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Active Citizenship



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History of citizenship



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Citizenship can be traced back to Ancient Greece, when "citizens" were those with a legal right to participate in state affairs.

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However, not everyone was a citizen: slaves, peasants, women, and resident foreigners were all considered subjects.

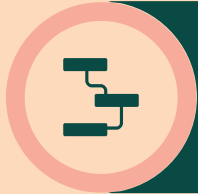
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For those who had the privileged status of being citizens, the concept of "civic virtue" or being a "good" citizen was an important part of the concept, because participation was considered not only a right but also, and most importantly, a duty.

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A citizen who failed to fulfil his responsibilities was deemed socially disruptive.

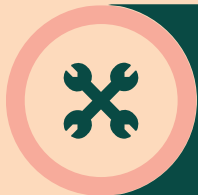
Modern Citizenship



- This understanding of citizenship is reflected in today's most common understanding of citizenship, which refers to a legal relationship between an individual and the state.



The majority of people on the planet are legal citizens of one or more nation states, which entitles them to certain privileges or rights.



Being a citizen entails certain responsibilities in terms of what the state expects from those under its jurisdiction.



Thus, citizens fulfill certain obligations to their state in exchange for protection of their vital interests.



The concept of citizenship

- Citizenship, on the other hand, has many different layers of meaning than legal citizenship.
- Nowadays, "citizenship" refers to a person's personal sense of belonging, such as a sense of belonging to a community that you can shape and influence directly.

BENEFITS OF EUROPEAN CITIZENSHIP



Ability to freely work in EU countries.



Right to reside in the EU countries.



Get subsidised academic studies.



Visa-free entry into countries such as the United States.



Starting a business and buying real estate.



Freedom of movement throughout the EU countries and Schengen Area.



Preferential permits to work outside Europe.



Advanced medical treatment in EU countries.



Visa-free travel into Europe.



Great living conditions and quality of life.

The concept of citizenship



A responsible citizen obeys all of the country's laws and regulations. They have the right to exercise all fundamental rights and duties, such as voting, paying taxes, and defending the country from corruption.



Being a good citizen of the country requires participating in activities or assisting in tackling issues such as keeping the environment clean, raising money for charities, conserving electricity, water, and natural resources, or protecting public properties.



Active citizens

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Every state or country guarantees some fundamental civil rights to its citizens, such as personal, religious, social, moral, economic, and political rights...

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A right is a liberty guaranteed by the state, such as the freedom of speech and religion.

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Citizens are granted rights in order to further their individual moral, material, or personality development and growth in social life. Recycling, preserving culture and heritage, and other moral duties are examples of responsibilities. Voting is a right as well as a responsibility.



How can we be active European citizens?

- Participate in Erasmus projects 😊

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ANATOMY OF AN ACTIVE CITIZEN

Peer to peer interaction with democratic sharing of ideas

Critical thinking

Direct participation to help develop a civic society

Values related to equality and social justice

Management and control of communal affairs

Feet for going forward with your projects





Survey:





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