

Programme in short: From the Netherlands to Romania – 2024!

The YPCC programme starts with a short introductory video to enthuse students about the programme. After this the participating university will have to select a group of students who are willing to join the programme. The selected students will then be invited to the Dutch Wadden Sea island of Terschelling to attend a three-day excursion. During the excursion several lectures and field trips related to coastal challenges will be given. During the excursion students will present a draft of their idea for their case study to present at the LITTORAL conference 2024 in Constanta, Romania. After this the students will be appointed a mentor to assist them in creating their report a presentation for LITTORAL and a ‘third product’ (e.g. poster/video/podcast). After the LITTORAL conference the students and their mentors will be asked to write a short summary of their report and about their conference experiences. This material will be incorporated into a YPCC Brochure 2025, which will be distributed to participating universities, LITTORAL attendees, and the EUCC and YPCC network.

Assignment: “From Impacts of Global Change to Adaptive Responses”

The programme entails an assignment for students to analyse and find adaptive measures to cope with the potential impacts of global change on ‘their own stretch of coasts’ and consider the estimated impacts of human exploitation and habitation in relation to climate change for the next 100 years. Research of the students should preferably be performed within the curriculum of the university, however, it can also be performed as an extracurricular activity. A random grab of examples of case studies that were presented during LITTORAL in the past are (digital versions can be found on <http://www.yfcc.eu>):

- A management plan for sustainable coastal defence in Groningen, the **Netherlands**
- Coastal hazards due to climate change on the Baltic coast in **Lithuania**
- Intertidal boulder bio0diversity field monitoring and statistical study of extreme storm events on the Basque coast facilitating impact studies of Climate Change, **France**

Timeline: From the Netherlands to Romania

To successfully complete the programme the participating universities will have to commit to a timeline (Figure 1), which is presented in the figure below. Before participation at LITTORAL conference the students will be required to produce a research report, prepare a presentation and a ‘third product’. This product can be anything from a poster to a video or an interactive activity with the audience at LITTORAL.

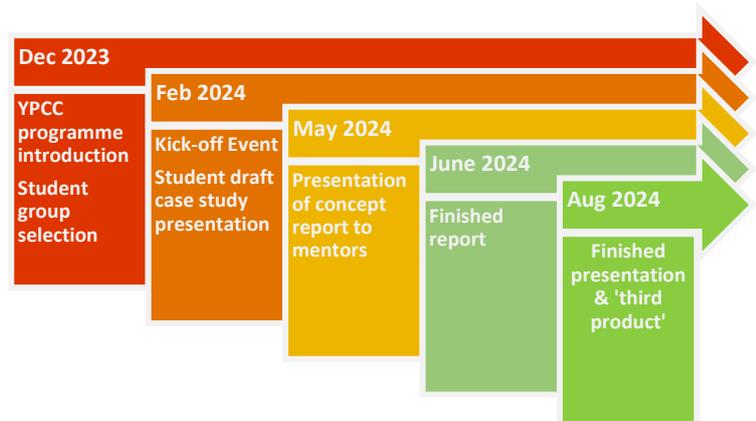


Figure 1, YPCC programme timeline 2023-2024