Call opening on 12 February: EPICUR Language and Culture Pilot Courses 2021

EPICUR European University is calling for applications to the EPICUR **language and culture pilots.** Starting from **1 March 2021,** 27 (online) short courses **in Modern Greek, Nordic/Scandinavian and Slavonic languages and cultures** will be offered to promote European student mobility and multilingualism. Next to language learning, EPICUR students can choose courses focusing on **culture, society, literature or history** in relation to the above mentioned languages and regions.

The courses will be made available through the **EPICUR Virtual Campus** which is the newly developed virtual inter-university campus environment, which will be tested during this pilot phase. Applications can be submitted from 12 February onwards via the EPICUR Virtual Campus. Please keep in mind that the first deadlines are already set on 19 February 2021.

Why choose EPICUR Language and Culture Courses?
- ❖ Boost your **future career** by learning and improving your European language skills
- ❖ Immerse in **European cultures** and participate in international classrooms with students from across Europe
- ❖ Gain **international experience** and earn **credit points** by studying abroad virtually

What are EPICUR Language and Culture Pilot Courses?
The EPICUR language pilot courses are a selection of existing language and culture courses offered by the 8 EPICUR universities that are made available for the first time to students from all levels and disciplinary backgrounds enrolled at EPICUR partner universities. This spring semester, language acquisition courses will be offered in **Croatian, Finnish, Modern Greek and Polish** alongside **thematic courses**, such as Nordic Cinema, Cultural Heritage and Modern Greek Identity, and The Canon of the Central European Literature. Due to the current travel restrictions, all courses will be offered online. In the future EPICUR students will also be encouraged to travel to one of the 6 EPICUR countries to take part in physical and/or blended/hybrid courses.

The EPICUR Project in short

The ambitious EU-funded project EPICUR (The European Partnership for Innovative Campus Unifying Regions) aims to build an attractive **innovative European university** through the **strategic EPICUR alliance** consisting of eight European universities. Our vision is to create a university experience to prepare well-informed, open-minded and responsible European citizens capable of creating new knowledge and becoming drivers of transnational innovation. This means that the way we teach, we learn, we carry out research or develop innovation should embrace societal challenges, academic and technological developments and educational innovation.

Since the start of the ambitious EPICUR project, all eight partner universities are jointly experimenting with different approaches in multilingualism and European linguistic diversity, in student-centred learning and collaborative teaching, and in new forms of mobility (physical, virtual, blended) via the (virtual) EPICUR inter-university campus.

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Starting from 12 February, the call for application to all pilot courses for the spring semester 2021 will be opened on the EPICUR Virtual Campus, where you can find more details about the courses and about how to apply. Please be reminded that basic and course-specific criteria are applicable. More courses will be offered in the coming semesters. If you wish to receive general information about EPICUR language and culture courses, please visit the EPICUR website regularly or contact the EPICUR Multilingualism team at the University of Amsterdam by e-mail.

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