

Information and Communication Technologies usage by Erasmus Student Network University of Warsaw

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A little about myself

- ****Fourth year student of Polish Philology** at the University of Warsaw
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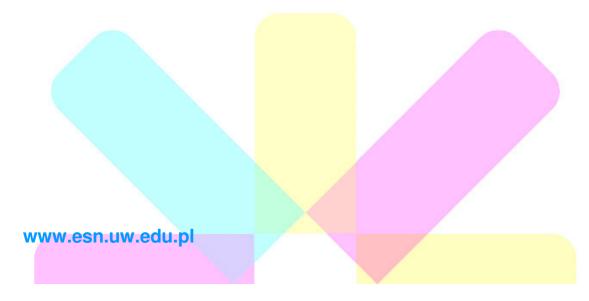
AGENDA

- ****How ICT is used at the Erasmus**Student Network University of Warsaw:
 - Mentor Programme
 - Mailing list
 - Tandem
- ***Problems to solve**



MENTOR PROGRAMME

- ***** airport pick-up
- ****** support with all the scary paperwork
- ***** insightful know-how of the local student
- * a helpful hand whenever you need it





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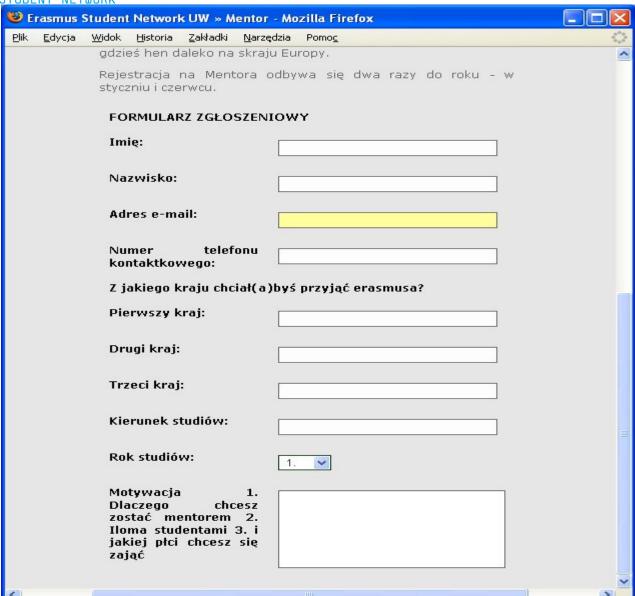
- *** online recruitment**
- ***** application form
- **** motivational letter**

Mentor coordinator:

Ola









MENTOR PROGRAMME

***Problems:**

- Time-consuming system,
- Lack of IT students to implement a better online recruitment system,
- Verification of candidates' suitability,
- Huge members turnover among Mentors.



MAILING LIST

- ****** dedicated to both incoming and Polish students: Mentors, ESN members, Erasmus
- * informing about current news and upcoming events
- ** place to share expectations, problems and solutions
- * the only way to stay in touch



MAILING LIST

****Shortcomings:**

- Ineffective in the long term,
- Rapid decrease in interest in ESN projects among Erasmus students,
- E-mails treated like a spam.



MAILING LIST

****Solutions:**

- Invite Erasmus to enrich our website with issues vital for incoming students,
- Create together a local section's bulletin and a newsletter,
- Give diplomas and certificates in recognition for students' involvement.



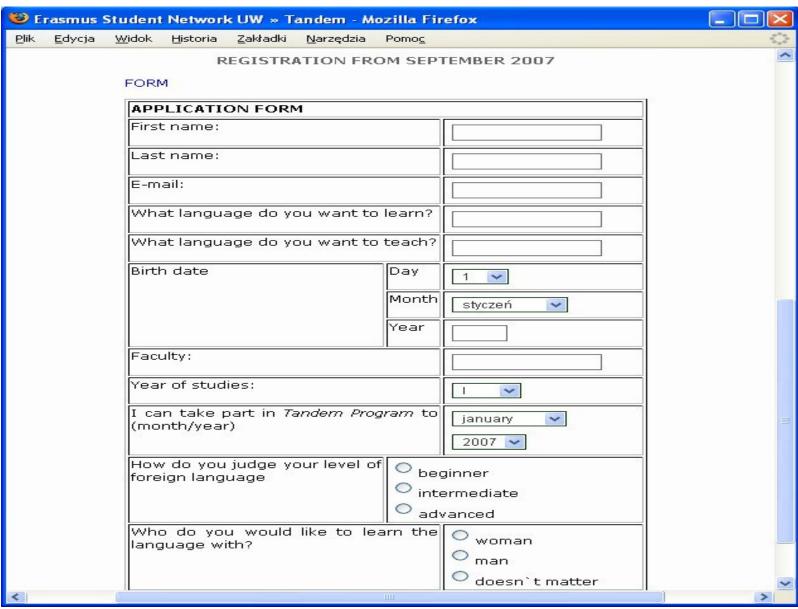
TANDEM

- * Tandem as an innovative method of learning and teaching languages.
- * Its dual aim is to enable foreign language learning and promote transferable skills. Tandem learning involves a partnership of two native speakers, learners of each other's language who learn from each other and help one another to learn.

Tandem coordinator:

Marta







TANDEM

**** Problems:**

- Existing system is time-consuming for the coordinator,
- Wrongly filled in applications,
- Lack of required information,
- Not enough publicized among Erasmus.



TANDEM

****Solutions:**

- Improve the application form,
- Publicize more Tandem among Erasmus,
- Implement e-Tandem (possibility to use emails, skype, telephone, video conferencing).



When coming back from Erasmus exchange

- Polish ex-Erasmus fill in a paper survey assessing and estimating their stay abroad – the only source of information for prospective Polish exchange students
- * There is a great need for information flow concerning: different host universities, accommodation tips, ECTS points recognition
- * International Relation Office and ESN should create so-called InfoCenter (internal documents in electronic format) containing requiered information for future Erasmus
- * Another solution is setting up an alumni spotlight



Courses registration issues

****On-line registration shortcomings**

- Different time for courses subscription for Polish and Erasmus students,
- Problem with physical education and language classes registration.



ESN UW – how can we help more and improve the information flow

- * Create a database with information concerning accommodation, tips on lectures and exams, possibility of attaching pictures, video, uploading media files, geo-location
- *** ESN sections should improve their websites, strenghten the cooperation on local and national level**
- *** ESN Satelite Project**



Problems to solve

- * Lack of information flow between Polish students who have already been on Erasmus and those who are intending to go.
- * Incoming students face difficulties when enrolling in chosen courses before their arrival (this year registration for Polish students started in June).
- ***** ESN should improve contacts with outgoing students create a database which would enable incoming students to get and exchange information about lectures, lecturers, opinions and advice.



Thank you for your attention

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