

“AquaLoop cross-border student exchange program”

Application Information and Application Form for students from the University of Gdańsk

Application Information

Thank you for your interest in the “AquaLoop cross-border student exchange program”.

General idea of the program is to provide the exchange study visits between University of Rostock (UR), University of Gdańsk (UG), and Klaipeda University (KU) for undergraduate and graduate students of aquaculture and related fields based on AquaLoop pilots’ activities, to get the students familiar with partner institution activities and circular economy practices. Specific rules apply for particular universities and can be found in the information related to particular exchange programs.

Organizers: University of Rostock, University of Gdańsk, Klaipeda University, AquaLoop Interreg South Baltic project.

Program hosting institutions and dates for students from the University of Gdańsk:

23 February – 1 March 2025 for the visit in the University of Rostock (DE)

23 February – 1 March 2025 for the visit in the Klaipeda University (LT)

Deadline for applications for students from the University of Gdańsk: 20 January 2025.

Please read through the following details carefully before applying.

By participating in the “AquaLoop cross-border student exchange program”, you will have the opportunity to work in a group of students with AquaLoop cross-border student exchange coordinator from the hosting institution. The AquaLoop cross-border student exchange organizers will select the participants based on this application including a motivational statement. Incomplete registration or those, that do not meet the requirements below will not result in successful participation.

The “AquaLoop cross-border student exchange program” is organised as part of the AquaLoop project – Aquaculture Expert Floor for Circular Economy practice, which aims to develop, promote, and support the concept of circular aquaculture in the South Baltic region for the green transition, with a focus on nutrient loop containment with by-products production towards responsible consumption. The project is financed from the Interreg South Baltic Programme 2021-2027 through the European Regional Development Fund.

Eligibility criteria:

AquaLoop would like to welcome all applicants, but space is limited (6 students from the University of Gdańsk will be selected). To apply for the AquaLoop cross-border student exchange:

- You must be 18 years and older
- You must be an undergraduate and graduate student from the University of Gdańsk studying or working on the topics related to the AquaLoop pilots
- You must submit a completed application form (page 3) before the deadline
- You must attach a motivational statement in a written form (English, max 500 words)

**Application & recruitment procedure**

Recruitment for the program is based on the application process, including a motivational statement. To apply, please send 2 files (PDF) to University of Gdańsk “AquaLoop cross-border student exchange program” Coordinator, prof. Monika Normant-Saremba: monika.normant@staffms.ug.edu.pl by **20 January 2025** midnight (CET).

Motivational statement should cover (but is not limited to):

- Why do you want to participate in “AquaLoop cross-border student exchange”?
- What are your priorities for the hosting institutions and why?
- What experiences and skills would you like to develop?

Other practical information:

- Registering for the “AquaLoop cross-border student exchange program” is free of charge
- Participation in the “AquaLoop cross-border student exchange program”, travel and accommodation arranged by your university in cooperation with the hosting university is covered by the AquaLoop project funds
- Please note, that you must be present at the program for the entire program duration

For more information on the program curriculum, pilots and hosting institutions please refer to the following:

[Full information on the program](#)

[Program poster](#)

[Program banner](#)

[Program information for students](#)

More on: www.aqualoop.edu.pl

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Application Form

Please fill out this form and add a motivational statement to apply

1. Fill out this page (number 3), sign and send a PDF together with
2. Motivational statement, PDF format (English, max 500 words, PDF, for specifications see page 2)
3. Send both files to the University of Gdańsk “AquaLoop cross-border student exchange program” Coordinator, prof. Monika Normant-Saremba: **monika.normant@staffms.ug.edu.pl**
by 20 January 2025 midnight (CET).

Program data (check only the preferred location or prioritise them, by listing No.1 and No.2):

Klaipeda University, 23 February – 01 March 2025 _____

University of Rostock, 23 February – 01 March 2025 _____

Your data:

First name: _____

Last name: _____

Birthdate: _____

University name: _____

Level of study (e.g. Undergraduate, Graduate): _____

Program name (what are you studying for your course?): _____

Email (please provide your email address, we will use it to update your application status and outcome):

Name and email contact to your university reference (your professor, tutor etc.):

Your Motivational Statement (please provide a written motivational statement (English, max 500 words, PDF, for specifications see page 2).

By submitting this form, you authorize the organizers to collect, store, and process your data for the purpose of organizing this “AquaLoop cross-border student exchange program”, in accordance with GDPR regulations, Interreg South Baltic Programme 2021-2027 regulations, and the regulations of the universities: University of Rostock (DE), University of Gdańsk (PL), Klaipeda University (LT). This includes necessary organizational communication and the use of photos and videos taken during the program for publication of its success on official networks, websites, and other event-related materials.

I agree / I disagree

Application date: _____

Signature: _____

Thank you for filling up the form

We will review your application and contact you (via the email provided in this form). Please refrain from making any travel arrangements until you receive formal confirmation from us regarding the status of your application. We anticipate sending status updates and email confirmations **by January 24th, 2025.**

If you have any questions, please email us at b.dmochowska@ug.edu.pl