

Nuture seminar 2023

Drammen 19.06

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Internationalization Background

Stortingsmelding (White paper to the parliament 2020)

- The government's expectations to the universities
- Need for commitment and culture change in the institutions
- 50% mobility is the goal
- Enhance participation in European programmes
- Enhance academic quality
- Research and education
- Cooperation outside Europe – target countries

USN Erasmus strategy

- Study-, training- and staff mobility
 - Internationalisation at home / virtual mobility
 - Project development and strategic partners
 - Enhance strategic alliances (EUI – EDUC)
 - Development of internal competence and professional administrative support
- => Based on the national strategies for participation in Erasmus+ and Horizon Europe

USN Action plan

- increase Erasmus+ mobility
 - increase collaboration with BRICSJ countries
 - enhance the link between international research and education
- => Should respond to:
- USN institutional strategy
 - National strategies for international cooperation in education and research
 - Institutional strategies for Horizon Europe and Erasmus+

International Cooperation

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Panorama

Regjeringens strategi for forsknings- og høyere utdanningssamar.
med Brasil, Canada, India, Japan, Kina, Russland, Sør-Afrika, Sør-Ko-
USA (2021–2027)



- **450 bilateral partners**
- 275 Erasmus partners
- 175 non- Erasmus partners
- **Panorama strategy:** North-America, Brazil, India, China, Japan, Korea, South-Africa are main target countries
- **270 outgoing** exchange students (2022)
- **355 incoming** exchange students (2022)
- 1275 international degree students (2022)

International Relations office– Tasks

**Bilateral
agreements**

**Student-
mobility
OUT**

**Student-
mobility
IN**

**Staff-
mobility**

**Cooperation
EU, Norad,
HK-dir -
programmes**

*Support to academics
applying for external
funding*

Faculty contact person: Support the academics in the strategic international work

Student mobility



- USN offer a wide range of full degree programmes and exchange programs for international students. In average there are about 350 international exchange students studying at USN each year.
- USN provides several study programs and Courses in English
- **Application deadlines Exchange students:**
 - 15 April for Autumn and full year
 - 15 October for Spring semester

Projects in Ethiopia

USN currently coordinates three international education projects with Ethiopian partners

- Norhed II: Nuture (2021-2026)
- NORPART: Search (2019-2023)
- NORPART:Wash4oneHealth (2022-2026)



Ongoing projects in Ethiopia

NURTURE

Nurturing SDGs through Higher Education Capacity Building in Ethiopia

Project coordinator: Shegaw Mengiste

Partners:

University of Gondar
Addis Ababa Science and Technology University
Debre Markos University
Hawassa University
Jimma University
University of Oslo
The Norwegian Centre for E-health research

SEARCH

Striving for Excellence through Action Research & Capacity building in eHealth

Project coordinator: Shegaw Mengiste

Partners:

University of Gondar
University of Oslo

WASH4ONEHEALTH

Capacity building in Integrated water, Sanitation and Hygiene for One Health

Project coordinator: Eshetu Janka Wakjera

Partners:

Bahir Dar University
Jimma University
Kotebe University of Education
Norwegian University of Life Sciences NMBU

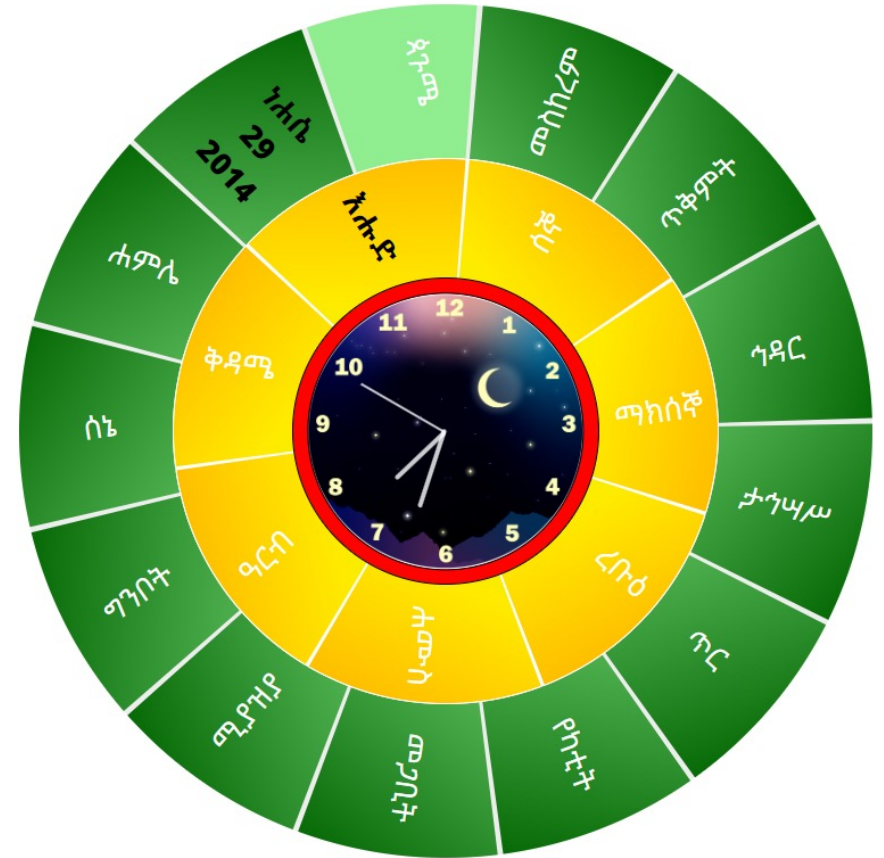
Academic Calendar at USN

Autumn semester:

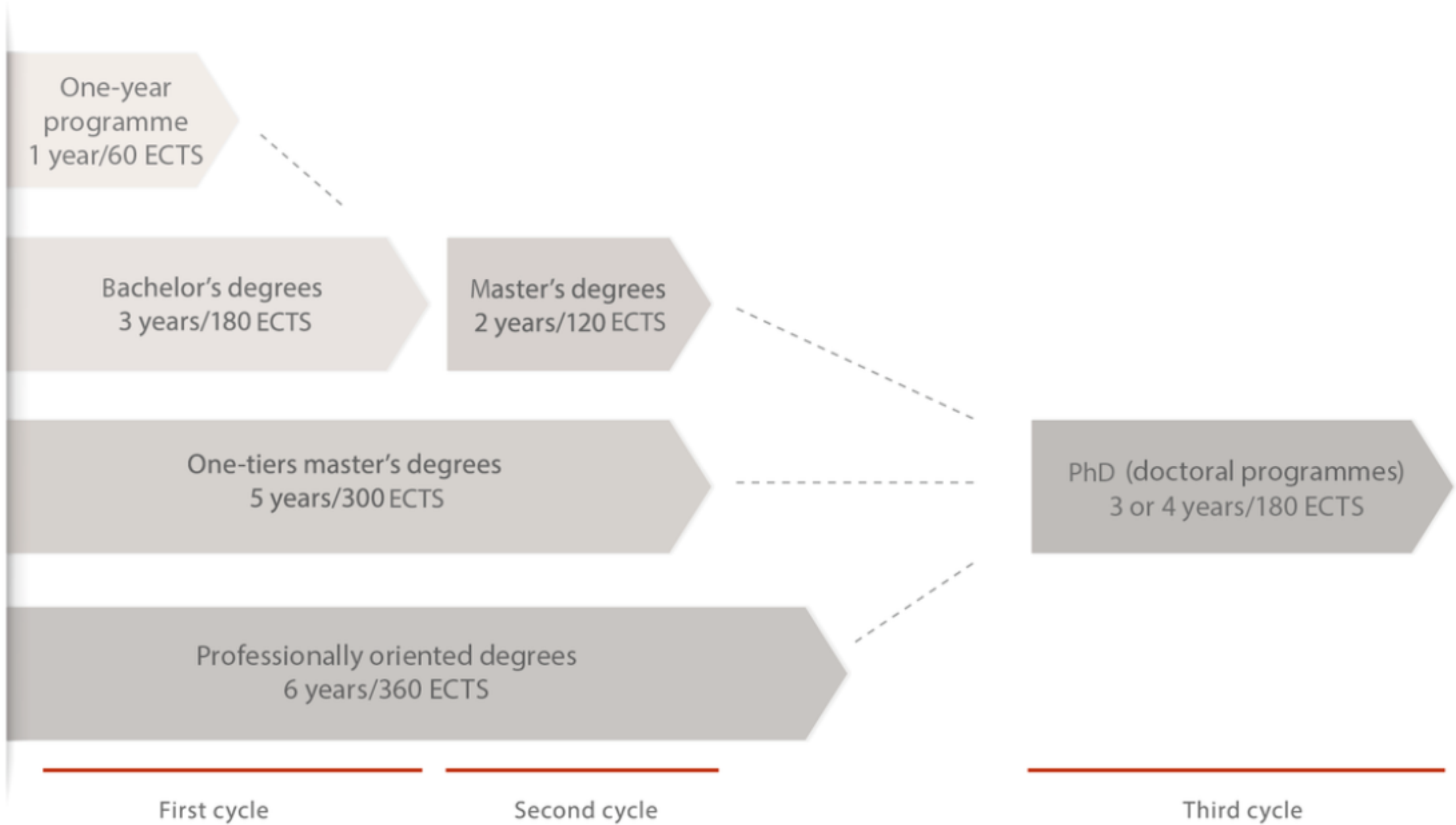
- August 15th – December 20th
- Nomination and application date: 15 April

Spring semester:

- Early January – medio June
- Nomination and application date: 15 October



Basic entrance requirements for Norwegian Universities
(Generell studiekompetanse)



Credit Transfer

- **Credit system in Norway = 1 ECTS**
- The European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS) is a tool of the [European Higher Education Area](#) for making studies and courses more transparent.
- It helps students to move between countries and to have their academic qualifications and study periods abroad recognised.
- It is a central tool in the [Bologna Process](#), which aims to make national education systems more comparable internationally. ECTS also helps make other documents, such as the [Diploma Supplement](#), clearer and easier to use in different countries.
- ECTS has been adopted by most of the countries in the European Higher Education Area as the national credit system and is increasingly used elsewhere, including in Norway.

Credits pr semester

Credits indicate nominal length of study and workload

One year of full-time studies corresponds to 60 credits.

A full semester's workload consists of 30 credits.

A three years' bachelor's degree consists of 180 credits.

A two years' master's degree consists of 120 credits

The courses at USN range from 5 to 30 credits per course.

See guidelines below on page 2

Learning Agreement

- An agreement between the sending institutions, the receiving institution and the student
- List of courses that will be taken at host/ receiving university
- Prior approval of courses taken during exchange, and that the courses and credits will be validated at home institution upon return/ in the Transcript of Records/ Diploma at home institution

First Name(s)	
Surname/Family name(s)/Last name(s)	
E-mail	
Home institution	
Country of home institution	
Length of stay	Autumn semester ____ Academic year ____ Spring semester ____

Name of planned study programme at USN		
Please remember that only courses belonging to the above programme can be listed. It is not possible to combine courses from different programmes or campuses		
USN course code	Name of USN course (pre-approved courses by your home institution).	Number of ECTS credits

Challenges

- **Visa process:**

- Took a long time to get issued
- Flights had to be bought shortly before departure / start-up of studies in Norway

- **Credit transfer**

- Problems when returning to Ehtiopa



Thank you for your attention 😊