

University of Strathclyde Exchange Fact Sheet 2017/18

Exchange Office Contact Details

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Exchange-related information		
Level of Exchange	Most exchange students will take classes/courses at undergraduate (UG) level.	
Duration of Exchange	Semester 1: September – December Semester 2: January – May Full Year: September - May	
Language of instruction	English	

Exchange-related information

Application procedure	ERASMUS:- http://www.strath.ac.uk/studywithus/studyabroad/comingtostrathclyde/europeanexchangeserasmus/
	International Exchange/Non-ERASMUS:- http://www.strath.ac.uk/studywithus/studyabroad/comingtostrathclyde/internationalexchange/
Guide to Selecting Classes/Courses	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 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 the prerequisites for the class. (Admission to level 4 classes will normally require the permission of the department which offers the class).
	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.
	IMPORTANT You will receive provisional approval for the classes listed in your application prior to arrival depending on availability and if you meet the prerequisites for the class, however classes will NOT be confirmed until you arrive to take account of final changes or adjustments to Strathclyde's provision as well as timetable clashes. It is therefore very important for applicants to be flexible and have some reserve classes in mind which can be substituted as necessary if you need to review some of your classes when you reach Strathclyde.
	ERASMUS students should select classes/courses from the Strathclyde department which holds the bilateral agreement. It may be possible to take a class from another department if the other department is agreeable to this, and if it fits with your timetable. This is often simpler to arrange on arrival.
	Non-ERASMUS/International Exchange students should identify their main subject area/host department at the application stage, and take at least 50% of your classes/courses from that department/subject area. It may not be possible to seek confirmation of any secondary classes until you arrive. International Exchange students should also have lots of flexibility around classes in case you need to review them upon arrival.
	For details of available classes/courses, please refer to the Guide to Selecting classes.
Nomination/ Application deadlines	For students commencing study in September, the nomination deadline is 1 May For students commencing study in January, the nomination deadline is 1 October Once a student's nomination has been approved by the relevant host department, they will have
	two weeks in which to submit a full application. Applications must be fully submitted by 15 May and 15 October respectively to allow sufficient time for processing.

Important Dates	Semester 1
(Provisional as at 23/1/17)	Campus housing opens: 9 September 2017
	Semester 1 housing contracts run from 9 September – 6 January 2018
	Recruitment & International Office Welcome meeting: 11 September 2017
	Welcome Week: 11 - 15 September 2017
	Classes commence: 18 September 2017
	Revision and Exams : 4 - 15 December 2017
	Semester 2
	Campus housing opens: 7 January 2018
	Semester 2 housing contracts run from 7 January – 9 June 2018
	Recruitment & International Office Welcome meeting: 8 January 2018
	Welcome Week: 8 – 12 January 2018
	Classes commence : 15 January 2018
	Spring Break Vacation : 2 – 13 April 2018
	Revision Week : 16 April
	Exams : 23 April – 18 May 2018
Acceptance documents	The University's central Admissions Office will email acceptance documents direct to applicants when their application has been approved.
	Please ensure the email address provided in your online application has sufficient capacity to receive large files.

Strathclyde Grading Scale	%	Descriptor
	80-100	Oustanding demonstration of learning outcomes:
		 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	Excellent demonstration of learning outcomes:
		 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	Comprehensive demonstration of learning outcomes:
		 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	Satisfactory demonstration of learning outcomes:
		 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	Limited demonstration of learning outcomes:
		 Basic knowledge and understanding (and where appropriate basic project skills) Omissions and/or weaknesses of presentation and/or logic and/or evidence
	30-39	Inadequate demonstration of learning outcomes:
		 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	Weak demonstration of learning outcomes:
		 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	Minimal performance in learning outcomes:
		 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	No relevant work submitted for assessment.

Academic Transcripts	Two original academic transcripts will be sent automatically to the partner University as soon as the student's grades have been approved by the relevant Exam Board.
	Semester 1 students – transcripts will normally be forwarded to the partner University by end February .
	Semester 2/Full year students – transcripts will normally be forwarded to the partner University by end July .
	(Interim transcripts will not usually be sent at the end of semester 1 for full year exchange students).

Accommodation Information

Incoming ERASMUS students are **not** guaranteed campus housing. This is allocated by ballot to students who apply by the deadline.

When making your allocations, for single semester applications, it would be helpful if partner Universities could divide their allocations equally over both semesters.

International Exchange/non ERASMUS 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 will be notified.

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 receive information about alternative housing options around the City.

Students renting privately should be aware they may require to pay council tax. <u>http://www.strath.ac.uk/studentlifecycle/letterscounciltaxbankstatus/</u>.

Visa requirements

Please refer to information for Exchange and Study Abroad students.

http://www.strath.ac.uk/sees/infoint/visasandpbs/

Most non EEA students attending Strathclyde for one semester from a Partner University will be eligible to receive a **short-term study visa stamp** on arrival at the airport but please **check your eligibility using the link provided**.

Information and Advice

For more information, including details of the University's orientation and welcome activities, cost of living, health matters, the city of Glasgow and much more, please go to http://www.strath.ac.uk/sees/infoint/

This information will be updated on an ongoing basis throughout the Summer.