



STUDENT SUPPORT: HERE FOR YOU



Support is at the heart of your experience at QMU - from application to graduation and beyond.

- Disability Service
- Careers & Employability Service
- Wellbeing & Counselling Service
- Student Funding Advice
- Library & Effective Learning Service
- Support for Care Leavers
- Personal Academic Tutors
- International Office
- ResLife
- Students' Union



YOUR STUDENTS' UNION

QMU is more than just a university - it's a community. The Students' Union works to ensure that students have the best university experience while studying at QMU.

- We enhance the student experience and support our students.
- We ensure the student voice is heard across the University and the wider community.
- Our HelpZone provides independent support for all students for academic and welfare issues.
- We have over 40 sports teams & societies, designed to welcome everyone.



HOW TO APPLY

Applications for a Study Abroad semester or academic year can be made online directly to the University. For the application link, please scan the QR code.



You should upload copies of your transcript, one academic reference, proof of English language proficiency if English is not your first language,

and the photo page of your passport to your application. Any documents not available at the time of application can be sent to studyabroad@qmu.ac.uk. Your application cannot be considered until all appropriate documents have been received.



Edinburgh's Old and New Towns were together inscribed as a World Heritage Site in 1996
Edinburgh UNESCO City of Literature

TEACHING AND ASSESSMENT

Teaching at QMU may be different to what you are used to at your home institution. Depending on the modules you take, you will participate in the following:

Lectures

Traditional teaching, where a lecturer speaks on a particular subject to many students.

Seminars

This is where you meet your tutor with a smaller group of students. Here you will be expected to demonstrate an understanding of the topic and contribute to discussions.

Lab/Studio Time

Some modules may require practical lab work or studio time to understand the content of the course.

Independent Study

You are expected to do a fair amount of independent study either on your own or in small groups. To be able to contribute in class and to write assignments, you are expected to read about your subject. Reading lists for each module are provided as guidance.

Assessment for modules varies, and can take the form of the following:

- Written coursework (reports or essays)
- Presentations
- Exams

Modules and Credit Transfer

You can select modules across a range of programmes from our School of Arts, Social Sciences and Management, and our School of Health Sciences. Modules are available subject to them running, availability of places, level of entry offered, and timetabling.

Modules at QMU have a credit value which allows you to transfer credit back to your home institution. Most modules are valued at 20 SCOTCAT, and a full time course load is 60 SCOTCAT per semester. You should check with your home institution how credits/grades will be recognised on your degree transcript.

WHERE TO FIND US

Edinburgh is well connected by train, bus and an international airport.

QMU is located in the town of Musselburgh, East Lothian, just east of Edinburgh city centre. Musselburgh has a sports centre with a swimming pool, shops, a racecourse, golf courses, a harbour and beach, and restaurants and bars. East Lothian features 40 miles of coastline, golden beaches, and a wealth of historical sites.

The QMU campus is just six minutes by train from Edinburgh city centre. Edinburgh is a beautiful and student-friendly city. Its rich history, culture and architecture offers students the unique opportunity to experience the ancient and modern aspects of living in a vibrant city.



STUDENT VISA / IMMIGRATION

If you do not hold a UK passport you will need a student visa/immigration permission for your time in the UK. Our International Office can provide you with tailored advice depending on your length of study and the country you hold a passport for.



Are you interested in spending a Semester or Academic Year in Edinburgh, as part of your degree studies?

We are offering a number of exciting and flexible Study Abroad options:

CHOOSE FROM A WIDE RANGE OF COURSES

Students coming to QMU are able to access modules from the following subject areas:

- Psychology
- Psychology & Sociology
- Sociology
- Education Studies
- Nutrition

We are happy to provide you with module descriptors so that you can identify your study options at QMU. Please email studyabroad@qmu.ac.uk to ask for module descriptors for your subject areas of interest.

- Business Management (with Analytics, Digital Marketing, Finance, Human Resource Management)
- International Hospitality, Tourism & Events Management
- Creative & Cultural Industries
- Drama
- Theatre & Film
- Film & Media
- Digital Marketing & Public Relations

Study Abroad offers you the opportunity to travel and live in another country and learn different customs and traditions. You will also encounter different ways of learning, make new friends and add new skills to your CV/résumé. Taking part in a Study Abroad programme may be one of the most exciting and rewarding challenges a student can face during their studies.

Edinburgh, Scotland's Capital, is amongst one of the most beautiful and exciting cities in the world. Situated in the central belt of Scotland, the city is easily accessible from all areas of the UK and beyond.

There's always something going on in the city making it an exciting place in which to study, and live. Each year, thousands of people descend on Edinburgh to live, work, study or visit on holiday. Edinburgh is abundant with things to see and do, and has often appeared in the top ten places to visit in the world. It has been listed as being the top place to live in the UK by public opinion surveys.

Queen Margaret University (QMU) has a growing and vibrant international community which is sure to enrich your student experience. We are keen to ensure that you are given a warm, friendly Scottish welcome. The size of the University allows us to offer an approachable, responsive and individual student experience.



ACCOMMODATION

Living on campus is very convenient for students: you are only two minutes' walk from the main academic building, Learning Resource Centre, Students' Union, and sports facilities. We offer a safe environment in which to study and relax, with hassle-free all-inclusive rents that include electricity and heating bills, basic contents insurances, Wi-Fi, and 24/7 security.

Our campus houses 800 single study bedrooms, grouped into self-contained apartments for three to six students. Each apartment has a kitchen and comfortable living area, and each bedroom has an en-suite shower and toilet.



At Queen Margaret University we are committed to making every aspect of university life an enjoyable and positive experience. As part of our accommodation service, we offer a residence life programme (or ResLife) that includes an exciting range of social, educational, recreational and cultural opportunities both on and off campus.

TUITION FEES / LIVING EXPENSES

As a Study Abroad student, you will pay for your tuition fees for the duration of your stay at QMU, as well as for your general living expenses such as accommodation and day-to-day living costs. For the current tuition fees, please visit our website scanning the QR code.

The table below shows estimated costs of living in Edinburgh. Please note that the below costs are lower estimates, based on living on campus, and will vary depending on the individual budget and spending habits.



	Monthly Cost (lower estimate)
Rent	£600
Food	£160
Electricity / Gas	£0
Internet	£0
Mobile Phone	£10
Laundry / toiletries	£10
Printing, photocopying, stationery and books	£25
Total per month	£805



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Student Exchange and Study Abroad Programme

Fact Sheet

General Information		
Address	Queen Margaret University Queen Margaret University Drive Musselburgh EH21 6UU UK	
Email	StudyAbroad@gmu.ac.uk LStevenson@gmu.ac.uk	
Website	University	www.qmu.ac.uk
	Student Exchange and Study Abroad Programme	www.qmu.ac.uk/study-here/international-students/exchanges-and-study-abroad/
Coordinators (for both incoming and outgoing exchange)	Laura Stevenson International Officer LStevenson@gmu.ac.uk	

Academic Calendar		
Semester 1 (Fall semester)	Start	Early September
	End (including exams)	Late December (exams will end before Christmas)
Semester 2 (Spring semester)	Start	Mid January
	End (including exams)	Early May
<i>* Detailed academic calendar dates can be found at www.qmu.ac.uk/about-the-university/quality/committees-regulations-policies-and-procedures/academic-calendar/</i>		

Study Abroad Tuition Fees	
One Semester	Academic Year
£4863	£9725

Academic Information	
Academic requirements	50% average +
Full-time course load	60 SCOTCAT credits (equivalent to 30 ECTS) per semester
Courses available to exchange students	Request module descriptors by emailing StudyAbroad@qmu.ac.uk detailing which subject area(s) you are interested in and which semester you wish to attend QMU.
Course restrictions	Depends on previous depth of study in a subject area Health Sciences courses with placements, Costume Design and Construction, Acting/Performance, Education Studies (Primary) not available
Course registration	Once students have been accepted onto the programme they will be emailed the modules open to them. Students will be required to complete a module choice form which should be sent to Academic Administration at QMU.
Transcripts	Transcripts are available after the Exam Board in June each year. Students can obtain a letter of unconfirmed grades earlier than this from Academic Administration if required.

Nomination & Application Process		
Nomination deadlines	Semester 1	No set deadline, happy to be as flexible as time will allow
	Semester 2	No set deadline, happy to be as flexible as time will allow
Nomination by home institution	Email nominations as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name • Email address • QMU subject area(s) of interest • Semester/Year of exchange/study abroad to StudyAbroad@qmu.ac.uk . Students will be supplied the application details by email from QMU.	
Application by nominated students	Students should complete the online application form and upload copies of supporting documents – transcripts, details of modules being currently studied and not yet graded, one academic reference, proof of English language proficiency if English is not the first language of the student, and a copy of the passport data page. Any documents that are not available at the time of applying can be sent to StudyAbroad@qmu.ac.uk . Applications cannot be processed until all documents (with the exception of the passport) have been received.	

Visa application	To check if a student needs a visa, visit https://www.gov.uk/check-uk-visa . Students should retain evidence of UK entry and present this at registration at QMU alongside immigration documents.	
Acceptance documents	For admission to Semester 1	June/July onward
	For admission to Semester 2	October/November onward

Accommodation and Facilities		
Application deadlines	Semester 1 (Fall)	August
	Semester 2 (Spring)	December
	Please note that accommodation does fill up and so apply as early as possible	
University housing	www.qmu.ac.uk/campus-life/accommodation/	
Period of stay	Semester 1	September – December/January
	Semester 2	January – May/June
	Full year	September – May/June
	* <i>Expected check-in and –out dates will be announced in due time. Early check-in by prior arrangement with the Accommodation Office Accommodation@qmu.ac.uk.</i>	
Other facilities on-campus	Sports Centre, Learning Resource Centre (LRC – combined library, IT facilities and learning spaces), cafeteria, Students’ Union (with bar/café). Buses come onto campus and the train station is a two minute walk from the campus.	

Insurance	
Insurance requirements	All exchange and study abroad students are recommended to obtain adequate insurance prior to arrival in the UK to cover health and personal possessions. Basic contents insurance is provided for those living in QMU student accommodation.

Arrival Information		
Expected arrival dates for exchange students	Semester 1	Early September
	Semester 2	Early January
Airport Transfer	Students can take a metered taxi and should ask to be taken to Queen Margaret University or use public transport. Further details about getting to the University can be found on the International Student Handbook https://www.qmu.ac.uk/study-here/international-students/international-student-handbook/ .	