

# Blended mobility in practice

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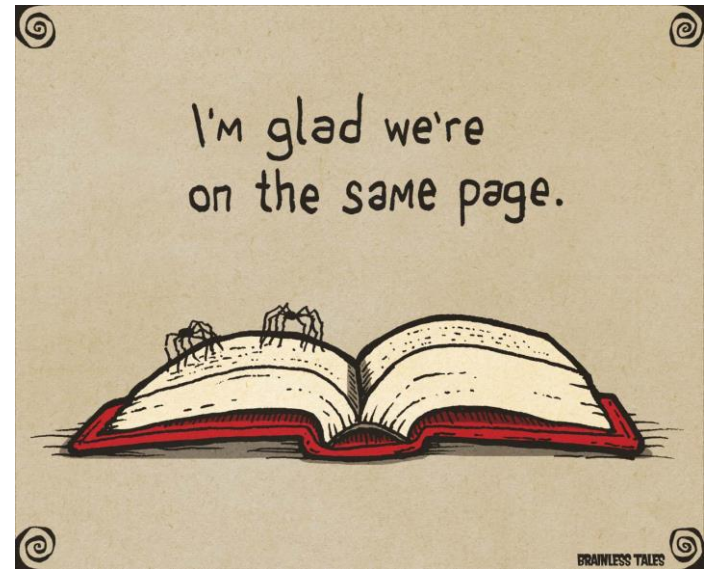
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**Blended mobility:** a structured learning experience that combines a virtual component with a physical mobility.

**Virtual component:** Collaborative online learning exchange and/or teamwork period or activity.



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## Our approach:

- Tradition with intensive programmes
- Keep it simple
- Empowering faculties
- Creativity within the limits of the “rules of the game”
- Community of practice  
VE/COIL



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## Intercanvi Virtual i COIL

Xarxa d'Innovació Docent

La xarxa d'Innovació Docent sobre Intercanvi Virtual i COIL s'ha creat el curs 2020-2021 com a resultat del creixent interès en l'intercanvi virtual i les oportunitats que obre, tant per estudiants com per a professors, la col·laboració internacional en línia.

Aquesta xarxa, també neix com a resposta al foment de la internacionalització a casa, a la Universitat de Girona, de la mà de l'estratègia d'internacionalització #UdG Global aprovada per Consell de govern a inicis de l'any 2020.



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## Examples from the Universitat de Girona

- What exists, persists. Blended mobility initiatives adapting to the current E+ funding.

### **Euroweek**

Informació general



Dra. Àngels Xabadia,  
Faculty of Economics

### **International University Week** *Crossing Perspectives on Social Work*

25th-29th April 2022



Photography from Monar'T Festival- Girona

Dra. Anna Planas,  
Faculty of Education  
and Psychology

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## Examples from the Universitat de Girona

- Collaborative learning - blended mobility linked to practicum (curricular traineeships)



Dr. Miquel Alsina, Faculty of Education and Psychology

- Summer school – new blended mobility initiative responding to the E+ funding

**ERAM**  
Escola Universitària

Universitat  
de Girona

**Playful Technology Futures summer school**  
Girona, Catalonia, Spain  
June 2022

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<b>We see...</b>	<b>We expect...</b>
First reaction to funding has been to adapt existing initiatives	A larger number of new initiatives developing in the next years
Adding the “missing component”	Integrated approach to learning experience (VE + f2f)
Accredited and recognized as optional courses	Larger number of accredited and recognized blended mobility initiatives as part of study programmes
More voluntary than compulsory	Increasing number of compulsory initiatives (?)
<b>Inclusive internationalization pathways</b>	
<b>Monitoring and improvement</b>	

# Blended mobility in practice – a framework

## Scenarios for the integration of Virtual Exchange in Higher Education

1 VE as a preparatory or follow-up activity to physical mobility (blended mobility)	2 VE as an intertwined component of a physical mobility (blended mobility)
<p><i>VE either before/after mobility exchange</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Focus on <b>preparation</b> to the exchange or <b>reflection</b> on the experience</li> <li>•Creation of “<b>bonds</b>”</li> <li>•<b>Reinforcing IaH</b></li> </ul>	<p><i>VE intertwined with physical mobility into a single educational experience</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•<b>Also while</b> students are <b>abroad</b></li> <li>•As <b>part</b> of a specific <b>initiative</b></li> <li>•<b>Activities linked to the mobility</b></li> </ul>
3 VE as a stand-alone learning activity	4 VE as a component of a course (traditional or online)
<p><i>VE recognised as an individual activity</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Offered <b>within a degree</b> as “practicum” or compulsory/elective course or general course</li> <li>•Supports <b>IaH and inclusion</b></li> </ul>	<p><i>VE as integral &amp; required part of the course</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•<b>Recognition</b> linked to other course requirements</li> <li>•VE used to support <b>course learning objectives</b></li> <li>•To give <b>international dimension</b> to a course</li> </ul>



**Creative space:**  
Placements and traineeships

**FRAMES PROJECT - Fostering resilience through Accredited Mobility for European Sustainable Higher Education innovation**

<https://frames-project.eu/outputs/scenarios>

# Thank you

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