

University of Strathclyde
Student Exchange Fact Sheet 2022/23

Exchange Office Contact Details

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Exchange-related information

Level of Exchange	Inbound exchange students will usually select classes/courses at undergraduate (UG) level , typically from years 1 – 3.
Duration of Exchange	<p>Semester 1: September – December</p> <p>Semester 2: January – May</p> <p>Full Year: September - May</p>
Language of instruction	English
Application procedure	<p>ERASMUS http://www.strath.ac.uk/studywithus/studyabroad/comingtostrathclyde/europeanexchangeserasmus/</p> <p>International Exchange (non-ERASMUS) http://www.strath.ac.uk/studywithus/studyabroad/comingtostrathclyde/internationalexchange/</p>

<p>Guide to Selecting Classes/Courses</p>	<p>Exchange students will normally select classes/courses from levels 1 to 3. Level 1 classes are usually at an introductory level and may not require much previous knowledge or study in the subject. Level 2 and 3 classes will normally require some/significant previous study in the subject. Level 4 classes are not usually available to exchange students unless they have significant background in the subject and meet all the relevant prerequisites for the class. It also depends on class capacity.</p> <p>(Admission to level 4 classes will normally require the permission of the individual department which hosts the class).</p> <p>Exchange students usually take classes/courses amounting to 60 Strathclyde credits (30 ECTS credits) per semester. This is considered a regular full-time load. In Humanities and Social Sciences and Strathclyde Business School, this typically amounts to 3 classes worth 20 credits each per semester. In Science and Engineering, this may amount to 6 classes depending on how many credits each class is worth.</p> <p>IMPORTANT Applicants will receive provisional approval for the classes listed in their application prior to arrival, however they may require to make some changes or adjustments on arrival to take account of timetables or any other programme adjustments. It is therefore very important for applicants to be flexible and have some reserve classes identified which can be substituted as necessary if they need to review their curriculum when they reach Glasgow.</p> <p>Applicants should list all the classes they are interested in taking in order of preference in their online application (no more than 6 per semester). 60% of them should be from the same department or subject area. (For students applying under ERASMUS, at least 60% of the classes should be from the department which owns the agreement.) This will be the applicant's primary host department at Strathclyde during their exchange. They may be able to select one or two classes from another department if they meet the prerequisites and if the other department approves this. Applicants can only select classes from a maximum of two departments to provide the best chance of the classes timetabling effectively. In some cases, it may not be possible to confirm an applicant's secondary classes until they arrive.</p> <p>It is highly recommended that all applicants have some flexibility around their classes in case any of them need to be changed on arrival.</p> <p>For details of available classes/courses, please refer to the Guide to Selecting classes.</p>
<p>Nomination/ Application deadlines</p>	<p>For students applying to commence their study in September, the nomination deadline is 1 May.</p> <p>For students applying to commence their study in January, the nomination deadline is 1 October</p> <p>Once a student's nomination has been approved by the appropriate department, the applicant will receive an automatic email directing them to the application process.</p> <p>Applicants will have two weeks to complete their Exchange Application from the date their nomination is approved.</p>
<p>Acceptance documents</p>	<p>Applicants will receive an email from the system once their classes have been approved. Applicants should accept this email as confirmation that their exchange has been approved.</p> <p>Students planning to attend Strathclyde for one semester will subsequently receive an official acceptance from Strathclyde's central Admissions Office which they can show to immigration when entering the country if required.</p> <p>Students planning to attend Strathclyde for two semesters will receive an offer of study which they will need to accept to secure their place. The offer will list any outstanding documents which may still be required in order for them to receive a CAS to apply for a visa.</p> <p>Please ensure the email address provided in your online application has sufficient capacity to receive large files.</p>

<p>Provisional Key Dates for Session 2022/23</p>	<p>Check link for changes. https://www.strath.ac.uk/keydates/2022-23/</p> <p>Semester 1</p> <p>Campus housing opens: 10 September 2022</p> <p>Semester 1 housing contracts – 10 September to tbc</p> <p>Exchange Team Welcome meeting: Monday 12 September 2022</p> <p><i>Welcome Week: 12 – 16 September 2022</i></p> <p>Classes: 19 September – 2 December 2022 (11 week teaching period)</p> <p>Revision and Exams : 5 – 16 December 2022</p> <p>16 December – Final day of term.</p> <p>Vacation : 19 December – 6 January 2023</p> <p>Semester 2</p> <p>Campus housing opens: 8 January 2023</p> <p>Semester 2 housing contracts run from 8 January – tbc</p> <p>Exchange Team Welcome meeting: Monday 9 January 2023</p> <p><i>Welcome Week: 9 – 13 January 2023</i></p> <p>Classes : 16 January – 1 April 2023 (11 week teaching period)</p> <p>Spring Break Vacation : 4 – 15 April 2023 (inclusive)</p> <p>Revision Week : 18 - 22 April 2023</p> <p>Exams : 25 April – 20 May 2023</p> <p>20 May – Final day of term.</p>
<p>Academic Transcript</p>	<p>Students will be able to download their transcript directly from their workflow on Mobility Online.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Semester 1 students – transcripts will normally be available to download by the end of February. • Semester 2/Full year students – transcripts will normally be available to download by the end of July. <p>(Interim transcripts will not usually be provided at the end of semester 1 for full year exchange students).</p> <p>Partners can also view and download their student’s transcripts from Mobility Online :-</p> <p>Log in to Mobility Online</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Click on ‘My Mobility Online’ and then ‘my applications’ and a list of your students will appear. 2. Click on the student’s name and you will be taken to their individual record. 3. Scroll down to the bottom and you will see this icon.  Click on it. 4. A new screen will appear and you will see the uploaded transcript. Tick the box, and click on either of these icons   to download your student’s transcript.
<p>Visa Information</p>	<p>The new Student visa (replacing Tier 4) came into effect on 5 October 2020. This is applicable to all students planning to attend Strathclyde for more than 6 months, including those from the EU, Switzerland, Norway, Iceland and Liechtenstein. Check the link below for more information. https://www.strath.ac.uk/studywithus/internationalstudents/beforeyouarrive/visasimmigration/</p> <p>In order to apply for a Student visa, applicants will require to obtain a CAS from Strathclyde. In order to obtain a CAS applicants will require to submit the following supporting documents to Strathclyde:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Evidence of acceptable English Language Proficiency (refer to section below on English language requirements.)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Official transcript (original and 2nd version translated into English See note below.) - Confirmation of no previous UK study on a student visa. - Valid passport <p>Note regarding transcript This must be a fully certified translation from a professional translator or translation company that can be independently verified by the Home Office. The translation must include all of the following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • confirmation that it is an accurate translation of the document • the date of translation • the full name and signature of the translator or an official from the translation company • the translator or translation company's contact details <p>Students planning to attend Strathclyde for less than 6 months may not require a visa (if you are a visa national), however we would recommend that all applicants check using the 'Check if I need a visa' tool at the link below. https://www.gov.uk/check-uk-visa</p> <p>If you are EU/EEA/Swiss student and have pre-settled or settled status you may not require a student visa, the university will still require evidence of this as part of the application to ensure you are given the correct offer conditions.</p> <p>https://www.strath.ac.uk/studywithus/registration/uploadyourdocuments/</p>
<p>Information and Advice</p>	<p>For more information, including details of Strathclyde's orientation and welcome activities including airport pick-up service, living costs, health matters, the city of Glasgow and much more, please go to http://www.strath.ac.uk/sees/infoint/</p> <p>This information will continue to be updated on an ongoing basis.</p>
<p>BREXIT</p>	<p>Strathclyde is pleased to confirm its continued participation in the current Erasmus+ Programme beyond the UK's exit from the EU. Strathclyde is committed to its existing Erasmus+ agreements and has extended its current KA103 project for 36 months, enabling staff and students to continue to access Erasmus funding until 31st May 2023.</p> <p>The EC has published FAQs on Erasmus+ and Brexit, which hopefully provides reassurance of the UK's full participation in the Erasmus+ Programme (2014-2020) beyond Brexit.</p> <p>Should you have any queries, please feel free to contact Kate Kenyon at kate.kenyon@strath.ac.uk</p>
<p>Certificate of Arrival/Departure</p>	<p>In order to receive a Certificate of Arrival/Departure, students will require to submit proof of their arrival/departure in Strathclyde's Mobility Online system. This can be a photo of their flight boarding pass or arrival stamp in their passport (for students coming for more than 6 months). Once they have uploaded proof of their arrival/departure, they will receive an e-mail with a completed Certificate of Arrival/Departure attached.</p> <p>This digital system will replace the previous system and we will no longer be able to process arrival/departure documents provided by partner Universities.</p> <p>Certificates of Arrival will not be processed until the student is physically on campus as the funding is conditional on the student being present on campus.</p>

<p>English Language Requirements</p>	<p>Applicants applying for a Student Visa to come to the UK must provide evidence of their English language proficiency that meets the requirements of the course. This is a UKVI requirement as part of the visa application process. Normally IELTS 6.0 or 6.5 overall with nothing less than 5.5 in each component or equivalent test depending on the course. IELTS expires two years after the date on the certificate and still needs to be valid at the time of the visa application.</p> <p>You can find more information about the accepted tests at the links below. Refer to section entitled ' For entry on to main degree'.</p> <p>https://www.strath.ac.uk/studywithus/englishlanguage/requirements/</p> <p>https://www.strath.ac.uk/studywithus/englishlanguage/requirements/recognisedenglishlanguagequalifications/</p> <p>If you are coming to the UK for one semester (less than 6 months without a visa), the declaration from your home institution which confirms you have a good level of English (equivalent to B2 or above) in the Common European Framework of Reference for language (CEFR) is sufficient. Partners are asked to confirm this on behalf of each applicant when they are nominating them.</p> <p>Strathclyde is pleased to continue to offer 2 hours per week of free English language support to non English speaking exchange students during semesters 1 and 2.</p>
<p>Accommodation/Housing Information</p>	<p>Strathclyde has limited campus housing. Full details including prices are available here. Due to the limited places available, it would be helpful if partner Universities could split their allocations over semesters 1 and 2 to reduce the pressure on housing.</p> <p>Due to the limited places available, ERASMUS students are not guaranteed campus housing. Places are allocated by ballot depending on availability.</p> <p>International Exchange students will normally be guaranteed campus housing provided they apply by the deadline unless there are any extenuating circumstances in which case alternative arrangements will be put in place and partner institutions (and applicants) will be notified accordingly. (We may need to review this policy depending on the availability of accommodation closer to September 2022).</p> <p>The Housing Office will email all applicants in July/August (for those commencing study in S1 and December (for those commencing study in S2) with further information concerning their housing arrangements. Unsuccessful applicants will be informed about alternative housing options in the private sector.</p> <p>Students renting privately through a landlord should be aware they may require to pay council tax. Further information regarding council tax is available at the link below. http://www.strath.ac.uk/studentlifecycle/letterscounciltaxbankstatus/.</p>

<p>Coronavirus (COVID-19)</p>	<p>Exchange programmes are subject to any developments around COVID-19 which may impact on travel or border restrictions.</p> <p>Keep up to date with Strathclyde's guidance :-</p> <p>https://www.strath.ac.uk/coronavirus/</p> <p>https://www.strath.ac.uk/coronavirus/students/</p>
<p>Emergency contact details</p> <p><i>(Use only in case there is a crisis outside of work hours)</i></p>	<p>Security Services on +44 141 548 2222. They are available 24 hours 7 days a week and will connect you with the relevant member of staff for further guidance.</p>

Strathclyde Grading Scale	%	Descriptor
	80-100	<u>Outstanding demonstration of learning outcomes:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wide, appropriate knowledge and understanding (and where appropriate effective project work) including insight and originality • Evidence of reading and thought beyond course/assignment materials • Appropriate use of references and exemplars • An outstanding standard of writing and communication and/or presentation
	70-79	<u>Excellent demonstration of learning outcomes:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wide, appropriate knowledge and understanding (and where appropriate effective project work) including insight and originality • Evidence of reading and thought beyond course/assignment materials • Appropriate use of references and exemplars • An excellent standard of writing and communication and/or presentation
	60-69	<u>Comprehensive demonstration of learning outcomes:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wide appropriate knowledge and understanding (and where appropriate effective project work) with only occasional lapses in detail • Evidence of reading and thought beyond course/assignment materials • A high standard of writing and communication
	50-59	<u>Satisfactory demonstration of learning outcomes:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sound knowledge and understanding of essential material (and where appropriate essential project skills) • General accuracy with occasional mistakes and/or uncoordinated use of information
	40-49	<u>Limited demonstration of learning outcomes:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basic knowledge and understanding (and where appropriate basic project skills) • Omissions and/or weaknesses of presentation and/or logic and/or evidence
	30-39	<u>Inadequate demonstration of learning outcomes:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some relevant information and limited understanding (and where appropriate some project work completed under supervision) • Omissions and/or weaknesses of presentation and/or logic and/or evidence • Lack of familiarity with the subject of assessment and/or assessment vehicle
	20-29	<u>Weak demonstration of learning outcomes:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A few key words, phrases or key ideas • Extensive omissions and/or weaknesses of presentation and/or logic and/or evidence • Serious errors • Inadequate evidence of learning or inadequate project work
	1-19	<u>Minimal performance in learning outcomes:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Serious errors • Extensive omission and/or weakness of presentation and/or logic and/or evidence • Deficient evidence of learning or deficient evidence of project work
	0	<u>No relevant work submitted for assessment.</u>

Undergraduate Grading Scale

Mark	General Comment	Equivalent Grade
70+	Excellent or Outstanding	A
60-69	Comprehensively Good	B
50-59	Generally Good	C
45-49	Satisfactory	D
40-44	Satisfactory	E
<40	Weak – Fail	FX/F

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