



University of
Southampton



Fact Sheet 2025/26

CONTACT INFORMATION

Institution Name	University of Southampton
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ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

English Language Requirements	<p>All <u>single semester</u> exchange students are required to submit an English Language Proficiency Letter. Each student must provide one letter, which will be completed by their home institution's nominators. The proficiency letter form will be attached while sending this fact sheet.</p> <p>For <u>all others</u> (full-year exchange students and fee-paying semester or full-year students), you must meet our entry requirements and submit an official <u>English language proficiency certificate</u>.</p> <p><u>UoS Band C</u> = Minimum IELTS overall score of 6.5 with 6.0 in all components or an equivalent standard in other qualifications. Some courses may require a higher score, please contact us if uncertain.</p>
Approved other qualifications	<p>List of accepted English Language qualifications: click here</p> <p>Component and equivalent scores in approved qualifications: click here</p>
Document Validity	Proof of English must be dated within the two years immediately preceding the start of the exchange period
Minimum GPA	3 out of 4 (on a 4 point scale) or equivalent standard in other qualifications approved by our University

COURSES

Available Courses

Prospectus

<https://www.southampton.ac.uk/courses>

Module catalogue

<https://www.southampton.ac.uk/courses/modules>

For more information on which courses and modules are available please check with your institutional coordinator or contact our Study Abroad and Exchange team

Restricted Courses

Medicine and Health Sciences modules are not available to exchange students. Chemistry and some modules within Engineering disciplines will also be unavailable for exchange students

Workload Requirements

Workload per semester

30 ECTS or 60 CATS (Southampton credits) Modules are typically worth 7.5 ECTS each

Contact hours per module

Typically 3 contact hours per module per week. The exact ratio of contact hours to independent study hours is listed in the module catalogue for each individual module.

Assessment style

A variety of assessment methods are used. Typically exams, coursework, group and individual presentations. The exact assessment style and its weight in the final grade can be listed in the module catalogue for each individual module.

TUITION FEES

Tuition fees do not need to be paid by exchange students.

For Fee-Paying Study Abroad students a tuition fee will be payable. Please see our [tuition fees page](#) for more details

All incoming Study Abroad students are entitled to a 5% discount on tuition fees unless alternative arrangements exist with the sending institution.

Information about paying tuition fees: [click here](#)

NOMINATION AND APPLICATION PROCESS

Nomination Process	<p>All Exchange Students must first be nominated through an online nomination the platform. Email nominations will not be accepted</p> <p>The link to this platform changes with each nomination period. The correct link will be shared with coordinators via email at the start of the nomination period.</p> <p>If you do not receive this link and you would like to nominate students please get in touch with us before the deadline.</p>
Nomination Deadlines	<p>Semester 1 (Fall) and Full Year: 15 March 2024 Semester 2 (Spring): 15 September 2024</p>
Application Process	<p>We will contact nominated students directly with the application form, application deadline, and application instructions. Students are asked to submit their application documents to us by email.</p> <p>The full application procedure and required documents are also available on our website.</p>
Application Deadlines	<p>Semester 1 (Fall) and Full Year: 15 May 2026 Semester 2 (Spring): 15 October 2025</p>

SEMESTER DATES

New Arrival start date	20 September 2025
Semester 1 (Fall) start	22 September 2025
Christmas Vacation	14 December 2025 - 05 January 2026
Semester 1 Exam Period	12 - 24 January 2025
Semester 2 (Spring) start	26 January 2026
Easter Vacation	29 March - 27 April 2026
Semester 2 Exam Period	18 May 2026 - 6 June 2026
Semester 2 ends	13 June 2026
Academic Calendar	https://www.southampton.ac.uk/about/term-dates.page

VISA APPLICATION PROCESS

Is a visa required?

Yes. For detailed and up to date information, please visit [UK Visas and Immigration Government website](#)

Required documents for visa

Visit the University of Southampton's [Visa and Immigration guidance](#)

Contact the VISAS Team

Contact the Visa and Immigration Student Advice Service (VISAS) by [email or drop-in online chat](#)

GENERAL INFORMATION

Enabling Services - Support Services

Our Enabling Services team provide support for students with disabilities, mental health conditions, or specific learning difficulties.
<http://www.southampton.ac.uk/edusupport/>

For additional support options available to students please see our [support and wellbeing page](#).

Airport Pick-Up (Meet & Greet)

The University offers a free Meet and Greet airport collection service to first-time arriving students. This service is available in both semester 1 and semester 2 from select airports only.

For a list of airports and more information see <https://www.southampton.ac.uk/welcome/meet-and-greet>

University Accommodation

We cannot guarantee accommodation, but we try to prioritise exchange and study-abroad students where possible.

Please see our accommodation website for details on how to apply: <https://www.southampton.ac.uk/accommodation>
Email: accommodation@soton.ac.uk

Deadlines for applying to University accommodation:
Semester 1 entry: check the accommodation website above
Semester 2 entry: check the accommodation website above

Students who do not want to apply for university accommodation or are unsuccessful in their application will need to find private rented accommodation. The Students' Union lists approved properties [here](#)

Cost of living

Approximately £1,000 per month, depending on accommodation and living expenses. See guidance on [student living costs in Southampton](#).

Transcripts

Students can obtain an electronic and a paper copy of their transcript through our [online store](#).

Please use the 'current students – transcripts' link. One copy is free, additional copies are £10.

- The transcript release date for Semester 01 is: **Mid- March 2026**
- The transcript release date for Semester 02 is: **End June 2026.**

Additional Information

<https://www.southampton.ac.uk/international>

