

Uppsala University – Biology Education Centre Information Fact Sheet for Mobility 2021/2022

About the university	Uppsala University, Erasmus ID Code: S UPPSALA 01	
Agreement types administered:	Departmental agreement	
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Website for exchange related information:	<p>General information for exchange studies. www.uu.se/en/admissions/exchange/ Contact exchange@ibg.uu.se for specific questions regarding exchange studies in Biology. Biology courses offered in English https://www.ibg.uu.se/education/courses-programmes/biology-courses/</p>	
Information about the university, location, number of students:	<p>Uppsala University (UU) is the oldest university in Scandinavia, founded in 1477. Campus Uppsala is located 70 km north of Stockholm and 30 km from the international airport Stockholm Arlanda. Campus Gotland is our campus in Visby on the island of Gotland, in the Baltic Sea.</p> <p>In total, the university has about 45 000 students. Uppsala University is one of the top universities in the world according to major rankings. For more information, please refer to Student Life at Uppsala University, the International Student Guide and our Campus video tours.</p>	

Academic Calendar

Academic calendar:	www.uu.se/en/admissions/exchange/course/calendar/	
Official autumn semester 2021:	Start date	30 August, 2021
	End date	16 January, 2022
Official spring semester 2022:	Start date	17 January, 2022
	End date	5 June, 2022
Examinations:	Examinations take place throughout the term but not after the end of term, see above dates. Re-take exams can sometimes occur outside of these dates. Consider the end dates described in each course description to accommodate an earlier departure from Sweden. Map the courses accordingly.	

Nomination and Application process

Number of exchange students we can host (per semester):	According to current exchange agreement, or as agreed by prior correspondence with partner.
Nominations (for partners only)	<p>Deadline for spring semester nominations: 1 October Deadline for autumn semester nominations: 1 April</p> <p>The online nomination link will be sent out directly to partners shortly before the nomination period opens.</p>

Application dates:	<p><u>Autumn semester:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 15 March: online application opens <p>Deadline</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 15 April <p><u>Spring semester:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 15 September: online application opens <p>Deadline</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 15 October
Online application:	<p>The link to the application portal will be emailed out to nominated students shortly before the application period opens.</p> <p>Please note: Online application closes automatically at 23.59 Swedish time on the dates given above.</p> <p>More details can also be found here: www.uu.se/en/admissions/exchange/application/</p>
Application material:	<p>The online application will require students to prepare the following items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Photo, jpeg (no special requirements, will not be published nor shared) • Copy of Transcript of Records in <u>English only</u>, pdf only • Course proposal (see information in Course selection)
Students will be notified if their application has been successful:	<p>Autumn semester: mid May Spring semester: mid November</p> <p>By email from: exchange@ibg.uu.se or noreply@uu.moveon4.com</p> <p>Please make sure students can accept emails from these addresses.</p>

Academic Information

Number of credits that undergraduate and Master's students need to complete per semester:	<p>Full-time workload: 30 credits Minimum: 22.5 credits* Maximum: 45 credits</p>
Course selection:	<p>This is an exchange agreement within Biology. Please note that courses within Biomedicine are not included in this exchange as they are offered by the Faculty of Medicine. It may be possible to include courses from other departments/faculties but we cannot guarantee this. Because of this, each period at the university must include at least one course from the Biology Education Centre. Please see the list of courses offered in the link below: https://www.ibg.uu.se/education/courses-programmes/biology-courses/</p> <p>Apart from regular courses there is also the option to do a project course in biology, for either 15 or 30 credits. In that case, students need to find a project by themselves. The project plan needs to be approved by the Biology Education Centre before registration can be done. It is therefore important that students choose a regular course as well for that period as back-up.</p> <p>All courses offered for exchange students at Uppsala University you will find in the course catalogue</p> <p>The students should be prepared to show how they meet the entry requirements for the selected courses by providing details from their own transcript.</p> <p>Useful information about courses for exchange students is listed here: www.uu.se/en/admissions/exchange/course/</p>

Grading information	<p>The grading scales used at Uppsala University can be found here: http://www.uu.se/en/admissions/higher_education_in_sweden/</p> <p>ECTS grades are no longer offered to students due to a 2010 decision by the Vice-Chancellor of Uppsala University.</p>
Transcript of Records	<p>From autumn 2020 we are changing the process for Transcript of Records for incoming students to Uppsala University. Transcript of Records will no longer be sent out automatically as a signed and stamped hard copy. Instead, students should download a verifiable copy on our Student Portal up to six month after their exchange studies. All incoming students will be informed of the new procedure.</p> <p>Should your university require Transcript of Records for your students as a hard copy, signed and stamped, partner universities are more than welcome to request a copy by e-mailing exchange@ibg.uu.se</p>
Information about course registration and course changes:	<p>Course registration takes place a couple of weeks before the course start.</p> <p>Course changes can only be made for specific academic reasons and cannot be guaranteed. There is no add-and-drop period at Uppsala University.</p>
Student account	<p>Student accounts must be activated with photo ID at the beginning of each semester. An active account gives student access to courses, schedules and wi-fi services in university-owned buildings. The account cannot be activated before arrival.</p>

Language requirements and language courses

Language requirements	<p>Applicants will be asked to evaluate their level of English (or Swedish for those planning to take courses taught in Swedish) in the application form. We request that partner coordinators discuss with their applicants that at least a B2 level on the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages is the level the students can manage.</p> <p>Definition of level B2: “Can understand the main ideas of complex text on both concrete and abstract topics, including technical discussions in his/her field of specialisation. Can interact with a degree of fluency and spontaneity that makes regular interaction with native speakers quite possible without strain for either party. Can produce clear, detailed text on a wide range of subjects and explain a viewpoint on a topical issue giving the advantages and disadvantages of various options.”</p>
Basic Swedish Language course	<p>Basic Swedish language courses run part time and as evening classes, throughout both semesters and are worth 7.5 credits. There are several levels available depending on Swedish language skills, for more information please visit: http://www.nordiska.uu.se/admissions/courses/swedish/basic/</p> <p>Students may apply to take Basic Swedish in the course selection module of the online application. No classes take place after mid-December.</p>
Intensive Basic Swedish (IBS)	<p>An Intensive Basic Swedish Summer Course (in Uppsala only), worth 7.5 credits, runs for 4 weeks in August prior to the start of the official autumn term.: http://www.nordiska.uu.se/admissions/courses/swedish/basic/intensive/</p> <p>Admissions: students must add this course in their course selection when they apply for exchange studies. Given available space and the student passing IBS, this course can be combined with a higher level Basic Swedish course later in the semester.</p>

	<p>Housing for IBS students: students who have been offered accommodation through the Housing Office will get an extended Housing contract and will be able to move into their rooms at course start.</p> <p>IBS and the Basic Swedish course are free of charge for exchange students.</p>
English language assistance:	<p>Students are required to have sufficient knowledge of English upon arrival. Complementary English language workshops and/or courses are offered at Uppsala University but not for academic credits. The language courses in the link below are free of charge for exchange students but places are not guaranteed: http://www.sprakverkstaden.uu.se/?languageId=1</p>

Accommodation

Application for housing and online application link:	<p>Students apply for housing between the following dates:</p> <p>For autumn semester: 15 – 31 May For spring semester: 15 – 30 November</p> <p>The link to the housing application will be sent out to students in a separate email prior to the application period opening.</p> <p>The Housing Office process the online applications for housing in Uppsala. Offers are made at the beginning of June for the autumn semester and at the beginning of December for the spring semester. An ACTIVE RESPONSE from the applicant is REQUIRED.</p> <p>Please note that students should apply for housing as soon as the housing application period opens, even if they have not yet received their Certificate of Acceptance. Applying for housing is not binding but accepting an offer is a binding contract.</p>
Is accommodation guaranteed for exchange students?	<p>Housing is not guaranteed, but accommodation is offered for exchange students based on the following conditions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The exchange agreement is relatively well balanced with regard to incoming/outgoing students. 2. The application for housing in Uppsala is submitted on time and the student has accepted the offer by the deadline specified in the housing offer.
Housing options available:	<p>There are various housing options available, please refer to the Housing Office's website www.housingoffice.se for more information.</p>
Meal plan options:	<p>None. Student housing only offers cooking facilities in shared kitchens.</p>

Medical Insurance

Are exchange students required to purchase a compulsory insurance plan?	<p>No, all exchange students are automatically covered by an insurance policy taken by Uppsala University, Student IN, covering emergency medical care (for non-EU/EES citizens), liability coverage up to 3 million SEK, legal coverage and accident insurance. No purchase is necessary for the student. For full details about the Student IN insurance, please visit: https://www.kammarkollegiet.se/engelska/start/all-services/insurance-for-foreign-visitors/student-insurance/exchange-students-in-sweden</p> <p>Please note: Students IN does NOT cover pre-existing medical conditions or trips outside Sweden. Students should read the terms and conditions and determine whether they need to purchase additional private health insurance.</p>
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Other insurance information that students should be aware of?	EU/EES citizens EU students must bring their European Health Insurance Card for medical insurance.
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Student Services and Student Life

What services can be expected for students with disabilities?	<p>Support for reading and writing difficulties/dyslexia, mental disorders, neuropsychiatric disorders, hearing impairment, visual impairment, physical disabilities or chronic illnesses can be provided. To receive support, students must provide evidence of disability directly to the Uppsala University's disability coordinators.</p> <p>The type of support students can receive is directly related to their education and based on their needs. Support is planned in collaboration with the student. For students requiring support, please contact one of Uppsala University's disability coordinators directly after applying for exchange studies: Campus Uppsala: samordnare@uadm.uu.se</p> <p>For more details: http://www.uu.se/en/students/support-and-services/disabilities</p>
Student Health Service:	<p>The Student Health Service is a team of specialists: psychologists, counsellors and a doctor, all with a focus on student-related mental health issues. They offer individual consultations and arrange workshops on issues such as how to handle stress. The Student Health Service in Uppsala also has a <i>light room</i> to help students handle the darkness of the Swedish winter.</p> <p>For more details: http://www.uu.se/en/students/support-and-services/health-care/</p>
Orientation Programme and recommended arrival days	<p>An Orientation Programme is arranged prior to each semester start and provides students with information about all kinds of facilities and activities they need in order to make the most of their stay in Uppsala. In addition, a free bus service from Stockholm Arlanda airport to Uppsala University's Welcome Center is arranged during the official Arrival Days.</p> <p>The entire program with more details, will be posted prior to each term and is updated continuously here: www.uu.se/welcome</p> <p>The Biology Education Centre is also offering a welcome program especially for biology students.</p>
Student Social Life	<p>For more details about student social activities: https://uppsalastudent.com/en/</p> <p>At Campus Uppsala a voluntary student union and 'nation' (student association) fee is charged, currently approximately SEK 380 per semester.</p>
Buddy programme	<p>For information about getting assigned a Buddy (through Uppsala Student Union): https://www.uskar.se/international-students</p> <p>For the autumn semester, the application usually opens in late May and closes in mid-June.</p> <p>For the spring semester, the application usually opens in late October and closes in mid-November</p> <p>For more details, please contact: buddy@us.uu.se</p>



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Other relevant information for exchange students	Answering your questions Please consult our FAQ to find the answer to your question: https://www.uu.se/en/admissions/exchange/faq-for-exchange-students/ Visit Study in Sweden for more information on cost of living and much more: https://studyinsweden.se/life-in-sweden/cost-of-living/ Campus Uppsala: All about life in Uppsala as an exchange student with important and useful information on arriving and getting settled, as well as everyday life in Uppsala from a student perspective can be found here: http://www.uu.se/en/admissions/student-life/ Several short YouTube-films on “Study-Life-Enjoy at UU” are available here: https://www.uu.se/en/
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