



UNIVERSITY OF SURREY

Exchange and Study Abroad Fact Sheet 2026-27

Institutional Information

University of Surrey (UK GUILDFO01)

Location: Guildford, Surrey, southeast England, United Kingdom

Main website: surrey.ac.uk

Exchange and Study Abroad website: www.surrey.ac.uk/incoming-international-exchange-study-abroad-and-traineeships

Instagram: @surreyabroad



- Great location - just 34 mins by train to London; 40 mins to Heathrow and Gatwick airports; just over 1 hour to Eurostar train.
- Students eligible to apply for on-campus accommodation.
- Ranked 19th in the UK (*Complete University Guide 2026*), with high student satisfaction.
- Leafy, lakeside campus, 10 minutes walk from the vibrant, historic town centre of Guildford.
- Culturally diverse university, home to thousands of students from all over the world.

Academic Information

Autumn/Semester 1:

17 September 2026 - 29 January 2027

Spring/Semester 2:

4 February - 11 June 2027

Students must be available for the whole semester, including the exam period, unless taking coursework-only modules.

Full-time study load:

60 credits/30 ECTS per semester (typically 4 modules of 7.5 ECTS each).

Degree programmes:

[undergraduate](#) / [postgraduate](#)

Choosing modules:

Visit [module catalogue](#) and select the relevant academic year for detailed descriptions of programmes & modules. Aim to choose from one programme & year/level to avoid timetable clashes.

Faculty of Arts, Business and Social Sciences (FABSS)

- Business
- Economics
- English Literature
- Hospitality & Tourism Management
- Law
- Languages (French and Spanish)
- Music
- Politics
- Sociology (including Criminology, Media & Communication)

Faculty of Engineering and Physical Sciences (FEPS)

- Chemical & Process Engineering
- Chemistry (limited availability)
- Civil & Environmental Engineering
- Computer Science
- Electrical & Electronic Engineering
- Environment & Sustainability
- Mathematics
- Mechanical Engineering Sciences
- Physics

Faculty of Health and Medical Sciences (FHMS)

- Biochemical Sciences
- Microbial Sciences
- Nursing (specific agreements only)
- Nutrition, Food and Exercise Sciences
- Psychology
- Veterinary Sciences (specific agreements only)

Nominations

Partner deadlines:

- Semester 1 (Sep-Jan): 1 March
- Semester 2 (Feb-Jun): 1 September

Applications

Applications open March/September

Student deadlines:

- Semester 1 (Sep-Jan): 15 March
- Semester 2 (Feb-Jun): 15 September

Acceptance emails & visa support letters

Emailed by June/November.



University Accommodation

- Apply for [university accommodation](#) on our Stag Hill campus (main) or Manor Park campus: June/November
- [Prices](#) to suit various budgets (£85-£289 per week (2025/26), including utilities, broadband and insurance)
- Most student flats include single bedrooms with a shared kitchen
- Ensuite rooms available (with shower)
- All self-catered - no meal plans
- Room allocations emailed: August/Nov-early December

Living Costs

- Average living costs for students: around GB£1,171 per month, including accommodation
- Students coming under an exchange agreement don't pay tuition fees to Surrey.

Visas & Immigration

- Check here to find out if you need a visa to study in the UK and learn about the types of visas available to students
- **ETA** for non-visa nationals coming to the UK for up to 6 months - for more information please see the gov.uk website.

Healthcare and Insurance

You will need personal travel insurance with some health cover. The EU/EEA EHIC, reciprocal healthcare agreements and visa healthcare surcharge provide good but not full health cover.

Disabilities and Additional Needs

See our Disability & Neuroinclusion service.



On-campus: coffee shops, restaurants, food market, and supermarkets nearby.

Sports & Exercise: explore Surrey Sports Park, student membership rates, and TeamSurrey sports and activities.

Clubs & Societies: choose from 180+ clubs and events through Surrey Students' Union.

Buddy Network: join our WhatsApp group to connect with fellow exchange students and Surrey students who have studied abroad.



Entry Requirements

- Must study full-time (30 ECTS credits per semester), unless only 22.5 ECTS is needed
- GPA of 2.6 on the 4.0-point scale / 3.3 on the 5.0-point scale / 4.6 on the 7.0-point scale, or the equivalent
- Non-native English speakers must meet the English language requirement for your chosen Undergraduate/Postgraduate course/s (see 'Entry Requirements' for minimum IELTS scores)
 - those applying for a Student visa must submit one of the University's accepted English language qualifications at the required level for your course.
 - Visitors coming for 6 months or less can submit a letter from your home institution confirming you meet the English language requirement for your Surrey course and stating your CEFR level
- A valid passport, with at least 6 months before expiry after the end of your stay.



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