Erasmus+ Programme

UK DURHAM01

Durham University

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A. Information about higher education institutions

Name of the institution	Erasmus code	Contact details	Website
(Institutional Coordinator and Departmental Coordinator)		(email, phone …)	(Home page and course catalogue)
Durham University	UK DURHAM01	Email: Ms Emma Pearce <u>exchanges.studyabroad@durham.ac.uk</u> Tel: +44 (0) 191 334 6325	https://www.dur.ac.uk/internation al/studyabroad/erasmus/incoming/

C. Recommended language skills

Receiving institution	Subject area	Language of instruction 1	Language of instruction 2	Recommended language of instruction level
[Erasmus code]				Student Mobility for Studies
UK DURHAM01	Psychology	English	N/A	C1 Europass

D. Additional requirements

Student Mobility for Studies

Receiving institution [Erasmus code]	Subject area	Minimum Number of Credits to be included in the study plan	Faculty or Department(s) where students will be entitled to attend courses/modules	Access to other Faculties or Departments (yes / no)	Support and infrastructure to welcome students/staff with disabilities (yes / no)
UK DURHAM01	Psychology	20 (Durham credits) per term	Durham City Psychology Department Durham University Science Laboratories South Road DURHAM DH1 3LE	Yes –similarly, to be agreed on a case by case basis	Yes

Or, else:	
Queen's Campus Psychology Department Durham University Queen's Campus University Boulevard Thornaby	
Stockton-on-Tees TS17 6BH	

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The Durham University service for students with disabilities. https://www.dur.ac.uk/dussd/

E. Calendar

Receiving institution [Erasmus code]	Autumn term APPLICATION DEADLINE	Spring term APPLICATION DEADLINE
UK DURHAM01	30th May	31st October

Students nominated for an exchange to Durham University are kindly requested to fill in our Application Form

https://www.dur.ac.uk/international/studyabroad/erasmus/incoming/howtoapply/

Nominations

Please send your nominations via e-mail (name, email address, area of study, exchange period) to <u>incoming.exchange@durham.ac.uk</u> before the 30th April 2015 deadline.

F. Information

1. Grading systems of the institutions

Receiving institution [Erasmus code]	ECTS Link
UK DURHAM01	www.dur.ac.uk/international/studyabroad/erasmus/incoming/ectsguide

<u>2. Visa</u>

Institution [Erasmus code]	Contact details (email, phone)	Website for information
UK DURHAM01	Email: <u>immigration@durham.ac.uk</u> Tel: +44 (0) 191 334 6069	www.dur.ac.uk/immigration

3. Insurance

Institution [Erasmus code]	Contact details (email, phone)	Website for information
UK DURHAM01	Exchanges and Study Abroad Team <u>exchanges.studyabroad@durham.ac.uk</u> +44 (0) 191 334 6325	www.dur.ac.uk/international/studyabroad/erasmus/incoming

4. Housing

Institution [Erasmus code]	Contact details (email, phone)	Website for information
UK DURHAM01	Exchanges and Study Abroad Team <u>exchanges.studyabroad@durham.ac.</u> <u>uk</u> Tel: +44 (0) 191 334 6325	www.dur.ac.uk/international/studyabroad/erasmus/incoming/accommodation



Durham University Key Data Sheet 2017/18

Erasmus ID code	UKDURHAM01
Website	https://www.dur.ac.uk/international/studyabroad/

Contact Information		
Central Office	Durham University International Office	
Address	Palatine Centre, Stockton Road, Durham DL1 3LE	
Contacts	Coordination and partnership in general:	
	Emma Pearce	
	Exchanges and Study Abroad Manager	
	emma.pearce@durham.ac.uk	
	Tel.: +44 (0)191 334 6331	
	Student Application and admission:	
	Rachael Bird - Incoming Students	
	incoming.exchange@durham.ac.uk	
	Tel.: +44 (0)191 334 6325	
	Jonathon Murphy- Outbound Students	
	exchanges.studyabroad@durham.ac.uk	
	Tel: + 44 (0) 191 334 6094	
	All students should contact the office using the relevant email address.	
Fax Number	+44 (0) 191 334 6326	
University webpage	www.durham.ac.uk	
International webpage	www.durham.ac.uk/international	
Exchanges webpages	https://www.dur.ac.uk/international/studyabroad/	
	Includes: • application materials • academic information • College information • financial information • pre-departure materials	

University Information	
General Information	Founded in 1832, the University is the third oldest in England. Durham is a collegiate institution, with 16 Colleges which provide a social, domestic and pastoral focus for students, as well as University accommodation, if eligible. Ustinov College performs this role exclusively for postgraduate students. The University has long since grown beyond the historic centre of Durham to include a modern science site, student accommodation, libraries, and sports and social facilities. The University buildings are spread across the City on several sites within easy walking distance of each other. Teaching and Research are organised by the Academic Departments which are quite separate from the Colleges.
	The University has a total student population of about 16,000, nearly a quarter of those on postgraduate courses. The work of the University covers traditional areas of study/education, including key branches of science and technology. Durham graduates are in great demand among



	employers and the University helps to attract investment into the region. It provides training, short courses and expertise for industry, and through its cultural events, conferences and tourist business and as a major employer, the University contributes in a wide social and economic sense to the local community.
Campuses	Durham has two main campuses, Durham City and Queen's Campus
	Stockton.

City and Regional Information	
Where is Durham?	Durham University is a busy research and teaching community located in the historic cathedral city of Durham in the North-East of England, an area famed for its attractive countryside, coastline and cultural heritage. As well as its magnificent Cathedral and Castle, both World Heritage Sites, the city has other buildings of distinction and fine river banks which can be seen on foot in a few hours. Durham is three hours by train from London and Manchester, two hours from Edinburgh, and less than one hour from two regional airports, Newcastle International and Durham Tees Valley.

Academic Calendar and Importa Academic Calendar 2017/18	Induction Week: 2 nd -8th October 2017
(including exams)	Term 1 Michaelmas: 09 Oct 2017 - 15 Dec 2017
(Christmas Vacation: 16 Dec 2017 - 14 Jan 2018
	Term 2 Epiphany: 15 Jan 2018 - 16 Mar 2018
	Easter Vacation: 17 Mar 2018 - 22 Apr 2018
	Term 3 Easter: 23 Apr 2018 - 22 Jun 2018
	For Postgraduate Business students ONLY, exams will take place in January of each year so students would be required to stay until after the exam period has ended. Dates will be provided once confirmed.
	For other years please refer to www.dur.ac.uk/dates
	Please note: Durham University currently operates a term system which includes three terms per academic year (see above). Modules (courses) are structured to run for the entire year (i.e. each module runs from
	October – June). For students to coming to Durham for less than the full academic year, we are currently unable to provide an official transcript until after end of year Board of Examiners have concluded which would usually be in June of each year. For 2 nd cycle students, this could be in October/November.

Application Information and Deadlines		
Application Deadlines	Erasmus Exchanges starting Michaelmas Term:	
	Nominations: 28 th April 2017	



	Application: 31 st May 2017	
	Erasmus Exchanges starting Epiphany Term:	
	Nominations: 28 th April 2017	
	Application: 31 st October 2017	
	Overseas Exchanges:	
	Nomination deadline: 28 th February 2017	
	Application deadline: 31 st March 2017	
	NB- All nominations should be sent directly to the International Office.	
	We will provide a template to use. The contact for nominations would be	
	incoming.exchange@durham.ac.uk	
Application Materials Erasmus	https://www.dur.ac.uk/international/studyabroad/erasmus/incoming/ho	
Exchanges	wtoapply/	
	ECTS guide available:	
	https://www.dur.ac.uk/international/studyabroad/erasmus/incoming/ho	
	wtoapply/#choosingmodules	
Application Materials Overseas	https://www.dur.ac.uk/international/studyabroad/exchange/incoming/ho	
Exchanges	wtoapply/	
Supporting Documentation	Completed application form	
required	 Certified copy of English language test (if relevant) 	
	Official academic transcript	
	Copy of personal details page of passport	
	Personal Statement	
Entry Requirements	GPA of 3.0 (on a 4.0 US scale) or equivalent	
	For students who are not English native speakers English	
	language requirements apply. Please contact the Exchanges &	
	Study Abroad Team for advice.	
Nominations	Nominations should be made by email using the Nomination Form	
	provided to <u>incoming.exchange@durham.ac.uk</u> before the nomination	
	deadline.	

Academic Information	
Course Choice	For Erasmus students:
	Students should use the ECTS handbook for the corresponding
IMPORTANT	department and choose modules from that subject area:
Students should be aware that	
classes within the English	https://www.dur.ac.uk/international/studyabroad/erasmus/incoming/ho
department are very limited. We	wtoapply/#choosingmodules
cannot guarantee acceptance	
into the English department.	Students may be able to take modules in other departments, but
	please be aware that certain restrictions and prerequisites may
We would advise students to	apply and that you might not be able to take courses in all
choose modules in other subject	departments.
areas unless there is a specific	
Erasmus agreement with English.	



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	Short Term Erasmus students:
	For students coming to Durham for less than the full academic year, we are unable to provide full credit recognition. Students will receive an official transcript listing the modules taken and an appendix with confirmed grades by department.
	For Overseas students: University-wide agreements: Students can choose courses/ modules from up to three departments across the University. Certain restrictions might apply either in oversubscribed departments or with view to pre-requisites and co- requisites.
	[For pre-requisites and co-requisites please refer to the module description in the <u>Faculty Handbook</u> (see <i>Course Catalogue</i>)] Available at: <u>www.dur.ac.uk/faculty.handbook</u>
	Faculty-wide agreements or Interdepartmental agreements: Please contact Emma Pearce, Exchanges & Study Abroad Officer for advice.
	N.B. The department/subject area a student chooses determines the campus that student will be based at. Please be aware that we do not recommend that students choose modules from both campus locations! The listings in the Faculty Handbook will indicate which courses/ subjects are taught at Durham / Queen's Campus. Do not hesitate to contact the Exchanges & Study Abroad Team for advice.
Credits and Course Load	The normal workload for a full-time student is 120 Durham credits per academic year. This normally equates to 6 modules per academic year at 20 credits each.
	Durham University has not adopted ECTS as the credits system, however, Durham credits can be translated into ECTS as follows: Durham credits x 0.5 = ECTS. E.g. 20 Durham credits x 0.5 = 10 ECTS. While the Module handbooks will list ECTS credits, all other University publications will list Durham credits.
Language of Instruction	English
Important Information	Examinations : The academic year at Durham University follows a term system with 3 terms per year. Examinations are mostly held at the end of each academic year only. Special/ alternative assessment arrangements for Erasmus students coming for less than a year can usually be made with the individual departments.
	Durham University does presently not allocate ECTS credits to the individual academic terms as individual modules are designed to run over the full academic year (see Examinations). It is important for partner universities to define an appropriate credit load for their students for the duration they will spend in Durham. Partners will be provided with all the details relating to the academic work completed by a student for the duration of their studies at Durham University in the Academic Transcript



towards the end of each term and the official Transcript of Records will be sent to the partner universities in the Summer.

Immigration Information	
Tier 4 student visa	In April 2015, the UK Government introduced changes to the tier 4 visa process and also amended the guidance in relation to Student visitor visas including the Immigration Health Surcharge. Our Student Immigration Office offers further advice on the website: <u>https://www.dur.ac.uk/immigration/</u> To find out if a student visa is required, please check with the nearest UK embassy or visit <u>https://www.gov.uk/check-uk-visa</u> Incoming students at partner universities will normally be supplied with additional advice at the appropriate time of the year.
Student Visitor Visa	Students coming to the UK for 6 months or less may be able to enter the UK on a Student Visitor visa. To check eligibility please use the UKBA website: <u>https://www.gov.uk/check-uk-visa</u>
Further Information	To check eligibility to work in the UK whilst studying please check: https://www.dur.ac.uk/immigration/workinginuk/

Accommodation	
On Campus Accommodation	Durham University is a 'collegiate' university, i.e. the colleges provide the social context for students.
	Erasmus students only: University managed accommodation will not be available. Students must source their own private accommodation.
	Overseas Exchange students only: All overseas exchange students are guaranteed a place in one of the residential colleges of the University if they apply for the programme by the deadline. Students opt for college accommodation on the application form. Students will be notified of their college in their offer letter. The college will then contact the student with further details prior to arrival.
Off Campus Accommodation	If looking for off campus private accommodation, students may contact the Accommodation Office on <u>accommodation.office@durham.ac.uk</u>
Accommodation over Vacations – Overseas Exchange students only	Accommodation in most Colleges is limited to term time. However, accommodation options are available during semester breaks (Christmas and Easter only) at an additional cost. Students should contact their college for advice.
Costs and Facilities	For a full list of prices and the different options please refer to <u>www.dur.ac.uk/colleges/undergraduate/costs</u> College prices include food (fully catered / part catered options only) and utility costs.

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Nearest Airport Newcastle International is the largest airport closest to Durham University. Students can connect to Newcastle via London Heathrow and flights are frequent. **Arrival and Transport** A meet and greet service is available for international students on some days during the week of the orientation and welcome activities. The service usually covers Newcastle International Airport and Durham Train Station and will provide transport for students to Queen's Campus, Stockton if required. Details will be made available online over the summer. Attending the orientation is strongly advised since it includes student **Orientation Activities and** Registration registration information Welcome and Orientation Activities (including an International • Fair) are held normally the Friday before induction week starts. Friday before induction week starts: Registration and **Orientation Session for Overseas Exchange Students** Students will join their College's Freshers' activities together • with the degree students during induction week. Details for all activities will be confirmed when available.

Exchange Related Information	
Number of Exchange students	Please contact Emma Pearce, Exchanges and Study Abroad Manager
per academic year	
Duration of Exchange	Due to the structure of our modules, which are designed to run over a
	full academic year (October-June) per module, we strongly advise
	students to come for a full academic year (October - June) and follow
	normal assessment structures as set for modules and earn full credit points.
	Part year Erasmus study periods are possible only with the consent of
	the receiving department and provided that placements start in
	October (Michaelmas term). Starting an Erasmus study period in
	January (term 2) is only possible with special consent and should
	normally be confined to students undertaking project or research work
	in one of the departments.
	Please consult the Module handbook for the relevant department for
	part-year study opportunities. Some restrict admission to students
	coming for the full academic year only.
	Please note that it is <u>not</u> possible to start in the Easter term (April -
	June), except by special arrangement for project /research work.
Services Available to Exchange	International Office/ Exchanges & Study Abroad Team – assists
students	students in matter of registration and other academic matters
	International Office/ Immigration Officer – assists with immigration
	related issues



Durham Colleges – provide a wide range of social and welfare services
including a personal College Tutor responsible for pastoral support
Departments – provide academic advice and support
DUSSD (Durham University Service for Students with Disabilities)
Counselling Service
University Medical Centre
Language Centre
IT Services