

Rules for applying for a clinical (SCOPE) or research (SCORE) clerkship

Art. 1.General information

1.1. We define the following abbreviations:

LEO: Local Exchange Officer

LORE: Local Officer on Research Exchange

LSTGM: Student's League of Tîrgu Mureş

FASMR: Federation of the Romanian Medical Students' Associations

IFMSA: International Federation of Medical Students' Associations

SCOPE: Standing Committee on Professional Exchange

SCORE: Standing Committee on Research Exchange

PDT: Pre-departure training

1.2. Official SCOPE-SCORE documents:

AF: Application Form

CoD: Card of Documents

CA: Card Of Acceptance

CC: Card of Confirmation

EF: Evaluation Form

EC: Exchange Conditions

1.3. We define the following types of clerkships:

Unilateral clerkship: A student of UMFST" George Emil Palade" from Târgu Mureş does a clinical internship (SCOPE) or research internship (SCORE) in a country without a student from that country to do a clinical or research internship in Romania, in which case only students from Romania leave.

Bilateral clerkship: A student of UMFST" George Emil Palade" from Târgu Mureş does a clinical internship (SCOPE) or research internship (SCORE) in a country from which a student will come to Romania to do a clinical or research internship, in this case, a foreign student will take the place of the student who departed with a SCOPE or SCORE clerkship.

Art 2. Clerkship distribution and the related fees:

2.1. The distribution of the LSTGM clerkships takes place under the coordination of the local officers of exchange (LEO and LORE), who are the overseers of the student exchanges taking place in IFMSA.

2.2. A SCOPE or SCORE clerkship implies going on a medical exchange for one month in a partner country. **The exchange can be unilateral or bilateral.**

2.3. A SCOPE-SCORE exchange lasts for 4 weeks and it respects the exchange conditions. Looking up the exchange conditions is **mandatory** for the students who wish to apply for a SCOPE or SCORE clerkship, and that is because the exchange conditions provide essential information about the country the student wishes to perform their exchange in, such as: the available months in which the exchange can take place, the hospital's dress code, etc.

(Exchange Conditions – SCOPE:
https://exchange.ifmsa.org/pdf/scope_terms_and_conditions.pdf and SCORE:
https://exchange.ifmsa.org/pdf/score_terms_and_conditions.pdf)

2.4. LSTGM organizes a file contest for distributing the SCOPE-SCORE clerkships. After obtaining a SCOPE-SCORE clerkship, the student needs to sign a contract with LSTGM which will represent the legal proof of the payment for the clerkship. The clerkship fees will be determined in accordance with the FASMR regulations.

2.5. For **bilateral agreements**, the payment will be made in the **LSTGM account**:

- 230 euro – 1st category countries
- 190 euro – 2nd category countries
- 150 euro – 3rd category countries

2.6. For **unilateral agreements**, the payment will be made in the **country of the exchange** (the fee can be found for each country in the exchange conditions).

2.7. For registration in the file-based competition, a non-refundable fee of 30 lei will be charged, payable via bank transfer to the student league's account, with proof of payment attached to the registration form.

2.8. Additionally, a guarantee fee of **100 RON** will be paid when the distribution of the countries takes place, after signing the contract. The money will be returned to the student when they come back from the exchange. In order to get the guarantee fee back, the student must: send their Application Form (AF) in the specified time limit, participate in the Pre-Departure Training (PDT), be a contact person or involved in at least 3 activities organized for the incoming students, complete their Logbook/Handbook, get their SCOPE/SCORE certificate, complete the Evaluation Form (EF) and all the additional forms requested by the National Exchange Officers. **Failure to comply with these conditions will result in the warranty not being refunded.**

2.9. The bilateral agreement fee can be paid in RON, using the BNR exchange rate valid in the day the contract is signed. This fee will be paid in the Student's League bank account.

2.10.1. It is possible to pay the mobility internship fee **in full** within 30 days of signing the contract.

2.10.2. It is also possible to pay **50%** of the mobility fee within 30 days of signing the contract, with **the difference** in the fee to be paid **30 days after**.

2.11. The student who received a SCOPE-SCORE mobility has the obligation to send all the necessary documents by **December 1st** of the current academic year. In case the deadline is not respected, the student might lose their mobility. The students will be taught how to access and use the online platform by the LEO/LORE/volunteers.

2.12. The SCOPE-SCORE exchanges are addressed to students enrolled **in years II-VI** at University of Medicine, Pharmacy, Science and Technology “George Emil Palade” of Tîrgu Mureş, **Faculty of Medicine, Medicine program**, and the **Faculty of Medicine in English**.

2.13. The scoring of the candidates will be done only based on objective and proven criteria according to article 3. In the case of equal scores, the tie-breaking will be done based on the following criteria in the order mentioned:

- the score obtained as a result of volunteering within the SCOPE/SCORE department, in accordance with article 3.2
- arithmetic average of weighted averages from all previous years
- previous non-participation in a SCOPE/SCORE professional internship, to the detriment of a previous participation

2.14. A student can benefit from only one SCOPE/SCORE internship during a SCOPE/SCORE season.

2.15. All students who apply for a SCOPE-SCORE exchange need to volunteer as a contact person for the incomings (people who come on exchange in Tîrgu Mureş with the same IFMSA program) in the current academic year, or to participate to 3 activities, and to participate to a pre-departure training (PDT) organized by the local officers. When they return, they must have the certificate signed and stamped, their Logbook/Handbook filled, to complete the Evaluation Form and all the other documents requested by the National Exchange Officer. If the student cancels their exchange and does not have a pertinent reason for their cancellation, **a 50% penalty will be applied to the final score next time they apply for an exchange**. If the student goes in an exchange, but returns without the certificate, they will not be allowed to apply anymore.

2.16. The tax money will not be given back to the student unless there is a dangerous situation that stops the student from going in the exchange (this must be confirmed by the Host country or by the participant's physician) if the student is not accepted in the Host country, or the CA is late by 30 days or more.

2.16.1 In the event that the student withdraws for reasons other than those mentioned in article 2.16, in the next file-based competition, the student's score will be halved (-50%).

2.17. The file needs to contain the following documents:

- A paper with the average grades for **all their study years** (we accept print screen from portal-academic.umfst.ro).
- Copies of diplomas/certificates obtained from volunteering or scientific activities (LSTGM projects and other student organizations, congresses, conferences) from the **year before**, as mentioned in art. 3.2; art. 3.3.1; art. 3.3.2; art. 3.4.
- UPU, SMURD shifts/volunteer's notebook from the **year before**.
- CV in English.
- Proof of enrollment at UMFST “GEP” Targu Mures.

2.17.1. In the case of students who have previously completed or are currently undertaking Erasmus mobilities, the grade point average considered for the file-based competition will be that

of the years of study completed entirely in Romania, at UMFST, as shown in the online Solaris gradebook.

2.18. The file will be electronically uploaded via Google Forms, before the established time and date.

2.19. After the files have been analyzed by LEO and LORE, they will calculate the scores, post the results, and make a list of all the candidates based on them. The final list will be available in a maximum of one week after the filing deadline.

Art. 3. Scoring the students:

3.1 Academic: the arithmetic average of the weighted averages of the years before: average*60, then the same thing for every year; for example: 1st year: $9,15 \cdot 60 = 540$, second year: $8,89 \cdot 60 = 533$. Average: $540 + 533 / 2 = 536,5$
If one gets a result as per the following example:
590.49, one will be awarded 145 points, respectively for a score of 590.50, 150 points will be awarded

591-600: 150 p	511-520: 110 p	421-430: 60 p
581-590: 145 p	501-510: 105 p	411-420: 55 p
571-580: 140 p	491-500: 100 p	401-410: 50 p
561-570: 135 p	481- 490: 95 p	391-400: 40 p
551-560: 130 p	471-480: 90 p	381-390: 30 p
541-550: 125 p	461-470:85 p	371- 380:20 p
531-540: 120 p	451-460: 80 p	361-370: 10 p
521-530: 115 p	441-450: 75 p	
	431-440: 65 p	

3.2 Scientific: The only activities taken into account are the one from the previous ACADEMIC year (1 september 2024- 31 august 2025)

National Congress	Passive		3
	Active	Author	10
		Co-author	5
International Congress	Pasive		6
	Active	Author	20
		Co-author	10
Medical magazine publications (Extenso)	Național	Author	20
		Co-author	10
	Internațional	Author	40
		Co-author	20

Medical courses onsite (BLS, ALS, Conferences, Congresses etc)	National	3
	International	6
Medical Training	Participant at an onsite workshop	2
	Medical instructor /trainer (i.e. SIDEMED, OSMU, SCOME)	10
	Being a member of a scientific circle for students (max. 1)	10
	Demonstrator (max 1)	25

3.3.1 Volunteering: The only activities taken into account are the one from the previous ACADEMIC year (1 september 2024- 31 august 2025)

Representative activity	Student representative in the decision-making forums of the Faculty/University	12/position
Being part of the organizing team of a scientific event	Organizing committee member (max 2)	6
	Volunteer (max 4)	3
Volunteering in Student Associations (LSTGM, SIDEMED, OSMU etc.)	Department coordinator	10
	Project coordinator (max 2)	5
	Project Volunteer (max 5)	2
Student activity in IFMSA, FASMR	Executive office member	30
	Department/ Committee/ Division coordinator + assistants	20
	Project coordinator	10
	ENE member	10
	Participant at National GA	5
	Participant at International/ Regional(EuRegMe) GA	10
Training	Participant in a national training session	1
	Participant in a international training session	2
	Trainer FASMR	10
	Trainer IFMSA	20

3.3.2 SCOPE-SCORE Volunteering: The only activities taken into account are the one from the previous ACADEMIC year (1 september 2024- 30 september 2025)
(NS)- non-summer; (S)-summer- July, August

LEO/LORE	40	
LEO/LORE Assistant Internal department coordinator (Social Officer, Academic Officer, CP Officer, Tutor Officer, Media & PR, HR)	30	
National Trip Volunteer	15	
Local Trip Volunteer (Sighișoara, Sovata etc)	7	
Train station pick up/ drop off	2/ activity (NS)	3/ activity (S)
Going out with the incomings - city tour, dinner, NFDP etc. (activities that last more than 2 hours)	3/ activity (NS)	5/ activity (S)
Active contact person *maximum 2 CPs	3/ activity (NS)	5/ activity (S)
Coffe Breaks, Buying SIM cards etc. (activities < 1 hour)	1/ activity (NS)	2/ activity (S)

3.4. Extracurricular activities: The only activities taken into account are the one from the previous ACADEMIC year (1 september 2024- 31 august 2025)

UPU-SMURD, “Crucea Roșie” Volunteer	10
Activities in other organizations (ex. Little People, Save the children etc.)	10

3.5. Valid language Certificates: If multiple certificates are presented for the same language, only the one with the highest level will be taken into account for scoring.

Cambridge, TOEFL, IELTS, DELF, Goethe	C2	18
	C1	14
	B2	10

Mentions:

1. All activities mentioned in the pointing tables need to be proved with documents (diplomas, certificates, etc.)
2. For active participation in congresses, the proof consists of a participation diploma and a copy of the abstract from the abstract book (first page of the book, last page and copy of abstract).
3. To prove the active contribution to activities falling under the “**3.3.2. SCOPE-SCORE Volunteering**” section, it is necessary to compile a list of activities to which the volunteer contributed, which will be checked and approved by the current LEO/LORE.
4. If the official language of a congress is English, then it is considered an international congress.

