FACT SHEET

LUSEM Student Exchange 2026/2027

LUND UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS AND MANAGEMENT / LUSEM

ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2026/2027

Autumn semester: 31 August 2026–17 January 2027
Arrival Day: 18 August
LUSEM Pre-Registration Day: 20 August (mandatory)

Spring semester 2027: 18 January–6 June 2027
Arrival Day: 11 January
LUSEM Pre-Registration Day: 13 January (mandatory)

There are no official breaks in the academic calendar. In practice there is a break over Christmas, as well as over the Easter period (see public holidays information). Most of the mandatory work for bachelor courses that require students' presence in Lund will finish before the Christmas break, but make sure to check the schedule.

Key dates and deadlines: lusem.lu.se/exchange/calendar

NOMINATION PERIOD

Autumn semester 2026: 15–31 March 2026
Spring semester 2027: 15–30 September 2026

Partners nominate students online for one or two semesters in our mobility system solemove.lu.se.

APPLICATION PERIOD

Autumn semester 2026: 1–15 April 2026
Spring semester 2027: 1–15 October 2026

Nominated students apply online in Solemove. Details will be sent directly to nominated students. The following documents (in English) must be attached with the application: an official transcript, Eligibility form, Statement of Purpose, CV, passport copy and a list of ongoing courses.

How to apply: lusem.lu.se/exchange/application

ARRIVAL DAY AND ORIENTATION WEEKS

All international students are recommended to arrive in Lund on the official Arrival Day, where mentors and university staff help you settle into your new life in Lund. International mentors will meet you at Copenhagen airport and at the railway station in Lund. Arrival Day is the start of the Orientation weeks, which include a variety of activities that aim to help you settle in smoothly at the University and in student life.

Visit lunduniversity.lu.se/arrival-and-introduction for more information to prepare your arrival.

PRE-REGISTRATION DAY

On Pre-Registration Day there will be an information meeting where students will meet their coordinators, are offered a campus tour and will get to meet other exchange students.

COURSES AND REQUIREMENTS

LUSEM offers courses for exchange students within business administration, business law, economics, economic history, informatics and statistics. Exchange students are expected to take the majority of their courses at LUSEM. Courses on graduate level are only open to graduate level students, and seat availability cannot be guaranteed. All courses must be approved by the home university before applying.

Visit lusem.lu.se/exchange/courses for more information regarding courses, syllabi and prerequisites.

Nominated exchange students are not required to submit English language test scores, but we encourage students applying for graduate level courses to submit a certificate of English proficiency. The recommended level of English proficiency is equivalent to IELTS 6.5/TOEFL PB/IB 575/90 or CEFR B2 level.

COURSE LOAD, GRADING AND TRANSCRIPTS

A full semester workload is 30 ECTS credits. A single course module typically equals 7.5 ECTS credits, but there are courses within the range of 4-15 credits. If you need to apply for up to 5 courses in order to reach 30 ECTS credits, this is accepted. The grading system used is a criterion-based grading scale A-F.

A verifiable digital official transcript can be downloaded from the Student Portal once the results for all courses have been reported. Hard copies are only sent upon request by the home university. Written retake exams are only available in Lund.

SWEDISH COURSES

The orientation weeks include a short Swedish language course, SUSA11 or SUSA12, designed especially for exchange students to get an introduction to the Swedish language. You sign-up for the language course as part of the online application for nominated exchange students, before coming to Lund.

You can also apply for longer courses in Swedish Language (SVEE courses) worth 7.5 credits. There are courses for beginners, as well as relatively advanced speakers. All courses are scheduled in the evenings. If there are seats available, you can take the course as an "extra" course on top of your 30 ECTS credits, but priority is given to students who include it in their 30 ECTS study plan.

HOUSING

To find somewhere to live, most international students apply through LU Accommodation, AF Bostäder, BoPoolen or other accommodation agencies. We recommend that you apply to both LU Accommodation and AF Bostäder. The application dates and deadlines may vary. Exchange students are not guaranteed housing. Visit lunduniversity.lu.se/student-life/housing for more information.

RESIDENCE PERMITS

Students from countries outside the EU/EEA need to have a residence permit to study in Sweden, when staying for more than three months. All applications for residence permits are processed by the Swedish Migration Agency and you can apply online. Use your Letter of Acceptance from LUSEM in your application. Read more at lunduniversity.lu.se/residence-permits.

ETIAS TRAVEL AUTHORISATION

Starting from mid-2025, students from most visa-exempt countries are required to have a travel authorization to enter Sweden. Students apply online, and the process takes 4-30 days. Read more about ETIAS travel authorization https://travel-europe.europa.eu/etias_en

COST OF LIVING

You will need approximately 10.000–12.000 SEK per month to cover your expenses. For more details about living costs in Sweden, please visit lunduniversity.lu.se/money-and-living-costs.

MENTOR PROGRAMME

Exchange students are welcome to join our International Mentor Programme to help them with practical matters and introduce them to various student activities and Swedish everyday life. Learn more at lunduniversity.lu.se/mentors-and-friends

STUDENT SERVICES AND STUDENT LIFE

More information on computer facilities, health care, career services, Academic Support Center, IT service and support, and student life in Lund, can be found at lunduniversity.lu.se/student-life. Students in need of learning support are asked to contact LUSEM International Office before arrival.

INSURANCE

As an incoming exchange student at Lund University, you are covered by Student IN insurance for illnesses or accidents. Learn more at lunduniversity.lu.se/healthcare-and-health-insurance.

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