

EDUCATION AND CULTURE FACTSHEET

INTRODUCTION

Cultural and educational links are a cornerstone of the EU-UAE partnership, fostering mutual understanding, shared values, and long-term collaboration. The EU works closely with local institutions to promote meaningful people-to-people exchanges through a wide range of cultural, academic, and public diplomacy initiatives.

KEY INSTITUTIONS IN THE UAE



14 European International Schools

6 Lycées Français

LFIGP

AFLEC

LFITM

Louis Massignon

Jean Mermoz

LLFPM

3 French schools

Ecole Française de Sharjah

ICE Dubai

Le Petit Poucet

3 German schools

German International School Abu Dhabi (GISAD)

German International School Dubai (DISD)

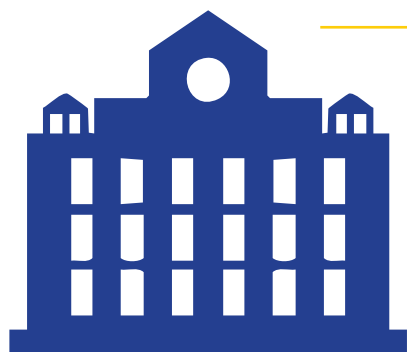
German International School Sharjah (GISS)

1 Italian school

Italian International School (IIS) Abu Dhabi

1 Spanish school

Spanish School of Abu Dhabi (SSAD)



7 European Universities

Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi

Modul University

Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland – Dubai

European University RAK

European University College (EUC)

ESCP Business School

University of Europe for Applied Sciences Dubai

3 Cultural Institutes

Goethe-Institut Gulf Region

Alliance Française

Istituto Italiano di Cultura



Erasmus+

Academic Partnerships with

12 universities  **38** collaborations

OPPORTUNITIES



International Credit Mobility – Study (2–12 months), traineeships, staff teaching/training (5–30 days).

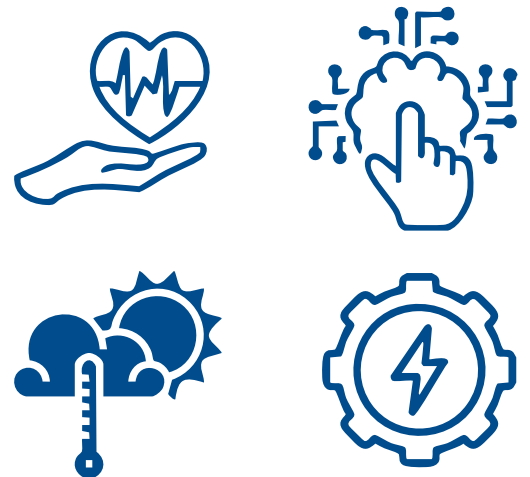
Erasmus Mundus Joint Masters – Study in at least two countries, earn joint/multiple degrees, scholarships available.

Jean Monnet Actions – Modules, Chairs, Centres of Excellence in EU studies.

RESEARCH & INNOVATION

Horizon Europe: EU's flagship Research & Innovation programme, fostering cooperation in health, digital, climate, energy, food, and more.

The UAE universities, notably Khalifa University of Science and Technology, New York University in Abu Dhabi, University of Sharjah and Technology Innovation Institute participate in 6 Horizon projects with European partners, covering such topics as marine geological environment, health (cancer treatment), atmospheric dust, science and innovation.



CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

In collaboration with universities and youth organisations, the EU regularly hosts other activities and events such as roundtables, lectures, panel discussions, essay competitions, career talks, Model EU simulations, ideathons and hackathons. These initiatives help to promote the EU's values, mutual understanding and cultural exchanges.



The European Film Festival; an initiative organised by the European Union that takes place every year in the UAE offering audiences European films from a diverse range of countries.



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