

Fact Sheet - Spring 2019

This information is specific for the current academic year 2018/2019

Contact details

Exchange student contact:	
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Terms for exchange

Level of exchange:	Undergraduate/Graduate courses.
Duration of exchange:	From short term exchange agreed by both partner universities to a full term.
Nomination and application deadline for Spring term 2019:	Nomination deadline: 1 October The online nomination form opens in the beginning of September. Important: Late nominations will not be accepted. Application deadline: 15 October

Study information

Term dates:	Spring term 2019: 21 January 2019 – 9 June 2019
Term break:	There is a break for Easter. Please note that dates may vary between different departments.
Course catalogue:	Umeå University offers a wide range of courses in English for exchange students: https://www.umu.se/en/education/exchange-students/search-courses/
Course types:	The single-subject courses available at Umeå University with instruction given in English are offered at Bachelor's level and Master's level. Specific eligibility requirements are stated on the course pages.
Examination period:	All courses include written and/or oral examinations. Normally there are no final exams that cover the entire term's coursework or that cover an entire general study programme. This means that exams are not given at the end of the term, but rather at the end of each course. Exams may cover one or more credit points. More information about the Swedish study system can be found here: https://www.umu.se/en/education/exchange-students/study-information/
Credit system:	Umeå University uses the European Credit Transfer System as its system of credits. 1.5 ECTS is the equivalent to one week of full-time study.
Course load:	One academic term comprises 20 weeks. Full-time study consists of 30 ECTS per term. This corresponds to approximately 40 hours of study per week including a varying number of lectures and classes. Most courses consist of 7.5, 15 or 30 ECTS. Students should not apply for several full-time (and day-time) courses that run during the same weeks because it may cause schedule conflicts. It is important to check the "Application and Eligibility" on the individual course page to find out the duration

	and tempo of the course: https://www.umu.se/en/education/exchange-students/search-courses/
Are there restrictions on the types of courses our students may take?	The number of credits exchange students can be admitted to is restricted to 30 ECTS per term (with the exemption of <i>Swedish for international students beginners' course I</i> or <i>Swedish for international students, beginners' course II</i> , that can be added to 30 ECTS in other subjects)
	Exchange students should only apply for courses on this web page: https://www.umu.se/en/education/exchange-students/search-courses/
	To be accepted, it is necessary to fulfill the requirements of the course and there has to be available places. The requirements are stated under the course descriptions. You will find the course descriptions in the online course catalogue above.
Grading system:	The Higher Education Ordinance states that the following grades may be awarded: Pass with Distinction (<i>väl godkänd</i>), Pass (<i>godkänd</i>) or Fail (<i>underkänd</i>) unless the institution decides to grade on some other scale. A number of courses use only two grades: Pass or Fail. Others, for example in Law and Engineering, traditionally use scales with several levels – expressed as letters or numbers. No overall grade is given for a degree and students are not ranked.
	For comparison of grades, Umeå University has decided that the ECTS Grading Table (EGT) shall be used instead of the ECTS grading scale (A-F). Grade distribution will not show for courses established less than two years before the date when the student has completed his/her course. Student's home university is responsible for any translation into their local grading system.
Transcripts:	Students can request transcripts by filling out the contact form on via the link below: www.infocenter.umu.se/english/?languageId=1
Support for students with disabilities:	As a student with a disability, you can receive different types of support in connection with your studies.
	For further information, please visit: https://www.umu.se/en/student/we-can-assist-you/disabilities/

Accommodation information

Exchange student housing:	Umeå University offers halls of residence close to the university. For more information, see the following webpage including subpages: www.umu.se/en/education/accommodation/student-housing
Cost:	Prices vary from SEK 13 000–19 500 per term depending on the area. See area information for more details. A total service fee (non-refundable) of around SEK 800 is included.
Meal plan:	Students prepare their own meals in the common kitchen, in the halls of residence.
Off-campus accommodation:	More information is available on the following webpage including subpages: https://www.umu.se/en/education/accommodation/ Please note that we do not recommend students to rely on finding accommodation after their arrival in Umeå.

Arrival/Orientation information

Recommended arrival day:	Spring term 2019: 20 January
Orientation date:	Spring term 2019: 21 January (Preliminary)
Where:	University Campus (more information will be sent to the students who have been admitted).
Is there a charge for Orientation, if so, how much?	There is no charge for the Orientation.

Language courses

Basic language courses:	 There are language courses offered in Swedish and English: Swedish for international students, beginners' course I Swedish for international students, beginners' course II English A for international exchange students under formal agreements and free movers
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Insurance Information

Insurance:	All exchange students are covered by an insurance policy called Student IN. The insurance covers necessary and reasonable costs for emergency health care and dental care. It also covers damage to property. Please note that the insurance amount is restricted for emergency dental care and property damage. Travel outside of Sweden is not included in the cover. For full details about the Student IN insurance please visit: https://www.kammarkollegiet.se/en/insurance-students-and-state-employees/student-insurance/student-exchange-students-sweden EU/EEA citizens are required by the Swedish authorities to bring the European Health Insurance Card to Sweden. They are requested
	to contact their local National Health Insurance Institution for the required documents, before coming to Sweden.
	Please note! No matter which nationality, students are strongly advised to have their own Health, Travel and Accident insurance
	policy.

Overview of Costs (Approximate)

Item	SEK/Month
Food	2000
Accommodation	2900
Student union fees, books	500
Phone, TV, Internet, Newspaper	300
Local travel	500
Medical care, hygiene	300
Clothing, hobby/leisure	1100
Total	SEK 7,600*

^{*} Please also note that if you are applying for a residence permit, you must prove to the Swedish Migration Agency that you will have a guaranteed sum of money at your disposal throughout the entire period of your studies. The amount, SEK **8190** per month for ten months of the year, is set by the Migration Agency.