

Student Exchange Factsheet 2022-23

University name:	University of the West of England (UWE Bristol)		Erasmus+ Code (valid till May 2023):	UK BRISTOL02
Location:	Bristol, United Kingdom	Students:	30,000 (including 4,500 EU and Overseas students)	
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Website:	Incoming Exchange Students: https://www1.uwe.ac.uk/study/studyabroad/comingtouwetostudy/uwebristolexchange.aspx Main UWE website: http://www.uwe.ac.uk/			
Term dates 2022-23 for Undergraduate programmes:	Welcome Week 19 Sept '22 - 25 Sept '22 Semester 1 03 Oct 2022 - 20 Jan 2023 Vacation 19 Dec 2022 - 9 Jan 2023	Welcome Programme Semester 2 23 Jan '23 – 27 Jan '23 Vacation 30 Jan 2023 – 19 May 2023 Semester 2 3 Apr 2023 – 14 Apr 2023		
Application deadline	1 May for Semester 1 and full year study commencing in September. 31 October for Semester 2 commencing in January.			
Application Process	<p>Erasmus+ Students and non-Erasmus exchange Students: Following nomination by home Institution, students will be sent instructions to complete an online application form.</p> <p>All exchange students should be formally proposed/nominated by their home University before making an application to UWE.</p> <p>All students intending to study in the School of Art and Design (SAD) and Film and Journalism (SFJ) should send an electronic portfolio prior to their arrival at UWE to ensure they are placed in the correct subject area, along with X2 Passport photos with names clearly written on the back, for administration purposes.</p> <p>Following application, all official University communication with incoming students will be via the student Welcome Website. Students will be sent a login ID and a password via email once their application has been processed. All information about joining the University, airport pick-ups, registration and the International Student Orientation will be provided here.</p>			

<p>Exchange duration</p>	<p>Depends on subject area. Full academic year (September to June) for most subjects; Autumn Semester (limited range of subjects): September – January** Spring Semester: January to June (SAD and SFJ programmes only accept in the Spring Semester)**</p> <p>*Autumn semester students who wish to return to their home institution with UWE credit must ensure they are present for the January assessment period if required. The only exceptions will be where the student’s home University’s term starts prior to the end of UWE’s examination period.</p> <p>**UWE does not offer the option for incoming students to sit an exam required for their home university on campus at UWE. Incoming students will either need to arrange an alternative form of assessment with their home university or see if they are able to sit their exam electronically.</p> <p>+Any students nominated for the Autumn semester only are not able to extend their exchange to full year after they have arrived in the UK. Any extension requests must be made by the students before arrival and in sufficient time to apply for a student visa for the start of the year.</p>
<p>Taught language</p>	<p>English – students are expected to arrive with a sufficient level of English in order to be able to follow classes and submit all assessments in English. Proof of English language may be required for entry to the programme or for visa purposes.</p> <p>UWE’s English Language and Academic Skills Unit provide Study support workshops, seminars and drop-in sessions to support Frenchay and Glenside students with their studies. Students at the City Campus can be supported in workshops and one-to-one appointments are provided by the ACE study support team.</p>
<p>Campuses</p>	<p>Frenchay Campus : Main Campus (Faculty of Business and Law; Faculty of Environment and Technology; Department of Applied Sciences, Department of Health & Social Sciences) Glenside Campus : Faculty of Health and Applied Sciences (Nursing and Midwifery programmes, Allied Health Professions) City Campus : School of Art & design, School of Film & Journalism</p>
<p>Location and getting to UWE</p>	<p>UWE’s main campus at Frenchay is set approximately 4 miles north of Bristol city centre.</p> <p>Bristol itself is just 120 miles from London. All campuses are well served by buses. More info: http://www1.uwe.ac.uk/comingtouwecampusesmapsandtravel</p>
<p>Airport Welcome Service</p>	<p>UWE offers an Airport Welcome Service for new students. This operates from London Heathrow and Bristol International Airport the start of each semester prior to the International Students Orientation programme. Up to date details will be published on our web pages.</p>

<p>University Accommodation</p>	<p>Living in University accommodation is a great way to meet new friends and gain independence. University accommodation may be available if you are a year-long student; apply for accommodation as soon as possible after 10th June; and reply to an offer of accommodation and pay the deposit by the deadline.</p> <p>Accommodation contracts run alongside our term dates. This means that accommodation contract dates are not flexible; instead they follow the structure of our 3-term academic year, with most contracts running until the end of June or Mid-July.</p> <p>UWE accommodation includes the cost of Gas and electricity; Contents insurance for personal possessions (excludes bicycles); Internet Connection (with the exception of University houses) and costs between £4,148.34 and £7,679.88 for a 40 - 45 week contract.</p> <p>Please note: If you are studying with us for less than an academic year, Accommodation Services will do their best to help you find suitable accommodation, but this is not guaranteed.</p> <p>After students have successfully submitted their application, they will receive an email with instructions on how to make an online application for University accommodation. Students are advised to apply early to avoid disappointment.</p> <p>Accommodation Services can be contacted on: +44 (0) 117 32 83601 or accommodation@uwe.ac.uk. Please include your UWE welcome ID in all communications.</p>				
<p>Private Accommodation</p>	<p>If students wish to find their own accommodation, they can do so. If they wish to stay in Bristol while doing this, the following hostels are available:</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td data-bbox="323 1272 842 1556"> <p>The Full Moon Backpackers Hostel 1 North Street Stokes Croft Bristol BS1 3PR http://www.fmbristol.co.uk/ http://www.hostelbookers.com/hostels/england/bristol/17835/</p> </td> <td data-bbox="842 1272 1522 1518"> <p>Bristol Backpackers 17 Saint Stephen's Street Old City Bristol BS1 1EQ Tel: +44 117 925 7900 E-mail: info@bristolbackpackers.co.uk http://www.bristolbackpackers.co.uk/</p> </td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="323 1590 842 1944"> <p>Youth Hostel Hayman House 14 Narrow Quay Bristol BS1 4QA Tel: +44 (0)117 922 1659 Fax: + 44 (0)117 927 3789 E-mail: bristol@yha.org.uk Web: https://www.yha.org.uk/find-accommodation/south-west-england/hostels/Bristol/index.aspx</p> </td> <td data-bbox="842 1590 1522 1877"> <p>Rock n' Bowl Hostel 22 Nelson St. Bristol BS1 2LA Tel: +44 (0) 117 325 1980 E-mail: bookings@rocknbowlmotel.com Web: http://www.thelanesbristol.co.uk/hostel/</p> </td> </tr> </table> <p>COUNCIL TAX:</p>	<p>The Full Moon Backpackers Hostel 1 North Street Stokes Croft Bristol BS1 3PR http://www.fmbristol.co.uk/ http://www.hostelbookers.com/hostels/england/bristol/17835/</p>	<p>Bristol Backpackers 17 Saint Stephen's Street Old City Bristol BS1 1EQ Tel: +44 117 925 7900 E-mail: info@bristolbackpackers.co.uk http://www.bristolbackpackers.co.uk/</p>	<p>Youth Hostel Hayman House 14 Narrow Quay Bristol BS1 4QA Tel: +44 (0)117 922 1659 Fax: + 44 (0)117 927 3789 E-mail: bristol@yha.org.uk Web: https://www.yha.org.uk/find-accommodation/south-west-england/hostels/Bristol/index.aspx</p>	<p>Rock n' Bowl Hostel 22 Nelson St. Bristol BS1 2LA Tel: +44 (0) 117 325 1980 E-mail: bookings@rocknbowlmotel.com Web: http://www.thelanesbristol.co.uk/hostel/</p>
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PLEASE NOTE Exchange students in private accommodation need to provide evidence of their student status to Bristol City Council to prove their [exemption from paying Council Tax](#). Each student staying in private accommodation should complete the online form found on the Bristol City Council website to see if they are eligible for exemption. Further information on [council tax](#) can be found on the UWE website.

Student support

The [Study Abroad team](#) work closely with students’ home institutions and academic departments to ensure the smooth running of study exchanges and are happy to answer queries from incoming exchange students. The team should be the first contact point for all queries: studyabroad@uwe.ac.uk

UWE’s [Global Student Support](#) team coordinate International Student Orientation. All exchange and study abroad students are recommended to participate in orientation events and activities –designed for you to meet people, have fun and to get to know UWE, Bristol and each other!
A programme will be available [online](#).

Our [Student Support Advisers](#) can provide students with information on a wide range of University matters, including module choices, academic regulations and extenuating circumstances. Students can also discuss academic issues with their departmental exchange coordinators or with their module leaders.

Global PALs (existing UWE students) offer support and guidance and will help you find your way around Bristol and the campus as well as providing information about UWE’s services and facilities.

Student advisors can give guidance on [managing money](#) as well as [Visas, Immigration and the UK’s PBS](#) (Points based system).

Our [Wellbeing Service](#) provides support for students experiencing personal issues.

Our [Faith and Spirituality](#) service provides facilities and information for prayer, worship, meditation and reflection, opportunities to meet others and advice on spiritual and ethical concerns.

UWE’s Students’ Union (UWESU) has over 30,000 members and works to promote, defend and extend the rights of students, to initiate change and to enhance the student experience. [UWESU’s advice centre](#) can help with money matters, employment, housing and other matters.

[UWESU clubs and societies](#) offer opportunities to join networks, sporting clubs, societies and more.

Visa Information

Visa nationals studying for longer than 6 months, or visa nationals who intend to combine study with work may require a [Student Visa](#).

Visa nationals studying for less than 6 months may require a [Standard Visitor Visa](#).

The UK Gov website provides guidance: <https://www.gov.uk/check-uk-visa>

	<p>The Study Abroad team will provide the appropriate documentation to support students in their visa application. If a student requires a visa to study in the UK it is their responsibility to ensure that they comply with the requirements of the visa that is issued.</p>
<p>Access to health care and Health insurance</p>	<p>The University's Health Centre based on the Frenchay campus treats students for minor injuries and illnesses. All non-UK students can register with a Doctor free of charge. The UK's National Health Service (NHS) provides free hospital treatment, free access to doctors, fixed charges for medicines and fixed charges for dentistry and opticians. Most EU, UK and International students studying for longer than six months can register for a HC1 certificate which allows them to reclaim the costs of paid-for services.</p> <p>Visa nationals studying in the UK on a course less than six months long will need to arrange their own health insurance.</p>
<p>Costs of exchange</p>	<p>For exchange students from partner institutions studying for a full year, tuition is free for up to 120 UWE credits (60 ECTS).</p> <p>For exchange students from partner institutions studying for a single semester, tuition is free for up to 60 UWE credits (30 ECTS). Other exchanges may vary.</p> <p>Students are responsible for all personal expenses, including accommodation costs.</p> <p>For a 9-month course, students should expect their living costs (including accommodation) to be approximately £7,200 – this will vary according to personal habits.</p> <p>UWE accommodation costs between £4,148.34 and £7,679.88 for a 40 - 45 week contract costs between £3778.82 and £7,520.04 for a 40 - 45 week contract and includes most bills, whereas Private accommodation costs upwards of £3,500 a year, excluding bills.</p>
<p>Study Options</p>	<p>Please note that cross-faculty study is not permissible. You will only be able to study subject areas noted in the exchange agreement between institutions (or from one programme of study if a fee-paying student).</p> <p>For more information about this, please visit http://www1.uwe.ac.uk/students/feesandfunding.aspx</p>
<p>Certificates of Credit</p>	<p>At the end of the year, students who have passed modules at UWE will receive an official certificate of credit. We are only able to list modules that students have passed on the certificates. Any module a student has failed to pass will not be included.</p> <p>Certificates are only able to be produced after the UWE award boards have been completed. This is normally about 6 weeks after the end of the exam period. We will be sending out electronic copies only, any student who requires a physical copy of their certificate will need to contact the certificates team directly and request one be sent to their home address. There will be an additional charge for this service.</p> <p>More information can be found here: https://www.uwe.ac.uk/study/academic-information/certificates/graduating-students</p>