

## Are you interested in storytelling, languages and travel? If so, apply to participate in a short-term Erasmus Project in Spain!

**What is the project?** Universidad San Jorge is inviting students to participate in an **Erasmus+ Blended Intensive Programme**, which combines online learning and **a week of in-person learning in Zaragoza, Spain**. Students can apply for a **short-term mobility grant** to cover the costs of travel and lodging for one week. **Universidad San Jorge will cover the cost of several meals, transportation in Zaragoza and tickets to activities.**

**What is the topic?** The project is focused on collaboratively writing and illustrating a **children's book that deals with the culture, history and heritage** of the Spanish region of Aragón. Participants will learn about children's literature as well as Aragonese culture and heritage before working together to write a children's book, which will then be **translated into the native languages of participating students**. Participants will learn about and work on the following topics:

- Types of storytelling and literature for young audiences
- The importance of illustration for children's literature
- Techniques for illustration, including AI-powered technologies
- The culture and heritage of Aragón
- Literary translation

**What will participants do?** Before traveling to Spain, students will participate in a series of **online lessons** to introduce the project as well as study some important concepts and background information. **While in Spain for 1 week**, students will learn about Spanish cultural by visiting **heritage sites** and experiencing **local gastronomy**. Next, students will work together in a collaborative setting to **write and illustrate a story**. After the mobility, students will **translate** the story into their own maternal language.

**Who can participate?** We are looking for **students at the BA or MA level**, who are interested in the proposed project, such as those studying **Education, Literature, English Studies, History, Translation or the Fine Arts**. However, the project is open to students from other disciplines as well. Students should be eager to travel and collaborate with peers from different countries. Students should also be prepared to communicate with their peers in English (**recommended B2 in English**). We especially encourage students who have not previously participated in a mobility programme to apply, though the project is also open to those who have previously studied abroad.

**When does the project take place?** We will begin in **December or January 2024** with several hours of online activities. Students will then travel to Zaragoza at the end of **February 2025** and then finish the project remotely between March and May.

**Where can I get more information?** Contact your university's International Office about participating. Questions may also be directed to Ben Jerue ([bajerue@usj.es](mailto:bajerue@usj.es)) and the International Office at Universidad San Jorge ([international@usj.es](mailto:international@usj.es))

