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General information

Term Dates
The session dates for 2022/23 are available on our website.

Students may be nominated for one semester or one year depending upon the agreed places and terms of our partnership agreement. Please note that some of the University of Glasgow’s subject areas can only admit students for the full academic year due to course structures.

Students may study for one semester or one year.
- Semester 1 (September – December)
- Semester 2 (January – May)
- the full academic year (September – May)
- a calendar year (January – December) Please note this involves studying Semester 2 followed by Semester 1.

Students will not be permitted to leave early due to commitments at home such as work placements, internships, exams at home. All assessments must be completed before students depart from the University of Glasgow.

Nomination & Application Deadlines

Semester 1 & Academic Year
- Nominations open February and close April
- Applications open in March
- Applications close May 1st

Semester 2 & Calendar Year
- Nominations and applications open September
- Nominations close mid-October
- Applications close October 31st
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<th><strong>Step 1: Nomination and Application</strong></th>
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| **How can you nominate your students?** | You will be sent a link to an online form where you may complete your students’ details.  
Once we receive your nominations, students will be contacted directly with application guidance notes and information on how to select courses. |
| **How do students apply?** | Applications are made on our online system. The link will be available on our ‘How to Apply’ web page.  
Students should read the Application Guidance Notes and Course Selection Guide found on our web page above carefully before selecting courses.  
Students can apply to study at **either** the main campus or the Dumfries Campus. Due to the distance between the two campuses, students cannot choose courses across both campuses. |
| **What supporting documents do students have to provide?** | **All students** must provide:  
• An up-to-date Official Academic transcript with a translation in English (if applicable)  
• Learning Agreement with proposed course selection – please note that the Learning Agreement does not have to be signed for the purposes of application to Glasgow  

**IMPORTANT**  
University of Glasgow is no longer on the OLA system. Students need to create an offline digital LA in agreement with your institutional guidelines to submit with their application.  

• A colour copy of the photo page of their passport  
• Evidence of language proficiency  
**EU/EEA nationals on single semester exchange** will receive an English Language Proficiency Evidence form from the University of Glasgow at the point of nomination to complete and upload onto their online application. If any further documentation is needed, the University of Glasgow will contact students once we have begun processing their application.  
**Non-EU nationals and EU/EEA nationals on full year exchange:** IELTS for UKVI (Academic) test taken within the last 4 years 5 months which confirms an overall score of 6.0 with no subset lower than 5.5.  
Please see here for all accepted English testing options:  
[English Language requirements](#)  
We advise that nominated students begin the process of obtaining the certification as early as possible after they are nominated. |
| Entrance requirements | Our standard entry requirements are:  
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|                       | • Evidence of English Language Proficiency to a CEFR B2 level in all four components of reading, writing, speaking, and listening.  
|                       | • Individual course modules may have specific entry requirements. Erasmus+ students are required to take courses with the School at Glasgow who holds their subject agreement. Courses from subject areas out with the agreement may be requested but cannot be guaranteed.  |
| How many credits should students’ study? | The required course load for one semester is 60 Glasgow credits. The required course load for the full academic year is 120 Glasgow credits.  
|                       | The credit ratio between Glasgow credits and ECTS is 2:1; 60 Glasgow credits = 30 ECTS  
|                       | Most Arts and Social Sciences courses are 20 credits. A small number can be 10, 15 or 30 credits.  
|                       | Most Science and Engineering courses are 10 Glasgow credits.  
|                       | When selecting courses as part of the online application, please advise students to initially select more classes than the required course load of 60 credits per semester. This allows some flexibility if they cannot be enrolled on their preferred course choices due to timetable clashes, course availability or if the course is not running.  
|                       | Please note the University of Glasgow does not permit exchange students to underload or overload. The above course loads are University mandated.  |
| How do students choose courses? | Students must choose courses as part of their online application. Courses can be ranked in order of preference and when courses are approved students will be enrolled in courses in order of preference.  
|                       | Students must choose specific courses and NOT general subject areas.  
|                       | Courses are listed on our [course catalogue](#) and students should refer to the Erasmus+ Course Selection Guide when choosing.  
|                       | The pre-requisites listed in our course catalogue apply to degree-seeking students only. The Erasmus students’ course choices undergo a separate approval process.  
|                       | Level 1 and 2 courses are lower-level undergraduate courses that require no/little previous experience.  
|                       | Level 3 and 4 courses are upper-level undergraduate courses that require at least two years background experience in the subject area that will be studied at Glasgow.  
|                       | Areas that are **unavailable to exchange students** are Medicine, Vet Medicine and Dentistry.  
|                       | Level 5 (postgraduate level) courses in most subjects are unavailable. Nominated postgraduate students will normally be restricted to undergraduate level courses. Please reference Course Selection Guide.  
|                       | Semester 1 only students are not permitted to take level 3 and 4 Computing Science, Maths or Stats courses due to course structure. |
| **What happens after the application is submitted?** | Once we receive the application, students will receive feedback from the Admissions team. This will be either:  
- an unconditional offer OR  
- a conditional offer with request for further information/documents OR  
- a notification that their application has been unsuccessful. |
| **Do students need to accept their offer?** | Students do not need to formally accept their offer. However, it is important that if students decide to withdraw from the programme, they let the Visiting Students team know to enable us to update our records. |
| **How do students find out if they have been accepted for their chosen courses?** | Once students have been accepted, and after applications have closed, their courses choices will be sent to School Academic Subject Coordinators for approval.  
The Visiting Students team will contact students by email, in July for semester 1/full year and December for semester 2, to advise whether they have been approved for their chosen courses. We will also advise if alternative courses have been suggested by our academic staff.  
Once your students have registered at the University of Glasgow, the Visiting Students team will enrol them where possible in courses for which they have been pre-approved. These courses will then appear on the student’s timetable. **Students should not attempt to enrol themselves in courses.**  
*Please note course enrolments are only final once students arrive in Glasgow.* |
| **Can students change their course choices?** | Course changes can be requested once students arrive in Glasgow.  
Students will have until the end of our standard add/drop period in the first month of teaching to make course changes. |
| **When does the University of Glasgow sign student Learning Agreements?** | The University of Glasgow signs all incoming student Learning Agreements in July for Semester 1/Full Year students, and December for Semester 2 students.  
Learning Agreements are signed provisionally by the Visiting Students Team on the basis of course approval feedback received from the School Academic Subject Coordinators. Once the student’s enrolment is finalised, a final version of the Learning Agreement can be signed. |
| **What if we have students with any additional support needs?** | Please contact the Visiting Students team to advise them of any students with additional support needs.  
This will allow the team to send you and your students relevant information for our Disability Services. |
### Step 2: Preparing for arrival to Glasgow

| **Do students require a visa?** | All students who are not UK or Irish nationals are **required** to obtain immigration permission to study at the University of Glasgow.  
There are two options available to incoming students with regards to immigration in the United Kingdom:  
1. Visitor Visa (for one semester stays) OR  
2. Student Visa (for study periods longer than 6 months)  
Please see [here](#) for details. |
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| **How do students register as a University of Glasgow student?** | Students will be emailed in August for Semester 1 and Full Academic Year and in December for Semester 2, when online registration is open. This email will include details of how to log onto the MyGlasgow and complete the registration process.  
They should complete academic registration as soon as possible to be enrolled in classes.  
Both academic and financial registration should be completed prior to arrival in Glasgow. |
| **How do students apply for accommodation?** | Students studying for one semester may apply for university accommodation; however, a place is not guaranteed.  
Students studying for the full academic year are guaranteed accommodation if applications are received before the deadline. Full details can be found [here](#)  
Students can apply for accommodation 72 hours after receiving an offer to study at the University of Glasgow. Please see details [here](#)  
Private accommodation guidance will also be provided to students by the Visiting Students Team after the student receives an offer. |

### Step 3: Orientation and arrival

| **What do students need to know about orientation?** | All students are required to take part in a mandatory Orientation session before they begin their studies at Glasgow.  
Orientation will include information sessions and optional social events, organised by our International Student Support team.  
Orientation may be a mix of virtual and in-person information and events and details will be emailed to students closer to the beginning of semester and can be found on [International Student orientation](#) web page.  
The Visiting Students team will provide a Welcome & Information course, made available on the virtual learning environment, Moodle, prior to the start of term.  
Meetings with the Visiting Students team will be available on arrival to help with any questions about course choices and/or address any further issues students may have. |
What do students do if they require healthcare while in Glasgow?

| | Healthcare in the UK is mainly provided through the National Health Service (NHS). Please refer to our healthcare information. Students are strongly recommended to register with a GP on arrival in Glasgow. This is free to do and there is a GP surgery on campus. |

**Step 4: During the course**

| What is the teaching style like? | Erasmus exchange students attend classes with other British and international students and are assessed in the same manner. The most common form of teaching is formal lectures (particularly at Level 1 and 2) with supplementary group tutorials where discussion and group participation are encouraged. A significant proportion of teaching for Science and Engineering takes place in practical laboratory sessions. In upper-level courses, lectures are often to smaller groups of students and in some departments are replaced by tutorials and seminars. Assessment methods vary from course to course, but may include essay submissions, project work and end of semester exams. **Students may find that they have very few contact hours and less assessment than they are used to at their home institution.** It is important to note that higher education in Scotland places a strong emphasis on independent study. |

| Who should students contact for advice during studies in Glasgow? | A member of staff from the Visiting Students team will be the student’s advisor and are a first point of contact for non-academic enquiries. Course administrators will add students to a Moodle page for each course they are enrolled on. Moodle is the University of Glasgow’s virtual learning environment. The Moodle page will give detailed information on courses as well as useful contacts within the department. Students should contact the course team with any course-specific enquiries in the first instance. |
**What should students do if they are unable to complete assignments or attend exams?**

The University operates a Good Cause process. Students can use this process to let university staff know of any circumstances affecting their studies.

**What support is available if students are facing personal challenges?**

The University’s counselling team is available to all students. Full info on the support they can offer can be found [here](#).

Both the Visiting Students team and the university’s Student Support Officers can signpost to resources and support services.

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### Step 5: Course completion

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<td>It is the student’s responsibility to submit assessments and attend for exams punctually.</td>
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