



## *Tandem Project*

### *eTandem: language learning, autonomy and cross-cultural communication*

Tandem is a **cross-cultural language exchange project** among university students of different nationalities.

It is a learning method that allows students to learn autonomously a foreign language through intercultural collaboration.

Students work together to reach a **common goal: learning a new language and culture** respecting the two basic principles of Tandem learning: **reciprocity** and **autonomy**.

Both participants contribute to the learning process and share benefits to the same extent; they depend on each other and help each other.

Participants are both learners and teachers: they can improve their abilities in the foreign language and facilitate their partner's language learning.

Tandem promotes autonomy in language learning, students are responsible for their own learning; they organise themselves by defining objectives, time, paths and resources.

CLAOR has been offering the **online eTandem project** since 2020 in order to respond to the growing demand of online language learning opportunities so as to provide students with a precious collaborative online learning experience.

CLAOR, through a language counselling service, develops the projects in each phase, from the enrolment to the closing, providing students with guidance and support in virtual environments and constantly monitoring activities in full respect of students' autonomy. Students record their Tandem journey on a diary and at the end of the project they will have to write a joint report on their own experience. Participation in the project is completely free.

CLAOR has agreements with the following foreign Universities: University of Notre Dame (Indiana), University of Rhode Island, University of Connecticut and University of South Florida.

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