

# Fact Sheet 2023/24 Exchange Studies

FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES | LUND UNIVERSITY



## ACADEMIC CALENDAR

### Fall Semester 2023:

Semester: 28 Aug 2023–14 Jan 2024

Period 1: 28 Aug 2023–29 Oct 2023

Period 2: 30 Oct 2023–14 Jan 2023

Arrival Day: 15 August, 2023

### Spring Semester 2024:

Semester: 15 Jan 2024–2 June 2024

Period 3: 15 Jan 2024–7 March 2024

Period 4: 18 March 2024–2 June 2024

Arrival Day: 9 January, 2024

No breaks during semester: Examination Period is included in semester period. Academic calendar: [www.lunduniversity.lu.se/international-admissions/why-study-at-lund-university/academic-calendar](http://www.lunduniversity.lu.se/international-admissions/why-study-at-lund-university/academic-calendar)

## NOMINATION

Nominations shall be submitted via our online system SoleMove (partner universities will receive login details via email).

### Nomination periods:

Fall Semester: 15 March–31 March

Spring Semester: 15 September–30 September

## APPLICATION

Once the nominations have been submitted students receive an email with the login details that are required for the online application.

### Application periods:

Fall semester 2023: 1 April–15 April

Spring Semester 2024: 1 October–15 October

## ARRIVAL DAY

On Arrival Day student mentors meet the international students at the airport in Copenhagen and at the railway station in Lund. They accompany them from the railway station to the Arrival Day venue, where students check in and Welcome Packages are distributed. Arrival Day is compulsory if exchange students want to participate in the Orientation Program. [www.lunduniversity.lu.se/student-life/preparing-to-come/arrival-introduction/arrival-day](http://www.lunduniversity.lu.se/student-life/preparing-to-come/arrival-introduction/arrival-day)

## ORIENTATION PROGRAM & SWEDISH LANGUAGE COURSE

We offer an extensive 1 or 2 week Orientation Program, free of charge to exchange students. It includes some lectures in the Swedish language and an introduction to the university and the cities of Lund and Helsingborg, tours and social activities. The language course renders academic credits. Throughout the semester, different social activities are also organized.

[www.lunduniversity.lu.se/student-life/preparing-to-come/arrival-introduction/introduction-and-orientation](http://www.lunduniversity.lu.se/student-life/preparing-to-come/arrival-introduction/introduction-and-orientation)

## MENTOR PROGRAM

In order to help students settle down and adjust to Swedish everyday life students can participate in a student mentor group:

[www.lunduniversity.lu.se/student-life/preparing-to-come/arrival-introduction/mentors-and-friends](http://www.lunduniversity.lu.se/student-life/preparing-to-come/arrival-introduction/mentors-and-friends)

## COST OF LIVING

You need approximately 8,000–9,000 SEK/month to cover your living and study expenses, housing included. Note that EURO is not used in Sweden.

[www.lunduniversity.lu.se/student-life/preparing-to-come/money-and-living-costs](http://www.lunduniversity.lu.se/student-life/preparing-to-come/money-and-living-costs)

## COURSES & RESTRICTIONS

### Courses

Lund University offers more than 250 courses in English annually. The departments within the Faculty of Social Sciences offer undergraduate and graduate courses in English. See also the course guide for exchange studies for more information on courses within the Social Sciences Faculty: [www.sam.lu.se/en/education/exchange-studies/incoming-exchange-students](http://www.sam.lu.se/en/education/exchange-studies/incoming-exchange-students)

Courses can also be taken at faculties outside the Faculty of Social Sciences as complementary studies: [www.lunduniversity.lu.se/international-admissions/exchange-and-study-abroad/exchange-studies/find-exchange-courses](http://www.lunduniversity.lu.se/international-admissions/exchange-and-study-abroad/exchange-studies/find-exchange-courses)

### Course load

1.5 Swedish university credits equal 1.5 ECTS-credits, representing one week of full-time studies. Exchange students are expected to take a full-time course load of 30 credits per semester. Course modules generally vary in scope from 7.5 credits to 15 credits. The study rate lies between 25% and 100%. Examination may take various forms and can be based on active participation in seminars, oral presentations-individually and in groups-, written examinations in the form of papers and critical reflections on the course literature.

### Restrictions

Exchange students coming on an agreement with the Faculty of Social Sciences, or one of the Faculty of Social Sciences' departments, must take at least half of their credits (15 ECTS) at the Faculty of Social Sciences. While students may include external courses in their applications, they are neither prioritized nor guaranteed admission to courses outside the Faculty of Social Sciences.

## GRADING

The grading scale may vary between the different faculties and departments: [www.lunduniversity.lu.se/current-students/academic-matters-support/grading-system](http://www.lunduniversity.lu.se/current-students/academic-matters-support/grading-system)

A verifiable digital transcript can be downloaded from the Student Portal once the results have been reported. Hard copies are only sent upon request by the home university.

## HOUSING

There are several different housing providers; LU Accommodation is one of them. LU Accommodation administers a limited number of rooms at dormitories in Lund and Helsingborg. *The housing application for exchange studies should be done as soon as possible since it is on a first-come first-served basis. The housing application is open:*

Fall semester 2023: 3 April–17 April

Spring semester 2024: 1 November–14 November

LU Accommodation: [www.luaccommodation.lu.se/](http://www.luaccommodation.lu.se/)

It is also recommended to apply for accommodation through several different agencies: [www.lunduniversity.lu.se/student-life/housing/accommodation-agencies](http://www.lunduniversity.lu.se/student-life/housing/accommodation-agencies)

## INSURANCE

The Swedish State has designed insurance for foreign students coming to Sweden within an exchange agreement, covering illness and accidents occurring during the student's studies:

[www.lunduniversity.lu.se/current-students/health-care/medical-insurance](http://www.lunduniversity.lu.se/current-students/health-care/medical-insurance)

## RESIDENCE PERMIT

As an EU/EEA citizen you have the right to residence in Sweden and can study without a residence permit.

Citizens of some countries need to apply for a residence permit to study in Sweden. Applications must be completed in advance at a Swedish embassy/consulate abroad. Processing may take up to three months – apply well in advance.

[www.migrationsverket.se/English/Private-individuals.html](http://www.migrationsverket.se/English/Private-individuals.html)

Exchange students are allowed to work during their stay in Sweden:

<https://studyinsweden.se/moving-to-sweden/work-internships>

## USEFUL LINKS

Lund University: [www.lunduniversity.lu.se](http://www.lunduniversity.lu.se)

Faculty of Social Sciences: [www.sam.lu.se/en](http://www.sam.lu.se/en)

Campus Helsingborg: [www.ch.lu.se/english](http://www.ch.lu.se/english)

Housing: [www.lunduniversity.lu.se/student-life/housing](http://www.lunduniversity.lu.se/student-life/housing)

International Desk: <https://www.lunduniversity.lu.se/current-students/international-desk>

City of Lund: [www.lund.se/en](http://www.lund.se/en)

City of Helsingborg: [www.helsingborg.se](http://www.helsingborg.se)

Study in Sweden: [www.studyinsweden.se](http://www.studyinsweden.se)

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