with leading technical universities.

DTU will exploit the learning opportunities for students and staff within EU and beyond as well as the opportunities for institutional cooperation provided by the Erasmus+ programme.

DTU’s international strategy is implemented through the following types of activities:

a) International research cooperation – primarily at Department level  
b) Partner agreements on exchange of students  
c) Recruitment of international talents – students as well as staff  
d) Strategic alliances and partnerships encompassing integrated cooperation within research, education and innovation

Examples of d) are:

In Europe: EuroTech Universities consisting of DTU, TU Eindhoven, EPFL and TU Münich.

In the Nordic countries: Nordic Five Tech consisting of DTU, NTNU, Chalmers, KTH and Aalto University.

In Asia: Partnering with KAIST.

DTU has other strategic partnerships including collaboration with the Sino-Danish Center for Education and Research (SDC) in China.
Joint MSc programmes are considered a strong tool for quality development and internationalization. DTU pro-actively supports the development of international study programmes and currently offers 19 joint programmes in collaboration with its strategic partners. The degree framework applied to these programmes is double degrees. Half of the current programmes are supported through the Erasmus Mundus and Nordic Master Programmes.

In the current set-up of strategic alliances and partnerships, DTU is actively pursuing collaboration within research, on joint study programmes, PhD education, entrepreneurship, and e-learning.

Activities include research projects, joint MSc programmes, e-learning activities, PhD summer schools and PhD courses, quality assurance, infrastructure, entrepreneurship activities and student competitions.

Together with its strategic partners, DTU will actively pursue further development of this portfolio of development activities within the actions foreseen in the Erasmus + programme. Collaborative projects foreseen include development of concepts for entrepreneurship education through e.g. the Knowledge Allicance programme, development of new joint MSc programmes and e-learning activities.