



University of the
West of England

Exchange Studies at UWE Bristol



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UWE Bristol is an international university with an excellent reputation for teaching and research. Coming to study at UWE Bristol for a semester or a full academic year is a great opportunity.

We provide a welcoming and supportive place to come to as an exchange student and seek to provide an outstanding experience for all students.

Applying to study at UWE Bristol

Information for Erasmus+ and Study Abroad (non-EU) students

If you are coming to UWE Bristol through Erasmus+ or another exchange programme, you will first need to apply to your home institution and be selected by them for exchange. Your home university will then nominate you to us.

After you have been nominated by your home institution, you will be sent instructions to complete a simple online application form.

Students nominated for the School of Art and Design or School of Film and Journalism will be asked to submit an electronic portfolio in order to ensure placement in the appropriate subject area. You also need to send two passport photos with your name clearly written on the back for administration purposes.

After you have applied, you will receive a confirmation by e-mail from the Study Abroad Office. We will then communicate with you through the Welcome Website - you will receive a login ID and a password by e-mail. All information about joining the university, airport pick-ups, registration and the International Student Orientation will be provided through the Welcome Website.

Application deadlines

Please note the following application deadlines for entry in Semester 1, Semester 2 or full year study:

- 1 May for entry in Semester 1 and full year study commencing in September.
- 31 October for entry in Semester 2 commencing in January.

Term dates

2016-17 Undergraduate Programmes

Semester 1

International Student	
Orientation:	to be confirmed
Welcome Weekend:	10 - 11 Sept 2016
Welcome Week:	12 - 16 Sept 2016
Semester 1 Teaching:	19 Sept - 9 Dec 2016
Student Vacation:	12 Dec 2016 - 1 Jan 2017
Examination Period:	2 Jan - 13 Jan 2017

Semester 2

International Student	
Orientation:	To be confirmed
Welcome Weekend:	7 - 8 Jan 2017
Welcome Week:	9 - 13 Jan 2017
Semester 2 Teaching:	16 Jan - 7 Apr 2017
Student Vacation:	10 - 21 Apr 2017
Examination Period:	24 Apr - 19 May 2017

English language requirements

To make the most of your time at UWE Bristol, you will be expected to have sufficient proficiency in English to be able to follow classes and submit all assessments in English. Proof of English language may be required for entry to the course or for visa purposes.

The English Language and Academic Skills Unit provide study support workshops, seminars and drop-in sessions to support Frenchay and Glenside students with their studies. Students at City Campus and Bower Ashton Campus can be supported in workshops and one-to-one appointments provided by the Arts, Creative Industries and Education (ACE) Faculty's study support team.



Campuses

There are three campuses at UWE Bristol as follows:

Frenchay campus

This is the largest campus where the following subject areas are taught:

- Architecture and Planning
- Interior Architecture
- Computer Science
- Digital Media
- Mathematics
- Statistics
- Geography
- Geography and Planning
- Urban Planning
- Business Management with Accounting and Finance
- Business Management with Economics
- Business Management with Marketing
- International Business
- Forensic Science
- Criminology; Criminology with Sociology; Criminology and Sociology
- Philosophy
- Politics and International Relations
- Sociology; Sociology with Psychology; Sociology with Criminology
- English
- English and History
- History

Glenside campus

This campus is specifically for Nursing and Midwifery and Allied Health Professions programmes.

City Campus

This campus is home to the School of Art and Design and School of Film and Journalism (Arts programmes).



Location and getting to UWE Bristol

UWE Bristol's largest campus is located in Frenchay, just four miles north of Bristol city centre. The University is easily reached from most of the UK, and is situated close to the M4 and M5 motorways.

Bristol is just 120 miles from London. Bristol airport has direct flights to many UK and European cities. All campuses are well-served by local buses. For further information, see www.uwe.ac.uk/campuses

Airport pick-up

We offer an airport pick-up service for our new students operating from London Heathrow Airport on pre-arranged dates and subject to minimum numbers. You can find out more about this service via the Welcome Website. A schedule is also available: tiny.cc/airportpickups



Student support

Study Abroad team

This team works closely with the various home institutions and academic departments to ensure the smooth running of study exchanges. The team are happy to answer any queries from incoming exchange students and should be your first point of contact for all queries: studyabroad@uwe.ac.uk

www.uwe.ac.uk/studyabroad

Global Student Support team

The Global Student Support team serve as a support resource for the UWE Bristol community. Along with coordinating International Student Orientation, the team arranges day trips and events throughout the year and promotes cultural and exchange activities.

tiny.cc/globalstudentsupport

Student Support Advisers

Our Student Support Advisers can provide you with information on a wide range of university matters, including module choices, academic regulations and extenuating circumstances. You can also discuss academic issues with your departmental exchange coordinators or with module leaders.

www.uwe.ac.uk/academicadvice

Language Exchange

UWE Bristol Volunteering runs a Language Exchange from UWE Bristol's Community Hub, offering students the opportunity to make new friends with speakers of other languages; learn a new language or improve language skills; and learn about different cultures and countries

www.uwe.ac.uk/languageexchange

Global PALs (Peer-Assisted Learning)

Global PALs are current UWE Bristol students who offer support and guidance and help you find your way around Bristol and the campus as well as providing information about the University services and facilities.

tiny.cc/globalstudentsupport

The Money Advice and Funds Service (MAFS)

The Money Advice and Funds Service (MAFS) can give guidance on managing money and funding related matters.

www.uwe.ac.uk/money

Immigration Advice

UWE Bristol has a team of advisers to support students with visas and coming to the UK including making visa applications and sending applications to the Home Office, explaining the conditions of their immigration

status in the UK, ensuring that students meet the requirements of their visa and answering queries from staff and students about immigration status and issues.

www.uwe.ac.uk/visasandimmigration

Wellbeing Service

The Wellbeing Service provides support for students experiencing personal issues.

www.uwe.ac.uk/wellbeing

Faith and Spirituality Service

This service provides facilities and information for prayer, worship, meditation and reflection, opportunities to meet others and advice on spiritual and ethical concerns.

www.uwe.ac.uk/faithandspirituality

UWE Bristol's Students' Union (UWESU)

With over 30,000 members, the UWESU and works to promote, defend and extend the rights of students, to initiate change and to enhance the student experience. UWESU's advice centre can help with money matters, employment, housing and other matters. UWESU clubs and societies offer opportunities to join networks, sporting clubs, societies and to get involved in activities.

www.thestudentsunion.co.uk





University accommodation

Living in university accommodation is a great way to make new friends and gain independence.

University accommodation is available if you:

- are a year-long student;
- apply for accommodation by 8 June;
- reply to an offer of accommodation and;
- pay the deposit by the deadline.

Accommodation contracts run alongside our term dates, which means that contract dates are not flexible; instead they follow the structure of our academic year, with most contracts running from September until June.

UWE Bristol accommodation costs between £4,000 - £7,700 for a 40 - 45 week contract and includes:

- gas and electricity;
- contents insurance for personal possessions (excludes bicycles);
- internet connection (with the exception of university houses)

tiny.cc/accommodationfilms

Please note if you are studying with us for a single semester, Accommodation Services will do their best to help you find suitable accommodation on campus, or in the city centre, but this is not guaranteed.

After you have successfully submitted your application, you will receive an e-mail with details how to apply online for university accommodation. We recommend that you apply as early as possible to avoid disappointment.

For further information contact

Accommodation Services on

+44 (0)117 32 83601 or e-mail

accommodation@uwe.ac.uk

Please ensure you include your UWE Bristol welcome ID when contacting us.

www.uwe.ac.uk/accommodation

Private accommodation

UWE Bristol offers guidance on finding private accommodation:

www.uwe.ac.uk/accommodation

You can search for accommodation on UWE Bristol's Students' Union (UWESU) Student Lettings website: **uwesu.sites.letmc.com**

If you decide to wait until you arrive in Bristol to find accommodation, you can use the Visit Bristol website to find a hotel, hostel or serviced apartment to stay in while you look for something more permanent:

visitbristol.co.uk/accommodation

Useful information

Visa information

- EU citizens visiting under the Erasmus+ programme or who come as fee-paying Study Abroad students do not require a visa.
- Visa nationals (non-UK or non-EU passport holders) studying for longer than six months, or who intend to combine study with work will normally require a Tier 4 student visa.
- Visa nationals studying for less than six months will normally require a short term study visa. The Study Abroad team will provide the appropriate documentation to support students with their visa applications.
- For further information please refer to the UK Visas and Immigration (UKVI) website: www.gov.uk/check-uk-visa
- Please note that if you require a visa to study in the UK it is your responsibility to ensure that you comply with the requirements of the visa that is issued.

Access to healthcare and health insurance

The University Health Centre

Our Health Centre, based on Frenchay campus treats students with minor injuries and illnesses. All non-UK students can register with a doctor free of charge. Before arriving in the UK, EU/EEA students should contact the health authorities in their own country either to complete Form E128 or bring their European Health Insurance (EHIC) card with them. For more information please visit: www.uwe.ac.uk/healthcentre

The National Health Service (NHS)

The NHS provides free hospital treatment, free access to doctors, fixed charges for medicine and fixed charges for dentistry and opticians. Most EU and UK students can register for an HC1 Certificate which allows them to reclaim the costs of paid-for services. Visa nationals studying in the UK on a course of less than six months will need to arrange their own health insurance. Visa nationals studying in the UK for more than six months will be asked to pay an Immigration Health Surcharge of £150 per year.

For more information please visit:
www.uwe.ac.uk/visasandimmigration

Exchange costs

Tuition costs

An established student exchange agreement will cover up to 60 UWE Bristol credits (30 ECTS) per semester, or 120 UWE Bristol credits (60 ECTS) for a full year.

Fee-paying Study Abroad students will pay the appropriate fee for the course followed. The Study Abroad team will be able to advise you on this.

Living and accommodation costs

You are responsible for all personal expenses including your accommodation costs.

For a 9-month course, you can expect your living costs (including accommodation) to be approximately £7,200, although this will vary according to lifestyle.

UWE Bristol accommodation costs between £4,000 - £7,700 for a 40 - 45 week contract and includes most bills, whereas private accommodation costs upwards of £3,500 a year excluding bills.

www.uwe.ac.uk/money

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