

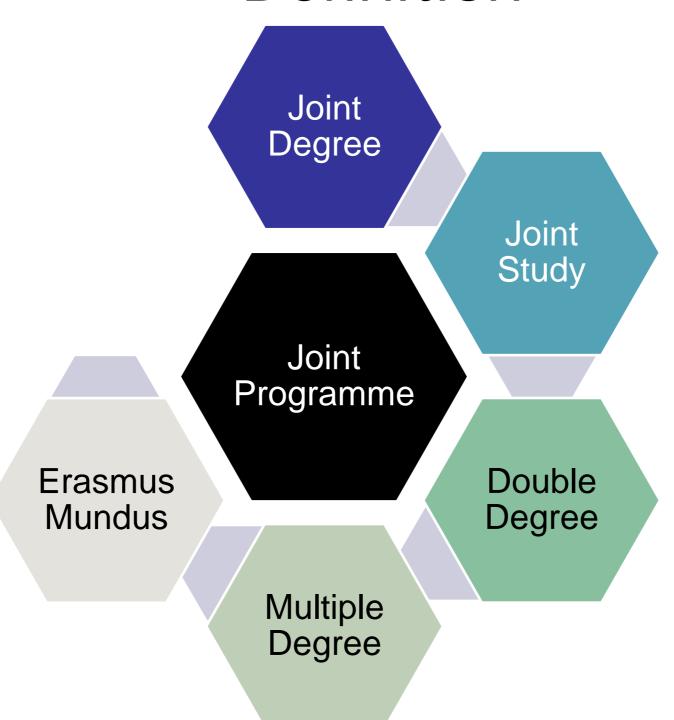
# Joint Degrees at the University of Graz

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# Joint (Degree) Programmes: Definition



### Why Joint Degrees?

- "Supreme Discipline"
- Employability
- Support of specific areas/study fields that cannot taught extensively at HEIs due to lack of ressources.
- International Degree
- New Academic Concepts / Academic Transparency
- Internationalisation / International Cooperation
- Mobility / Intercultural Exchange

# Joint Degree Programmes: What is a Joint Degree?

- Study programme that is jointly developed and implemented by a consortium of partner universities
- Joint selection of students
- Obligatory mobility period/s\*
- Mutual recognition of courses and grades
- Jointly conferred degree and diploma certificate

\*(Master Programmes: 120 ECTS credits, at least 30 ECTS credits on mobility)

### Joint Degree Programmes in Graz

- Currently: 15 Joint Degree Programmes (Graz coordinates 10 of them)
- First Joint Degree Programme: 2007
- Total number of students: 700



















### Who is involved?

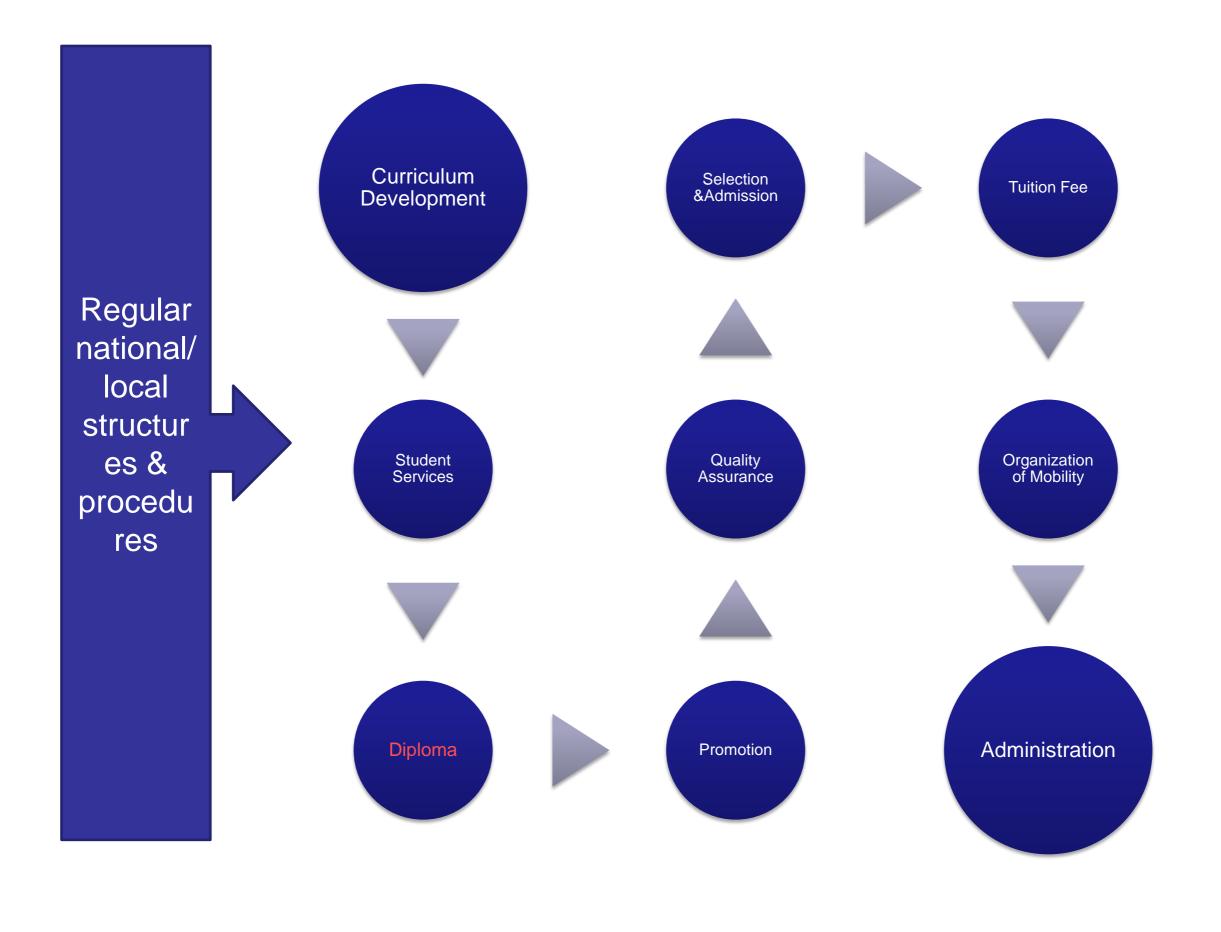
WHAT	WHO
Coordination of the Joint Degree Programme	Academic Coordinator (AC)
Agreement – Cooperation Contract	Rectorate
	Contact: Office of International Relations
Curriculum (regular studies)	Curricula-Commission + AC
	Senate
Support preparation of the Curriculum	Teaching and Study Services
Support Organisation Joint Degree & Mobility	Office of International Relations

### Challenges

- TERMINOLOGY
- LEGAL FRAMEWORK
- UNIVERSITY STRUCTURES
- FINANCES TUITION FEES
- ADMISSION
- RECOGNITION
- ISSUING OF A JOINT DIPLOMA
- ADMINISTRATION
- RESOURCES

### Optimal conditions

- Close ties and cooperation on instutional/faculty level incl. student exchange
- Top management level push programme
- Top down and bottom up
- Sufficient resources for project management
- Programme structures and legal requirements match
- Enough people involved



# Example 1: Joint International Master in Sustainable Development

4 degree awarding partners

2 "mobility partners"

2 partners for additional mobility

Joint Degree

Double Degree

Modules

### Programme Outline

http://www.jointdegree.eu/sd/index.p hp?option=com\_content&view=article &id=33&Itemid=70

### Example 2: Erasmus Mundus Master in Industrial Ecology

3 degree awarding (Eu) partners 3 "international partners" Erasmus Mundus scholarships

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Double Degree

Modules

### Programme Outline

http://j9atp.w4yserver.at/?mobility-and-courses.html

#### Example 3:

MA South-Eastern-European Studies
Serbian partner: University of Belgrade, Political
Sciences

2 degree awarding partners

"mobility partners" Erasmus Mundus scholarships

"Joint Degree"

Specialisation

Summer school

### Programme Outline

http://www.seestudies.eu/node/17

many international students

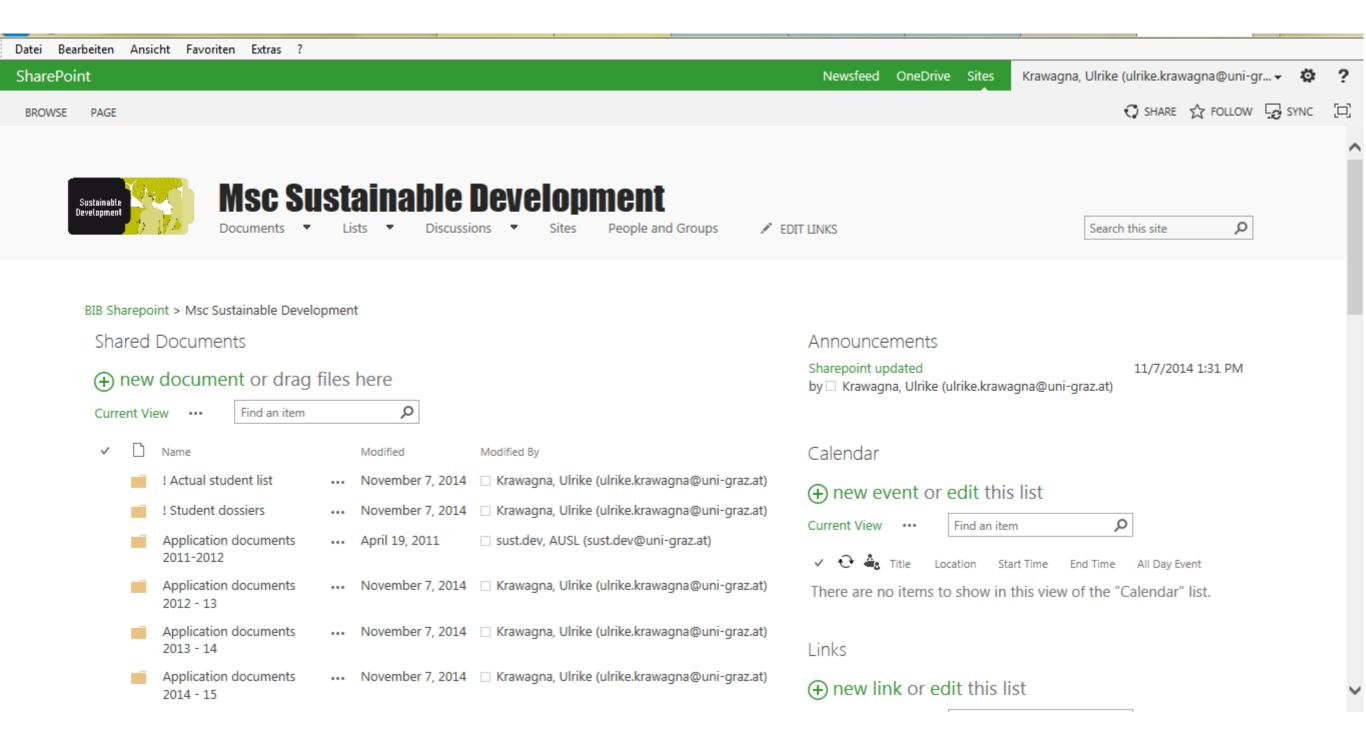
## Challenges

- Accreditation in Serbia: takes too long
- Legal problems with issuing of a Joint Diploma
- Communication with the partners in the region
- Partners dropped out (even though they signed the agreement)
- Mobility within the region (scholarship schemes not always available)

### General information: Joint Degree student administration

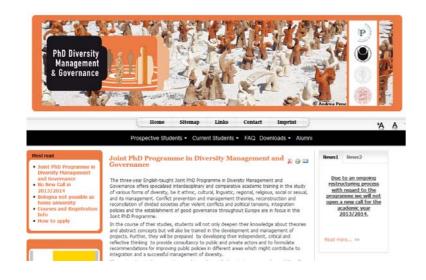
- preparing call (application form, deadline, PR)
- preparing selection meeting (selection list, mobility choices, skype)
- assistance in enrolment process (admission documents, tuition fees, visa issues, housing)
- Welcome Events for International Joint Degree students
- Outgoing and Incoming mobility (scholarship for non ERASMUS partners)
- Diploma certificate and Diploma Supplement
- collecting student data of the whole consortium

### Joint Degrees: Sharepoint of the University of Graz



## Joint Degrees: Homepage

http://www.jointdegree.eu/?id=6&Ing=1
http://www.jointdegree.eu/eas/













## Joint Degrees: New online application system

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#### Create your account

#### Welcome to the Joint Degree application process!

Create an account to submit your online application for one of our Joint Degree Programmes. Afterwards our system will guide you through the process.

You can conveniently upload scanned versions of your documents and will not have to submit originals during the application process.



Erasmus Mundus Master's Programme in Industrial Ecology The call is open from November 2nd 2012 to January 17th 2013 (06.00 pm, CET).

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European Joint Master's Degree in English and American Studies The call is open from January 28th to April 15rd 2013 (06.00 pm, CET).





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Joint International Master in Sustainable Development
The call is open from January 28th to April 3rd 2013 (23.59pm, CET).





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Joint PhD Programme in Diversity Management & Governance

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#### European Joint Master's Degree in English and American Studies Call 2

The call is open from January 28th to April 15th 2013 (06.00 pm, CET)

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💢 Language Skills

💢 Motivation Statement

X Application Documents

X University Ranking

View & Submit Your Application

#### Welcome Max Mustermann

#### current status of your application:

Language skills are not entered Profile incomplete Motivation statement is missing No documents uploaded Application is missing No Data entered

In order to successfully complete this online application, please follow the steps indicated below:

#### Finish Data Entry

#### step 1

once you have completed step 1 (main data, profile, language entry (step 1)".

afterwards you can proceed to upload your documents and rank entrance and mobility university.

#### Finish Application

submit your application by clicking on "finish application": once you click on skills, motivation statement) click "finish application" after the completion on "finish data entry". note that no of step 1 and step 2, you will not have more changes are possible within access anymore to your application and step 1 once it has been finished no more changes will be possible, so by clicking the button "finish data" please make sure to carefully review your application before hitting the submit button "finish application".

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