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Study Abroad & Exchange

Student Factsheet

2026/27





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Key Dates (2026/2027)

Semester	Nomination Opens	Nomination Deadline	Student Application Deadline	Semester Dates (dd/mm/yyyy)	Welcome Week (Arrival)
Full Year / Autumn	1 March 2026	1 May 2026	31 May 2026	21/09/2026 - 06/02/2027	21/09/2026 - 26/09/2026
Spring	1 September 2026	1 October 2026	31 October 2026	08/02/2027 - 12/06/2027	First week of teaching



Academic Information

Module Selection

- **Module Catalogue:**
 - The 2026/27 study abroad and exchange module catalogue is currently being prepared. When available it will be linked [here](#).
 - This catalogue will be provided to nominated students upon application. Available modules are subject to school restrictions and prerequisites.
 - All modules are provisional until registration is completed on campus.

- **Credit Load:**
 - **Full Year:** 120 Sheffield credits (60 ECTS).
 - **One Semester:** 60 Sheffield credits (30 ECTS).
 - **Minimum:** 100 credits (Full Year) / 40 credits (One Semester).

Permission for reduced load must be indicated on the nomination form.

- **Agreement Type:**
 - **University-wide:** Choose modules across any school (subject to prerequisites/timetabling).

- **Subject-level:** Choose modules only within the agreed subject area(s).

- **Postgraduate modules:** undergraduate students wishing to take postgraduate modules (e.g. MAC4XX, ELE4XX, CMB4XX etc.) will be subject to an additional check from the faculty. Please be aware that this can increase the processing time for an offer.
- **Add/Drop Period:** Available at the start of both semesters for module changes. Guidance will be communicated to students in advance.

Academic Requirements:

- **Minimum GPA:** Equivalent to a **UK 2.2 (50%)** average.
 - Please contact us if you are unsure if a student meets our GPA requirements.
- **Transcript:** An up-to-date, official transcript in English is required with the application covering **all** years of prior study.

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December Finish Option

The December Finish option allows students to conclude their Autumn semester studies early, generally before the main semester end date in early February if there is a calendar overlap.

Eligibility and Requirements:

- This option is only intended for students whose second semester at their sending institution **starts in January** and the academic calendars overlap.
- Partner universities **must select the December finish option** on the nomination form.
- **Restriction:** If the December finish is not chosen, the student is **required to stay until the end of the semester in early February** to complete any in-person exams and assessments.

Important Notes:

- Students who take this option will need to liaise with the school(s) where they are studying to make alternative assessment arrangements.
- Not all schools or subjects within the University of Sheffield offer a December finish.

For more detailed information on this structure and schools which do not offer December finish, you can refer to the relevant webpage: sheffield.ac.uk/globalopps/inbound/apply/year-structure

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English Language Requirements

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Student Duration	Requirement	Submission	Note
Full Year	IELTS 6.5 (min 6.0 per component) or equivalent.	Formal qualification required.	Must meet requirements for <i>all</i> subject areas of study. UKVI-compliant proof required if applying for a Student Visa.
Single Semester	B2 level CEFR proficiency confirmed by the sending institution at nomination.	No formal qualification needed (unless the home institution cannot confirm proficiency or the student requires a Student Visa).	Must meet <i>higher</i> requirements of specific subject areas, if applicable.

Students who are nationals of **majority English-speaking countries** do not typically need to provide an English language qualification.

Nomination & Application Process

1. **Nomination:** Partners nominate students using an online form (link emailed prior to nominations opening). Required information includes: student name (as per passport), current major, academic level, email, credit load confirmation and B2 English confirmation (for single-semester students).
2. **Application:** Students receive a link via email once nominations close (1 May for September entry, 1 October for February entry). They must submit their official transcript, English qualification (if required), and backup module choices. Architecture students require a portfolio.
3. **Offer:** Students receive a Conditional or Unconditional Offer after review. This is usually by

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mid-July for September entry or by mid-December for February entry for students who provide all the necessary documents and information.

4. **Acceptance:** Students accept the offer online to receive pre-registration access. They can also apply for accommodation after accepting an offer.



Practical Information & Links

- **Housing:** University accommodation is guaranteed for **full-year** students, but single semester students are encouraged to apply upon accepting their offer. Sheffield has a generous supply of housing.
- **Visas:** Students requiring a visa are supported by the International Student Support team. Information on Student and Visitor visas is available online.
- **Insurance:** Students must obtain their own comprehensive health insurance policy.
- **University Health Service:** Students can register with our on campus UHS once they have arrived in Sheffield.
- **Disability Support:** Students with specific needs should self-identify in their application for support from the Disability & Dyslexia Support Service (DDSS).
- **Academic skills support:** this support is provided by our 301 Academic Skills team.
- **Academic queries:** Students can ask the relevant study abroad tutor for support if they have academic queries.
- **Belief, No Belief and Religious Life Centre:** <https://sheffield.ac.uk/bnbr-life-centre>
- **Sheffield Students' Union:** <https://su.sheffield.ac.uk/>
- **Student Clubs & Societies:** <https://su.sheffield.ac.uk/events/clubs-and-societies>
- **Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs):** <https://sheffield.ac.uk/globalopps/inbound/faqs>