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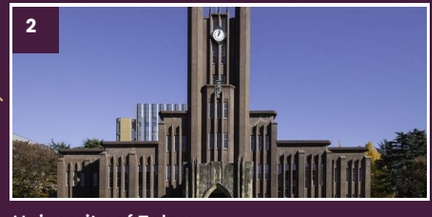
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A LETTER FROM PRANAV SHARMA

A decision that belongs to you

For students, families and the educators who help them see what is possible



Education should enlarge a person's possibilities.

The first step is understanding the person making the choice.

Dear Readers,

Behind every university application is a family conversation: a young person trying to imagine a future, a parent weighing opportunity against cost, and often a teacher who sees potential the student has not yet recognised. The decision deserves more than a familiar name or a hurried response to a deadline.

My studies at the University of Mumbai and the University of Messina have given me a lasting connection to two very different academic settings. They are part of why I value opportunities close to home as much as those across borders. A worthwhile education begins with the fit between the student, the subject and the place in which that student will learn.

That fit takes time to understand. In Grades 9 and 10, the important conversation may be about subjects and streams. In Grades 11 and 12, it becomes a plan for entrance assessments, applications and funding. Many admission processes begin before final examinations. Good guidance connects these stages, so that an avoidable delay does not close an otherwise suitable route.

This directory brings the practical questions into one place. What does the qualification involve? Which preparation does it require? What will the full course cost? How does a scholarship work? Will a professional degree lead towards the registration the student needs? The country chapters and institution listings give these questions a geographical starting point.

For principals and educators, I hope these pages support the work you already do: helping students recognise possibilities, test assumptions and explain their choices. For parents, I hope they make room for an informed conversation in which ambition and affordability can be considered together. For students, I hope they offer both information and the confidence to ask better questions.

The final decision should be one the student understands and can stand behind. If this book helps a reader replace uncertainty with a thoughtful plan, it will have served its purpose.

Pranav Sharma

Founder & Global Youth Advisor / Via Glowbal

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Guidance, country chapters and a working reference for the decisions that follow.

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DESTINATION FINDER

Find a country

Read across each row. Numbers on the right are the country's opening page, not a rank.

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Country order reflects editorial priorities and common study routes for our readers. Institutional inclusion does not establish professional recognition.



AN EDUCATION, NOT ONLY AN ADDRESS

Beyond the university name

A university becomes real in its classrooms, libraries, laboratories and conversations. The task is to understand what a student will learn there, how that learning is assessed and what it makes possible next.

Study space at the Vanier Library, Concordia University. Librarianpam / CC BY-SA 4.0 / cropped.

THE EDITORIAL VIEW

The course is the starting point

Compare what the course teaches, how students enter and the full cost of completing it.

Start with the module list

Compare the compulsory modules of two courses with the same title, from first year to graduation. Does business lead towards accounting, entrepreneurship or international management? Does computing specialise in theory, data or software development? Read the assessment examples too: essays, coding projects and group presentations demand different preparation.

Check the entry route early

Place the entry requirements beside the student's actual subjects and results. Identify any missing mathematics, sciences, language evidence or portfolio work. If a preparation year or transfer route is needed, include its fees, duration and progression marks in the comparison. This is especially useful before choosing school subjects or paying an application fee.

Price the complete route

Calculate the cost of reaching graduation: every year of tuition, compulsory fees, housing and living expenses, plus travel and setup. Compare the dates deposits fall due with the dates funding arrives. A longer degree can cost more overall despite a lower annual fee; a generous scholarship can still leave the family needing money before departure.

Picture a normal study week

Look beyond the campus photograph. How much time is spent in lectures, laboratories, studios or independent work? Where are placements held, and who finds them? Check teaching languages, travel between sites and support when a student struggles. These details show whether the student can manage the course and its daily routine.

How to use this directory

Use pages 6–14 to connect school preparation with course choice. Pages 15–27 cover applications, funding and the move into study. Then turn to the destination finder and country chapters. Record the strongest options in the comparison worksheet, and use each university's official course page to confirm the requirements for the intended intake.

Keep a shortlist with reasons

For each shortlisted course, write one clear reason it fits, one concern to resolve and the next action. Keep alternatives with different entry demands and costs. Review the list when results, funding or family circumstances change. A useful shortlist should help the student explain a choice, not merely collect university names.

Make the comparison concrete

For each course, record two compulsory modules, one assessment method and any missing prerequisite. Save the programme URL and intake; add the remaining cost and one written question for the department.

Course · preparation · cost · recognition · student experience

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Direction before destination

Connect interests, academic preparation and real study options.



Student discussion at an Ahmedabad University workshop, 2018. / KartikMistry / CC BY-SA 4.0 / cropped

39%

of 15-year-olds were career-uncertain

OECD average, PISA 2022

Start with a question

Begin with the decision the student faces: choosing school subjects, narrowing degree options or changing direction. Bring recent results and examples of enjoyable and difficult work. Discuss the tasks the student likes doing, not only the job titles they recognise.

Use assessment as evidence

Use interest and aptitude results to identify questions worth exploring. Compare them with classroom performance, projects and the student's own account of their strengths. Investigate contradictions: an interest in engineering, for example, makes it useful to examine comfort with mathematics and sustained problem-solving.

Build a practical shortlist

Turn the discussion into a shortlist the family can use. Record suitable subjects and courses, entry requirements, likely costs and preparation still needed. End with named actions and dates, so the student knows what to investigate or complete next.

Keep the student involved

Give the student a task before the next discussion: compare two course outlines, complete a small project or speak to someone studying the subject. Ask what changed their view. Parents and teachers can contribute experience while helping the student learn to explain their own choice.

Your counselling plan

1. Psychometric and interest mapping: discuss assessment results alongside schoolwork and the student's experience.

2. Grade 9–10 subject and stream plan: identify the subjects needed for possible degree routes.

3. Course and budget shortlist: compare suitable courses across three countries, with entry requirements, costs and next steps.

Bring evidence to the discussion

Bring recent marks, current subjects, two examples of work and the family's annual budget. Record the start date and practical constraints. Agree who will resolve each gap and by when.

Explore career counselling: viaglowbal.com/career-counselling

SCHOOL YEARS AND CAREER PLANNING

A plan before the deadline

Start with subjects. Build preparation. Apply before the final result.

The right conversation changes as a student moves through school. Each stage should leave something useful: a subject plan, a preparation calendar, an application record or a departure file.



Campus discussion. Advaithacademy / CC BY-SA 4.0.

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GRADES 9–10

Explore before choosing subjects

Use schoolwork, projects and conversations to test interests. Check the subject prerequisites of several possible degrees before choosing a stream. Assessment results support that discussion; one score should not determine a permanent career.

Keep a subject-choice sheet: possible fields, required subjects and an alternative route.

02

GRADE 11

Turn interests into preparation

Read course modules and entry rules. Schedule the tests your shortlisted courses require, language preparation, portfolios and references. Allow for a permitted retake. Begin a family budget for the whole qualification.

Keep a preparation calendar: registration deadlines, project milestones and funding range.

03

GRADE 12 / BEFORE FINAL EXAMS

Apply while preparing for results

Many admissions and scholarship deadlines arrive before board examinations. Where allowed, apply with current transcripts and school-issued predicted grades. Request references early, and plan applications alongside exam preparation.

Keep an application tracker: exact courses, deadlines, documents, fees and offer conditions.

04

AFTER RESULTS

Complete the transition

Submit final evidence and meet offer conditions. Confirm fees, refunds and housing before committing. Complete visa, insurance and enrolment steps. Students should retain access to their own accounts, documents and university correspondence.

Keep a departure file: accepted offer, payments, funding, housing and arrival contacts.

UNDERSTANDING INSTITUTIONS

What a university name does not tell you

Course structure, awarding authority and the learning environment belong in the same comparison.



Students studying in the Sias library, 2017. / Gary Todd / CC0 / cropped

Who awards it? What will you study?

A sound comparison starts with who awards the degree, what it teaches and how students learn.

The institution and the qualification

Universities may teach across campuses, through partner colleges or online. The prospectus should identify both the teaching provider and the body awarding the degree. Legal recognition establishes the status of the provider and award. For a regulated career, programme accreditation also matters: it indicates whether the course meets the relevant profession's requirements.

Research and applied routes

Compare how the course is taught. Research universities commonly place more emphasis on academic investigation; applied institutions often build study around practical projects and work experience. Examine the final-year project and placement arrangements. If a master's is part of the plan, check whether the proposed bachelor's supplies the subject credits and research preparation required by likely postgraduate courses.

Read the curriculum, not only the title

Highlight the compulsory modules in each year. Count how much of the course covers the intended specialism, and which options are available later. Check mathematics, laboratory and studio requirements, then look for examples of assessment. A student interested in psychology, for instance, should examine the research methods and statistics content as carefully as the descriptions of human behaviour.

Undergraduate and postgraduate choices

A bachelor's normally establishes the academic foundation. A taught master's deepens or redirects knowledge through modules and a project; a research degree centres on an original investigation. Conversion courses can admit students from another discipline, while specialist master's programmes often require prior subject credits. An MBA may expect work experience, unlike an early-career management degree.

Compare the evidence

Record the exact programme and campus, language, duration, fees, entry subjects and application route. Ask the department about access to the facilities the course needs. For placements, find out who secures the position, how it is assessed and what happens if no suitable employer is found. Include accommodation and travel between teaching sites in the comparison.

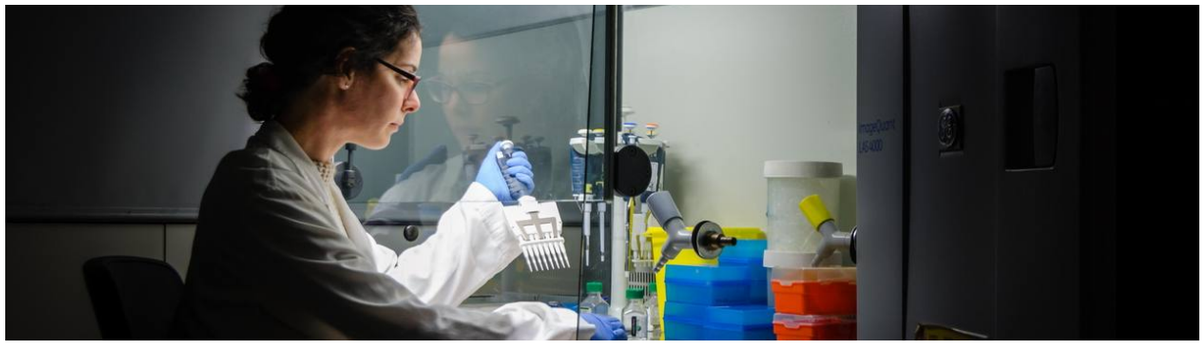
Use rankings in proportion

This edition uses selected overall QS World University Rankings 2027, published by Quacquarelli Symonds. A tied rank or a published rank band is retained. Use these labels to explore institutions, then compare subject content, accreditation, facilities and costs. An overall institutional position is too broad to settle which course best prepares a particular student.

PROFESSIONAL PATHWAYS

Science, health and the built world

Match the academic course to its practical training and the registration needed in your intended country of work.



Researcher Mileidys Perez at the Vall d'Hebron Institute of Research, Barcelona. / axventura / CC BY 4.0 / cropped

Engineering

Engineering applies mathematics and science to systems that must work safely. Mechanical students study forces, motion and heat; civil students study structures, ground and water; electrical students work with circuits, signals and power; chemical students design industrial processes. Expect problem sets, laboratory measurements, computer models and team projects. A design must explain performance, cost and possible failure.

Computing and data

Computer science studies algorithms, information, operating systems and networks alongside programming. Software engineering adds requirements, testing and the organisation of larger software projects. Data science combines statistics and computing to extract evidence from imperfect data. Students debug code, document decisions and test models. Enjoying technology is useful motivation; sustained logical problem-solving is the everyday task.

Medicine and dentistry

Early study builds anatomy, physiology, biochemistry and an understanding of disease. Clinical stages develop examination, diagnosis, communication and treatment planning through supervised patient contact. Dentistry adds precise practical work on oral health. Admission may begin after school or after a first degree. Check clinical language and professional registration. For Indian medicine applicants, see page 20.

Nursing and allied health

Nursing centres on assessing, monitoring and supporting patients; pharmacy combines the science of medicines with their safe use. Physiotherapy, occupational therapy, radiography and laboratory science develop different therapeutic or diagnostic skills. Learning combines scientific study, practical assessment and supervised placements. Choose the profession's actual work, then verify the programme's recognition and placement requirements.

Life sciences and psychology

Biology examines living systems from molecules to ecosystems. Biomedical science focuses on human biology and disease; biotechnology applies biological processes to products and techniques. Expect experiments, data analysis, research reading and laboratory reports. Psychology investigates behaviour through theory, research methods and statistics. General science or psychology study does not replace the professional training required for clinical practice.

Architecture and design

Architecture joins spatial design with structures, materials, environmental performance and people's needs. Studio work involves drawings, models, site analysis and repeated critique. Product, communication and interaction design focus on different objects or experiences. A portfolio should show observation, testing and revision as well as finished work. Architecture may form one stage of a longer professional registration route.

PROFESSIONAL PATHWAYS

Business, law and creative practice

Choose the course alongside the examinations, practical experience and registration your intended career requires.

THREE QUESTIONS FOR A PROFESSIONAL ROUTE

Which degree?

Check the curriculum, entry requirements and whether the award supports the next professional stage.

Which examinations?

Identify the professional exams and any exemptions granted for the exact course and graduation year.

Where will you work?

Check the intended country's registration route, including required practice, training and language.

Business and management

Business degrees explain how organisations obtain resources, serve customers and make decisions. Marketing, operations, organisational behaviour, strategy and accounting form a common core. Students analyse cases, interpret data, prepare proposals and work in teams. Entrepreneurship tests demand and manages cash; international business adds cross-border operations. A broad BBA explores functions, while a specialist degree develops one area more deeply.

Economics, accounting and finance

Economics uses models and evidence to explain choices, markets and policy; econometrics tests these questions with statistics. Accounting evaluates transactions, performance and obligations. Finance examines investment, valuation, funding and risk. Read the mathematics sequence: quantitative economics and finance can require substantial calculus, probability and statistics. For accountancy, verify the degree's professional-examination exemptions and remaining training requirements.

Law and legal reasoning

Law students interpret legislation, compare judgments, construct arguments and apply rules to disputed facts. Much of the work is close reading, structured writing and discussion of cases. The legal system taught matters: an LLB, graduate-entry JD and legal-studies degree can lead to different next steps. Confirm the route to practice in your intended jurisdiction.

Education and society

Education studies examines learning and institutions; teacher preparation adds supervised classroom practice for a defined age group or subject. Sociology and politics investigate institutions, power and social change. Public policy evaluates possible action through evidence, economics and political judgement. Expect analytical essays, interviews or quantitative research. Education studies and a qualification leading to teacher registration serve different purposes.

Humanities and media

History, literature, philosophy and languages develop interpretation and evidence-based argument. Journalism adds reporting, verification and editing. Media studies may analyse audiences and culture; production courses teach filming, sound, design or digital publishing. Compare assessed work: a dissertation, documentary and design portfolio demand different preparation. Equipment access, facilities and the quality of feedback matter for practice-based courses.

Hospitality and logistics

Hospitality combines customer experience with revenue, staffing and service operations. Logistics studies the movement of goods, information and capacity through supply networks. Aviation management concerns commercial and operational activity; it does not itself qualify someone as a pilot. For placements, establish the actual role, supervision, assessment, pay and responsibility for finding the employer. Include extra travel and housing.

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Support at each stage

Start with the decision in front of you: school subjects, a degree shortlist or an application already under way. Via Glowbal can help research courses, organise documents, track applications and scholarships, and prepare for visas, travel and arrival. Agree the services and fees in writing. Universities and public authorities decide admission, scholarship awards and visas.

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Before beginning, agree the written scope, service fees, third-party charges and the responsibilities of the student and adviser.

SUBJECT REFERENCE

Fields of study

What each field studies, how students work and where similarly named degrees diverge.

Start with the question

What do you want to understand, design or improve? The same interest can lead to different work: treating a patient, investigating disease or developing a medicine.

Identify the toolkit

Look for the actual methods: mathematical models, experiments, programming, close reading, studio design or fieldwork. Compare compulsory modules and assessed student work.

Trace the next step

A subject degree, a professional qualification and a licence to practise serve different purposes. Establish the approved route for the work and country you have in mind.

Business, finance and economics

Management studies how organisations work; accounting explains their financial records and obligations; finance evaluates investment, funding and risk. Economics asks how people, firms and governments allocate resources. A business-analytics course adds data to organisational decisions, while econometrics concentrates on testing economic relationships. Choose between these through the required mathematics, specialist modules and kinds of problems students solve, rather than the BA, BSc or BBA initials alone.

Computing, data and engineering

Computer science emphasises algorithms, computation and systems; software engineering concentrates on developing reliable software in teams. Data science joins computing with statistical inference. Engineering uses science and mathematics to design physical systems: machines, structures, circuits, networks or industrial processes. Expect programming or modelling alongside laboratory and design work. Compare the balance of theory, implementation and open-ended projects; professional accreditation belongs to a named programme and study period.

Medicine, health and life sciences

Medicine and dentistry prepare for patient-facing clinical work through scientific and supervised practical training. Nursing, pharmacy and allied-health degrees develop their own professional skills. Biomedical science investigates human biology and disease; biotechnology applies biological systems to products and processes. Psychology studies behaviour through research, theory and statistics. These courses can share early science modules while leading to very different work and further-training requirements.

Law, social sciences and humanities

Law develops interpretation and argument within a particular legal system. Politics, sociology and international relations examine institutions, power and social behaviour; public policy adds the evaluation of possible action. History, literature, philosophy and languages rely heavily on close reading, interpretation and evidence-based writing. Research methods may be quantitative, qualitative or both. Compare the material students investigate and the evidence they must use, as well as the career title on the prospectus.

Architecture, design and service industries

Architecture combines spatial design with structures, materials and environmental performance. Interior, product and interaction design focus on different spaces, objects or user experiences. Hospitality and logistics apply management to service delivery and supply networks; aviation management addresses aviation operations rather than pilot qualification. Studio and service courses often include substantial project or practical work. For placements, compare the actual role, supervision, assessment, pay and responsibility for securing a position.

Selected references: Cambridge · ACCA · Waterloo · ABET · BPS · SRA · ARB · CAA

QUALIFICATIONS

Degrees, levels and credits

Compare the award, its duration and its progression requirements before treating two courses as equivalent.



Pencil and sharpener on an open notebook. / Angelina Litvin linalitvina / CC0 / cropped

Bachelor's and short-cycle awards

Bachelor's courses commonly take three or four years. For a diploma or associate-degree transfer route, ask which bachelor's accepts it and how much credit transfers. For a foundation year, record the destination degree and progression grades. Compare the complete route to graduation, including preparation time and fees.

Master's and doctoral study

A taught master's normally combines modules with a dissertation or project; a research master's gives more space to supervised investigation. Check whether your bachelor's modules provide the subject preparation the master's requires. For doctoral study, examine the research question, available supervision and funding period alongside the entry qualification. A course title alone will not reveal these differences.

Prepare a credit-transfer enquiry

Send the transcript, grading scale, module descriptions and credit/workload information for the completed study. Identify the exact receiving degree and entry stage. Ask which modules transfer, which requirements remain and whether the decision is provisional. Keep the written assessment with the offer.

ECTS: the European credit system

The European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System uses 60 ECTS for a normal full academic year. Bachelor's degrees commonly carry 180 or 240 credits; master's courses commonly carry 90 or 120. For transfer or postgraduate entry, supply module descriptions as well as credit totals so the receiving university can assess subject preparation.

Comparing levels across systems

UNESCO's ISCED groups short-cycle tertiary awards at level 5, bachelor's at 6, master's at 7 and doctorates at 8. These labels support international statistics. For an application, use the destination's qualification guidance and the university's entry rules to check whether an overseas award provides the required preparation.

Awarding body and teaching institution

For a branch campus, partner college or joint course, confirm the name that will appear on the degree certificate. Check the teaching location and awarding body in the offer and official recognition records. For a regulated profession, also confirm programme accreditation and the route to registration in the country where the graduate plans to practise.

ADMISSION REFERENCE

Entry routes and selection

Read the qualification, subject and language requirements together.

Academic eligibility

Universities assess the level, subjects and grades of prior study. A strong overall result cannot replace a required subject. The same school certificate may lead to direct entry in one system and preparation study in another. Check eligibility for the exact award and campus.

Language evidence

Check the accepted test and version, overall score, section minima, validity period and deadline. A previous English-medium education creates a waiver only where the institution's rules allow it. Keep the institution's written decision with the application record.

Preparatory routes

A foundation, Studienkolleg or pre-master's may bridge an academic or language gap. Each has its own eligibility and progression rules. Ask which degree it leads to, what results are needed, whether progression is guaranteed and what the extra year will cost.

Selection and offers

Courses may use tests, interviews, portfolios or auditions as well as grades. A conditional offer states what remains to be achieved. Read the conditions and response deadline before paying; admission does not itself confirm funding or immigration permission.

Reading IELTS and TOEFL scores

ETS overall-score guidance for the TOEFL scale introduced on 21 January 2026.

IELTS Academic overall	TOEFL iBT overall 1-6 scale	Associated legacy TOEFL range (0-120)
6.0	4.0	72-85
6.5	4.5	86-94
7.0	5.0	95-106
7.5	5.5	107-113

A comparison is guidance, not an exact conversion for an individual. The last column is the range associated with that TOEFL band, not a separate IELTS-to-legacy concordance. Universities set their own requirements and section minima.

ets.org/toefl/institutions/ibt/score-scale-update.html

Official test sites: ielts.org | ets.org/toefl | pearsonpte.com

DOCUMENT REFERENCE

The application file

Build a file that lets a reviewer verify your academic preparation, funding and identity without chasing missing evidence.

Create a checklist for each application, with the document, issuing organisation, accepted format and deadline. Record who must submit it: the student, school, referee, university or evaluator. Some documents need to arrive through the issuer's own system.

Academic records and predicted grades

Order transcripts for the school years or university semesters specified by the institution, including grading information and every required page. Use your passport name consistently and document any name change. For applications before final examinations, ask the school how it submits predicted grades: UCAS normally receives them through the referee or adviser portal, while another institution may request a signed school letter. Keep final-results deadlines on the same checklist. A conditional offer can depend on both the grades achieved and timely receipt of official evidence.

Essays, references and portfolios

Build essays around evidence: a problem you explored, a book or project that changed your thinking, or relevant study and experience. Explain how this prepares you for the course. Give referees your course choices, recent work and submission dates so they can provide specific academic observations. Follow the programme's prompt and word limit. For creative courses, use the portfolio brief to decide how much research, experimentation and finished work to show, and identify your contribution to group projects.

Funding that can be traced

Read the destination's rules for acceptable account holders, financial instruments, holding periods and document dates before moving money. For a UK Student application using personal or parental funds, the required balance normally has to be held for 28 consecutive days, ending no more than 31 days before the visa application. Other routes use different tests. Keep records explaining large transfers and the sponsor's relationship to you. Property valuations or investments may support a wider financial picture but cannot substitute where accessible cash is required. Use the prescribed evidence for loans, scholarships or blocked accounts.

Translation and authentication

Follow the receiving authority's language and certification instructions. Submit the original-language document with an accepted translation, including stamps or reverse-side text where relevant. Before paying for authentication, establish whether it is required and whether the Apostille Convention applies between the issuing and receiving countries for that document. Where it applies, an apostille replaces the conventional legalisation chain. Other cases may require consular legalisation. Academic recognition and professional eligibility still depend on the receiving institution or regulator's assessment.

External evaluation and submission timing

Check whether your German application requires APS verification, a uni-assist VPD, both, or another procedure. APS scope and exemptions depend on the relevant qualifications and route. Uni-assist advises requesting a VPD ideally at least eight weeks before the university deadline; you then submit it with the university application. For US or Canadian applications, order a credential evaluation only when required, using an accepted provider and report type. NACES lists member evaluators; it does not issue reports itself. Track outstanding submissions until the portal confirms the file is complete.

Selected references: UCAS · UKVI · HCCH · APS · uni-assist · NACES

THE OFFER LETTER

One offer, several commitments

An offer may sit alongside fee terms, funding decisions, housing contracts and an immigration process.

PART OF THE RECORD	WHAT THE TERMS DESCRIBE	WHY IT MATTERS
Academic conditions	Outstanding grades, subject results, language evidence or verified documents.	Admission is conditional until the specified requirements are satisfied.
Course identity	Award, campus, study mode, start date and duration.	These details establish what has actually been offered.
Payment schedule	Deposit, instalments, fee category and later-year terms.	Cash needed before travel can differ from the annual cost.
Refund and withdrawal	Refund deadlines, deductions and terms for visa refusal, withdrawal or non-enrolment.	These terms determine what money may be retained if plans change.
Funding decision	Award amount, eligible costs, duration and renewal conditions.	Admission alone does not establish a scholarship.
Housing and mobility	A separate room offer, immigration sponsorship or other related record.	Acceptance of a course does not settle every later-stage arrangement.

A conditional place

A student may accept an offer before final school results are available. The outstanding condition, evidence deadline and consequence of not meeting it remain part of that accepted offer.

A deposit and a scholarship

A deposit can fall due before a scholarship result. The family's early cash requirement therefore includes the deposit unless the institution has confirmed a different payment arrangement.

Before you accept or pay

Conditions: list every outstanding grade, document and language requirement, with its deadline.
Money: identify the payee, deposit-credit arrangement, cancellation terms and amounts still due.
Decision: compare the written offer with your other options and save the official version. Ask the issuing university to resolve contradictions before you accept; record the answer beside the relevant condition.

The binding terms are the provider's actual offer and associated agreements. This is a reading framework, not a substitute contract or a destination-specific legal rule.

COST REFERENCE

The full study budget

Build a year-by-year budget, then check how much cash is needed before enrolment and when funding arrives.



A desktop calculator. / Anton Ehrola / CC BY-SA 4.0 / cropped

Tuition and compulsory fees

Copy the fee for the exact course, campus and student category. Record whether it covers a credit, semester, year or the full programme, then add compulsory registration, laboratory or student-service charges. Ask how later-year fees are set. Compare total academic costs over the normal course duration, including any preparation year.

Living expenditure

Price a realistic room and add meals, utilities, transport, insurance, materials and personal spending. Compare the same living arrangements and number of months. A nine-month university estimate will not fund a twelve-month tenancy. Include summer living costs where needed and travel between home and campus.

One-time costs and deposits

List the payments due before departure: applications, documents, immigration charges, flights, insurance and accommodation deposits. Record which deposits are credited against later bills and which are refundable. Keep the refund terms and payment deadlines with the budget. The family needs access to this cash even where a deposit will eventually be returned.

Maintenance evidence and blocked accounts

Proof of funds demonstrates access to money for study and living. A blocked account releases that money under specified conditions, usually for later living expenses. Adding both the full account balance and the expenses it pays would count the same money twice. The required balance establishes a minimum for the application; the student's city and housing choices determine the actual budget.

Net cost, reserve and cash flow

Deduct only confirmed scholarships from the costs they cover. Show a loan as borrowing to repay, and a stipend against the months in which it is paid. Add a reserve for exchange-rate changes and unexpected bills. Finally, put payments and funding on a calendar. A scholarship paid after enrolment will not cover a deposit due before departure without another source of cash.

WORKED BUDGETS

Six countries. One method

Illustrative first-year scenarios with 12 months of living costs.

These chosen examples teach a calculation; they are not national averages or university quotations. Each assumes one student, no scholarship or employment income, and a 10% planning reserve.

FIRST-YEAR TOTAL = (FEES + LIVING + SETUP) x 1.10

Destination / currency	Tuition & academic fees	Living / 12 months	Travel, docs & setup	Total with 10% reserve
Italy EUR	3,000	12,000	1,500	**18,150**
Germany EUR	600	13,200	1,800	**17,160**
United Kingdom GBP	20,000	18,000	2,500	**44,550**
United States USD	25,000	18,000	2,500	**50,050**
UAE AED	50,000	48,000	6,000	**114,400**
Oman OMR	3,500	3,600	500	**8,360**

THE SAME TOTALS IN FAMILY CURRENCIES

Destination	US dollars	Indian rupees	Omani rials
Italy	20,690	19.86 lakh	7,956
Germany	19,560	18.78 lakh	7,522
United Kingdom	58,810	56.45 lakh	22,611
United States	50,050	48.05 lakh	19,244
UAE	31,150	29.90 lakh	11,977
Oman	21,740	20.87 lakh	8,360

Exercise rates, not observed market rates: EUR1 = US$1.14; GBP1 = US$1.32; US$1 = INR96.00, OMR0.3845 or AED3.6725. Converted totals are rounded. Obtain a current payment quote before transferring funds.

Germany assumes zero tuition and EUR600 in semester contributions. Maintenance balances fund living expenses and should not be added twice.

FUNDING REFERENCE

Scholarships and other funding

Find awards you can apply for, then calculate what they leave the family to pay.

Tuition waiver and fee reduction

Apply the award to the stated tuition charge and calculate the remaining fee in money. Add compulsory charges and living costs separately. Check whether the reduction applies only in the first year or can continue, and what grades are needed for renewal. A full-tuition award can still leave a substantial bill for accommodation, food and travel.

Stipend, bursary and grant

Read the payment schedule. Record the cash amount, payment frequency and months covered. If accommodation or meals are supplied, check whether their value is already included in the advertised total. Identify costs due before the first payment and any funding gap during holidays or writing-up.

Merit and financial need

Check citizenship, country of residence, study level, subject and previous qualifications before preparing an application. Need-based awards require household financial evidence; merit awards assess specified achievements. An Indian citizen living in Oman must check both citizenship and residence against the scheme's rules.

Assistantship, loan and service obligation

For an assistantship, check the duties, hours, stipend and tuition coverage. For a loan, compare interest, repayment dates and the currency owed. Read any work or return-home obligation attached to subsidised study. Keep these commitments beside the funding amount before deciding whether to accept.

Selection, renewal and payment

Add each funding deadline to the application calendar. Some awards are considered automatically; others require a separate form, school nomination or university endorsement. Save the award letter and renewal conditions. Rebuild the budget when a decision arrives, checking payment dates, annual reviews and any requirement to repay funding if study is interrupted.

A tuition award is only one part of the budget

Illustration, in one currency: tuition 12,000 minus a confirmed tuition award of 3,000 leaves 9,000 payable. Living costs of 8,000 and travel/setup of 1,000 bring the remaining annual need to 18,000. A tuition-only award contributes nothing to those other costs. Record when the award is credited: a later reimbursement cannot pay an earlier deposit.

Record each award as: amount + covered costs + funding period + conditions + payment dates.

MEDICINE AND REGISTRATION

Foreign medical qualifications

Key Indian requirements for students entering the applicable overseas medical-training route.

NEET-UG before admission

Indian citizens and Overseas Citizens of India covered by the rules must qualify the National Eligibility cum Entrance Test for undergraduate medical admission (NEET-UG) before entering the relevant medical course abroad. The result is valid for three years from declaration for this purpose, including the relevant preparatory route. Qualification is therefore not restricted to the same calendar year as overseas admission.

Minimum overseas training

For students covered by the National Medical Commission's Foreign Medical Graduate Licentiate Regulations, 2021, the course requires at least 54 months of study plus a separate minimum 12-month internship in the same foreign medical institution. English is the required teaching medium. The prescribed subjects, clinical training, same-institution and same-country conditions also apply. The full overseas course must be completed within ten years of joining.

Host-country registration

The National Medical Commission (NMC) is India's medical regulator. Its applicable rules require professional registration or licensing in the country awarding the medical qualification on terms equivalent to those for local citizens. An English-taught degree title alone does not establish that status. Clinical communication and host-country licensing may involve a local language.

Indian examination and internship

The applicable Indian registration route includes the prescribed licensing examination and supervised internship. FMGL-covered graduates require at least 12 months of supervised internship in India. The Foreign Medical Graduate Examination (FMGE) is operating as of September 2026. NExT means National Exit Test; its announced regulations and implementation timetable are separate from the examination currently operating.

Scope of recognition

NMC does not endorse a list of overseas medical universities. Directory inclusion, a World Directory of Medical Schools listing and university admission are not substitutes for meeting the applicable Indian rules. Earlier cohorts and notified exemptions can fall under different provisions. Dentistry, nursing, pharmacy and other regulated professions have their own qualification and registration systems.

Obtain the evidence before paying a deposit

Create a file for the exact campus and course: curriculum, teaching language, clinical training sites, internship structure and the qualification awarded. Obtain written answers on local registration eligibility and the pathway back to the intended country of practice. Compare these records with the applicable regulator's published requirements; retain the dated rules and correspondence with the offer.

The overseas course must fit the full registration route, from NEET eligibility to internship.

STUDENT-LIFE REFERENCE

Housing, health and enrolment

Use the period before departure to secure a room, arrange suitable health cover and complete registration.



A student room at Pollock Halls of Residence, Edinburgh, 2017. / Vysotsky / CC BY-SA 4.0 / cropped

Residence, tenancy and guarantor

Compare room type, contract dates, rent, utilities and meal arrangements before paying. Check the deposit and cancellation terms, including what happens if arrival is delayed. If a guarantor is required, read the liabilities they would accept. Confirm the accommodation provider and payment instructions independently, and keep the signed contract and receipts in the departure file.

Health cover and travel insurance

Confirm the health cover required by the university and destination, and arrange cover for the journey as needed. Read the policy's start date, waiting periods, excess and exclusions, particularly for existing conditions. Check how to obtain treatment and make a claim. Carry the insurance certificate, emergency contact and any necessary medication documents with travel papers.

Keep an accessible arrival file

Save the offer, housing confirmation, insurance, receipts and arrival instructions together. Add the emergency contact and first appointment. Carry required originals separately from secure digital copies; ensure the student can access their own account and records.

Enrolment, registration and induction

Use the university's arrival checklist to complete identity checks, final-document submission, fee formalities and module selection. Attend induction and confirm the timetable and teaching locations. Record any separate immigration or municipal registration deadline. Bring the required originals, while keeping secure digital copies and access to the university account.

Academic support and assessment

Find the academic adviser, wellbeing service and accessibility contact before a problem becomes urgent. Request any needed adjustments through the institution's process. Read the assessment handbook for attendance, deadlines, resits, progression and permitted collaboration or AI assistance. In the first week, check that the student can access course materials, email and the assessment system.

Placement, internship and exchange

If a placement or exchange helped determine the course choice, confirm its conditions early. Ask how students are selected, whether work is paid, how credit is awarded and who arranges the host. Budget extra travel or accommodation and check any immigration requirements. Keep an alternative academic plan where a placement or exchange place is competitive.

IMMIGRATION REFERENCE

Admission and student status

Prepare the admission document, funding evidence and forms required for the intended immigration route.

Admission evidence

In the UK, a licensed student sponsor issues a Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS) reference for the relevant visa application. In the United States, the Form I-20 records eligibility for F or M student status through a certified school. These documents support an immigration process; neither document is itself a visa.

Institution-led applications

For Dutch university and higher-professional study, the recognised educational sponsor submits the student residence application to the Immigration and Naturalisation Service (IND). The institution monitors academic progress under the residence conditions. In other systems, the student submits the application, supported by the provider's admission or enrolment document.

Financial evidence

Immigration authorities may require evidence of tuition funding and maintenance resources. The accepted account holder, document form, holding period and amount are defined by the destination's rules. Sponsor evidence, loan documentation, scholarships and blocked accounts are different forms of support. A financial threshold is evidence for the application, rather than a quotation for actual annual living costs.

Visa, residence permit and border entry

Follow the destination's instructions for the entry visa, residence permission or digital status. Check identity, medical and document requirements before booking an appointment. When permission is issued, verify the name, passport details, validity and any conditions. Keep the decision and university arrival instructions together, including any steps required after entry.

Status during and after study

Student permission may carry enrolment, attendance, progress, address-reporting and employment conditions. Completing a course does not automatically create permanent residence or unrestricted employment. A graduate route, where available, has its own eligibility and duration. The country sections state relevant examples with the applicable publication period.

Track the handoffs, not just the application date

Offer: record outstanding academic conditions and the last permitted arrival date. **Sponsorship:** identify who issues or submits the required immigration evidence. **Decision:** track appointment, document and response deadlines separately. **Arrival:** list university and local registration steps. Put an owner and confirmed status beside each task, then record the deferral and refund process if the timetable changes.

Keep one timeline for the university's deadlines, the immigration application and required arrival registrations.

THE GLOBAL PICTURE

International student mobility

A global measure of students crossing national borders for higher education.

7.3 million

Internationally mobile higher-education students worldwide in 2023

UNESCO, the United Nations agency for education, science and culture, reports growth from 2.1 million in 2000. These are students studying across borders, not all students with a foreign passport.



Source: UNESCO IESALC - international student mobility · website p. 307

What each student count includes

A country may report international degree students, all foreign-national students, exchange students or students in language and vocational courses. Some figures are people; others are course enrolments. This book keeps the reporting period and definition beside each country statistic.

Use the figures with care

The global total has grown to roughly three and a half times its 2000 level. For a student choosing where to study, a large international population can be a starting point for questions about housing, orientation and support. Compare those services at the intended campus; the national total gives context, while the course and living arrangements determine the individual experience.

A useful comparison matches the same measure and year. Country figures in this book provide context; they are not a league table.

THE VIA GLOWBAL PATHWAY

From direction to opportunity

Support from career direction through applications, travel and arrival.

DISCOVER

01 **Understand the student**

Record interests, current subjects, results, constraints and the decision to be made.

ALIGN

02 **Choose a sensible direction**

Compare subject prerequisites, everyday study and the route into the intended career.

COMPARE

03 **Build the shortlist**

Keep an ambitious, a realistic and a lower-cost option; record the reason and unresolved question for each.

PREPARE

04 **Get the file ready**

Assign academic, identity, language and funding documents to an owner and deadline.

APPLY

05 **Manage the applications**

Track submissions, requests, conditions, offers, scholarships and decision dates in one record.

PLAN

06 **Prepare for the move**

Match immigration, housing, insurance and travel tasks to the university's arrival timetable.

SETTLE

07 **Complete the handover**

Check enrolment, teaching access, local registrations and the first point of contact for support.

Agree the support, service fees and separate third-party costs in writing before work begins.

YOUR DECISION WORKBOOK

Compare your options

An illustrative budget for an English-taught public bachelor's in Italy, plus two columns for other options.

COMPARE THE SAME THINGS	SAMPLE / ITALY	YOUR OPTION 1	YOUR OPTION 2
Programme & institution	Public bachelor's Illustrative option		
Teaching language	English-taught Assumed for example		
Duration	3 years No preparation year		
Eligibility / entry tests	12-year schooling Course-specific entry		
Tuition & academic fees / year	EUR 3,000		
Living / month	EUR 1,000		
Living / 12 months	EUR 12,000		
Documents, travel & setup	EUR 1,500		
10% planning reserve	EUR 1,650		
FIRST-YEAR TOTAL	**EUR 18,150** approx. US$20,690		
Confirmed scholarship	EUR 0 No award assumed		
Housing deposit	EUR 500 included in setup allowance		
Budget reference	September 2026 Illustrative model		

The example uses planning assumptions. Its EUR 500 housing deposit is included in setup costs; do not add it again.

POSTGRADUATE RESEARCH

Choosing a research degree

Compare the project, supervision and funding package as closely as the university.

A research degree suits students who want sustained responsibility for a question: defining it, selecting methods, dealing with inconclusive results and explaining what the evidence supports. A dissertation, research internship or substantial independent project can help you test that fit before applying.

Structured doctoral programmes

Many North American programmes combine advanced courses, research training and qualifying or comprehensive examinations before the dissertation stage. Some admit strong bachelor's graduates directly; others expect a master's or particular preparation. Laboratory rotations or an initial exploration period may help students select a supervisor. Read the departmental sequence and progression rules: the amount of coursework and the point at which you commit to a topic differ by discipline.

A defined project or supervisor-led route

Many UK, European and Australian doctorates recruit into an advertised project or accept a proposal developed with a prospective supervisor. Research can begin early, supported by methods training and progress reviews. Structured doctoral schools also exist across Europe; geography alone does not identify the model. Compare the entry qualification, expected thesis, normal completion period and funded period. A project advertisement should explain the research problem, required skills and application procedure.

Choose the research environment

Read recent work by potential supervisors and identify a credible connection to your interests or methods. Where contact is encouraged, send a brief, specific email with your academic background and a focused research question. Ask how supervision works in practice: meeting frequency, feedback, co-supervision and access to laboratories, data or field sites. Speaking with current doctoral students can reveal whether the working style and support suit you.

Write a feasible proposal

When a proposal is requested, explain the question, its place in existing work, the evidence you need and how you will analyse it. Include a realistic schedule and address access, ethics or language constraints. Show preparation through a dissertation, relevant methods, coding, archival work or laboratory experience. For a predefined project, demonstrate the skills needed to carry it out. Follow the department's instructions on length and whether a full proposal is required.

Read the funding offer line by line

Compare tuition coverage, stipend or salary, guaranteed duration, renewal conditions and teaching or research duties. Check international-fee differences, health cover, fieldwork and conference support, and funding during the final writing period. In North America, a package may combine fellowships and assistantships; European positions may be salaried employment or scholarship-funded. Calculate what remains after fees, tax where applicable and realistic living costs, including family costs if relevant.

Apply to the right route

Keep admission, project and scholarship deadlines in one schedule: a separate funding competition may close first. Confirm which qualifications and research experience the department accepts, and ask whether a research master's would strengthen your preparation. Compare several suitable groups before deciding, using their methods, supervision and graduate destinations to judge the fit.

Selected references: Princeton · DAAD · Oxford · UBC · Monash

STUDY AND PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Learning in practice

Look for assessed practical work and clear placement arrangements when comparing courses.



From concept to test

At a NASA Community College Aerospace Scholars workshop, students test a LEGO rover prototype. The task brings design, teamwork and testing into one practical project. Photograph: 2019.

Students test a LEGO rover at NASA Armstrong, 2019. NASA/Ken Ulbrich / Public domain / cropped.

FORM OF EXPERIENCE	WHAT THE ARRANGEMENT DESCRIBES
Academic project	Work assessed within a course or degree, under its learning outcomes and supervision.
Curricular placement	A defined work-based period contributing to the programme; duration, assessment and approval are specified.
Internship	A placement with an organisation, curricular or independently arranged. Payment and academic credit are not inherent in the label.
Co-operative education	A degree structure linking academic study with scheduled work terms. The university's actual sequence determines the commitment.

From work experience to employment

Check how students secure placements and whether the work is paid, assessed and supervised. Ask what permission is needed to work and how it relates to study status. Compare the skills and evidence the experience will add to a graduate's applications.

Ask for the placement terms

Record who finds the employer, the selection process, pay, academic credit, supervision and assessment. Ask what happens if no suitable position is secured, and include any extra travel or housing costs in the budget.

STUDY IN THE UNITED STATES

United States

Four-year bachelor's degrees and institution-specific selection.



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US higher education includes public and private universities, liberal-arts colleges and community colleges. A bachelor's commonly combines general education, a major and electives over four years. A two-year associate route may lead to transfer under an agreement. Standard MD medical education follows prior undergraduate study.

ANNUAL FEES / ROUTE COMPARISON

Public 4-year (out-of-state): USD 31,880

Private nonprofit: USD 45,000

Community college: USD 6,800-14,600

Four-year averages: 2025/26. Community range: 2026/27 two-college international model at 30 credits. Insurance and extra charges separate.

Typical degree length

Bachelor's: 4 years
Master's: usually 1-2 years
Medicine: 4-year MD after a degree

Academic entry

Universities set school-subject, language and SAT/ACT requirements individually. There is no single nationwide undergraduate test policy. Eligible schools issue the Form I-20 for F or M student status after their academic and financial requirements are met; exchange sponsors use the DS-2019 for the J route.

LIVING & OTHER / ACADEMIC YEAR

USD 19,040 / 20,470

Calculated non-tuition sector budgets: housing, food, books, transport and personal costs. Academic-year totals; add summer living costs for a twelve-month stay.

Fields of study

Computing; engineering; business; sciences; liberal arts.

The cost-of-attendance measure

A published cost-of-attendance budget combines tuition and fees with living and study allowances for its stated academic period. Four-year figures above are College Board sector averages before aid; the community-college range uses international fee examples. For a twelve-month stay, add summer housing, food and insurance where excluded.

UNITED STATES / EDUCATION AND ENTRY

Degrees and admission routes

U.S. institutions set their own admissions rules within a system of credit-based undergraduate and graduate study.

1,177,766

Institute of International Education: international students, including Optional Practical Training (work experience related to study). Reporting period: 2024/25.

Bachelor's degrees and credits

A U.S. bachelor's degree normally takes four years of full-time study. Students complete a required volume of credits in a major field alongside broader courses in the arts, sciences and other disciplines. The major establishes the principal specialism; electives and general-education requirements widen the curriculum. Academic advisers help students plan the sequence of courses needed for graduation. Check the order of prerequisite modules when planning a major or changing subjects: a missed sequence can add another term and its associated costs.

Community college and transfer

Community colleges commonly offer two-year associate degrees and courses that can transfer towards a bachelor's degree. Under a two-plus-two pathway, a student completes initial study at a community college and then transfers to a four-year institution. Articulation agreements specify how particular courses or degrees fit the receiving programme. Before choosing this route, identify the receiving universities and obtain the transfer agreement for the intended major. Compare accepted credits, entry grades and remaining semesters. Calculate costs across both institutions, including any courses that would need to be repeated.

Graduate and professional education

Graduate education includes master's and doctoral degrees with specialised coursework, research or professional training. Applications can have both university-wide and departmental requirements, including transcripts, references, a statement of purpose and specified tests. The programme determines the relevance of a previous degree and any research preparation. Professional routes have additional distinctions: a JD is a law degree normally entered after undergraduate study, while medical-school admission includes prescribed academic preparation and the MCAT. International eligibility for medicine is limited by the individual school's admissions policy.

Undergraduate selection and testing

There is no federal or state entrance examination that every applicant must pass for university admission. Institutions define their own combinations of school records, essays, recommendations, English evidence and standardised tests. Policies differ materially: Stanford currently requires ACT or SAT scores, while the University of California does not consider either test in admission or scholarship decisions. Test-optional institutions permit an application without those scores. International applicants remain subject to the relevant institutional policy; an English-proficiency test is not automatically a substitute for an academic admissions test.

UNITED STATES / STUDENT LIFE AND PLANNING

Costs, funding and campus life

Compare the full cost, available funding and campus services before accepting a place.

Accreditation and enrolment

Institutional accreditation and permission to enrol students in F or M status are different forms of oversight. SEVP certification authorises eligible schools to issue Form I-20 documentation; it does not by itself establish institutional accreditation. Department of Education and recognised accreditor records provide the academic accreditation reference. Check both records for the intended institution and campus. The international office can explain the evidence needed for the Form I-20 and the student's reporting responsibilities. Keep its instructions alongside the academic offer when preparing the immigration application.

Tuition and financial resources

The full study budget includes tuition, mandatory fees and living expenses. Housing, food, transport and books can differ substantially between campuses. Undergraduate financial aid follows institutional rules as well as family circumstances. Stanford, for example, considers financial need in admission for international applicants requiring a student visa. International applicants who declare that they will not seek aid are generally ineligible to request it during their undergraduate years. Calculate each award's remaining tuition and living costs, renewal conditions and first payment date.

Graduate funding

Graduate support can include fellowships and teaching, research or administrative assistantships. An assistantship links financial support to defined duties; its package may combine a stipend with a tuition waiver. EducationUSA identifies such arrangements as particularly common at doctoral level. Compare the actual package: stipend, tuition remission, required duties and length of support. Ask about summer funding, fees left payable and renewal conditions. For a master's, confirm whether assistantships are available to incoming students or awarded only after enrolment before relying on that income.

Residence halls and campus services

Many institutions operate residence halls, dining facilities, student health centres and clubs on campus. Housing can include first-year residences or communities organised around academic, language or other shared interests. Shared rooms are common, and resident staff provide information and support. Check the health-insurance requirement alongside the campus clinic's services. For housing, confirm eligibility, application dates, room type and meal plan. Read the contract dates carefully: vacation closures or a summer research project can create a need for additional accommodation beyond the standard academic year.

UNITED STATES / ADMISSION

Entry tests and application notes

Programme-specific assessments, with official websites for further reading.

SAT

Undergraduate applicants where an institution requires or considers SAT scores.

Institutional policy controls use. Stanford requires SAT or ACT scores; other institutions are test-optional or exclude scores. The SAT is not a national compulsory entrance examination for international or domestic students.

satsuite.collegeboard.org/sat

ACT

An undergraduate admissions alternative where accepted by the receiving institution.

Stanford accepts ACT or SAT without preferring one examination. The University of California excludes both from admission and scholarship decisions. Accepted sections, reporting and score-combination rules are institution-specific.

www.act.org/

English-language tests

Applicants whose university requires test evidence of English proficiency.

Accepted tests, minimum scores and prior-education exemptions are institutional decisions. Academic English assessment serves a different purpose from SAT/ACT or graduate aptitude testing; there is no national minimum score covering every U.S. university.

ielts.org/
www.ets.org/toefl.html

GRE

Graduate programmes that require or consider GRE results.

The General Test measures verbal reasoning, quantitative reasoning and analytical writing. Departmental policy determines whether scores are required, optional or unused. It is not a universal requirement for U.S. master's or PhD admission.

www.ets.org/gre.html

GMAT

Participating MBA and other graduate management programmes.

The examination assesses quantitative reasoning, verbal reasoning and data insights. Business schools determine their score requirements, alternatives and waivers. A GMAT result supplements the application and does not establish eligibility for every business degree.

www.mba.com/exams/gmat-exam

LSAT

JD applicants at law schools using the Law School Admission Test.

Schools assess the LSAT alongside undergraduate results and other application evidence. Some institutions accept alternative tests under their own policies. Overseas academic records and any English evidence are evaluated separately; the LSAT is not generally an LLM entry examination.

www.lsac.org/lsat

MCAT

Applicants to medical schools requiring the Medical College Admission Test.

The MCAT is part of medical-school selection after the required academic preparation. International applicants must also fall within the school's eligible applicant categories; taking the test does not remove citizenship, residency or prerequisite-course restrictions.

students-residents.aamc.org/taking-mcat-exam/taking-mcat-exam

Make a course-specific test record

Record whether the examination is required, optional or unused for the exact degree and intake. Save the policy URL and date, accepted version, score validity, reporting method and recipient code. Add test, travel and report charges. Resolve contradictory departmental and central-admissions instructions in writing before booking.

UNITED STATES / SCHOLARSHIPS

Funding routes

Published award terms retain their stated intake or reference period.

Fulbright Foreign Student Program

Postgraduate: master's, doctorate and eligible research

Support. Country-administered funding packages with J-1 sponsorship, health benefits and enrichment activities; tuition, maintenance and award duration differ between national programmes.

Eligibility. Non-U.S. applicants with a bachelor's-equivalent qualification and the citizenship, residency, academic and language credentials of the nominating country.

Application. Application and selection through a binational Fulbright Commission/Foundation or U.S. Embassy; university placement uses the relevant country's arrangements.

Conditions. Competitive. Programmes requiring clinical training in medicine, dentistry, pharmacy or nursing are excluded. There is no single worldwide cash value or duration.

Iowa State International Merit Scholarships

Undergraduate: first-year and transfer students

Support. First-year awards: $2,000-$10,000 annually for up to eight semesters. Transfer awards: $2,000-$8,000 annually for up to five semesters; funding ends at degree completion.

Eligibility. Admitted students paying international tuition. Selection considers academic results and achievements; transfers require a 3.0/4.0 equivalent GPA. Confirm first-year test policy with admissions.

Application. OneApp General Application followed by the International Student Admissions Scholarship application for the relevant entry term.

Conditions. Competitive. Renewal requires at least a 2.5 cumulative GPA, 12 credits per semester and continued international classification. Funds cover undergraduate tuition and fees.

Harvard College need-based financial aid

Undergraduate: Harvard College

Support. Meets 100% of demonstrated need. With typical assets, family income up to $100,000 qualifies for full billed expenses; up to $200,000 qualifies for free tuition.

Eligibility. Admitted undergraduate students of any nationality; the same financial-need assessment applies to international and U.S. students.

Application. Financial-aid application and supporting family income/asset documents, submitted alongside the College admission process.

Conditions. Need-based, with no merit awards. Income thresholds assume typical assets; family circumstances determine the package. Graduate schools have separate funding systems.

Knight-Hennessy Scholars

Postgraduate: eligible Stanford graduate degrees

Support. Up to three years of tuition and associated fees, living/academic stipend and annual travel support. Funding beyond three years follows the degree programme's normal commitment.

Eligibility. All nationalities. For the 2027 cohort, the first bachelor's-equivalent degree must date from January 2020 or later; military service extends this to January 2018.

Application. Separate Knight-Hennessy and Stanford graduate applications; selection requires admission to an eligible Stanford degree.

Conditions. Competitive. Normally for newly enrolling graduate students; current Stanford PhD students in their first year may also qualify.

Calculate the confirmed funding gap

Hypothetical annual example: tuition/fees of $30,000 plus living, travel and setup of $10,000, minus a confirmed $10,000 tuition award, leaves $30,000 to fund. These are illustrative amounts, not a quoted fee or award. Then compare payment dates: record who supplies any cash due before the award arrives. Keep pending applications outside confirmed income.

UNITED STATES / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

Universities and institutions

Location • fields • profile • official website • selected QS 2027 overall ranks

Harvard University

Cambridge, Massachusetts / Private nonprofit university
QS 2027: 5

Humanities; Social sciences; Computer science; Engineering

Harvard College provides the undergraduate liberal arts curriculum; medicine, law, business and other professional programmes belong to separate graduate schools.

Massachusetts Hall, Cambridge, MA 02138, USA

www.harvard.edu

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Cambridge, Massachusetts / Private nonprofit university
QS 2027: 1

Engineering; Computer science; Physics; Economics

The Schwarzman College of Computing connects computer science and artificial intelligence with engineering, science, management and the humanities across MIT.

77 Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge, MA 02139, USA

www.mit.edu

Stanford University

Stanford, California / Private nonprofit university / QS 2027: =2

Engineering; Computer science; Humanities; Social sciences

The Doerr School of Sustainability connects climate, energy and environmental systems; Humanities and Sciences provides much of the undergraduate curriculum.

450 Jane Stanford Way, Stanford, CA 94305, USA

www.stanford.edu

University of California, Berkeley

Berkeley, California / Public university / QS 2027: =20

Engineering; Computer science; Economics; Environmental sciences

The College of Computing, Data Science, and Society brings computing and statistics together; Environmental Design links architecture, landscape architecture and planning.

Office of Undergraduate Admissions, 110 Sproul Hall #5800, Berkeley, CA 94720-5800, USA

www.berkeley.edu

University of California, Los Angeles

Los Angeles, California / Public university / QS 2027: 49

Engineering; Life sciences; Social sciences; Film and television

Professional schools include Theater, Film and Television and the Herb Alpert School of Music, alongside the College's liberal arts curriculum.

405 Hilgard Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90095, USA

www.ucla.edu

University of Michigan–Ann Arbor

Ann Arbor, Michigan / Public university

Engineering; Business; Computer science; Public health

The Multidisciplinary Design Program lets undergraduate and master's students earn credit through faculty research, industry-sponsored projects and engineering student teams.

Office of the Registrar, LS&A Suite 5000, 500 S. State Street, Ann Arbor, MI 48109-1382, USA

umich.edu

Purdue University

West Lafayette, Indiana / Public university

Engineering; Computer science; Agriculture; Business

Purdue Polytechnic offers an applied technology route alongside the College of Engineering; Pharmacy and Veterinary Medicine provide separate professional pathways.

610 Purdue Mall, West Lafayette, IN 47907, USA

www.purdue.edu

University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

Urbana–Champaign, Illinois / Public university

Engineering; Computer science; Business; Agriculture

The School of Information Sciences offers an undergraduate degree combining information science and data science, alongside its postgraduate programmes.

Office of the Provost, Swanlund Administration Building, 601 E. John Street, Champaign, IL 61820, USA

illinois.edu

University of Washington

Seattle, Washington / Public university

Computer science; Engineering; Public health; Business

UW Medicine connects medical education with university research and a network of healthcare providers, supporting clinical learning across affiliated facilities.

Seattle campus, Seattle, WA 98195, USA; use the recipient's departmental box number for postal delivery

www.washington.edu

University of Wisconsin–Madison

Madison, Wisconsin / Public university

Engineering; Agriculture; Business; Life sciences

Undergraduate options include agroecology and animal and veterinary biosciences; professional veterinary training follows a separate programme with its own entry requirements.

University Relations, 97 Bascom Hall, 500 Lincoln Drive, Madison, WI 53706, USA

www.wisc.edu

UNITED STATES / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

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Arizona State University

Tempe, Arizona / Public university

Engineering; Business; Computing; Sustainability

The Polytechnic campus emphasises applied engineering and technology; campus-based and online programmes offer distinct delivery settings within the university.

1151 S. Forest Avenue, Tempe, AZ 85281, USA

www.asu.edu

University of Arizona

Tucson, Arizona / Public university

Astronomy; Engineering; Business; Agriculture

The Wyant College of Optical Sciences connects optics and optical engineering with applications in imaging, communications and astronomy.

1200 E. University Boulevard, Tucson, AZ 85721, USA

www.arizona.edu

Colorado State University

Fort Collins, Colorado / Public university

Agriculture; Engineering; Veterinary medicine; Environmental sciences

The Warner College of Natural Resources integrates environmental, physical and social sciences around conservation, ecosystems and natural-resource management.

318 Administration Building, 6001 Campus Delivery, Fort Collins, CO 80523-0100, USA

www.colostate.edu

Oregon State University

Corvallis, Oregon / Public university

Engineering; Forestry; Agriculture; Marine sciences

The Natural Resources bachelor's is available on campus and online; the Hatfield Marine Science Center provides a separate marine research setting.

1500 SW Jefferson Way, Corvallis, OR 97331, USA

oregonstate.edu

Iowa State University

Ames, Iowa / Public university

Engineering; Agriculture; Design; Business

Many studio-based design majors begin with a shared Core Design year, followed by a separate application to the professional major; some design degrees allow direct entry.

1750 Beardshear Hall, 515 Morrill Road, Ames, IA 50011-2103, USA

www.iastate.edu

University at Buffalo, The State University of New York

Buffalo, New York / Public university

Engineering; Computer science; Business; Health sciences

The Jacobs medical school occupies the Buffalo Niagara Medical Campus, placing medical education close to clinical and research partners.

12 Capen Hall, Buffalo, NY 14260-1660, USA

www.buffalo.edu

The City College of New York, CUNY

New York, New York / Public senior college / university-level institution

Engineering; Architecture; Science; Humanities

Dedicated schools provide engineering and architecture pathways, while the Colin Powell School connects social-science study with civic and global leadership.

160 Convent Avenue, New York, NY 10031, USA

www.ccny.cuny.edu

University of Houston

Houston, Texas / Public university

Engineering; Business; Computer science; Hospitality

The Conrad N. Hilton College of Global Hospitality Leadership provides a dedicated hospitality school alongside engineering, architecture and public affairs.

Office of the President, 4302 University Drive, Room 212, Houston, TX 77204-2018, USA

www.uh.edu

University of Massachusetts Amherst

Amherst, Massachusetts / Public university

Computer science; Engineering; Business; Public health

The Commonwealth Honors College adds an honours curriculum to undergraduate study, alongside specialist schools in computing, management and nursing.

Undergraduate Admissions, 243 Whitmore Administration Building, 181 Presidents Drive, Amherst, MA 01003, USA

www.umass.edu

Northeastern University

Boston, Massachusetts / Private nonprofit university

Computer science; Engineering; Business; Health sciences

Cooperative education integrates academic study with employer placements; standard undergraduate co-op periods last four or six months, depending on the programme.

360 Huntington Avenue, Boston, MA 02115, USA

www.northeastern.edu

UNITED STATES / ADDITIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Further study options

Additional institutions / location, institution type and official website

Princeton University
Princeton, New Jersey / Private university / QS 2027: 27
www.princeton.edu

Yale University
New Haven, Connecticut / Private university / QS 2027: =16
www.yale.edu

Columbia University
New York, New York / Private university
QS 2027: =43
www.columbia.edu

University of Pennsylvania
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania / Private university / QS 2027: 15
www.upenn.edu

Cornell University
Ithaca, New York / Private university with state-assisted colleges
QS 2027: =16
www.cornell.edu

Brown University
Providence, Rhode Island / Private university
www.brown.edu

Dartmouth College
Hanover, New Hampshire / Private university
home.dartmouth.edu

Duke University
Durham, North Carolina / Private university
www.duke.edu

Johns Hopkins University
Baltimore, Maryland / Private university / QS 2027: =20
www.jhu.edu

Northwestern University
Evanston, Illinois / Private university
QS 2027: =45
www.northwestern.edu

University of Chicago
Chicago, Illinois / Private university
QS 2027: 24
www.uchicago.edu

California Institute of Technology
Pasadena, California / Private technical university / QS 2027: 7
www.caltech.edu

Carnegie Mellon University
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania / Private university
www.cmu.edu

Rice University
Houston, Texas / Private university
www.rice.edu

Emory University
Atlanta, Georgia / Private university
www.emory.edu

Vanderbilt University
Nashville, Tennessee / Private university
www.vanderbilt.edu

Washington University in St. Louis
St. Louis, Missouri / Private university
washu.edu

New York University
New York, New York / Private university
www.nyu.edu

Boston University
Boston, Massachusetts / Private university
www.bu.edu

Howard University
Washington, DC / Private historically Black university
howard.edu

Georgetown University
Washington, DC / Private university
www.georgetown.edu

University of Notre Dame
Notre Dame, Indiana / Private university
www.nd.edu

University of Southern California
Los Angeles, California / Private university
www.usc.edu

University of California, San Diego
San Diego, California / Public university
www.ucsd.edu

University of California, Davis
Davis, California / Public university
www.ucdavis.edu

University of California, Irvine
Irvine, California / Public university
uci.edu

University of California, Santa Barbara
Santa Barbara, California / Public university
www.ucsb.edu

University of California, Santa Cruz
Santa Cruz, California / Public university
www.ucsc.edu

University of California, Riverside
Riverside, California / Public university
www.ucr.edu

The University of Texas at Austin
Austin, Texas / Public university
www.utexas.edu

Texas A&M University
College Station, Texas / Public university
www.tamu.edu

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Chapel Hill, North Carolina / Public university
www.unc.edu

North Carolina State University
Raleigh, North Carolina / Public university
www.ncsu.edu

The Ohio State University
Columbus, Ohio / Public university
www.osu.edu

The Pennsylvania State University
University Park, Pennsylvania / Public university
www.psu.edu

University of Maryland, College Park
College Park, Maryland / Public university
www.umd.edu

University of Minnesota Twin Cities
Minneapolis / Saint Paul, Minnesota / Public university
twin-cities.umn.edu

University of Missouri
Columbia, Missouri / Public university
missouri.edu

University of Florida
Gainesville, Florida / Public university
www.ufl.edu

University of Utah
Salt Lake City, Utah / Public university
www.utah.edu

STUDY IN THE UNITED KINGDOM

United Kingdom

Three-year first degrees and one-year taught master's routes.

The UK combines universities, specialist institutions and collegiate systems. Bachelor's degrees commonly take three years, with four-year honours routes common in Scotland. Taught master's degrees often take one year. Integrated master's, sandwich placements and professional courses have different structures and durations.



Radcliffe Camera, University of Oxford. / David Iliff / CC BY 2.5 / cropped

Academic entry

UCAS, the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service, handles most undergraduate applications. Course requirements can include specified school subjects, language evidence, tests, portfolios or interviews. Medicine and Oxford/Cambridge use earlier deadline groups. Most postgraduate applications are made directly to the university.

ANNUAL FEES / ROUTE COMPARISON

UK undergraduate guide: GBP 11,400-38,000

Private UG sample: GBP 22,200-27,750

British Council guide includes mainstream universities. Private sample: Buckingham and Regent's; intake years and degree lengths differ. Clinical courses can cost more.

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GBP 900–1,400

Approx. US$ 1,190–1,850

British Council guide: GBP 900-1,300 outside London; GBP 1,300-1,400 in London. Includes accommodation, bills, food and everyday spending; compare the separate visa maintenance requirement.

Typical degree length

Bachelor's: usually 3 years; Scotland often 4
Taught master's: often 1 year
Standard-entry medicine: usually 5-6 years

Fields of study

Business; engineering; law; data science; creative fields.

Student-visa maintenance evidence

The maintenance requirement is GBP 1,529/month in London or GBP 1,171/month elsewhere, for up to nine months, plus unpaid tuition recorded on the Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS). Where the 28-day holding rule applies, that period must end within 31 days of application. These amounts are financial-evidence thresholds.

Request an itemised course quotation

Ask for tuition, compulsory charges, required equipment, later-year increases and placement-year fees. Record the deposit, instalment dates, refund terms and award-credit date. Mark each amount included, excluded or unconfirmed. Credit a paid deposit against later tuition only where the written quotation provides for it.

UNITED KINGDOM / EDUCATION AND ENTRY

Degrees and admissions

UK qualifications share recognised levels, while course structures and admissions differ across institutions and nations.

Undergraduate degree structures

Most full-time undergraduate degrees take three years in England, Wales and Northern Ireland, and commonly four in Scotland. Medicine and other professional courses follow longer structures. Single honours concentrates on one subject; joint honours combines subjects within a specified curriculum. Some Scottish universities award an undergraduate MA in humanities or social sciences: this is not a postgraduate master's. Integrated master's degrees, such as MEng or MSci, combine undergraduate and master's-level study within one continuous course rather than requiring a separate postgraduate application.

Foundation and postgraduate routes

A foundation year supplies preparatory academic study before the first year of a degree. A foundation degree is a separate higher-education qualification, normally equivalent to two years of undergraduate study, with defined progression opportunities. At postgraduate level, taught master's courses commonly combine modules with a project or dissertation, while research master's place greater emphasis on supervised investigation. Postgraduate certificates and diplomas are shorter awards with different credit requirements. Compare the final award and progression route before choosing between these qualifications.

The UCAS undergraduate application

UCAS normally permits up to five course choices in one undergraduate application. Medicine, dentistry and veterinary subjects have a maximum of four choices within any one of those subject groups. The application records qualifications, a reference and the personal statement. For 2026 entry onwards, the statement consists of three questions covering subject motivation, preparation through education, and preparation outside education, with a combined 4,000-character limit. Universities make their own offers and can specify grades, subject prerequisites, interviews, portfolios or admissions tests.

International and postgraduate entry

Universities assess overseas school and degree qualifications against their own academic requirements. Applicants awaiting final results can receive conditional offers based on predicted grades or completion of their current qualification. Postgraduate applications are commonly made directly to the university, with programme-specific academic documents and references. Research degrees can require a proposal and an appropriate supervision arrangement. Meet the academic and English-language conditions, then follow the university's immigration-sponsorship instructions. An eligible accepted applicant receives a Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies reference from a licensed sponsor for the Student visa application.

UNITED KINGDOM / STUDENT LIFE AND PLANNING

Teaching and student costs

The course calendar, fee classification and housing contract shape the practical cost of a UK degree.

Modules and the academic year

The standard undergraduate academic year usually begins in September or October and runs to June or July. Teaching can combine lectures, small-group seminars, tutorials, laboratory work, workshops and independent study. Core modules establish compulsory content; optional modules allow choices within the programme's rules. A taught postgraduate course can extend beyond undergraduate term dates because its project or dissertation occupies the summer. Use the course's actual completion date when budgeting housing and living costs, especially for a one-year master's with summer dissertation work.

Subject-specific selection

The UK has no single admissions examination for every degree. UCAT supports selection for participating medical and dental programmes, while LNAT is used by selected law schools. UAT-UK provides ESAT, TMUA and TARA for specified courses. Oxford uses these three UAT-UK tests from the 2026 testing cycle for 2027 entry, alongside LNAT and UCAT where relevant. The course determines the required test or modules. Registration for an examination and submission of the university application are separate actions, with their own published timetables.

Fees and graduate planning

Universities assess home or overseas fee status using the applicable nationality, residence and immigration rules; nationality alone does not settle the category. International fees vary by course, and tuition scholarships may leave living costs unfunded. Eligible graduates can apply for the Graduate visa: applications by 31 December 2026 receive two years, while applications from 1 January 2027 receive 18 months. Doctoral graduates retain three years. The application date determines the duration, rather than the year study began. Applicants must meet the route conditions and apply in the UK before their Student permission expires.

Housing and English evidence

Accommodation may be university-managed, purpose-built private student housing or a privately rented home. Contract length, catered meals and included utilities change the effective cost, especially for courses extending through summer. English requirements also have two administrative contexts: academic admission and immigration. For degree-level study, a higher-education sponsor with a track record of compliance can assess English itself and record the assessment on the CAS. A Secure English Language Test is therefore not compulsory for every degree applicant; the permitted evidence depends on the relevant route.

Compare the whole housing contract

Compare rent × billable weeks, compulsory charges, utilities and meals on the same calendar. Record advance rent and the deposit as arrival cash. Add the end date, early-release charge, notice deadline and deposit-return terms. Match the contract to the course completion date, including any project period after taught classes end.

UNITED KINGDOM / ADMISSION

Entry tests and application notes

Programme-specific assessments, with official websites for further reading.

UCAT

Relevant medical and dental courses at participating universities, including applicable international applicants.

The University Clinical Aptitude Test's 2026 cycle serves 2027 entry. Universities determine how the score contributes to selection. UCAT is not required for all health-science degrees, and registration does not submit a UCAS application.

www.ucat.ac.uk/

LNAT

Specified undergraduate law courses at participating institutions.

The National Admissions Test for Law assesses aptitude without requiring prior legal knowledge. It supplements academic qualifications and the university application. Participating institutions set their own use of results and deadlines, including arrangements for international applicants.

lnat.ac.uk/

ESAT

Specified engineering and science courses using UAT-UK tests.

The Engineering and Science Admissions Test uses mathematics and science modules specified by the course. Oxford uses ESAT for designated 2027 entry courses. It is not required for every UK engineering or science degree.

esat-tmua.ac.uk/

TMUA

Specified mathematical, computing and related courses using UAT-UK tests.

The Test of Mathematics for University Admission assesses mathematical reasoning. The relevant course determines whether it is required and which sitting is accepted. Oxford's 2027 entry arrangements include TMUA for designated courses.

esat-tmua.ac.uk/

TARA

Specified courses using the Test of Academic Reasoning for Admissions.

The Test of Academic Reasoning for Admissions has compulsory Critical Thinking, Problem Solving and Writing Task modules. Oxford uses TARA for designated 2027 entry courses. Requirements attach to the individual degree and applicant route.

esat-tmua.ac.uk/

English-language evidence / SELT

Applicants needing academic English evidence or a qualifying immigration language assessment.

Universities set academic scores and exemptions. Degree-level sponsors with a track record of compliance may assess English themselves for the Student route; an approved SELT is required only where the immigration rules call for it.

ielts.org/
www.gov.uk/guidance/prove-your-english-language-abilities-with-a-secure-english-language-test-selt

Degree-awarding powers

UK degree recognition is organised separately in England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland. Recognised bodies possess degree-awarding powers; other providers may teach courses leading to a degree awarded by a recognised institution. The Office for Students register covers English higher education providers, while separate national arrangements apply elsewhere. For a college-taught course, identify the university that will award the degree and check it through the GOV.UK recognition gateway. Confirm the teaching provider, awarding body and approved course in the written offer.

Check the three test handoffs

Record registration, sitting and result-receipt deadlines for the intended entry year. Allow for score release and reporting; save booking, identity and application confirmations.

UNITED KINGDOM / SCHOLARSHIPS

Funding routes

Published award terms retain their stated intake or reference period.

Chevening Scholarships

Postgraduate: eligible one-year taught master's

Support. Tuition, living allowance, approved travel and specified arrival/departure costs. MBA tuition support is capped at £22,000.

Eligibility. Eligible-country citizenship; a degree completed at least two years before the deadline; 2,800 hours of post-degree work. Applicants for an official development assistance (ODA) country award must also live in an ODA-eligible country.

Application. Chevening online application plus applications to three eligible courses; one unconditional offer is required by the scheme deadline.

Conditions. Competitive. Scholars undertake to return to their country of award for at least two years. UK residence, citizenship and prior UK-government funding restrictions apply.

GREAT Scholarships

Postgraduate: eligible one-year taught courses

Support. At least £10,000 toward tuition. The published 2026/27 scheme covers participating universities across all four UK nations.

Eligibility. Citizens of 18 participating countries with an undergraduate degree and the academic and English-language qualifications required by their selected institution.

Application. Separate scholarship application to a participating university offering an award for the applicant's citizenship.

Conditions. Competitive tuition contribution; living costs are not included in the standard award. University and country allocations are specific to the published cycle.

Commonwealth Master's Scholarships

Postgraduate: one-year, full-time taught master's

Support. Full approved tuition, return airfare, study travel grant and monthly stipend: £1,712 outside London or £2,000 in London under published 2027/28 terms.

Eligibility. Eligible Commonwealth citizenship/refugee status or British Protected Person status; permanent residence in an eligible Commonwealth country; financial need; normally a 2:1, or a 2:2 with a relevant postgraduate qualification.

Application. CSC Central application and nomination by an approved national agency or organisation. University admission is separate.

Conditions. Competitive; MBAs excluded. Previous UK master's study or a Commonwealth master's award makes applicants ineligible. Return-home obligation applies.

University of Bristol Think Big Scholarships

Undergraduate and eligible postgraduate master's

Support. Published 2026 awards: undergraduate £6,500 or £13,000 annually for up to four years; postgraduate £6,500, £13,000 or £26,000 for one year.

Eligibility. Overseas-fee applicants to eligible Bristol courses. Undergraduate medicine and dentistry are excluded; a separate veterinary award provides £6,500 for three years.

Application. Course application followed by one online Think Big form, matched to all eligible awards.

Conditions. Competitive tuition discounts. These figures describe the closed 2026 call; each new intake has its own awards, eligible courses and application window.

Match award payments to bills

Build a dated calendar from the offer, accommodation contract and award letter. Identify deposits and travel costs due before support arrives. Record whether funding reduces an invoice, reimburses spending or arrives in instalments. Add a named funding source beside uncovered payments, including months or extensions outside the award. Selection and first payment are separate dates.

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University of Oxford
Oxford / Public university / QS 2027: 4
Humanities; Social sciences; Medicine; Mathematics
College tutorials provide small-group undergraduate teaching, complemented by departmental lectures, laboratories and other practical classes across the university.
University Offices, Wellington Square, Oxford OX1 2JD, United Kingdom
www.ox.ac.uk

University of Cambridge
Cambridge / Public university / QS 2027: 6
Natural sciences; Engineering; Humanities; Economics
Colleges provide smaller academic communities and student support, while faculties and departments organise subject teaching and research across the university.
The Old Schools, Trinity Lane, Cambridge CB2 1TN, United Kingdom
www.cam.ac.uk

Imperial College London
London / University / QS 2027: =2
Engineering; Medicine; Natural sciences; Business
Engineering, medicine and natural sciences share a specialised university structure with Imperial Business School, allowing technical and professional study within one institution.
South Kensington campus, Exhibition Road, London SW7 2AZ, United Kingdom
www.imperial.ac.uk

The University of Manchester
Manchester / Public university / QS 2027: =40
Engineering; Business; Computer science; Medicine
Biological science, clinical medicine and population health share one faculty; Alliance Manchester Business School sits within the wider Humanities faculty.
Oxford Road, Manchester M13 9PL, United Kingdom
www.manchester.ac.uk

King's College London
London / University / QS 2027: 37
Arts and humanities; Medicine; Science and engineering; Social sciences
Health faculties work with London teaching hospitals, connecting professional education and clinical research alongside the university's arts and social-science provision.
Strand, London WC2R 2LS, United Kingdom
www.kcl.ac.uk

The University of Edinburgh
Edinburgh / Public university / QS 2027: 35
Informatics; Medicine; Humanities; Business
Easter Bush combines veterinary teaching, the Roslin Institute and clinical facilities; science and engineering are largely based at King's Buildings.
Old College, South Bridge, Edinburgh EH8 9YL, United Kingdom
www.ed.ac.uk

University of Glasgow
Glasgow / Public university
Medicine; Engineering; Law; Arts
Veterinary teaching uses Garscube's specialist setting, while the Dumfries campus houses the School of Social and Environmental Sustainability.
University Avenue, Glasgow G12 8QQ, United Kingdom
www.gla.ac.uk

Cardiff University
Cardiff / Public university
Medicine; Engineering; Journalism; Business
Heath Park shares a site with the University Hospital of Wales, concentrating medicine, dentistry and healthcare teaching beside clinical facilities.
Main Building, Park Place, Cardiff CF10 3AT, United Kingdom
www.cardiff.ac.uk

Queen's University Belfast
Belfast / Public university
Medicine; Engineering; Law; Business
Selected programmes integrate an assessed placement or study-abroad year, with subject-specific exchange options extending undergraduate learning beyond the university.
University Road, Belfast BT7 1NN, Northern Ireland, United Kingdom
www.qub.ac.uk

University of Birmingham
Birmingham / Public university
Engineering; Business; Medicine; Law
The Cancer Research UK Clinical Trials Unit connects university health research with the design and delivery of clinical studies.
Edgbaston, Birmingham B15 2TT, United Kingdom
www.birmingham.ac.uk

University of Leeds
Leeds / Public university
Engineering; Business; Medicine; Environment
Discovery modules let many undergraduates study beyond their main subject, adding languages, enterprise or other interests where course requirements allow.
Woodhouse Lane, Leeds LS2 9JT, United Kingdom
www.leeds.ac.uk

University of Nottingham
Nottingham / Public university
Engineering; Pharmacy; Business; Law
Jubilee brings computing, education and business together; Sutton Bonington provides a specialist campus for biosciences and veterinary medicine.
University Park, Nottingham NG7 2RD, United Kingdom
www.nottingham.ac.uk

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University of Bristol

Bristol / Public university

Engineering; Computer science; Law; Economics

Veterinary students use Langford's teaching and clinical facilities, while most other academic programmes are based within the city's Clifton campus.

Beacon House, Queens Road, Bristol BS8 1QU, United Kingdom

www.bristol.ac.uk

The University of Sheffield

Sheffield / Public university

Engineering; Architecture; Computer science; Medicine

The Diamond provides specialist engineering laboratories and workshops; the Advanced Manufacturing Research Centre adds an industrial research setting.

Western Bank, Sheffield S10 2TN, United Kingdom

www.sheffield.ac.uk

UCL (University College London)

London / Public university / QS 2027: =8

Engineering; Architecture; Medicine; Education

The Bartlett provides architecture and built-environment education; Here East facilities connect these disciplines with engineering in a shared teaching setting.

Gower Street, London WC1E 6BT, United Kingdom

www.ucl.ac.uk

University of East Anglia

Norwich / Public university

Environmental sciences; Creative writing; Medicine; Business

Creative writing spans fiction, nonfiction, poetry and scriptwriting; medical teaching also uses the specialist Bob Champion Research and Education Building.

Norwich Research Park, Norwich, Norfolk NR4 7TJ, United Kingdom

www.uea.ac.uk

Coventry University

Coventry / Public university

Engineering; Business; Computing; Design

Business teaching uses Bloomberg terminals and simulation suites; creative programmes have studios and performance spaces, alongside simulated clinical facilities for health students.

Priory Street, Coventry CV1 5FB, United Kingdom

www.coventry.ac.uk

University of Portsmouth

Portsmouth / Public university

Computing; Engineering; Business; Criminology

A separate London campus complements the main university; prospective students should compare the teaching location attached to their chosen programme.

Mercantile House, Hampshire Terrace, Portsmouth PO1 2EG, United Kingdom

www.port.ac.uk

University of the West of England, Bristol

Bristol / Public university

Engineering; Business; Computing; Creative arts

Health teaching uses simulated wards, consultation rooms and maternity settings at Glenside, while Frenchay provides specialist engineering facilities.

Frenchay Campus, Coldharbour Lane, Bristol BS16 1QY, United Kingdom

www.uwe.ac.uk

Nottingham Trent University

Nottingham / Public university

Business; Art and design; Law; Computing

Brackenhurst's 500-acre estate provides an animal unit, equestrian centre and land for environmental teaching, giving relevant programmes a practical field setting.

50 Shakespeare Street, Nottingham NG1 4FQ, United Kingdom

www.ntu.ac.uk

University of Hertfordshire

Hatfield / Public university

Engineering; Computing; Business; Creative arts

Bayfordbury Observatory provides specialist astronomy facilities beyond the main campuses; engineering, creative and health teaching use separate subject facilities.

College Lane, Hatfield, Hertfordshire AL10 9AB, United Kingdom

www.herts.ac.uk

Swansea University

Swansea / Public university

Engineering; Computer science; Medicine; Management

The Bay campus brings engineering, management and the Computational Foundry together; medicine and health teaching are based at Singleton Park.

Singleton Park, Swansea SA2 8PP, United Kingdom

www.swansea.ac.uk

UNITED KINGDOM / ADDITIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Further study options

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London School of Economics and Political Science
London / Specialist university
www.lse.ac.uk

University of Warwick
Coventry / University
warwick.ac.uk

Durham University
Durham / University
www.durham.ac.uk

Lancaster University
Lancaster / University
www.lancaster.ac.uk

University of Bath
Bath / University
www.bath.ac.uk

University of Southampton
Southampton / University
www.southampton.ac.uk

University of Exeter
Exeter / University
www.exeter.ac.uk

University of York
York / University
www.york.ac.uk

University of Liverpool
Liverpool / University
www.liverpool.ac.uk

Loughborough University
Loughborough / University
www.lboro.ac.uk

Newcastle University
Newcastle upon Tyne / University
www.ncl.ac.uk

Queen Mary University of London
London / University
www.qmul.ac.uk

Royal Holloway, University of London
Egham / University
www.royalholloway.ac.uk

University of Surrey
Guildford / University
www.surrey.ac.uk

University of Sussex
Brighton / University
www.sussex.ac.uk

University of Reading
Reading / University
www.reading.ac.uk

University of Leicester
Leicester / University
le.ac.uk

University of Aberdeen
Aberdeen / University
www.abdn.ac.uk

University of Dundee
Dundee / University
www.dundee.ac.uk

Heriot-Watt University
Edinburgh / University
www.hw.ac.uk

University of St Andrews
St Andrews / University
www.st-andrews.ac.uk

University of Stirling
Stirling / University
www.stir.ac.uk

University of Strathclyde
Glasgow / University
www.strath.ac.uk

Edinburgh Napier University
Edinburgh / University
www.napier.ac.uk

Glasgow Caledonian University
Glasgow / University
www.gcu.ac.uk

Abertay University
Dundee / University
www.abertay.ac.uk

Aberystwyth University
Aberystwyth / University
www.aber.ac.uk

Bangor University
Bangor / University
www.bangor.ac.uk

University of South Wales
Pontypridd / Cardiff / Newport / University
www.southwales.ac.uk

Wrexham University
Wrexham / University
wrexham.ac.uk

Ulster University
Belfast / Coleraine / Derry-Londonderry / University
www.ulster.ac.uk

Aston University
Birmingham / University
www.aston.ac.uk

Anglia Ruskin University
Cambridge / Chelmsford / University
www.aru.ac.uk

Brunel University London
London / University
www.brunel.ac.uk

City St George's, University of London
London / University
www.citystgeorges.ac.uk

University of Greenwich
London / Chatham / University
www.gre.ac.uk

Oxford Brookes University
Oxford / University
www.brookes.ac.uk

Northumbria University
Newcastle upon Tyne / University
www.northumbria.ac.uk

STUDY IN CANADA

Canada

University degrees and applied credentials across provincial systems.



McGill University - Arts Building, Montreal / D. Benjamin Miller / CC0 / cropped

Canadian institutions include universities, colleges and polytechnics. Degrees, diplomas and graduate certificates are different awards, with transfer and progression governed by the receiving institution. Bachelor's programmes commonly last three or four years; programme duration and tuition vary by province and institution.

ANNUAL FEES / ROUTE COMPARISON

Public-funded UG average: CAD 42,062

Private UG sample: CAD 14,750-32,510

International undergraduate rates before aid. Private range annualises Yorkville and FDU Vancouver at 30 credits; FDU bills in USD. Ancillary fees are additional.

LIVING / MONTH

CAD 2,000-3,200

Approx. US$ 1,410-2,260

Twelve-month planning band synthesising EduCanada guidance and Toronto/Vancouver housing budgets. Major-city private accommodation raises costs; health insurance, books and arrival payments need separate checks.

Typical degree length

Bachelor's: 3-4 years
Master's: usually 1-2 years
Medicine: 3-4 years after prior study

Fields of study

Engineering; business; computing; sciences; social sciences.

Academic entry

A designated learning institution (DLI) is authorised by its provincial or territorial government to host international students. DLI status does not make every course eligible for a post-graduation work permit. Check the intended programme's graduate-work eligibility before accepting its offer; a listing as a DLI is only the first check.

Financial evidence outside Quebec

For applications from 1 September 2026, the published annual living-funds requirement for one applicant outside Quebec is CAD 23,448, excluding tuition and travel. The figure is an immigration threshold; actual expenditure can be higher, particularly in major-city private housing.

CANADA / EDUCATION AND ENTRY

Qualifications and admissions

Provincial systems govern recognition; universities assess qualifications and admission to individual programmes.

572,961

International enrolments in Canadian public colleges and universities. Reporting period: 2023/24.

Institutions and recognised awards

Canada's postsecondary system is organised through provincial and territorial jurisdictions. Universities offer bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees, while colleges and other providers can offer diplomas, certificates and authorised degree programmes. The institution's legal recognition and the specific award therefore matter more than the word college alone. CICIC's directory identifies educational institutions within these systems. Use CICIC to check recognition and the DLI list to check approval to host international students. Universities Canada provides a useful membership directory; verify the specific institution and award in the provincial records.

Undergraduate routes and Quebec

Universities admit applicants according to their previous education and the chosen programme's subject requirements. Quebec's standard university pathway follows a pre-university college diploma, the DEC, rather than directly following the province's secondary school diploma. This normally produces thirteen years of schooling before university entry. Applicants from other school systems are assessed under different categories and may have a different degree length or preparatory requirement. McGill, for example, publishes separate admission routes for Quebec CEGEP, Canadian school, overseas school and university-transfer applicants.

Applications and academic records

There is no single national university application or entrance examination. Ontario's OUAC processes undergraduate and specified professional applications on behalf of participating universities, including applications from international students. Other institutions operate their own application routes. The university evaluates academic records against the selected programme's prerequisites and makes the admission decision. Transfer applicants should confirm accepted credits and remaining prerequisite courses before calculating completion time and fees. Language evidence, portfolios and other supplementary material attach to particular programmes or applicant categories.

Research and course-based master's

A Canadian master's can be research-based, course-based or a programme combining both approaches. At UBC, research-based degrees normally begin with coursework and then centre on supervised investigation culminating in a thesis or dissertation. Course-based programmes follow a different balance of taught study and assessment. Eligibility depends on the previous qualification and the programme's academic standards; recognition of a three-year overseas bachelor's is not uniform. UBC, for example, accepts many three-year Bologna-compliant degrees from research-intensive European institutions as a basis for master's admission.

CANADA / STUDENT LIFE AND PLANNING

Language, co-op and student costs

Check the teaching language, co-op calendar, housing and health cover for the actual campus and programme.

English and French instruction

The teaching language belongs to the programme, rather than to Canada as a single national admissions standard. English-language institutions set accepted tests, component scores and exemptions from prior education. UBC graduate admissions, for example, publishes university requirements alongside programme-specific expectations. French-language institutions assess oral and written competence through their own rules. Université de Montréal accepts specified French tests, diplomas and training routes, with programme-dependent thresholds. A language test accepted for an immigration purpose is not automatically the correct version or sufficient result for academic admission.

Co-operative education

Co-op integrates academic study with organised work terms. Waterloo's model alternates study and work periods, commonly in four-month blocks, and its undergraduate sequences contain four to six work terms depending on the programme. International students can participate in the relevant co-op routes. Ask how applications and employer selection work, what support the university provides and what happens if a work term is not secured. Co-op students complete the academic course requirements as well as the work components. Additional work terms can alter the programme calendar, housing periods and movement between study and employment locations.

Tuition, housing and health coverage

International tuition depends on the institution, programme, level and province. Compulsory ancillary fees and living expenses sit alongside tuition, so a published annual fee does not represent the total degree cost. Housing options include campus residences, private rentals and homestays, with rent, utilities and meals covered differently. Health coverage also varies by province or territory. Where public coverage is unavailable to international students, institutions offer medical insurance arrangements. Use EduCanada's budget categories to build a monthly plan, checking which housing and insurance charges are already included in the university's estimate.

Study permits and graduate work

A university offer supports the study-permit application but does not authorise entry. Since 1 January 2026, degree-granting master's and doctoral programmes at public institutions have been exempt from the federal provincial or territorial attestation letter requirement; Quebec requirements still apply. Private institutions and graduate certificates do not share that blanket exemption. For a post-graduation work permit, bachelor's, master's and doctoral graduates need level 7 in each skill on the Canadian English or French language benchmarks, with no field-of-study restriction. Other awards can have different language and subject requirements. The programme and applicant must also satisfy the remaining eligibility conditions.

CANADA / ADMISSION

Entry tests and application notes

Programme-specific assessments, with official websites for further reading.

English-language tests

English-taught programmes requiring formal language evidence.

UBC graduate admissions accepts specified English tests and publishes programme-level requirements. Accepted versions, component scores and exemptions depend on the institution. There is no universal Canadian university IELTS or TOEFL threshold.

ielts.org/
www.ets.org/toefl.html

French-language evidence

French-taught programmes and applicant categories requiring proof of proficiency.

Université de Montréal recognises specified TEF, TCF, DELF, DALF and other routes. Programme rules establish the required oral and written components and thresholds. Evidence sufficient for immigration does not automatically satisfy academic admission.

francais.umontreal.ca/etudier-en-francais/tests-diplomes-formations-francais-acceptes/

GMAT / GRE / TAGE MAGE

Selected graduate business programmes.

HEC Montréal's MSc Finance admission route lists these examinations, while some other HEC MSc specialisations make testing optional. Requirements depend on the programme and previous study; no one graduate aptitude test is compulsory across Canadian universities.

www.mba.com/exams/gmat-exam
www.ets.org/gre.html
www.tagemage.fr/

MCAT

Medical schools and applicant categories that require the examination.

The Medical College Admission Test assesses preparation for medical education. Canadian requirements vary by school; a score does not overcome citizenship, residency, degree or prerequisite restrictions. International application availability is school-specific.

students-residents.aamc.org/taking-mcat-exam/taking-mcat-exam

LSAT

Law programmes using the Law School Admission Test.

A programme's admissions rules determine whether the LSAT is required and how overseas academic records are assessed. It is not a national test for all Canadian law qualifications, and French-language or graduate law routes can use different requirements.

www.lsac.org/lsat

Casper

Specified health, teacher-education and other professional programmes.

This situational-judgement assessment is required only by participating programmes. Vancouver Island University uses it for named nursing and education routes. The required test type, language and result-distribution list depend on the particular application.

acuityinsights.app/

CANADA / SCHOLARSHIPS

Funding routes

Published award terms retain their stated intake or reference period.

University of Toronto - Lester B. Pearson International Scholarship

First-entry undergraduate

Support. Tuition, books, incidental fees and full residence support for four years of first-entry undergraduate study.

Eligibility. Non-Canadian applicants requiring a study permit, completing secondary school in 2026/27 or graduated no earlier than June 2026, and entering Toronto in September 2027. Selection assesses academic achievement, creativity and leadership.

Application. For 2027 entry, nominations closed 9 October 2026 and university applications 16 October. Timely applicants submit the Pearson form by 6 November 2026.

Conditions. Approximately 37 awards annually; each school may nominate one student. Current postsecondary students and those starting postsecondary study in January 2027 are ineligible. The award is restricted to the applicant's highest-choice programme when decisions are made.

UBC Okanagan - Global Elevation Award

Undergraduate

Support. CAD 8,000 annually as two CAD 4,000 winter-term tuition credits, renewable for three additional years or until degree completion, whichever comes first.

Eligibility. All new international undergraduate students enrolling at UBC Okanagan.

Application. Automatically credited to the student account after acceptance of the admission offer and enrolment.

Conditions. Eligibility-based tuition support at Okanagan only; it provides no separate living allowance and is not a competitive full scholarship.

UBC - International Major Entrance Scholarship

Undergraduate

Support. CAD 10,000-25,000 annually at the published 2026/27 rate, renewable for up to three further years.

Eligibility. International students entering UBC directly from secondary school on a Canadian study permit, with exceptional academics and extracurricular involvement; International Scholars nominees are excluded.

Application. Automatic consideration after admission for eligible applicants who applied by the admission deadline; scholarship decisions run from mid-February through April.

Conditions. Competitive merit funding, with no financial-need assessment. Award numbers and values depend on funding; the published rate is for 2026/27, not a confirmed 2027/28 rate.

McGill - McCall MacBain Scholarships

Eligible master's and second-entry professional undergraduate programmes

Support. Tuition and fees for the programme's normal duration, CAD 2,300 monthly during academic terms, a relocation grant and summer-funding options; leadership development and mentoring are included.

Eligibility. For the 2027 cohort: current students finishing their first bachelor's by August 2027; graduates since January 2021; or earlier graduates aged 30 or younger on 1 January 2026. Domestic and international candidates must enter an eligible full-time McGill programme of at least 45 credits.

Application. 2027 applications closed 19 August 2026 (most international) or 23 September (Canada/US group). Selected finalists apply separately to McGill by December.

Conditions. The published 2027 cohort offers up to 30 full scholarships, including 10 international places. Applications take place in the preceding year, with different deadlines by applicant group.

CANADA / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

Universities and institutions

Location • fields • profile • official website • selected QS 2027 overall ranks

University of Toronto

Toronto, Ontario / Public university / QS 2027: 32
Engineering; Computer science; Commerce; Life sciences
St. George combines a college system with professional faculties; Scarborough offers co-operative education across arts, sciences and business.
27 King's College Circle, Toronto, ON M5S 1A1, Canada
www.utoronto.ca

University of British Columbia

Vancouver, British Columbia / Public university / QS 2027: =45
Engineering; Business; Forestry; Sciences
Okanagan's School of Engineering forms part of UBC's Faculty of Applied Science; applicants can compare distinct Vancouver and Okanagan programmes.
6200 University Blvd, Vancouver, BC V6T 1Z4, Canada
www.ubc.ca

McGill University

Montréal, Quebec / Public university / QS 2027: 30
Engineering; Management; Sciences; Arts
Macdonald Campus supports agriculture, environmental sciences and nutrition with farmland and greenhouses; professional and arts programmes also use the downtown campus.
845 Sherbrooke Street West, Montréal, QC H3A 0G4, Canada
www.mcgill.ca

University of Alberta

Edmonton, Alberta / Public university
Engineering; Business; Agriculture; Nursing
Campus Saint-Jean provides francophone programmes, while Augustana offers a liberal arts and sciences setting within the university's wider academic network.
116 Street and 85 Avenue, Edmonton, AB T6G 2R3, Canada
www.ualberta.ca

University of Waterloo

Waterloo, Ontario / Public university
Engineering; Mathematics; Computer science; Environment
Co-operative programmes alternate academic terms with employment; Architecture and Pharmacy have specialist teaching locations separate from the main campus.
200 University Avenue West, Waterloo, ON N2L 3G1, Canada
www.uwaterloo.ca

University of Ottawa

Ottawa, Ontario / Public university
Engineering; Management; Social sciences; Health sciences
English and French study routes include common-law and civil-law education; the law faculty also teaches Indigenous legal traditions.
Tabaret Hall, 75 Laurier Avenue East, Ottawa, ON K1N 6N5, Canada
www.uottawa.ca

University of Calgary

Calgary, Alberta / Public university
Engineering; Business; Sciences; Nursing
Veterinary education combines university facilities with a distributed network of practices and partner organisations for clinical training beyond campus.
2500 University Drive NW, Calgary, AB T2N 1N4, Canada
www.ucalgary.ca

Dalhousie University

Halifax, Nova Scotia / Public university
Engineering; Computer science; Management; Health
The Agricultural Campus combines degree teaching with agricultural research, while Sexton Campus brings engineering, architecture and planning into one setting.
Henry Hicks Building, 6299 South Street, Halifax, NS, Canada
www.dal.ca

University of Manitoba

Winnipeg, Manitoba / Public university
Engineering; Business; Agriculture; Architecture
Bannatyne concentrates much of the Rady Faculty's professional health education within a clinical and research district, separate from Fort Garry.
University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, MB R3T 2N2, Canada
www.umanitoba.ca

University of Saskatchewan

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan / Public university
Agriculture; Engineering; Business; Sciences
Research facilities include the Canadian Light Source synchrotron and a vaccine research organisation; veterinary training uses a teaching hospital.
105 Administration Place, Saskatoon, SK S7N 5A2, Canada
www.usask.ca

CANADA / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

Universities and institutions

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Memorial University of Newfoundland

St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador / Public university

Engineering; Business; Sciences; Humanities

The Marine Institute offers fisheries and marine education, while Grenfell provides a smaller campus setting for environmental, science and fine-arts study.

230 Elizabeth Avenue, P.O. Box 4200, St. John's, NL A1C 5S7, Canada

www.mun.ca

University of New Brunswick

Fredericton, New Brunswick / Public university

Engineering; Computer science; Business; Nursing

Forestry students use a nearby university forest for field learning; Saint John's health programmes share a setting with hospital and medical-education partners.

Sir Howard Douglas Hall, P.O. Box 4400, Fredericton, NB E3B 5A3, Canada

www.unb.ca

University of Regina

Regina, Saskatchewan / Public university

Engineering; Business; Education; Media

La Cité provides French-language university education; three federated colleges include First Nations University of Canada, offering distinct academic communities.

3737 Wascana Parkway, Regina, SK S4S 0A2, Canada

www.uregina.ca

Concordia University

Montréal, Quebec / Public university

Engineering; Computer science; Business; Fine arts

The Gina Cody School combines engineering and computer science; John Molson Business and Fine Arts offer separate professional and creative study environments.

1455 De Maisonneuve Blvd. West, Montréal, QC H3G 1M8, Canada

www.concordia.ca

York University

Toronto, Ontario / Public university

Business; Engineering; Social sciences; Fine arts

Glendon provides a bilingual English–French learning environment, alongside specialist engineering, business and law schools elsewhere in the university.

4700 Keele Street, Toronto, ON M3J 1P3, Canada

www.yorku.ca

Carleton University

Ottawa, Ontario / Public university

Engineering; Business; Public affairs; Journalism

Journalism and public policy share the Faculty of Public and Global Affairs, connecting professional communication with government and societal study.

1125 Colonel By Drive, Ottawa, ON K1S 5B6, Canada

www.carleton.ca

Brock University

St. Catharines, Ontario / Public university

Business; Education; Health sciences; Humanities

The Cool Climate Oenology and Viticulture Institute links teaching and research with wineries, using a teaching winery and sensory-science laboratories.

1812 Sir Isaac Brock Way, St. Catharines, ON L2S 3A1, Canada

www.brocku.ca

Trent University

Peterborough, Ontario / Public university

Environmental sciences; Business; Humanities; Nursing

The Chanie Wenjack School provides a dedicated home for Indigenous Studies, alongside the School of the Environment and other undergraduate disciplines.

1600 West Bank Drive, Peterborough, ON K9L 0G2, Canada

www.trentu.ca

Thompson Rivers University

Kamloops, British Columbia / Public university

Business; Computing; Nursing; Tourism

Open Learning delivers online and distance programmes; campus provision combines university degrees with trades and technical education for different career routes.

805 TRU Way, Kamloops, BC V2C 0C8, Canada

www.tru.ca

University of Northern British Columbia

Prince George, British Columbia / Public university

Environmental sciences; Forestry; Business; Nursing

The Northern Medical Program partners with UBC, using a university hospital and regional clinical sites for medical education in northern communities.

3333 University Way, Prince George, BC V2N 4Z9, Canada

www.unbc.ca

CANADA / ADDITIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Further study options

Additional institutions / location, institution type and official website

Simon Fraser University
Burnaby / Vancouver / Surrey / Public university
www.sfu.ca

University of Victoria
Victoria / Public university
www.uvic.ca

University of the Fraser Valley
Abbotsford / Chilliwack / Public university
www.ufv.ca

Vancouver Island University
Nanaimo / Public university
www.viu.ca

Capilano University
North Vancouver / Public university
www.capilanou.ca

Emily Carr University of Art + Design
Vancouver / Public specialist university
www.ecuad.ca

Kwantlen Polytechnic University
Surrey / Richmond / Langley / Public polytechnic university
www.kpu.ca

Royal Roads University
Victoria / Public university
www.royalroads.ca

Athabasca University
Athabasca / online / Public distance-learning university
www.athabascau.ca

MacEwan University
Edmonton / Public university
www.macewan.ca

Mount Royal University
Calgary / Public university
www.mtroyal.ca

University of Lethbridge
Lethbridge / Calgary / Public university
www.ulethbridge.ca

University of Winnipeg
Winnipeg / Public university
www.uwinnipeg.ca

Brandon University
Brandon / Public university
www.brandonu.ca

Mount Allison University
Sackville / Public university
mta.ca

Université de Moncton
Moncton / Edmundston / Shippagan / Public university
www.umoncton.ca

Acadia University
Wolfville / Public university
www2.acadiau.ca

Cape Breton University
Sydney, Nova Scotia / Public university
www.cbu.ca

Saint Mary's University
Halifax / Public university
www.smu.ca

St. Francis Xavier University
Antigonish / Public university
www.stfx.ca

Lakehead University
Thunder Bay / Orillia / Public university
www.lakeheadu.ca

Laurentian University
Greater Sudbury / Public university
laurentian.ca

McMaster University
Hamilton / Public university
www.mcmaster.ca

Ontario Tech University
Oshawa / Public university
ontariotechu.ca

Queen's University
Kingston / Public university
www.queensu.ca

Toronto Metropolitan University
Toronto / Public university
www.torontomu.ca

University of Guelph
Guelph / Public university
www.uoguelph.ca

University of Windsor
Windsor / Public university
www.uwindsor.ca

Western University
London, Ontario / Public university
www.uwo.ca

Wilfrid Laurier University
Waterloo / Brantford / Milton / Public university
www.wlu.ca

University of Prince Edward Island
Charlottetown / Public university
www.upei.ca

Université Laval
Québec City / Public university
www.ulaval.ca

Université de Montréal
Montréal / Public university
www.umontreal.ca

Université de Sherbrooke
Sherbrooke / Longueuil / Public university
www.usherbrooke.ca

Université du Québec à Montréal
Montréal / Public university
uqam.ca

Université du Québec à Chicoutimi
Saguenay / Public university
www.uqac.ca

Université du Québec à Trois-Rivières
Trois-Rivières / Public university
www.uqtr.ca

École de technologie supérieure
Montréal / Public university-level engineering school
www.etsmtl.ca

HEC Montréal
Montréal / Public university-level business school
www.hec.ca

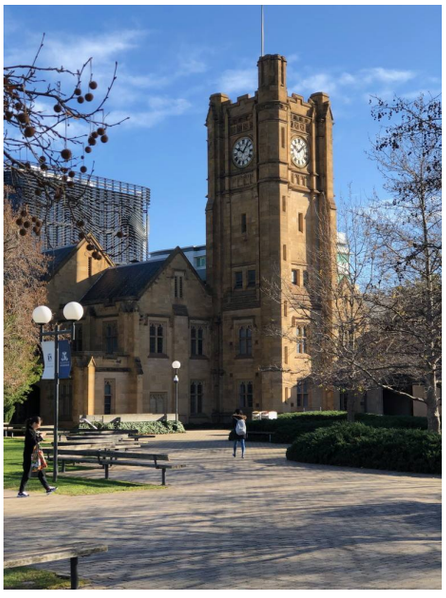
Polytechnique Montréal
Montréal / Public university-level engineering school
www.polymtl.ca

STUDY IN AUSTRALIA

Australia

Registered international courses and several degree-entry routes.

Australian higher education includes public and private universities and other registered providers. CRICOS is the Commonwealth Register of Institutions and Courses for Overseas Students. Use it to confirm the exact course, campus and duration registered for student-visa enrolment, then check the qualification level and any professional accreditation.



Old Arts Building, University of Melbourne, 2018. / Gracchus250 / CC BY-SA 4.0 / cropped

Academic entry

Admission is based on academic and English requirements for the selected course. The provider issues a Confirmation of Enrolment (CoE) following acceptance and required formalities. Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC) is part of the student-visa framework, subject to the applicable exemptions.

ANNUAL FEES / ROUTE COMPARISON

Public UG sample: AUD 32,680-60,600

Private UG sample: AUD 31,600-37,500

Public sample spans four universities. Private sample covers Torrens business/design programmes. Both are 2026 nonclinical benchmarks before scholarships; extra charges remain separate.

LIVING / MONTH

AUD 2,500–4,000

Approx. US$ 1,750–2,800

Planning band across Brisbane and Sydney university estimates, including rent and basic living. UQ publishes wide housing-dependent totals; UNSW estimates about AUD 39,206/year. OSHC and setup are extra.

Typical degree length

Bachelor's: usually 3-5 years
Master's: 1-4 years by programme
Medicine: direct entry 5-6; graduate MD 4

Fields of study

Engineering; computing; business; nursing; education.

Course and campus registration

CRICOS records the registered provider and course, including its location and duration. The same institution can offer different qualifications at different campuses. A course's tuition fee, compulsory health cover and academic-year living estimate are separate components of the budget.

AUSTRALIA / EDUCATION AND ENTRY

Qualifications and entry routes

Compare the qualification level and pathway, then confirm the course and campus registration for international students.

851,780

International students studying in Australia in 2025. Reporting period: 2025.

Bachelor's degrees and honours

The Australian Qualifications Framework places the bachelor's degree at level 7 and the bachelor honours degree at level 8. Honours can be embedded within a longer bachelor's course or completed as a separate year after a bachelor's degree. The honours structure includes advanced study appropriate to its field and can provide research preparation for further study. Graduate certificates and graduate diplomas also sit at level 8, but have different purposes and learning outcomes. Choose the curriculum that prepares for the intended work or further study.

Master's and doctoral distinctions

AQF level 9 contains research, coursework and extended master's qualifications; doctoral degrees sit at level 10. Coursework master's duration depends partly on previous study, its subject relationship and the course's purpose. TEQSA's examples range from one year after relevant honours preparation to two years after a bachelor's in a different discipline. An extended master's has a distinct professional structure, commonly three to four years after a bachelor's. Some approved extended master's awards use professional titles, so the word Doctor in a course name does not alone establish doctoral-level research study.

Provider status and CRICOS

TEQSA's National Register distinguishes Australian Universities, University Colleges, Institutes of Higher Education and Overseas Universities. These categories identify registered higher-education providers; they are not interchangeable institutional titles. CRICOS separately records providers and courses available to people studying in Australia on student visas. A provider's TEQSA registration therefore does not establish that every course or delivery location accepts student-visa enrolment. Check the CRICOS entry against the offer's course title, campus and duration. Do this for the international course itself, rather than relying on a domestic or online course page from the same provider.

Applications, pathways and transfers

International applications usually go directly to the institution. The route can change with the qualification: Sydney directs international applicants taking Australian Year 12 or an IB diploma in Australia through UAC. Foundation courses prepare students for entry; approved diploma pathways may provide degree credit. The receiving programme determines how much prior study counts. From 2 October 2026, non-school international students are generally restricted from changing providers during the first 12 months of their principal course, subject to exceptions. This temporary restriction ends on 30 June 2027; the six-month period resumes on 1 July.

AUSTRALIA / STUDENT LIFE AND PLANNING

Teaching, health and living costs

Plan around the course's teaching calendar, clinical requirements and the full cost of living at its campus.

Semesters and block teaching

Many universities offer a first-semester start in February or March and a second-semester start in July. Confirm that the intended degree admits mid-year and that its compulsory subjects can be completed in the expected sequence. Institutions also use alternative teaching calendars. Victoria University's Block Model concentrates undergraduate study on one subject at a time in four-week blocks; some postgraduate courses use eight-week blocks. Compare sample timetables and assessment calendars: concentrated blocks require a different weekly study routine from several subjects taught concurrently.

Medical and clinical selection

Medical entry includes school-leaver pathways and graduate-entry degrees with distinct eligibility and testing. UCAT ANZ serves specified consortium courses, while ISAT is used by selected programmes for international applicants. Graduate routes can require GAMSAT or an accepted alternative. Melbourne's four-year Doctor of Medicine admits graduates through a process including academic assessment and interview; its international route accepts MCAT from applicants residing outside Australia at application. Clinical education takes place through allocated clinical schools and sites. Admission to a degree and subsequent professional registration remain different processes.

Visa applications and health cover

A Confirmation of Enrolment (CoE) supports a Student visa application after the offer is accepted. Overseas Student Health Cover is generally required throughout the stay, with recognised exemptions. From 2 October 2026, most temporary visa holders must apply outside Australia; current students need an exemption to apply for a further visa onshore. Partners and children can be included only under specified exemptions, including doctoral study or qualifying government sponsorship. They cannot be added after visa grant as subsequent entrants. Applications lodged before 2 October remain subject to the earlier rules. Existing Student visas remain valid.

Tuition and accommodation costs

Tuition depends on the provider, qualification and subject, while living costs depend strongly on location and accommodation. Purpose-built student housing, university residences, homestays and private shared rentals offer different combinations of room, meals, utilities and services. Add electricity, internet and meals where rent excludes them. Put deposits and initial moving costs in the arrival budget, then compare monthly totals for the same type of accommodation. Study Australia's cost calculator distinguishes housing, transport and lifestyle choices; it supplies estimates rather than a fixed national student living allowance.

AUSTRALIA / ADMISSION

Entry tests and application notes

Programme-specific assessments, with official websites for further reading.

IELTS Academic

Degree applicants required to establish English proficiency by examination.

Universities set overall and component requirements and approved alternatives. Sydney publishes course-specific English requirements and recognises specified prior-study routes. Academic admission requirements and the separate student-visa English rules are not identical.

ielts.org/

TOEFL iBT / PTE Academic

Applicants using an accepted alternative English test.

Accepted versions and score mappings are institution-specific. Sydney does not accept TOEFL Home Edition and publishes its approved test concordance. A test brand alone is insufficient: the examination version and programme requirement determine acceptability.

www.ets.org/toefl.html
www.pearsonpte.com/

UCAT ANZ

Relevant medical, dental and clinical-science courses at consortium institutions.

The University Clinical Aptitude Test for Australia and New Zealand serves named consortium courses and applicant categories. International routes do not all require UCAT ANZ; some use ISAT instead. The 2026 cycle supplies results for 2027 entry.

www.ucat.edu.au/

ISAT

Selected medical and health-related courses admitting international students.

ACER's International Student Admissions Test forms one component of selection at participating programmes. It is not an alternative accepted automatically by every UCAT ANZ course; the institution's international entry route determines its use.

isat.acer.org/

GAMSAT

Specified graduate-entry medical and related programmes.

The Graduate Medical School Admissions Test is used alongside degree results and other selection components. Melbourne's standard graduate medicine route requires valid GAMSAT results except where its published international MCAT alternative applies. An academic threshold does not guarantee selection.

gamsat.acer.org/

MCAT

Specified international graduate medicine routes accepting the North American examination.

Melbourne accepts MCAT results from international applicants residing outside Australia at the time of application; international applicants residing in Australia use GAMSAT. This is a defined institutional alternative, not a national exemption from Australian medical selection.

students-residents.aamc.org/taking-mcat-exam/taking-mcat-exam

AUSTRALIA / SCHOLARSHIPS

Funding routes

Published award terms retain their stated intake or reference period.

Australian Government - Research Training Program (RTP)

Research master's and research doctorate

Support. University packages may include fee offsets, a stipend and allowances. Published 2027 full-time annual stipend limits are AUD 35,550-55,537. Standard support lasts up to two full-time years for research master's degrees and three to four for doctorates.

Eligibility. Domestic and international students undertaking a research master's or research doctorate at an eligible Australian higher education provider; each institution selects its recipients.

Application. Apply to the university through its research-degree and scholarship process. Students may seek RTP awards from more than one institution; the Department of Education does not accept student applications.

Conditions. RTP is institutional funding, not a single central competition. A fee-offset award does not necessarily include a stipend. Bachelor's and coursework master's degrees are excluded.

Monash International Merit Scholarship

Undergraduate

Support. AUD 15,000 per 48 credit points annually until the degree's minimum credit requirement is completed; advertised total up to AUD 75,000 for awards made from 2026.

Eligibility. New international students holding an unconditional offer for full-time undergraduate study at an Australian Monash campus. Exclusions: Australian Year 12 students, Medical Science/MD entrants, Monash pathway students, current Monash students, and transfers from another Monash campus or Australian university.

Application. Automatic consideration of eligible undergraduate offer-holders; selection is based on academic achievement. No separate scholarship form is required.

Conditions. Twenty awards annually. Renewal requires a semester average of at least 70% and a student profile for university promotional use. Deferral is permitted only within the same calendar year.

University of Melbourne - Graduate Research Scholarships

Research master's and doctorate

Support. Full fees for up to two years for research master's and four for doctorates; AUD 41,100 annual stipend at the 2027 full-time rate for up to two and 3.5 years respectively. Relocation grants are AUD 2,000 interstate or AUD 3,000 overseas; eligible international recipients receive single OSHC.

Eligibility. New or current domestic and international graduate researchers. Stipend recipients are ranked on previous academic results and research potential. All domestic students admitted to research master's or PhD study receive an RTP fee offset.

Application. New students applying for a research degree by its deadline receive automatic consideration. Current or deferred students use the enrolling faculty's scholarship reconsideration process.

Conditions. Stipend packages are competitive. This umbrella scheme includes Melbourne Research Scholarships and RTP scholarships; the national RTP entry is an overlapping funding route, not an additional award.

Deakin Vice-Chancellor's International Scholarship

Undergraduate and postgraduate coursework

Support. 50% or 100% of tuition for the programme's normal duration. Required participation in the Vice-Chancellor's Professional Excellence Program and priority access to campus accommodation, paid by the student, are included.

Eligibility. New international coursework students meeting degree and English requirements. Academic minimum: 85% or equivalent in previous study; published examples include IB 32 and 80% in an undergraduate degree or its first four semesters. Doctor of Medicine is excluded.

Application. Email the scholarship form, 300-word statement, two community/leadership references and degree application with transcripts to Deakin International Admissions at least one month before commencement. Assessment is rolling; interviews may be requested.

Conditions. Minimum results do not guarantee selection. Accommodation remains payable, availability is limited, and extra or repeated units beyond the normal degree duration are excluded.

AUSTRALIA / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

Universities and institutions

Location • fields • profile • official website • selected QS 2027 overall ranks

University of Melbourne

Melbourne, Victoria / Public university / QS 2027: =22

Commerce; Sciences; Arts; Design

Specialist campuses provide arts and music at Southbank, agricultural teaching at Dookie and veterinary education with clinical facilities at Werribee.

Grattan Street, Parkville, VIC 3010, Australia

www.unimelb.edu.au

Australian National University

Canberra, Australian Capital Territory / Public university
QS 2027: 29

Politics; International relations; Sciences; Computing

Mount Stromlo and Siding Spring observatories support astronomy research, while Kioloa Coastal Campus provides a setting for field teaching.

Australian National University, Canberra ACT 2600, Australia

www.anu.edu.au

University of Sydney

Sydney, New South Wales / Public university / QS 2027: 28

Business; Engineering; Arts; Sciences

Camden provides farms and veterinary facilities; Westmead offers a clinical research setting, while the Conservatorium serves specialist music education.

University of Sydney, NSW 2006, Australia

www.sydney.edu.au

UNSW Sydney

Sydney, New South Wales / Public university / QS 2027: 19

Engineering; Business; Computer science; Sciences

Art and design use a specialist Paddington campus; UNSW Canberra offers a separate academic setting, including the Australian Defence Force Academy.

High Street, Kensington, NSW 2052, Australia

www.unsw.edu.au

Monash University

Melbourne, Victoria / Public university / QS 2027: 31

Engineering; Business; Information technology; Pharmacy

Parkville concentrates pharmacy and pharmaceutical sciences with the Monash Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences; international campuses provide additional programme locations.

Wellington Road, Clayton, VIC 3800, Australia

www.monash.edu

University of Queensland

Brisbane, Queensland / Public university / QS 2027: =40

Engineering; Business; Sciences; Agriculture

Gatton provides farms and veterinary facilities; Herston shares a health precinct with hospitals, rehabilitation services and a medical research institute.

University of Queensland, Brisbane QLD 4072, Australia

www.uq.edu.au

University of Western Australia

Perth, Western Australia / Public university

Engineering; Commerce; Sciences; Arts

The Indian Ocean Marine Research Centre brings the Oceans Institute into a specialist marine research setting alongside the university's broader teaching.

35 Stirling Highway, Perth WA 6009, Australia

www.uwa.edu.au

Adelaide University

Adelaide, South Australia / Public university

Engineering; Business; Health; Education

Roseworthy supports animal and veterinary sciences through a working livestock farm; Waite provides a specialist agricultural and plant research setting.

Adelaide City Campus East, Adelaide University, Adelaide SA 5005, Australia

adelaide.edu.au

University of Technology Sydney

Sydney, New South Wales / Public university

Engineering; Information technology; Business; Design

Moore Park brings sport-science laboratories, physiotherapy teaching and human-performance research together in a precinct shared with Rugby Australia.

15 Broadway, Ultimo, NSW 2007, Australia

www.uts.edu.au

RMIT University

Melbourne, Victoria / Public dual-sector university

Design; Architecture; Engineering; Business

Higher education and vocational training sit within one institution, with specialist design provision and a campus network extending to Vietnam.

124 La Trobe Street, Melbourne, VIC 3000, Australia

www.rmit.edu.au

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Deakin University

Melbourne, Victoria / Public university

Business; Education; Engineering; Health

Online study complements campus programmes; international locations include GIFT City and a joint Bandung campus with Lancaster University.

221 Burwood Highway, Burwood, VIC 3125, Australia

www.deakin.edu.au

Griffith University

Brisbane, Queensland / Public university

Business; Engineering; Health; Education

Queensland Conservatorium and creative-arts facilities provide specialist performance and studio settings within the university's wider multi-campus academic offer.

170 Kessels Road, Nathan, QLD 4111, Australia

www.griffith.edu.au

University of Newcastle

Newcastle, New South Wales / Public university

Engineering; Business; Education; Health

The Gosford teaching facilities adjoin Gosford Hospital, while the city precinct provides specialist music, creative and professional learning spaces.

University Drive, Callaghan, NSW 2308, Australia

www.newcastle.edu.au

University of Wollongong

Wollongong, New South Wales / Public university

Engineering; Computing; Business; Sciences

The Innovation Campus houses advanced materials research; ANCORS provides specialist study and research in ocean law, maritime security and marine resources.

Northfields Avenue, Wollongong, NSW 2522, Australia

www.uow.edu.au

University of Tasmania

Hobart, Tasmania / Public university

Marine sciences; Business; Health; Education

The Australian Maritime College provides specialist maritime education; the Institute for Marine and Antarctic Studies operates fisheries and aquaculture facilities.

GPO Box 426, Hobart, TAS 7001, Australia

www.utas.edu.au

Curtin University

Perth, Western Australia / Public university

Engineering; Mining; Business; Health sciences

The Western Australian School of Mines combines engineering, economics and science, with teaching and research across Perth and the Goldfields.

Kent Street, Bentley, Perth WA 6102, Australia

www.curtin.edu.au

Edith Cowan University

Joondalup, Western Australia / Public university

Nursing; Education; Engineering; Business

The City campus brings the Western Australian Academy of Performing Arts together with business, law and creative humanities programmes.

270 Joondalup Drive, Joondalup, WA 6027, Australia

www.ecu.edu.au

Charles Sturt University

Bathurst, New South Wales / Public university

Nursing; Education; Agriculture; Business

Dental and oral-health clinics connect professional training with services in regional communities, alongside other locally based health and professional programmes.

Panorama Avenue, Bathurst, NSW 2795, Australia

www.csu.edu.au

James Cook University

Townsville, Queensland / Public university

Marine sciences; Health sciences; Business; Engineering

Orpheus Island Research Station provides classrooms, diving and boating facilities for marine field courses, complementing the university's tropical science focus.

1 James Cook Drive, James Cook University, QLD 4811, Australia

www.jcu.edu.au

Bond University

Gold Coast, Queensland / Private not-for-profit university

Business; Law; Health sciences; Architecture

Three semesters per year allow a standard 24-subject bachelor's degree to be completed in two years through continuous full-time study.

14 University Drive, Robina, QLD 4226, Australia

bond.edu.au

AUSTRALIA / ADDITIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Further study options

Additional institutions / location, institution type and official website

Australian Catholic University
Sydney / Melbourne / Brisbane and other campuses / Australian university
www.acu.edu.au

Charles Darwin University
Darwin / Australian university
www.cdu.edu.au

CQUniversity Australia
Rockhampton and other campuses / Australian university
www.cqu.edu.au

Federation University Australia
Ballarat / Berwick / Gippsland / Australian university
federation.edu.au

Flinders University
Adelaide / Australian university
www.flinders.edu.au

La Trobe University
Melbourne / Bendigo and regional campuses / Australian university
www.latrobe.edu.au

Macquarie University
Sydney / Australian university
www.mq.edu.au

Murdoch University
Perth / Australian university
www.murdoch.edu.au

Queensland University of Technology
Brisbane / Australian university
www.qut.edu.au

Southern Cross University
Lismore / Coffs Harbour / Gold Coast / Australian university
www.scu.edu.au

Swinburne University of Technology
Melbourne / Australian university
www.swinburne.edu.au

Torrens University Australia
Adelaide / Sydney / Melbourne / Brisbane / Australian university
www.torrens.edu.au

University of Canberra
Canberra / Australian university
www.canberra.edu.au

University of Divinity
Melbourne and partner colleges / Australian university
divinity.edu.au

University of New England
Armidale / Australian university
www.une.edu.au

The University of Notre Dame Australia
Fremantle / Sydney / Broome / Australian university
www.notredame.edu.au

University of Southern Queensland
Toowoomba / Springfield / Ipswich / Australian university
www.unisq.edu.au

University of the Sunshine Coast
Sunshine Coast / Moreton Bay / Australian university
www.unisc.edu.au

Victoria University
Melbourne / Australian university
www.vu.edu.au

Western Sydney University
Greater Western Sydney / Australian university
www.westernsydney.edu.au

Avondale University
Cooranbong / Sydney / Australian university
www.avondale.edu.au

Australian Film Television and Radio School
Sydney / Specialist higher-education provider
www.aftrs.edu.au

National Institute of Dramatic Art
Sydney / Specialist higher-education provider
www.nida.edu.au

National Art School
Sydney / Specialist higher-education provider
nas.edu.au

Australian Institute of Music
Sydney / Melbourne / Specialist higher-education provider
aim.edu.au

Australian Institute of Business
Adelaide / online / Higher-education provider
www.aib.edu.au

Australian Institute of Higher Education
Sydney / Higher-education provider
aih.edu.au

ACAP University College
Sydney and other campuses / University college
www.acap.edu.au

Alphacrucis University College
Parramatta and other campuses / University college
www.ac.edu.au

Excelsia University College
Sydney / University college
excelsia.edu.au

International College of Management, Sydney
Manly, Sydney / Higher-education provider
www.icms.edu.au

International College of Hotel Management
Adelaide / Specialist higher-education provider
www.ichm.edu.au

Kaplan Business School
Adelaide / Brisbane / Melbourne / Perth / Sydney / Higher-education provider
www.kbs.edu.au

Melbourne Institute of Technology
Melbourne / Sydney / Higher-education provider
www.mit.edu.au

Engineering Institute of Technology
Perth / Melbourne / Specialist higher-education provider
www.eit.edu.au

S P Jain School of Global Management
Sydney / Higher-education provider
www.spjain.edu.au

SAE University College
Sydney and other campuses / University college
sae.edu.au

Australian College of Physical Education
Sydney Olympic Park / Specialist higher-education provider
acpe.edu.au

Holmes Institute
Melbourne and other campuses / Higher-education provider
www.holmes.edu.au

Academy of Interactive Technology
Sydney / Melbourne / Specialist higher-education provider
ait.edu.au

STUDY IN GERMANY

Germany

Research universities and universities of applied sciences.



Freie Universität Berlin - Henry-Ford-Bau, Dahlem campus / Peter Kuley (Fridolin freudenfett) / CC BY-SA 3.0 / cropped

Germany combines research universities with universities of applied sciences, which emphasise professional practice and applied projects. Many public programmes charge no tuition; semester contributions remain payable. State and institutional exceptions include charges affecting non-EU students in Baden-Württemberg and some Bavarian universities.

ANNUAL FEES / ROUTE COMPARISON

Many public degrees: EUR 0 tuition

Private UG sample: EUR 8,500-23,850

Public semester contributions are extra. Non-EU Baden-Wuerttemberg tuition is EUR 3,000/year; other exceptions apply. Private sample: IU and Constructor, before aid.

LIVING / MONTH

EUR 900–1,200

Approx. US$ 1,030–1,370

DAAD national planning range covering rent, food, health insurance, local travel, study materials and personal spending. Semester contributions of roughly EUR 70-430 each are additional.

Typical degree length

Bachelor's: 3-4 years
Master's: 1-2 years
Medicine: 6 years 3 months

Fields of study

Engineering; computer science; business; natural sciences.

Academic entry

Bachelor's entry requires a recognised university entrance qualification. From winter 2026/27, the standard Indian Class XII plus APS routes through Studienkolleg or one successful recognised bachelor's year require 70% overall in Class XII. APS means Academic Evaluation Centre. Other qualifications follow their applicable recognition routes.

Living funds and graduate residence

The 2026 blocked-account reference is EUR 11,904, released at EUR 992 monthly for living expenses. It is one accepted funding route. Eligible graduates of German higher-education institutions can obtain up to 18 months to seek qualified employment; this is a residence route, not a job offer.

GERMANY / EDUCATION AND ENTRY

Institutions and qualifications

Recognised qualifications establish eligibility; institutions retain responsibility for course selection and admission.

Around 402,000

International students and doctoral candidates enrolled at German universities. Reporting period: winter 2024/25.

University types

Universities combine teaching with research across disciplines; technical universities concentrate strongly on scientific and engineering fields. Universities of applied sciences, also called Hochschulen für angewandte Wissenschaften or Fachhochschulen, organise programmes around professional application, often including practical projects or placements. Colleges of art and music use specialist selection procedures. State and state-recognised private institutions appear in the Higher Education Compass. For the shortlist, compare the actual degree's practical work, teaching language and final project. A technical or applied-sciences label helps orient the search; the curriculum shows how the chosen subject is taught.

Degrees and state examinations

Bachelor's degrees normally require 180 to 240 ECTS credits; master's degrees normally require a further 60 to 120. Sixty credits represent a full year's workload, including independent study and assessment. A master's builds on an appropriate first degree, and admission can depend on particular modules or subject preparation. Programmes leading to the Staatsexamen follow a different structure: students study at a university, while state examination boards administer the final examination. The qualification title and examination regulations distinguish these professional routes from the bachelor-master sequence.

School entry and Studienkolleg

Undergraduate entry requires a recognised Hochschulzugangsberechtigung, or university entrance qualification. The overseas school certificate and any prior university study determine whether admission is general, restricted to related subjects, or dependent on further preparation. A Studienkolleg normally prepares students within a defined subject group before the Feststellungsprüfung. This examination establishes subject-related eligibility rather than an unrestricted entitlement to any degree. Studienkolleg teaching is generally in German, including preparation for some subsequent English-taught courses. Language evidence and selection for limited places remain additional requirements.

Applications and assessment

Application routes differ by university and applicant category. Some institutions receive applications directly; others use uni-assist for document evaluation. A VPD, or Vorprüfungsdokumentation, records the submitted certificates, their evaluation and the converted German grade for a particular university. Uni-assist normally takes four to six weeks to issue it, and the document is valid for one year. The applicant subsequently submits the VPD through the university's own application process. Allow time for both stages: obtaining the VPD and submitting it with the complete university application before that course's deadline.

GERMANY / STUDENT LIFE AND PLANNING

Language and student costs

Plan language and document checks early, alongside semester charges, housing and insurance.

German and English teaching

The teaching language determines which language evidence a programme accepts. TestDaF and registered DSH examinations are established routes for German proficiency. English-taught programmes may accept an English test or qualifying previous study in English. Studienkolleg and language-preparation courses set their own entry conditions. The university's rules specify accepted certificates and scores alongside the academic qualifications, prerequisite subjects and selection criteria needed for admission.

APS India and the dMAT

For selected master's applicants from India, the Digital Master Test forms part of APS documentation from summer 2027. Before registering, check your previous degree against the current subject scope and exemptions at aps-india.de/dmat/. Applicants who registered with APS or shipped complete documents before 29 June 2026 qualify for a transitional exemption; a completed APS procedure is not reopened. Bachelor's and PhD applicants, and officially confirmed exchange, double-degree or university-partnership participants, are outside the requirement. Where the test applies, submit the other required APS documents early so verification can begin; the APS certificate is issued after the test result is verified. Check anabin recognition and each university's admission requirements alongside the APS process.

aps-india.de / dMAT

Tuition and semester contributions

Tuition and semester contributions are separate charges. Baden-Württemberg charges affected non-EU/EEA students €1,500 per semester, subject to statutory exceptions. TUM's scheme for affected new non-EU/EEA entrants normally charges €2,000 or €3,000 per bachelor's semester and €4,000 or €6,000 per master's semester; exemptions and waivers apply. Other institutions and student categories have different rules, and private providers set their own tuition. Semester contributions support student services and other local provisions; their amount and any transport component depend on the institution and semester.

Housing and student services

Studierendenwerke provide services beyond university teaching: residences, student restaurants, social advice, psychological counselling and support with childcare or financial difficulties. Apply for residence through the relevant Studierendenwerk and keep a private-housing alternative while awaiting allocation. Some organisations offer international-student packages combining accommodation with defined additional services. Health-insurance evidence is required for university registration, with treatment of existing overseas coverage depending on the applicable rules. Living expenses include rent, food, insurance, learning materials, transport and communication costs, even where the degree itself has no general tuition charge.

GERMANY / ADMISSION

Entry tests and application notes

Programme-specific assessments, with official websites for further reading.

TestDaF

German-language proficiency for applicants to German-taught degrees.

At least TDN 4 in each of the four sections meets the national German-language framework for unrestricted admission or enrolment. Universities also assess academic eligibility and any selection requirements.

www.testdaf.de/

DSH

German-language assessment administered under the registered university examination framework.

The Deutsche Sprachprüfung für den Hochschulzugang tests academic German. Recognition depends on an examination conducted under the national framework; the required level and any exemption form part of the receiving institution's language rules.

www.hrk.de/themen/internationales/internationale-studierende-und-forschende/hochschulzugang-fuer-internationale-studierende/sprachnachweis-deutsch/

Feststellungsprüfung

Applicants whose qualification requires the Studienkolleg or equivalent assessment route.

The examination follows a subject-group curriculum and establishes eligibility for related degree subjects. It is not required from every international applicant and is distinct from the entrance assessment used to select students for a Studienkolleg.

www.uni-assist.de/en/how-to-apply/get-information/studienkolleg-preparatory-course/

TestAS

International undergraduate applicants where the university's admission rules use this aptitude test.

The Test for Academic Studies assesses academic aptitude, with subject modules. Institutions can require it or use results in selection; it is not a universal national entry requirement. The relevant degree determines the required module and treatment of the score.

www.testas.de/

dMAT

Selected APS India master's applicants for summer 2027 or later.

Check APS India's current degree-field scope and exemptions before booking. Early APS registration or complete-document shipment before 29 June 2026 may exempt an applicant. Where dMAT is required, APS can begin checking the other documents while the score is pending, but issues its certificate after the result is verified.

aps-india.de/dmat/

English-language tests

English-taught courses that require formal test evidence.

Institutions specify accepted tests, minimum component scores and exemptions based on prior study. IELTS, TOEFL and other evidence may be accepted under course rules; Germany has no single English score covering every bachelor's or master's programme.

ielts.org/
www.ets.org/toefl.html

GERMANY / SCHOLARSHIPS

Funding routes

Published award terms retain their stated intake or reference period.

DAAD Study Scholarships - Master Studies for All Academic Disciplines

Postgraduate: master's / second degree; not bachelor's

Support. The 2027 call provides €992 monthly for 10-24 months, a €460 annual study allowance, insurance contributions and a travel allowance on application.

Eligibility. A first degree completed before funding begins; academic merit and evidence of the programme language. The degree is normally no more than six years old, and residence in Germany must not exceed 15 months at the deadline.

Application. Applications use the DAAD portal under the eligible country/status call. University admission is a separate application. Funding normally starts on 1 October 2027, with earlier funded language preparation possible.

Conditions. Tuition is excluded. A master's already begun in Germany is ineligible. Admission to the named host programme is required; artistic disciplines and architecture have separate DAAD awards.

Deutschlandstipendium

Undergraduate and postgraduate taught degrees at participating institutions; not doctorate

Support. €300 per month for at least two semesters, renewable within the standard period of study. Federal funding and private sponsors each provide half the award.

Eligibility. Students admitted to or enrolled at participating institutions, including international students. Selection combines academic achievement or promise with social engagement and personal circumstances.

Application. Each participating university administers its own selection, application portal and funding calendar. There is no national application form or common deadline.

Conditions. This is partial funding. Awards depend on institutional selection and available sponsorship; renewal is subject to the university's review.

DAAD Development-Related Postgraduate Courses (EPOS)

Postgraduate: listed master's courses; exceptional doctoral routes; not bachelor's

Support. Funding lasts 12-42 months: €992 monthly for graduates or €1,400 for doctoral candidates, plus insurance contributions and eligible travel support.

Eligibility. Applicants from listed developing or newly industrialised countries need a relevant degree, upper-third academic results and at least two years of related professional work after the first degree. Development-related motivation and course language proficiency are required.

Application. Applications go directly to up to three listed courses, using the same priority order and motivation letter. The published 2027/28 EPOS course list gives individual scholarship deadlines.

Conditions. Funding is restricted to listed EPOS courses. Degrees are normally no more than six years old; applicants resident in Germany for over 15 months at the deadline are excluded.

Erasmus Mundus Joint Masters

Postgraduate: selected joint master's programmes involving a German partner

Support. €1,400 per month for the funded 12-, 18- or 24-month master's programme, contributing to living, travel, visa and installation costs. Scholarship holders pay no tuition or compulsory participation charges.

Eligibility. Applicants worldwide with a bachelor's degree, or final-year students graduating before the programme starts. Consortium academic and language requirements apply; previous EMJM scholarship recipients cannot receive another EMJM scholarship.

Application. The joint programme consortium receives applications and selects scholarship holders. German study takes place only in programmes whose approved mobility pathway includes a German partner.

Conditions. Full-time enrolment and the consortium's international mobility requirements apply. The award cannot fund an unrelated German degree; funded places belong to specific programme intakes.

GERMANY / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

Universities and institutions

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Technical University of Munich

Munich / Public research university / QS 2027: 25
Engineering; Computing; Natural sciences; Management
Seven schools connect technical and scientific disciplines with management; the degree catalogue identifies different teaching locations for each programme.
Arcisstraße 21, 80333 Munich, Germany
www.tum.de/en

Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich

Munich / Public research university
Humanities; Natural sciences; Medicine; Law
Medical teaching and research connect with LMU University Hospital, alongside degree routes across humanities, law, economics and natural sciences.
Geschwister-Scholl-Platz 1, 80539 Munich, Germany
www.lmu.de/en

Heidelberg University

Heidelberg / Public research university
Medicine; Biosciences; Humanities; Law
Separate medical faculties in Heidelberg and Mannheim provide distinct clinical education settings within a broad university spanning sciences and humanities.
Grabengasse 1, 69117 Heidelberg, Germany
www.uni-heidelberg.de/en

Freie Universität Berlin

Berlin / Public research university
Humanities; Social sciences; Natural sciences; Law
Veterinary medicine sits alongside law, psychology and scientific departments, offering a professional clinical route within a comprehensive university structure.
Kaiserswerther Straße 16–18, 14195 Berlin, Germany
www.fu-berlin.de/en

Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin

Berlin / Public research university
Humanities; Social sciences; Natural sciences; Law
Life sciences use Campus Nord, while mathematics and natural sciences concentrate at Adlershof; teaching location therefore depends on the programme.
Unter den Linden 6, 10099 Berlin, Germany (postal address)
www.hu-berlin.de/en

Technische Universität Berlin

Berlin / Public research university
Engineering; Computer science; Architecture; Natural sciences
Engineering faculties include transport systems and process sciences; a central School of Education coordinates teacher training across the technical university.
Straße des 17. Juni 135, 10623 Berlin, Germany
www.tu.berlin/en

RWTH Aachen University

Aachen / Public research university
Engineering; Computer science; Natural sciences; Medicine
The Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program lets students join research projects within university institutes, introducing supervised research early in their studies.
Templergraben 55, 52062 Aachen, Germany
www.rwth-aachen.de

Karlsruhe Institute of Technology

Karlsruhe / Public research university
Engineering; Computer science; Physics; Chemistry
Combines degree education with national research responsibilities in the Helmholtz Association, including major work on energy, mobility and information.
Kaiserstraße 12, 76131 Karlsruhe, Germany
www.kit.edu/english

TUD Dresden University of Technology

Dresden / Public research university
Engineering; Natural sciences; Medicine; Humanities
Transportation and traffic science has a dedicated academic place alongside engineering, environmental sciences and medicine within the university's five schools.
01062 Dresden, Germany (central postal address)
tu-dresden.de/?set_language=en

University of Bonn

Bonn / Public research university
Mathematics; Economics; Agriculture; Medicine
Agricultural, nutritional and engineering sciences share a faculty, while medical education includes institutes and clinics within a broader research university.
Regina-Pacis-Weg 3, 53113 Bonn, Germany
www.uni-bonn.de/en

University of Freiburg

Freiburg im Breisgau / Public research university
Humanities; Natural sciences; Medicine; Environmental sciences
Engineering includes microsystems and sustainable systems; environmental programmes connect forestry, geography and earth sciences across the wider scientific curriculum.
Friedrichstraße 39, 79098 Freiburg, Germany
uni-freiburg.de/en

University of Tübingen

Tübingen / Public research university
Medicine; Humanities; Natural sciences; Economics
The Graduate Training Centre of Neuroscience connects specialist international master's programmes with laboratory research and subsequent doctoral pathways.
Geschwister-Scholl-Platz, 72074 Tübingen, Germany
uni-tuebingen.de/en

GERMANY / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

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University of Göttingen

Göttingen / Public research university

Natural sciences; Agriculture; Forestry; Humanities

The Göttingen Campus partnership connects the university with local research institutes, complementing degree study in sciences, medicine and the humanities.

Wilhelmsplatz 1, 37073 Göttingen, Germany

www.uni-goettingen.de/en

University of Hamburg

Hamburg / Public research university

Natural sciences; Humanities; Law; Business

Psychology and Human Movement Science share a faculty, while business administration and the wider economics and social sciences have separate academic structures.

Mittelweg 177, 20148 Hamburg, Germany

www.uni-hamburg.de/en.html

University of Cologne

Cologne / Public research university

Economics; Social sciences; Law; Medicine

Medical education operates through institutes and clinics; Management, Economics and Social Sciences share a faculty supporting related study routes.

Albertus-Magnus-Platz, 50923 Cologne, Germany

uni-koeln.de/en

Goethe University Frankfurt

Frankfurt am Main / Public foundation university

Economics; Social sciences; Humanities; Natural sciences

Natural sciences concentrate at Riedberg, medical teaching at the university hospital in Niederrad, and law and economics at Westend.

Theodor-W.-Adorno-Platz 1, 60323 Frankfurt am Main, Germany

www.uni-frankfurt.de/en

University of Münster

Münster / Public research university

Humanities; Natural sciences; Law; Business

The faculty structure includes a dedicated music unit and a combined chemistry-and-pharmacy faculty, alongside medicine, sciences and humanities.

Schlossplatz 2, 48149 Münster, Germany

www.uni-muenster.de/en

Friedrich-Alexander-Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg

Erlangen and Nuremberg / Public research university

Engineering; Medicine; Natural sciences; Business

Medizincampus Oberfranken extends medical teaching and research into Upper Franconia, complementing the university's engineering, sciences and professional faculties.

Freyeslebenstraße 1, 91058 Erlangen, Germany (central administration)

www.fau.eu

University of Stuttgart

Stuttgart / Public research university

Engineering; Architecture; Computer science; Natural sciences

Engineering and architecture sit alongside management and humanities, allowing technical study within a university that also offers social-science disciplines.

Keplerstraße 7, 70174 Stuttgart, Germany

www.uni-stuttgart.de/en

University of Mannheim

Mannheim / Public research university

Business; Economics; Social sciences; Humanities

Business informatics and mathematics sit alongside management and economics, providing quantitative study routes beyond a general business degree.

Schloss, 68131 Mannheim, Germany

www.uni-mannheim.de/en

Leipzig University

Leipzig / Public research university

Humanities; Medicine; Natural sciences; Economics

Medicine and veterinary medicine operate as separate academic disciplines, alongside teacher education and sport science within a broad university.

Ritterstraße 26, 04109 Leipzig, Germany

www.uni-leipzig.de/en

Technical University of Darmstadt

Darmstadt / Public research university

Engineering; Computer science; Natural sciences; Architecture

Lichtwiese concentrates science and engineering, while the Botanical Garden location accommodates biology and earth sciences, shaping the facilities used by each programme.

Karolinenplatz 5, 64289 Darmstadt, Germany

www.tu-darmstadt.de

GERMANY / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

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Saarland University

Saarbrücken / Public research university

Computer science; Engineering; Law; Business

German-French degree pathways provide cross-border study options; medical teaching and clinical facilities use a separate campus from the main university.

Campus A2 3, 66123 Saarbrücken, Germany

www.uni-saarland.de/en

University of Potsdam

Potsdam / Public research university

Natural sciences; Humanities; Social sciences; Law

Digital Engineering and Health Sciences have their own faculties alongside law, science and humanities, supporting interdisciplinary professional and research interests.

Am Neuen Palais 10, 14469 Potsdam, Germany

www.uni-potsdam.de/en

HTW Berlin – University of Applied Sciences

Berlin / Public university of applied sciences

Engineering; Computing; Business; Design

Most bachelor's programmes include a compulsory specialist internship in Germany or abroad, connecting applied academic study with workplace experience.

Treskowallee 8, 10318 Berlin, Germany

www.htw-berlin.de/en

Rhine-Waal University of Applied Sciences

Kleve and Kamp-Lintfort / Public university of applied sciences

Technology; Life sciences; Business; Society

Technology and Bionics and Communication and Environment are distinct faculties, combining applied technical disciplines with interdisciplinary design and societal questions.

Marie-Curie-Straße 1, 47533 Kleve, Germany

www.hochschule-rhein-waal.de/en

Deggendorf Institute of Technology

Deggendorf / Public university of applied sciences

Engineering; Computer science; Business; Health sciences

The European Campus Rottal-Inn delivers programmes in English, alongside other teaching campuses and a regional network of research locations.

Dieter-Görlitz-Platz 1, 94469 Deggendorf, Germany

www.th-deg.de/en

TH Köln – University of Applied Sciences

Cologne / Public university of applied sciences

Engineering; Business; Social sciences; Design

Offers part-time programmes alongside bachelor's and master's study, with cooperative doctoral projects providing a further research route.

Gustav-Heinemann-Ufer 54, 50968 Cologne, Germany

www.th-koeln.de/en

Hamburg University of Applied Sciences

Hamburg / Public university of applied sciences

Engineering; Computer science; Life sciences; Design

Cooperative degree routes and continuing-education master's courses sit alongside bachelor's programmes delivered with the University of Shanghai for Science and Technology.

Berliner Tor 5, 20099 Hamburg, Germany

www.haw-hamburg.de/en

Munich University of Applied Sciences

Munich / Public university of applied sciences

Engineering; Business; Design; Social sciences

Specialist departments cover automotive and aeronautical engineering, geoinformatics and tourism, alongside design and applied social sciences within the applied-sciences model.

Lothstraße 34, 80335 Munich, Germany

hm.edu/index.en.html

Constructor University

Bremen / Private university

Computer science; Engineering; Natural sciences; Business

Residential colleges house most undergraduates, creating an integrated living-and-study setting alongside programmes in sciences, computing, business and social sciences.

Campus Ring 1, 28759 Bremen, Germany

constructor.university

WHU – Otto Beisheim School of Management

Vallendar and Düsseldorf / Private university

Business; Management; Finance; Economics

The International Business Administration bachelor's includes a semester abroad and two internships, combining management study with international and workplace experience.

Burgplatz 2, 56179 Vallendar, Germany

www.whu.edu/en

GERMANY / ADDITIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Further study options

Additional institutions / location, institution type and official website

University of Augsburg
Augsburg / Public university
www.uni-augsburg.de

University of Bamberg
Bamberg / Public university
www.uni-bamberg.de

University of Bayreuth
Bayreuth / Public university
www.uni-bayreuth.de

Bielefeld University
Bielefeld / Public university
www.uni-bielefeld.de

Ruhr University Bochum
Bochum / Public university
www.ruhr-uni-bochum.de

Technische Universität Braunschweig
Braunschweig / Public technical university
www.tu-braunschweig.de

University of Bremen
Bremen / Public university
www.uni-bremen.de

Chemnitz University of Technology
Chemnitz / Public technical university
www.tu-chemnitz.de

Clausthal University of Technology
Clausthal-Zellerfeld / Public technical university
www.tu-clausthal.de

Brandenburg University of Technology Cottbus-Senftenberg
Cottbus / Senftenberg / Public technical university
www.b-tu.de

University of Duisburg-Essen
Duisburg / Essen / Public university
www.uni-due.de

Heinrich Heine University Düsseldorf
Düsseldorf / Public university
www.hhu.de

University of Erfurt
Erfurt / Public university
www.uni-erfurt.de

Europa-Universität Flensburg
Flensburg / Public university
www.uni-flensburg.de

European University Viadrina Frankfurt (Oder)
Frankfurt (Oder) / Public university
www.europa-uni.de

TU Bergakademie Freiberg
Freiberg / Public technical university
tu-freiberg.de

Justus Liebig University Giessen
Giessen / Public university
www.uni-giessen.de

University of Greifswald
Greifswald / Public university
www.uni-greifswald.de

FernUniversität in Hagen
Hagen / Public distance-learning university
www.fernuni-hagen.de

Martin Luther University Halle-Wittenberg
Halle (Saale) / Public university
www.uni-halle.de

Leibniz University Hannover
Hannover / Public university
www.uni-hannover.de

University of Hildesheim
Hildesheim / Public university
www.uni-hildesheim.de

University of Hohenheim
Stuttgart / Public university
www.uni-hohenheim.de

Ilmenau University of Technology
Ilmenau / Public technical university
www.tu-ilmenau.de

Friedrich Schiller University Jena
Jena / Public university
www.uni-jena.de

RPTU University Kaiserslautern-Landau
Kaiserslautern / Landau / Public university
rptu.de

University of Kassel
Kassel / Public university
www.uni-kassel.de

Kiel University
Kiel / Public university
www.uni-kiel.de

University of Konstanz
Konstanz / Public university
www.uni-konstanz.de

Leuphana University Lüneburg
Lüneburg / Public university
www.leuphana.de

Otto von Guericke University Magdeburg
Magdeburg / Public university
www.ovgu.de

Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz
Mainz / Public university
www.uni-mainz.de

Philipps-Universität Marburg
Marburg / Public university
www.uni-marburg.de

University of Oldenburg
Oldenburg / Public university
uol.de

Osnabrück University
Osnabrück / Public university
www.uni-osnabrueck.de

Paderborn University
Paderborn / Public university
www.uni-paderborn.de

University of Passau
Passau / Public university
www.uni-passau.de

University of Regensburg
Regensburg / Public university
www.uni-regensburg.de

Frankfurt University of Applied Sciences
Frankfurt am Main / Public university of applied sciences
www.frankfurt-university.de

Bonn-Rhein-Sieg University of Applied Sciences
Sankt Augustin / Rheinbach / Public university of applied sciences
www.h-brs.de

STUDY IN ITALY

Italy

Public universities, regional funding and three-year first degrees.

Italy's university system includes public and private institutions, technical universities and specialist schools. The usual first degree is the three-year laurea, followed by a two-year laurea magistrale. Medicine is a six-year single-cycle route. Public fees can be linked to family financial circumstances.



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Academic entry

University admission and Universitaly pre-enrolment are separate stages for relevant visa applicants. Programmes set their own academic, language and entrance-test conditions. Apply separately for regional student support, preparing the household financial documents specified by the scheme before its deadline.

ANNUAL FEES / ROUTE COMPARISON

Public university guide: EUR 900-4,000

Private university guide: EUR 6,000-20,000+

European Commission annual guide. Public fees are generally low, rather than universally zero. Income-based reductions and scholarships can lower the payable amount.

LIVING / MONTH

EUR 700–1,100

Approx. US$ 800-1,250

European Commission student living guide. City, room type and contract length drive variation; private housing in Milan, Rome or Bologna can exceed the guide.

Typical degree length

Bachelor's: 3 years
Master's: 2 years
Medicine: 6 years

Fields of study

Engineering; architecture; design; business; sciences.

Regional student support

Regional right-to-study schemes assess family income and assets alongside academic conditions. Support can combine a monetary award with services such as meals or accommodation. Award timing and the availability of a residence place are distinct from university admission.

ITALY / EDUCATION AND ENTRY

Degrees and entry routes

Italy combines a three-cycle university structure with single-cycle professional degrees and specialist arts education.

The laurea and laurea magistrale

The laurea is a first-cycle university degree, normally requiring three years and 180 university credits. The laurea magistrale follows a relevant first degree and normally requires two years and 120 credits. Italian CFU credits correspond to ECTS credits. Single-cycle laurea magistrale programmes admit school-leavers to a combined course lasting five or six years in designated professions. Medicine, dentistry and some other regulated subjects therefore have a different structure from the three-year bachelor's followed by a two-year master's.

Professional and specialist awards

A master universitario is a professional postgraduate award, distinct from the laurea magistrale. It normally carries at least 60 credits. A first-level master admits holders of a first-cycle degree; a second-level master requires a second-cycle qualification. The title alone does not establish eligibility for doctoral admission. The wider system includes AFAM institutions for fine arts, music, dance and related fields, alongside universities and specialist higher schools. MUR's registers distinguish state universities, recognised non-state universities and higher schools with special status.

Foreign qualifications

First-cycle admission normally requires a final secondary qualification obtained after at least twelve years of schooling and giving access to comparable higher education in its home system. At Bologna, applicants with ten or eleven years can satisfy the missing schooling requirement through specified completed university study or a qualifying foundation course. The original school qualification remains necessary. For a laurea magistrale, the university assesses the foreign degree and the previous curriculum; subject preparation, language competence and any selection procedure form separate admission requirements.

Admission and Universitaly

Universities decide whether a foreign qualification is suitable for academic admission. Non-EU applicants resident abroad who need a study visa also complete pre-enrolment through Universitaly, the ministry's free official portal. University validation moves that application to the consular stage; it does not issue a visa or guarantee one. Diplomatic and consular authorities assess the visa application separately, including the required financial and other evidence. Keep both application records and track the university, Universitaly and consular deadlines together.

ITALY / STUDENT LIFE AND PLANNING

Assessment and student services

Understand assessment, apply for regional support and confirm the course's teaching city.

Credits and examinations

One university credit normally represents 25 hours of total student work, including classes and independent study. A full academic year normally carries 60 credits. Course examinations may be written, oral or a combination, according to the published teaching arrangements. Bologna records course results on a thirty-point scale, with 18 as the minimum pass mark and honours possible at the top of the scale. ECTS grading tables describe the distribution of awarded grades; a thirty-point mark is not itself a percentage.

Language and subject selection

Italian-language and English-language courses have different language evidence requirements. Bologna's Italian-language admission procedure includes recognised B2 certificates, its own assessment and defined exemptions for the relevant applicant groups. CISIA tests provide subject-specific results that participating universities use under their own admission rules. CEnT-S replaced the English TOLC tests from November 2025. For Italian-taught medicine, dentistry and veterinary medicine, the open first semester leads to standardised subject examinations and a national ranking. English-taught medicine and dentistry retain a separate admission procedure.

Regional benefits

Right-to-study support is administered through regional schemes, separately from university admission. ER.GO's published 2026/27 limits are ISEE €25,000 for household income and ISPE €50,000 for household assets. Scholarship amounts also depend on residence classification and academic progress. Financial evidence for households abroad follows the regional documentation rules. Catering conversions form part of the award amount, while the regional-tax refund is separate. Non-resident classification requires qualifying accommodation evidence; scholarship eligibility and allocation of a room in a student residence are separate decisions.

Campuses and course timetables

A university name can represent several teaching locations. Bologna operates campuses in Bologna, Cesena, Forlì, Ravenna and Rimini; the chosen degree determines where teaching takes place. Separate campuses can have their own departmental facilities and student services. Course catalogues identify the teaching site, language, credits and assessment arrangements for individual units. Check the degree's teaching city before searching for a room. Use the course timetable to assess travel between sites, and apply separately for regional accommodation while keeping an affordable housing alternative.

ITALY / ADMISSION

Entry tests and application notes

Programme-specific assessments, with official websites for further reading.

TOLC

Selected bachelor's and single-cycle programmes using CISIA tests.

TOLC is the CISIA online test. CISIA is Italy's inter-university testing consortium. Subject-specific versions support selection or additional learning obligations under each university's rules. A test booking or score is not a university application.

www.cisiaonline.it/

CEnT-S

Selected English-taught bachelor's programmes in science, engineering, economics and pharmacy.

The CISIA English Test-Sciences replaced English TOLC-E, English TOLC-I and English TOLC-F in November 2025. Participating institutions specify how they use the result; CEnT-S is not compulsory for every English-taught degree.

www.cisiaonline.it/

Open-semester subject examinations

Italian-taught medicine, dentistry and veterinary medicine under the reformed national route.

The initial open semester covers biology, physics, and chemistry with introductory biochemistry. Standardised examinations and a national ranking determine progression within available places. Open first-semester registration does not guarantee continuation in the medical course.

www.mur.gov.it/it/news/lunedi-13072026/medicina-al-le-iscrizioni-al-semestre-aperto

IMAT / English medical admission test

English-taught medicine and dentistry covered by the annual national admission decree.

A separate national selection route continues for English-taught courses. The ministry's annual decree determines the eligible courses, places and examination arrangements; the Italian open-semester reform must not be applied to this route by assumption.

accessoprogrammato.mur.gov.it/2026/

Italian-language evidence

Relevant applicants to Italian-taught programmes, with institutional exemptions.

B2 certification can satisfy specified language requirements. Bologna recognises defined certificates and operates its own assessment route; language clearance is separate from subject selection. CILS, CELI and other accepted certificates are evidence of proficiency, not a national university entrance examination.

www.unibo.it/en/study/enrolment-fees-and-other-procedures/language-requirement-for-programme-enrolment/italian-language-test-and-certificate-for-enrolment-in-a-degree-programme

Counsellor's student-status brief

Intakes and timing. Follow the programme call and Universitaly procedure; consular appointments and decisions are separate.

Student work. Study permit: up to 20 hours/week and 1,040 hours/year.

After graduation. Eligible Italian graduates may apply for a 9-12 month job-search or business route.

Maintenance. University-enrolment visas, 2026/27 and 2027/28: at least EUR10,179.85 for the first year.

esteri.it / Study in Italy · checked 17 October 2026

ITALY / SCHOLARSHIPS

Funding routes

Published award terms retain their stated intake or reference period.

MAECI Italian Government Scholarships

Primarily master's, PhD and research; AFAM also eligible

Support. The 2026/27 reference call provides €10,800 over nine months plus collective health insurance. University tuition exemption depends on the institution; regional fees remain payable.

Eligibility. Citizens of eligible countries with the required qualification and language evidence. The 2026/27 maximum ages are 28 for master's/AFAM, 30 for PhD and 40 for supervised research; renewal exceptions apply.

Application. Online application through Study in Italy, separate from university admission and visa pre-enrolment.

Conditions. The 2026/27 call is closed. Ordinary new bachelor's and single-cycle university applicants are excluded, except specified renewal categories. Payment depends on enrolment, attendance and academic progress.

Padua International Excellence Scholarship

English-taught bachelor's and master's; listed single-cycle routes

Support. Published 2026/27 terms: €8,000 gross per academic year plus student-fee exemption; regional fee and stamp duty remain. Maximum duration: three years for bachelor's/single-cycle, two for master's.

Eligibility. Applicants to eligible English-taught degrees with a non-Italian entry qualification, resident outside Italy at application, and non-Italian citizenship or eligible dual citizenship. Selection is based on academic merit.

Application. Automatic consideration through the degree application; no separate scholarship form. Awards require acceptance and completed enrolment.

Conditions. Payment is in two €4,000 gross instalments per academic year. Other scholarships are incompatible. Fewer than 20 credits by the following 30 November can trigger revocation and repayment.

Regional right-to-study support - ER.GO example

Bachelor's, single-cycle and master's; other eligible routes in the call

Support. For 2026/27, the standard annual non-resident award is €3,585.56-€7,171.11 according to income band. Supplements apply to specified low-income and female STEM recipients; catering conversions are included.

Eligibility. Eligible Emilia-Romagna students meeting enrolment and credit rules, with household ISEE no higher than €25,000 and ISPE no higher than €50,000. International finances require documentary assessment.

Application. Separate online benefits application to ER.GO under its annual competition; university enrolment is a distinct procedure.

Conditions. Non-resident amounts require qualifying accommodation evidence. Residence allocation is separate. The regional-tax refund is additional; awards for the extra semester beyond normal course duration are halved.

Bocconi4Access to Education - full tuition waiver

First-year bachelor's and law programmes

Support. A 100% exemption from ordinary academic tuition and fees, awarded according to assessed household income/assets and available resources. Annual renewal is possible for the legal course duration when merit conditions are met.

Eligibility. International students enrolled in the first year of an eligible bachelor's or law programme in 2027/28, with a complete Bocconi4Access financial-support application.

Application. Single Bocconi4Access to Education 2027/28 application, with household financial documents, under the relevant admission-round funding schedule.

Conditions. The waiver covers tuition rather than a living stipend. An annual advance instalment is reimbursed by December after maintenance conditions are fulfilled. Withdrawal or failure to meet renewal conditions can result in loss of the benefit.

ITALY / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

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University of Bologna

Bologna / Public university
Law; Economics; Engineering; Medicine
First-cycle, master's and single-cycle degrees use a multi-campus structure; Cesena provides a food-analysis teaching laboratory for agricultural and food sciences.
Via Zamboni 33, 40126 Bologna, Italy
www.unibo.it/en

University of Padua

Padua / Public university
Engineering; Medicine; Psychology; Agriculture
Agripolis combines agricultural and veterinary teaching in a specialist campus, alongside the university's separate medicine, psychology, engineering and law schools.
Via 8 Febbraio 2, 35122 Padova, Italy
www.unipd.it/en

Politecnico di Milano

Milan / Public polytechnic university / QS 2027: =87
Engineering; Architecture; Design
Four schools distinguish design, architecture and urban planning from different engineering branches, helping applicants compare creative and technical degree routes.
Piazza Leonardo da Vinci 32, 20133 Milano, Italy
www.polimi.it/en

Politecnico di Torino

Turin / Public polytechnic university
Engineering; Architecture; Design; Urban planning
Engineering uses Corso Duca degli Abruzzi; Valentino serves architecture and planning, while Design and Communication is taught at Mirafiori.
Corso Duca degli Abruzzi 24, 10129 Torino, Italy
www.polito.it/en

Sapienza University of Rome

Rome / Public university / QS 2027: =111
Medicine; Engineering; Architecture; Humanities
Medical education links to both Policlinico Umberto I and Sant'Andrea university hospitals, alongside the main campus's broader academic disciplines.
Piazzale Aldo Moro 5, 00185 Roma, Italy
www.uniroma1.it/en

University of Rome Tor Vergata

Rome / Public university
Economics; Engineering; Medicine; Law
The medical school forms part of the Policlinico Tor Vergata hospital complex, within a large campus also supporting engineering, economics and sciences.
Via Cracovia 50, 00133 Roma, Italy
web.uniroma2.it/en

Roma Tre University

Rome / Public university
Architecture; Engineering; Economics; Law
The Global Legal Studies pathway combines Italian legal education with an extensive English-taught curriculum within the single-cycle law degree.
Via Ostiense 133, 00154 Roma, Italy
www.uniroma3.it/en

University of Naples Federico II

Naples / Public university
Engineering; Medicine; Agriculture; Economics
Medical education uses a university hospital within Naples' clinical network, while agricultural and engineering programmes operate across other specialist locations.
Corso Umberto I 40, 80138 Napoli, Italy
www.unina.it

University of Milan

Milan / Public university
Medicine; Law; Science; Humanities
Veterinary Medicine and Animal Sciences use a dedicated Lodi setting; other departments connect food, nutrition, clinical science and community health.
Via Festa del Perdono 7, 20122 Milano, Italy
www.unimi.it/en

University of Milan-Bicocca

Milan / Public university
Economics; Psychology; Sociology; Science
Statistics and Quantitative Methods forms a dedicated department; medical teaching and research have a separate Monza setting beyond the main campus.
Piazza dell'Ateneo Nuovo 1, 20126 Milano, Italy
en.unimib.it

University of Pavia

Pavia / Public university
Medicine; Engineering; Economics; Law
Musicology at Cremona examines music history, theory, anthropology and popular music, alongside the main university's scientific and professional programmes.
Corso Strada Nuova 65, 27100 Pavia, Italy
en.unipv.it

University of Trento

Trento / Public university
Engineering; Computer science; Economics; Sociology
Engineering uses Mesiano and physical sciences use Povo, while psychology and other programmes extend across distinct university locations.
Via Calepina 14, 38122 Trento, Italy
www.unitn.it/en

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University of Turin

Turin / Public university
Economics; Law; Medicine; Humanities
Clinical and Biological Sciences operates at San Luigi Gonzaga Hospital; agricultural, forest and food sciences have a separate Grugliasco base.
Via Verdi 8, 10124 Torino, Italy
en.unito.it

University of Florence

Florence / Public university
Architecture; Humanities; Engineering; Medicine
Architecture offers an English-taught Architectural Design curriculum and selected double-degree routes, alongside Italian-language programmes and other academic disciplines.
Piazza San Marco 4, 50121 Firenze, Italy
www.unifi.it/en

University of Pisa

Pisa / Public university
Science; Engineering; Medicine; Humanities
Selected programmes offer joint or double degrees with overseas partners; Physics includes a Pisa–Sorbonne pathway combining study at both institutions.
Lungarno Pacinotti 43, 56126 Pisa, Italy
www.unipi.it/en

University of Siena

Siena / Public university
Economics; Medicine; Life sciences; Law
The degree portfolio includes English-taught and double-degree routes, alongside departments combining information engineering with mathematics and medicine with neuroscience.
Via Banchi di Sotto 55, 53100 Siena, Italy
en.unisi.it

University of Perugia

Perugia / Public university
Agriculture; Engineering; Medicine; Economics
The English-taught Geology for Energy Resources master's provides a focused scientific route, alongside broader geoscience programmes with laboratory and field study.
Piazza Università 1, 06123 Perugia, Italy
www.unipg.it/en

University of Parma

Parma / Public university
Food science; Engineering; Medicine; Economics
The Food and Drug department sits alongside veterinary science and environmental sustainability, providing specialist connections between food, health and applied science.
Via Università 12, 43121 Parma, Italy
www.unipr.it/en

University of Modena and Reggio Emilia

Modena / Reggio Emilia / Public university
Engineering; Economics; Medicine; Education
The English-taught Advanced Automotive Engineering master's is developed with regional automotive companies through MUNER, connecting advanced engineering study with industry.
Via Università 4, 41121 Modena, Italy
www.unimore.it/en

University of Ferrara

Ferrara / Public university
Architecture; Engineering; Medicine; Economics
Translational Medicine and Neurosciences and Rehabilitation provide specialised clinical study settings alongside architecture, engineering and the physical sciences.
Via Ludovico Ariosto 35, 44121 Ferrara, Italy
www.unife.it/en

University of Genoa

Genoa / Public university
Engineering; Architecture; Economics; Medicine
Savona provides residences and sports facilities within a regional campus network; postgraduate specialisation includes health, law and cultural heritage.
Via Balbi 5, 16126 Genova, Italy
unige.it/en

University of Trieste

Trieste / Public university
Engineering; Physics; Economics; Medicine
Interpreting and translation have a dedicated academic place alongside law and languages, while medical programmes include separate specialist training routes.
Piazzale Europa 1, 34127 Trieste, Italy
portale.units.it/en

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Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore
Milan / Non-state university
Economics; Psychology; Medicine; Languages
International programmes use different campuses: International Business Management in Piacenza, International Relations in Milan, and Medicine and Surgery in Rome.
Largo Agostino Gemelli 1, 20123 Milano, Italy
international.unicatt.it

Ca' Foscari University of Venice
Venice / Public university
Economics; Languages; Humanities; Computer science
A broad language portfolio sits alongside English-taught degrees; double and joint degrees offer selected routes combining study with partner institutions.
Dorsoduro 3246, 30123 Venezia, Italy
www.unive.it

University of Verona
Verona / Public university
Economics; Medicine; Languages; Law
Engineering for Innovative Medicine links technical study with healthcare, while the School of Medicine coordinates professional health training across relevant departments.
Via dell'Artigliere 8, 37129 Verona, Italy
www.univr.it/en

Luiss Guido Carli
Rome / Non-state university
Economics; Management; Law; Political science
The Undergraduate School includes single-cycle law; the Graduate School and Luiss Business School provide separate master's and professional-management routes.
Viale Pola 12, 00198 Roma, Italy
www.luiss.it/en

University of Brescia
Brescia / Public university
Economics; Engineering; Law; Medicine
Molecular and Translational Medicine and Clinical and Experimental Sciences form distinct departments alongside engineering, supporting specialised biomedical and clinical interests.
Piazza del Mercato 15, 25121 Brescia, Italy
www.unibs.it/en

University of Messina
Messina / Public university / QS 2027: 761–770
Life sciences; Engineering; Economics; Medicine
English-taught options include Data Analysis, Political Sciences and International Relations, and the six-year Medicine and Surgery single-cycle degree.
Piazza Pugliatti 1, 98122 Messina, Italy
international.unime.it

University of Cagliari
Cagliari / Public university
Engineering; Medicine; Economics; Humanities
Monserrato combines science and medical facilities with a university hospital, while economic, legal and political programmes use another teaching setting.
Via Università 40, 09124 Cagliari, Italy
www.unica.it

University of Palermo
Palermo / Public university
Engineering; Architecture; Medicine; Economics
The catalogue identifies each degree's teaching campus, including regional centres; medicine and surgery operate through a dedicated school structure.
Piazza Marina 61, 90133 Palermo, Italy
www.unipa.it

University of Catania
Catania / Public university
Engineering; Medicine; Agriculture; Economics
A School of Italian Language and Culture provides language study alongside degree programmes, professional master's courses and doctoral research.
Piazza Università 2, 95131 Catania, Italy
www.unict.it/en

Bocconi University
Milan / Non-state university
Economics; Management; Finance; Law
Computing Sciences and Decision Sciences extend the traditional economics and management portfolio into quantitative methods, alongside law and political disciplines.
Via Sarfatti 25, 20136 Milano, Italy
www.unibocconi.it/en

ITALY / ADDITIONAL INSTITUTIONS

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Free University of Bozen-Bolzano
Bolzano / Non-state university
www.unibz.it

Gran Sasso Science Institute
L'Aquila / Public postgraduate university institute
www.gssi.it

IMT School for Advanced Studies Lucca
Lucca / Public postgraduate university institute
www.imtlucca.it

Politecnico di Bari
Bari / Public polytechnic university
www.poliba.it

Scuola Internazionale Superiore di Studi Avanzati (SISSA)
Trieste / Public postgraduate university institute
www.sissa.it

Scuola Normale Superiore
Pisa / Florence / Public specialist university institute
www.sns.it

Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna
Pisa / Public specialist university institute
www.santannapisa.it

Scuola Universitaria Superiore IUSS Pavia
Pavia / Public specialist university institute
www.iusspavia.it

Università degli Studi della Basilicata
Potenza / Matera / Public university
www.unibas.it

Università degli Studi dell'Aquila
L'Aquila / Public university
www.univaq.it

Università degli Studi della Tuscia
Viterbo / Public university
www.unitus.it

Università degli Studi dell'Insubria
Varese / Como / Public university
www.uninsubria.it

Università degli Studi del Molise
Campobasso / Public university
www.unimol.it

Università degli Studi del Sannio
Benevento / Public university
www.unisannio.it

Università degli Studi di Camerino
Camerino / Public university
www.unicam.it

Università degli Studi di Cassino e del Lazio Meridionale
Cassino / Public university
www.unicas.it

Università degli Studi di Enna Kore
Enna / Non-state university
www.unikore.it

Università degli Studi di Foggia
Foggia / Public university
www.unifg.it

Università degli Studi di Macerata
Macerata / Public university
www.unimc.it

Università degli Studi di Napoli Parthenope
Naples / Public university
www.uniparthenope.it

Università degli Studi di Salerno
Fisciano / Public university
www.unisa.it

Università degli Studi di Sassari
Sassari / Public university
www.uniss.it

Università degli Studi di Teramo
Teramo / Public university
www.unite.it

Università degli Studi di Udine
Udine / Public university
www.uniud.it

Università degli Studi di Urbino Carlo Bo
Urbino / Public university
www.uniurb.it

Università degli Studi Gabriele d'Annunzio di Chieti e Pescara
Chieti / Pescara / Public university
www.unich.it

Università della Calabria
Rende / Public university
www.unical.it

Università della Campania Luigi Vanvitelli
Caserta / Naples / Public university
www.unicampania.it

Università della Valle d'Aosta
Aosta / Non-state university
www.univda.it

Università del Piemonte Orientale
Vercelli / Alessandria / Novara / Public university
www.uniupo.it

Università del Salento
Lecce / Public university
www.unisalento.it

Università di Napoli L'Orientale
Naples / Public university
www.unior.it

Università Iuav di Venezia
Venice / Public university
www.iuav.it

Università Magna Graecia di Catanzaro
Catanzaro / Public university
web.unicz.it

Università Mediterranea di Reggio Calabria
Reggio Calabria / Public university
www.unirc.it

Università per Stranieri di Perugia
Perugia / Public university
www.unistrapg.it

Università per Stranieri di Siena
Siena / Public university
www.unistrasi.it

Università Politecnica delle Marche
Ancona / Public polytechnic university
www.univpm.it

Università Suor Orsola Benincasa
Naples / Non-state university
www.unisob.na.it

University of Bari Aldo Moro
Bari / Public university
www.uniba.it/en

STUDY IN INDIA

India

Central, state, private and deemed-to-be universities.



Main building, Indian Institute of Science, Bengaluru, 2017. / Sayantan Mondal / CC BY-SA 4.0 / cropped

India combines universities, Institutes of National Importance, specialist institutions and affiliated colleges. A teaching college may offer an award conferred by its affiliating university. Undergraduate structures include three- and four-year degrees, while professional programmes follow their own duration and recognition requirements.

ANNUAL FEES / ROUTE COMPARISON

Public foreign-UG sample: INR 85,000-600,000

Private foreign-UG sample: INR 331,200-864,000

Foreign-national benchmarks: BHU/IIT Bombay public; VIT private. Indian-national and NRI fee categories differ. VIT's USD tariffs use the edition's fixed INR conversion.

LIVING / MONTH

INR 38,400

Approx. US$ 400

Study in India's approximate USD 400 monthly guide, converted at USD 1=INR 96. Covers accommodation, food, transport, study and personal costs; city and accommodation choices affect expenditure.

Typical degree length

Bachelor's: 3-4 years
Master's: 1-2 years
MBBS: 5.5 years, including internship

Fields of study

Engineering; business; computing; medicine; liberal arts.

Academic entry

Indian-citizen, Non-Resident Indian (NRI), Overseas Citizen of India (OCI) and foreign-national categories can have different seat, test and fee rules. The appropriate category depends on the applicable admission policy. The Study in India platform is not the undergraduate medical-admission route.

Applicant status and charges

Citizenship, overseas-residence status and the qualifying examination can affect the admission category. The IIT Bombay example separates Indian and foreign-national statutory tuition. Hostel, mess and institute charges are additional; an overseas address alone does not establish entitlement to a particular fee category.

INDIA / EDUCATION AND ENTRY

Universities and qualifications

University categories, degree structures and routes into undergraduate study.

University and college structures

The University Grants Commission distinguishes central, state, private and deemed-to-be universities. Central and state universities derive their authority from legislation; deemed-to-be university status is a separate category. Indian Institutes of Technology and Indian Institutes of Management also operate under their respective Acts. In collegiate systems, a university can award degrees for teaching undertaken in affiliated colleges. University status therefore identifies the awarding institution, while the actual teaching location may be a college, constituent institute or university department. Check professional programme approval alongside the awarding institution's status.

Undergraduate credit structures

The University Grants Commission's undergraduate curriculum framework provides for three-year and four-year degrees, with minimum totals of 120 and 160 credits respectively. Its structure includes major and minor disciplines, multidisciplinary courses, skill development, internships and research components. The framework also describes certificate and diploma exits, subject to the required learning and credit conditions. Confirm which structure the institution has adopted for the intended intake. For engineering, medicine or law, use the professional programme's own duration, curriculum and exit rules when planning the route.

Engineering and medical selection

Engineering admission uses several routes rather than one examination for every institution. Joint Entrance Examination Main serves participating engineering institutions and is the usual first stage for Indian candidates seeking Joint Entrance Examination Advanced admission to the Indian Institutes of Technology. Advanced publishes a separate foreign-national route. Medicine and dentistry use the National Eligibility cum Entrance Test for undergraduate admission. Its 2026 bulletin permits Indian nationals, non-resident Indians, Overseas Citizens of India and foreign nationals to sit the examination, while seat eligibility remains subject to the applicable admission rules.

Nationality and admission categories

Indian nationality, non-resident Indian status and Overseas Citizen of India (OCI) documentation are distinct admission categories. An Indian citizen living abroad remains an Indian national. For Joint Entrance Examination Advanced 2026, OCI or Person of Indian Origin (PIO) cardholders whose cards predate 4 March 2021 may choose the Indian-parity or foreign route; cards issued on or after that date follow the foreign category. Delhi's Foreign Students' Registry separately exempts eligible foreign-national applicants from its undergraduate and postgraduate Common University Entrance Test requirements.

INDIA / STUDENT LIFE AND PLANNING

Admission, funding and campus life

Postgraduate selection, distinct funding categories and international student administration.

Postgraduate selection

The Graduate Aptitude Test in Engineering assesses subjects used for admission to participating postgraduate programmes, including engineering, technology, architecture and sciences. Eligibility to take the examination is broader than eligibility for any particular degree or assistantship. Management admission is institution-specific: the Common Admission Test is a principal domestic route for Indian Institutes of Management, while some institutions operate separate international categories. For its 2026-28 management intake, IIM Bangalore accepts the Graduate Management Admission Test or Graduate Record Examination through its published international and overseas application process.

Scholarships and tuition concessions

The Indian Council for Cultural Relations administers scholarships for foreign nationals under country-specific schemes, with tuition and prescribed allowances. Study in India instead describes institution-funded tuition concessions of 10-100%; the portal itself does not award a national scholarship. The Scholarship Programme for Diaspora Children serves specified overseas Indian-origin categories under separate academic and parental-income rules. Begin with the applicant category: foreign national, eligible diaspora applicant or another institutional category. Check the corresponding award's nationality, residence and education rules, then record the tuition and living costs it covers before including it in the budget.

Living costs and campus services

Study in India publishes an indicative international-student living-cost estimate of about US$400 per month. This is a national planning estimate rather than a fixed charge or a tuition quotation. Campus services are institution-specific. At IIT Bombay, the Dean of Student Affairs oversees hostel administration and non-academic activities, including sport, cultural activities and technical activities. The Hostel Affairs Council represents residents on matters including mess administration and welfare. For the chosen college, ask whether a hostel place is available, what the mess and room charges include, and how far accommodation is from teaching.

International enrolment and residence

Study in India provides a registration and course-application system for international students and issues a unique student identifier. Institutional admission, scholarship selection and immigration approval remain separate processes. The portal's onboarding guidance describes the student-visa and Foreigners Regional Registration Office stages following admission. For foreign nationals holding student or research visas valid for more than 180 days, that guidance specifies registration within fourteen days of first arrival. The electronic Foreigners Regional Registration Office system handles the relevant registration and residence services; students should retain the completed registration and residence records with their visa documents.

INDIA / ADMISSION

Entry tests and application notes

Programme-specific assessments, with official websites for further reading.

Joint Entrance Examination Main (JEE Main)

Participating undergraduate engineering institutions; usual gateway to JEE Advanced for Indian candidates

National Testing Agency examination. Paper 1 covers engineering; separate papers cover architecture and planning. A score does not replace the admitting institution's qualification, subject or counselling requirements.

jeemain.nta.nic.in/

Joint Entrance Examination Advanced (JEE Advanced)

Undergraduate admission to the Indian Institutes of Technology

Foreign nationals may register directly without JEE Main, subject to Advanced eligibility. The 2026 rules distinguish OCI/PIO cards issued before 4 March 2021 from later cards; overseas Indian residence alone is not the foreign-national category.

jeeadv.ac.in/

Common University Entrance Test (CUET)

Undergraduate or postgraduate programmes at participating universities

Programme and subject requirements are set by the participating institution. An international exemption is not nationwide: Delhi's 2026-27 Foreign Students' Registry explicitly exempts eligible foreign-national applicants in its own route from CUET UG and PG.

cuet.nta.nic.in/

National Eligibility cum Entrance Test, Undergraduate (NEET UG)

Undergraduate medicine, dentistry and specified Indian-system medical degrees

Indian, non-resident Indian, Overseas Citizen of India and foreign applicants may sit the 2026 examination. Foreign or diaspora status does not waive NEET; admission and counselling eligibility follow government and institutional rules. The minimum age is 17 by 31 December of the examination year.

neet.nta.nic.in/

Graduate Aptitude Test in Engineering (GATE)

Participating postgraduate and research programmes

GATE 2027 permits eligible foreign nationals and Indians abroad to apply, but all examination centres are in India. Candidates arrange their own travel and accommodation. Test eligibility, programme admission and financial assistance have separate requirements.

gate2027.iitm.ac.in/

Common Admission Test (CAT)

Management programmes at Indian Institutes of Management and participating institutions

National management entrance examination. Each institute applies its own shortlisting and final selection criteria. CAT is not a universal requirement for every MBA or every international admission category.

iimcat.ac.in/

Graduate management admissions GMAT / GRE

Selected international and overseas management routes

IIM Bangalore's 2026-28 process accepts the Graduate Management Admission Test (GMAT) or Graduate Record Examinations (GRE) for defined international and overseas categories. At-home versions are excluded. This is an institutional alternative, not a general exemption from CAT throughout India.

www.mba.com/exams/gmat-exam
www.ets.org/gre.html

INDIA / SCHOLARSHIPS

Funding routes

Published award terms retain their stated intake or reference period.

ICCR scholarships through the A2A portal

Undergraduate, postgraduate and doctoral, depending on country scheme

Support. Tuition and prescribed living/accommodation allowances; travel and other benefits depend on the named scheme.

Eligibility. Foreign nationals from eligible partner countries; academic, age and course restrictions vary. Indian missions screen applications.

Application. Applications are submitted through the A2A portal under a country-specific scheme and screened through Indian missions.

Conditions. Funding is restricted to listed institutions and courses. Airfare is included only under specified schemes. The ICCR award supports one admitted course, and employment during scholarship study is prohibited.

Study in India partner-institute tuition concessions

Undergraduate and postgraduate courses listed by participating institutions

Support. Participating institutions offer tuition concessions ranging from 10% to 100%, determined by academic results and institutional policy.

Eligibility. International applicants satisfying the institution and programme criteria; award value depends on academic record and institution policy.

Application. The Study in India portal accepts course applications; participating institutions determine and communicate their own scholarship or fee-waiver awards.

Conditions. Study in India itself does not award a national scholarship. Institute-driven tuition concessions do not automatically include maintenance, accommodation or travel funding.

Scholarship Programme for Diaspora Children (SPDC)

Undergraduate

Support. Under the 2025-26 rules, 75% of eligible institutional costs, capped at US$4,000 annually. Tuition, hostel fees and institutional charges qualify; food charges are excluded.

Eligibility. Children of NRIs, PIOs/OCIs and eligible Indian workers in ECR countries. Monthly parental-income ceilings are US$5,000 for NRI/PIO/OCI categories and US$3,000 for the ECR-worker category; admission to an eligible Indian institution is required.

Application. Indian missions receive applications and supporting documents under the Ministry of External Affairs scheme.

Conditions. Normally for first-year undergraduates; medical students enter from year two, with support through year five. Grades 11-12 must normally be completed abroad; an ECR-worker subcategory permits Indian schooling.

PM-USP Central Sector Scholarship for College and University Students

Undergraduate, with eligible continuation into later degree years

Support. Published guidelines provide ₹12,000 annually in the first three years and ₹20,000 in eligible fourth/fifth years.

Eligibility. Indian domestic merit-and-income route: above the relevant Class XII board 80th percentile, family income up to INR 4.5 lakh and a regular eligible course.

Application. Applications and renewals are processed through the National Scholarship Portal, with institutional verification.

Conditions. The scheme is a domestic Indian merit-and-income award. Distance education, diploma courses, a gap after Class XII and concurrent scholarships or fee reimbursement are excluded under the published rules.

INDIA / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

Universities and institutions

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University of Mumbai

Mumbai / Public state university
Humanities; Science and Technology; Commerce; Management
University departments and affiliated colleges deliver different programmes; the teaching college is therefore an essential part of choosing a Mumbai degree.
Mahatma Gandhi Road, Fort, Mumbai 400032, Maharashtra, India
mu.ac.in

Indian Institute of Science

Bengaluru / Public deemed-to-be university / QS 2027: =221
Science; Engineering; Computing; Mathematics
The four-year Bachelor of Science (Research) provides an undergraduate research route alongside BTech, taught postgraduate and doctoral programmes.
Indian Institute of Science, Bengaluru 560012, Karnataka, India
iisc.ac.in

Indian Institute of Technology Bombay

Mumbai / Public institute of national importance
QS 2027: =134
Engineering; Computing; Design; Science
Undergraduates can pursue research through project routes and the Undergraduate Research Award, while optional minors and honours extend the core curriculum.
IIT Bombay, Powai, Mumbai 400076, Maharashtra, India
www.iitb.ac.in

Indian Institute of Technology Delhi

New Delhi / Public institute of national importance / QS 2027: 118
Engineering; Computing; Design; Science
Computer-science project modules offer supervised independent research or development work, connecting technical study with investigation of a focused problem.
IIT Delhi, Hauz Khas, New Delhi 110016, India
home.iitd.ac.in

Indian Institute of Technology Madras

Chennai / Public institute of national importance / QS 2027: 170
Engineering; Computing; Science; Management
Residential programmes and separately structured online degrees provide distinct study formats; applicants should compare their curriculum, entry route and attendance requirements.
IIT P.O., Chennai 600036, Tamil Nadu, India
www.iitm.ac.in

Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur

Kanpur / Public institute of national importance
Engineering; Computing; Science; Economics
Open electives, minors and approved double majors let undergraduates combine disciplines beyond their principal degree, subject to academic programme requirements.
IIT Kanpur, Kalyanpur, Kanpur 208016, Uttar Pradesh, India
www.iitk.ac.in

Indian Institute of Management Ahmedabad

Ahmedabad / Public institute of national importance
Management; Business analytics; Economics; Public policy
Case discussion is central to management teaching, with separate postgraduate, doctoral and executive programmes for graduates and experienced professionals.
Indian Institute of Management Ahmedabad, Vastrapur, Ahmedabad 380015, Gujarat, India
www.iima.ac.in

University of Delhi

New Delhi / Central university
Humanities; Social sciences; Commerce; Science
Teaching is distributed across departments and constituent colleges; the Foreign Students' Registry manages a designated application route for foreign applicants.
University of Delhi, North Campus, Delhi 110007, India
www.du.ac.in

Jawaharlal Nehru University

New Delhi / Central university
Social sciences; International studies; Languages; Life sciences
Language and area studies sit alongside international studies and sciences, with postgraduate and doctoral education forming a substantial part of provision.
Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Mehrauli Road, Munirka, New Delhi 110067, India
www.jnu.ac.in

Banaras Hindu University

Varanasi / Central university
Humanities; Science; Agriculture; Medicine
Professional health and agricultural institutes sit alongside performing arts and languages, offering different academic environments within the same university.
Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi 221005, Uttar Pradesh, India
www.bhu.ac.in

University of Hyderabad

Hyderabad / Central university
Science; Social sciences; Humanities; Computing
Postgraduate and research study dominate the academic offer, with selected integrated and professional programmes providing alternative entry and qualification routes.
Prof. C.R. Rao Road, P.O. Central University, Gachibowli, Hyderabad 500046, Telangana, India
uohyd.ac.in

INDIA / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

Universities and institutions

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Jadavpur University

Kolkata / State public university

Engineering; Science; Humanities; Social sciences

Engineering and technology share a university with arts and sciences, with undergraduate and research teaching delivered across two main campuses.

188 Raja S.C. Mallick Road, Kolkata 700032, West Bengal, India

jadavpuruniversity.in

Anna University

Chennai / State public university

Engineering; Technology; Architecture; Applied sciences

University departments and affiliated colleges form distinct teaching routes, including specialist institutions for engineering, technology, architecture and planning.

Anna University, Chennai 600025, Tamil Nadu, India

www.annauniv.edu

Savitribai Phule Pune University

Pune / State public university

Science; Humanities; Commerce; Management

Campus departments emphasise postgraduate and research education, while affiliated colleges deliver a separate part of the university's broader teaching provision.

Savitribai Phule Pune University, Ganeshkhind, Pune 411007, Maharashtra, India

www.unipune.ac.in

University of Calcutta

Kolkata / State public university

Science; Humanities; Commerce; Law

University departments and affiliated colleges provide different parts of the qualification pathway; applicants should identify the institution delivering their chosen course.

87/1 College Street, Kolkata 700073, West Bengal, India

www.caluniv.ac.in

Birla Institute of Technology and Science, Pilani

Pilani / Private deemed-to-be university

Engineering; Science; Pharmacy; Economics

Integrated first degrees sit alongside higher degrees and research; international first-degree applicants use a designated admissions route with separate requirements.

Vidya Vihar, Pilani 333031, Rajasthan, India

www.bits-pilani.ac.in

Manipal Academy of Higher Education

Manipal / Private deemed-to-be university

Medicine; Engineering; Health sciences; Management

Constituent institutions provide specialist health, engineering and communication education, so the named school and campus determine the student's academic setting.

Madhav Nagar, Manipal 576104, Karnataka, India

www.manipal.edu

Vellore Institute of Technology

Vellore / Private deemed-to-be university

Engineering; Computing; Science; Business

The Fully Flexible Credit System lets students choose courses, instructors and timetable options within programme requirements, supporting a more personalised study plan.

VIT Vellore Campus, Vellore 632014, Tamil Nadu, India

vit.ac.in

Ashoka University

Sonipat / Private university

Humanities; Social sciences; Economics; Computing

A residential liberal-education model combines subject specialisation with study across humanities, social sciences and natural sciences, including interdisciplinary undergraduate routes.

Plot No. 2, Rajiv Gandhi Education City, P.O. Rai, Sonipat 131029, Haryana, India

www.ashoka.edu.in

Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham

Coimbatore / Private deemed-to-be university

Engineering; Medicine; Computing; Business

Live-in-Labs brings multidisciplinary student teams into rural communities to develop and test practical solutions, connecting academic study with sustainability projects.

Amritanagar, Ettimadai, Coimbatore 641112, Tamil Nadu, India

www.amrita.edu

O.P. Jindal Global University

Sonipat / Private university

Law; Business; International affairs; Public policy

Professional and interdisciplinary schools combine law, business and public policy, with residential undergraduate study alongside programmes using other delivery formats.

Sonipat Narela Road, near Jagdishpur Village, Sonipat 131001, Haryana, India

jgu.edu.in

INDIA / ADDITIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Further study options

Additional institutions / location, institution type and official website

Ahmedabad University
Ahmedabad / State private university
www.ahduni.edu.in

Ajeenkya D.Y. Patil University
Pune / State private university
adypu.edu.in

Alagappa University
Karaikudi / State university
www.alagappauniversity.ac.in

Aligarh Muslim University
Aligarh / Central university
www.amu.ac.in

Alliance University
Bengaluru / State private university
www.alliance.edu.in

Andhra University
Visakhapatnam / State university
www.andhrauniversity.edu.in

Annamalai University
Annamalai Nagar / State university
www.annamalaiuniversity.ac.in

Assam University
Silchar / Central university
www.aus.ac.in

Azim Premji University
Bengaluru / State private university
azimpremjiuniversity.edu.in

Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar University
Lucknow / Central university
www.bbau.ac.in

Bangalore University
Bengaluru / State university
eng.bangaloreuniversity.ac.in

Bennett University
Greater Noida / State private university
www.bennett.edu.in

Bharathiar University
Coimbatore / State university
b-u.ac.in

Bharathidasan University
Tiruchirappalli / State university
www.bdu.ac.in

Bharati Vidyapeeth
Pune / Deemed-to-be university
bvuniversity.edu.in

BML Munjal University
Gurugram / State private university
www.bmu.edu.in

Central Agricultural University
Imphal / Central university
cau.ac.in

Central Sanskrit University
New Delhi / Central university
www.sanskrit.nic.in

Central University of Gujarat
Vadodara / Central university
www.cug.ac.in

Central University of Haryana
Mahendragarh / Central university
www.cuh.ac.in

Central University of Himachal Pradesh
Dharamshala / Central university
www.cuhimachal.ac.in

Central University of Jammu
Samba / Central university
www.cujammu.ac.in

Central University of Jharkhand
Ranchi / Central university
www.cuj.ac.in

Central University of Karnataka
Kalaburagi / Central university
www.cuk.ac.in

Central University of Kashmir
Ganderbal / Central university
www.cukashmir.ac.in

Central University of Kerala
Kasaragod / Central university
www.cukerala.ac.in

Central University of Odisha
Sunabeda / Central university
cuo.ac.in

Central University of Punjab
Bathinda / Central university
www.cup.ac.in

Central University of Rajasthan
Kishangarh / Central university
www.curaj.ac.in

Central University of South Bihar
Gaya / Central university
www.cusb.ac.in

Central University of Tamil Nadu
Thiruvarur / Central university
cutn.ac.in

Chandigarh University
Gharuan, Mohali / State private university
www.cuchd.in

Chitkara University, Punjab
Rajpura / State private university
www.chitkara.edu.in

Chitkara University, Himachal Pradesh
Barotiwala / State private university
www.chitkarauniversity.edu.in

CHRIST (Deemed to be University)
Bengaluru / Deemed-to-be university
www.christuniversity.in

Cochin University of Science and Technology
Kochi / State university
www.cusat.ac.in

Delhi Technological University
New Delhi / State university
www.dtu.ac.in

Dibrugarh University
Dibrugarh / State university
www.dibru.ac.in

Dr. D.Y. Patil Vidyapeeth
Pimpri-Chinchwad / Deemed-to-be university
www.dpu.edu.in

Dr. Harisingh Gour Vishwavidyalaya
Sagar / Central university
dhsgsu.edu.in

Dr. Rajendra Prasad Central Agricultural University
Pusa / Central university
www.rpcau.ac.in

INDIA / ADDITIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Further study options

Additional institutions / location, institution type and official website

Dr. Vishwanath Karad MIT World Peace University
Pune / State private university
mitwpu.edu.in

FLAME University
Pune / State private university
www.flame.edu.in

Galgotias University
Greater Noida / State private university
www.galgotiasuniversity.edu.in

Gati Shakti Vishwavidyalaya
Vadodara / Central university
gsv.ac.in

Gauhati University
Guwahati / State university
www.gauhati.ac.in

Goa University
Taleigao / State university
www.unigoa.ac.in

Gujarat University
Ahmedabad / State university
www.gujaratuniversity.ac.in

Guru Ghasidas Vishwavidyalaya
Bilaspur / Central university
www.ggu.ac.in

Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha Vishwavidyalaya
New Delhi / State university
www.ipu.ac.in

Guru Nanak Dev University
Amritsar / State university
www.gndu.ac.in

Hemvati Nandan Bahuguna Garhwal University
Srinagar, Garhwal / Central university
www.hnbgu.ac.in

Indian Maritime University
Chennai / Central university
www.imu.edu.in

Indira Gandhi National Open University
New Delhi / Central university
www.ignou.ac.in

Integral University
Lucknow / State private university
www.iul.ac.in

International Institute of Information Technology Bangalore
Bengaluru / Deemed-to-be university
www.iiitb.ac.in

International Institute of Information Technology Hyderabad
Hyderabad / Deemed-to-be university
www.iiit.ac.in

International Institute of Information Technology Naya Raipur
Nava Raipur / State university
www.iiitnr.ac.in

International Institute of Information Technology Bhubaneswar
Bhubaneswar / State university
www.iiit-bh.ac.in

Jamia Hamdard
New Delhi / Deemed-to-be university
www.jamiahamdard.edu

Jamia Millia Islamia
New Delhi / Central university
jmi.ac.in

Kakatiya University
Warangal / State university
www.kakatiya.ac.in

Kalinga Institute of Industrial Technology
Bhubaneswar / Deemed-to-be university
kiit.ac.in

Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences
Bhubaneswar / Deemed-to-be university
kiss.ac.in

Krea University
Sri City / State private university
krea.edu.in

Kurukshetra University
Kurukshetra / State university
www.kuk.ac.in

Lovely Professional University
Phagwara / State private university
www.lpu.in

Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda
Vadodara / State university
www.msubaroda.ac.in

Mahatma Gandhi Antarrashtriya Hindi Vishwavidyalaya
Wardha / Central university
hindivishwa.org

Mahatma Gandhi Central University
Motihari / Central university
www.mgcub.ac.in

Mangalore University
Mangalagangothri / State university
www.mangaloreuniversity.ac.in

Manipur University
Imphal / Central university
www.manipuruniv.ac.in

Maulana Azad National Urdu University
Hyderabad / Central university
manuu.edu.in

Mizoram University
Aizawl / Central university
mzu.edu.in

Nagaland University
Lumami / Central university
nagalanduniversity.ac.in

Nalanda University
Rajgir / Central university
nalandauniv.edu.in

National Sanskrit University
Tirupati / Central university
nsktu.ac.in

National Sports University
Imphal / Central university
www.nsu.ac.in

Nirma University
Ahmedabad / State private university
www.nirmauni.ac.in

North Eastern Hill University
Shillong / Central university
www.nehu.ac.in

INDIA / ADDITIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Further study options

Additional institutions / location, institution type and official website

The English and Foreign Languages University
Hyderabad / Central university
www.efluniversity.ac.in

SVKM's Narsee Monjee Institute of Management Studies
Mumbai / Deemed-to-be university
www.nmims.edu

Osmania University
Hyderabad / State university
www.osmania.ac.in

Pandit Deendayal Energy University
Gandhinagar / State private university
www.pdpu.ac.in

Panjab University
Chandigarh / State university
www.puchd.ac.in

Parul University
Vadodara / State private university
www.paruluniversity.ac.in

Patna University
Patna / State university
www.patnauniversity.ac.in

PES University
Bengaluru / State private university
www.pes.edu

Plaksha University
Mohali / State private university
plaksha.edu.in

Pondicherry University
Puducherry / Central university
www.pondiuni.edu.in

Punjabi University
Patiala / State university
www.punjabiuniversity.ac.in

Rajasthan Technical University
Kota / State university
www.rtu.ac.in

University of Rajasthan
Jaipur / State university
www.uniraj.ac.in

Rajiv Gandhi National Aviation University
Fursatganj / Central university
www.rgnau.ac.in

Rajiv Gandhi University
Doimukh / Central university
www.rgu.ac.in

Rani Lakshmi Bai Central Agricultural University
Jhansi / Central university
rlbcau.ac.in

REVA University
Bengaluru / State private university
www.reva.edu.in

Sambalpur University
Sambalpur / State university
www.suniv.ac.in

Sathyabama Institute of Science and Technology
Chennai / Deemed-to-be university
www.sathyabama.ac.in

Shanmugha Arts Science Technology & Research Academy (SASTRA)
Thanjavur / Deemed-to-be university
www.sastra.edu

Sharda University
Greater Noida / State private university
www.sharda.ac.in

Shiv Nadar University Chennai
Kalavakkam / State private university
www.snuchennai.edu.in

Shivaji University
Kolhapur / State university
www.unishivaji.ac.in

Shoolini University of Biotechnology and Management Sciences
Solan / State private university
www.shooliniuniversity.com

Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri National Sanskrit University
New Delhi / Central university
www.slbsrsv.ac.in

Sikkim University
Gangtok / Central university
cus.ac.in

South Asian University
New Delhi / Central university
sau.int

Sri Krishnadevaraya University
Anantapur / State university
skuniversity.ac.in

Sri Venkateswara University
Tirupati / State university
svuniversity.edu.in

SRM University, Andhra Pradesh
Neerukonda / State private university
srmap.edu.in

SRM University Delhi-NCR, Sonepat
Sonipat / State private university
www.srmuniversity.ac.in

Symbiosis International University
Pune / Deemed-to-be university
www.siu.edu.in

Symbiosis Skills and Professional University
Pune / State private university
www.sspu.ac.in

Symbiosis University of Applied Sciences (SUAS)
Indore / State private university
www.suas.ac.in

Tata Institute of Fundamental Research
Mumbai / Deemed-to-be university
www.tifr.res.in

Tata Institute of Social Sciences
Mumbai / Deemed-to-be university
www.tiss.edu

Tezpur University
Tezpur / Central university
www.tezu.ac.in

Thapar Institute of Engineering & Technology
Patiala / Deemed-to-be university
www.thapar.edu

Tripura University
Agartala / Central university
tripurauniv.ac.in

Visva Bharati
Santiniketan / Central university
visvabharati.ac.in

STUDY IN THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

United Arab Emirates

Local universities and international branch-campus education.



American University of Sharjah - Main building, Sharjah campus / Mehmet Emre Yavuz / CC BY 3.0 / cropped

The UAE combines federal institutions, local private universities and international branch campuses. Degree-awarding arrangements and accreditation attach to the particular provider and programme. Dubai and the other emirates also have different campus and housing markets; branch-campus tuition is set locally.

ANNUAL FEES / ROUTE COMPARISON

Public UAEU model: AED 79,830

Private UG sample: AED 60,703-110,876

International nonclinical benchmarks. Public model uses UAEU's new 2026/27 rate at 30 credits; private sample spans Sharjah, Middlesex Dubai and AUS. Scholarships reduce confirmed fees.

LIVING / MONTH

AED 3,500-6,000

Approx. US$ 950-1,630

Shared-housing band across Dubai student budgets and Abu Dhabi residence tariffs. Allow for food, transport and personal spending. Visa, insurance, deposits and private studios need additional funding.

Typical degree length

Bachelor's: 3-4 years
Master's: 1-2 years
Medicine: typically 6 years

Fields of study

Business; engineering; computing; design; health-related fields.

Academic entry

Admission commonly requires a recognised school-leaving qualification, specified subjects and language evidence. Certificate attestation or equivalency can form part of the file. For a branch campus, verify the exact award and campus in the applicable recognition records before paying a deposit.

Two fee examples

The bachelor's figures shown represent Middlesex University Dubai and American University of Sharjah for 2026/27. Middlesex's published amount includes VAT. Housing, insurance, residence formalities and any programme-specific charges are additional to the stated tuition examples.

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES / EDUCATION AND ENTRY

Institutions, awards and entry

Federal accreditation, international campuses and qualification-specific admission.

Institutional and programme status

The Commission for Academic Accreditation records licensed institutions and accredited programmes in separate registers. Providers include public and private universities, specialist colleges and overseas campuses. A current institutional licence establishes the provider's status; the programme register identifies accredited awards. Overseas branding alone does not establish federal programme accreditation. Because the registers retain historical and inactive entries, the relevant record is the active institution and programme at the intended campus.

Dubai branch-campus regulation

Dubai's Knowledge and Human Development Authority regulates higher education provision in its free zones. Its framework includes the University Quality Assurance International Board, which assesses international branch provision against the home institution, and a route based on Commission for Academic Accreditation licensing and accreditation. When comparing branch campuses, identify the awarding university and UAE teaching location, then check the applicable KHDA and CAA records for the exact programme. Keep those details with the offer, particularly if the student intends to seek professional recognition or further study outside the UAE.

School qualifications and selection

Universities publish entry requirements for different school systems, including UAE secondary certificates, British qualifications, American diplomas and the International Baccalaureate. Khalifa University identifies mathematics and programme-specific science requirements and requires equivalency documentation for private UAE schools and international schooling systems. Its shortlisted applicants take internal admission tests unless an academic exemption applies. The national higher-education registration service has a defined citizen and Emirati-mother eligibility category. International applicants outside that category use the institution's applicable admissions route; expatriate residence does not convert an application into the national category.

Professional and specialist degrees

Specialist degrees have distinct academic structures and selection procedures. Mohammed Bin Rashid University of Medicine and Health Sciences offers a six-year undergraduate Doctor of Medicine with basic-science and clinical phases. Its admission process includes a science-based entrance examination followed by multiple mini interviews for selected candidates. It also publishes a separate graduate-entry medical programme. At the postgraduate level, Mohamed bin Zayed University of Artificial Intelligence requires a relevant preceding degree and uses screening examinations and selected technical interviews. Use the selected university's course page to build a test and interview calendar for the relevant applicant category.

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES / STUDENT LIFE AND PLANNING

Funding and campus conditions

Tuition commitments, funding categories, residence sponsorship and campus geography.

Published charges and commitments

Tuition is published by the institution and programme. Mohammed Bin Rashid University's undergraduate Doctor of Medicine page lists annual tuition of AED160,000, a non-refundable application charge of AED1,000 plus VAT, and an AED10,000 seat-reservation payment credited against the first-semester instalment after enrolment. These are a medical-programme example, not a UAE fee scale. At Mohamed bin Zayed University of Artificial Intelligence, the Master in Applied Artificial Intelligence is a 34-credit, fee-based programme with published total tuition of AED170,000 and no university- or faculty-sponsored funding.

Scholarship applicant categories

Scholarship eligibility can depend on citizenship, degree level and the location of previous schooling. American University of Sharjah distinguishes the President's Scholarship for applicants schooled outside the UAE from its Chancellor's route for applicants schooled within the country. Khalifa University publishes several postgraduate funding categories with different benefits, including a combined master's-doctoral scheme restricted to UAE nationals. Check the applicant's citizenship and place of schooling against each award. A family living in Oman should also distinguish a scheme for overseas-school graduates from one for applicants already educated in the UAE.

Graduate research funding

Mohamed bin Zayed University of Artificial Intelligence's published Fall 2027 model treats MSc students as fee-paying unless they secure qualifying funding. Merit-based funding may be considered during admission. Faculty-sponsored research or teaching assistantships can provide support; the approved government-scholarship route is for UAE nationals. Doctoral students receive central support in year one while matching with an adviser, with later funding dependent on an adviser match and satisfactory progress. Funded benefits include tuition, stipend, health insurance and specified travel and residence support. Budget MSc tuition unless the written award confirms funding; doctoral applicants should check the timetable and conditions for adviser matching.

Residence and campus geography

The UAE government describes student residence under the sponsorship of a resident parent or an accredited university or college. Immigration sponsorship is distinct from an academic place and from a scholarship. Teaching locations are also geographically distinct: Birmingham's Dubai campus is in International Academic City, Heriot-Watt's is in Knowledge Park and Rochester Institute of Technology's is in Dubai Silicon Oasis. American University of Sharjah separately provides residential halls and campus services in Sharjah. Price accommodation near the actual teaching campus and test the daily commute. Include transport, parking and any travel between teaching sites when comparing a Dubai or Sharjah option.

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES / ADMISSION

Entry tests and application notes

Programme-specific assessments, with official websites for further reading.

Emirates Standardized Test (EmSAT)

Former national Grade 12 testing requirement

The federal authorities cancelled the mandatory Grade 12 EmSAT requirement. Universities set their own admission criteria; some published institutional policies still accept existing EmSAT scores. It is not a universal current entrance requirement for UAE higher education.

www.wam.ae/en/article/b60yota-moe-mohesr-cancel-emsat-exam-for-grade-students

International English Language Testing System Academic / Test of English as a Foreign Language (IELTS / TOEFL)

Institution-specific English evidence

American University of Sharjah lists IELTS Academic 6.5 or TOEFL iBT 4.5 on the new scale, previously 80, for booking English placement. Its language evidence does not automatically exempt the separate mathematics or physics placement requirements.

ielts.org/
www.ets.org/toefl.html

SAT Mathematics (College Board)

Supplementary evidence at Khalifa University

The current undergraduate page identifies a mathematics score of 700 as a preferable result that strengthens an application. It is not presented as a universal UAE requirement or an automatic offer.

satsuite.collegeboard.org/sat

Khalifa University Admission Test (KUAT)

Shortlisted Khalifa University undergraduate applicants

Internal tests assess mathematics and relevant science readiness. Outstanding academic performance can qualify for an exemption. The mathematics test informs admission and does not itself exempt degree-level mathematics courses.

www.ku.ac.ae/undergraduate-admissions

American University of Sharjah placement tests

Admitted undergraduates, according to intended major

English, mathematics and physics placement determine initial course levels. Mathematics and physics requirements depend on the major. These tests take place after an admission offer and are separate from the school qualification.

www.aus.edu/node/72176

MBRU Admissions Test and Multiple Mini Interviews (MMI)

Mohammed Bin Rashid University undergraduate Doctor of Medicine

The entrance test assesses secondary-school biology, chemistry, physics and mathematics. Selected candidates progress to timed interview stations assessing non-academic competencies. The published medical route requires English-test evidence irrespective of native language or previous teaching medium.

www.mbru.ac.ae/programs/doctor-of-medicine-md/

MBZUAI graduate screening examination

Mohamed bin Zayed University of Artificial Intelligence graduate applicants

The examination assesses relevant foundational mathematics and programming; doctoral screening also includes machine learning and core computer science. A subset of candidates receives a technical interview. This is a university-specific selection procedure.

mbzuai.ac.ae/admissions/graduate-masters-admissions

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES / SCHOLARSHIPS

Funding routes

Published award terms retain their stated intake or reference period.

American University of Sharjah President's Scholarship

Undergraduate

Support. Full tuition and laboratory fees, an application-fee waiver, campus housing, medical insurance, a monthly stipend and three return air tickets during the degree.

Eligibility. First-time fall entrants who completed secondary school outside the UAE, with exceptional school results and IELTS 7.0 or TOEFL iBT 94. Selection also assesses documented achievements.

Application. An AUS admission offer precedes the separate scholarship application.

Conditions. The award is competitive and renewable only while scholarship conditions are met. AUS uses a separate Chancellor's Scholarship route for applicants who completed secondary school inside the UAE.

UAEU Chancellor's Scholarship for Elite Students - 100% tuition

Undergraduate

Support. 100% tuition waiver only; housing and admission-application fees are excluded.

Eligibility. New international applicants with at least 98% school results and IELTS 7.5 or TOEFL iBT 105/equivalent. Specified colleges require SAT Math 730 or ACT Math 32; Law requires Al Ain Arabic 6.5.

Application. New applicants use UAEU's electronic admissions system; enrolled students have a separate scholarship appeal or upgrade process.

Conditions. Continuation requires CGPA 3.8, at least 15 credits per regular semester and no concurrent scholarship. Funding normally ends after the programme's standard number of semesters; available scholarship seats limit awards.

Khalifa University postgraduate scholarships

Master's and PhD

Support. Full or partial tuition support. Award categories can also include textbooks, housing, medical insurance and visa or travel support; PhD packages can add a monthly stipend and research-related support.

Eligibility. Qualified UAE nationals and international applicants; academic merit, research potential, field and university priorities determine selection.

Application. Scholarship interest is recorded within the postgraduate admission application.

Conditions. Awards depend on selection and are not automatic with admission. The combined master's-PhD scheme is restricted to UAE nationals and provides no stipend during its master's stage.

MBZUAI graduate research and teaching funding

MSc and PhD; excludes MAAI

Support. Funded students receive tuition, stipend, annual home-country return airfare, health insurance and eligible residence support.

Eligibility. Qualified graduate applicants, including international students. MSc study is fee-paying by default; merit-based funding may be considered during admission, alongside faculty-sponsored assistantships and the eligible government-scholarship route. PhD continuation requires adviser matching and satisfactory progress.

Application. Graduate admissions and faculty matching determine eligibility for the relevant research or teaching funding.

Conditions. The published Fall 2027 model makes MSc study fee-paying by default. PhD support transfers from the university to the matched advisor; continuation requires satisfactory progress. MAAI is fee-based and excluded.

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

Universities and institutions

Location • fields • profile • official website • selected QS 2027 overall ranks

United Arab Emirates University

Al Ain / Federal public university

Engineering; Medicine; Science; Business

International undergraduate admission and tuition-scholarship categories have separate requirements, giving applicants two distinct application considerations alongside their chosen degree.

P.O. Box 15551, Al Ain, United Arab Emirates

www.uaeu.ac.ae

Khalifa University

Abu Dhabi / Public research university / QS 2027: 147

Engineering; Computing; Science; Medicine

Computing and Mathematical Sciences has its own college, connecting technical study with engineering, physical sciences and medical research across separate degree routes.

Main Campus, Al Saada Street / Old Airport Road; P.O. Box 127788, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates

www.ku.ac.ae

Zayed University

Abu Dhabi and Dubai / Federal public university

Business; Computing; Communication; Arts

Final-year BA students can gain relevant workplace experience through the internship programme, which connects university study with participating employers.

Abu Dhabi campus: P.O. Box 144534, Abu Dhabi; Dubai campus: P.O. Box 19282, Dubai, United Arab Emirates

www.zu.ac.ae

Higher Colleges of Technology

Multiple emirates / Federal applied higher education institution

Engineering technology; Business; Computing; Health sciences

Practical learning is built into applied programmes, connecting classroom study with technical and professional tasks across engineering technology, health and media.

Central services: P.O. Box 25026, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates

hct.ac.ae

Mohamed bin Zayed University of Artificial Intelligence

Abu Dhabi / Public specialist university

Artificial intelligence; Machine learning; Computer vision; Natural language processing

A specialist AI curriculum spans machine learning, computer vision, language processing and robotics, with taught degrees alongside research and doctoral training.

Building 1B, Masdar City, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates

mbzuai.ac.ae

American University of Sharjah

Sharjah / Independent nonprofit university

Engineering; Business; Architecture; Design

An American-style curriculum combines arts and sciences with professional schools on one residential campus, including architecture, art and design.

P.O. Box 26666, Sharjah, United Arab Emirates

www.aus.edu

University of Sharjah

Sharjah / Nonprofit university

Medicine; Engineering; Business; Law

Dental training combines simulation and laboratory work with supervised patient care at University Dental Hospital Sharjah, including digital-dentistry techniques.

P.O. Box 27272, Sharjah, United Arab Emirates

www.sharjah.ac.ae

Ajman University

Ajman / Private nonprofit university

Dentistry; Pharmacy; Engineering; Business

University dental clinics provide patient care as a setting for supervised clinical training, supported by specialist laboratories and dental teaching facilities.

P.O. Box 346, Ajman, United Arab Emirates

www.ajman.ac.ae

Abu Dhabi University

Abu Dhabi / Private university

Engineering; Business; Health sciences; Law

Credit-bearing internships combine supervised workplace training with assessment by academic and company mentors, subject to programme and progression requirements.

P.O. Box 59911, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates

www.adu.ac.ae

Al Ain University

Al Ain / Private university

Engineering; Pharmacy; Law; Business

Professional programmes span pharmacy, law and engineering; the chosen degree and campus determine the curriculum and practical training arrangements.

Al Ain campus: P.O. Box 64141, Al Ain, United Arab Emirates

aau.ac.ae

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

Universities and institutions

Location • fields • profile • official website • selected QS 2027 overall ranks

American University in Dubai

Dubai / Private university

Business; Engineering; Architecture; Communication

An American-style curriculum combines professional schools with arts and sciences, providing undergraduate and graduate routes in an urban campus setting.

Sheikh Zayed Road, P.O. Box 28282, Dubai, United Arab Emirates

www.aud.edu

New York University Abu Dhabi

Abu Dhabi / US university global campus

Humanities; Social sciences; Science; Engineering

A residential liberal arts and sciences curriculum combines humanities and social sciences with engineering, scientific study and the arts.

Saadiyat Island, P.O. Box 129188, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates

nyuad.nyu.edu

University of Wollongong in Dubai

Dubai / Australian university branch

Business; Engineering; Computing; Media

Australian-linked programmes are taught locally through a dedicated Dubai catalogue; applicants should compare degree options and entry requirements for this campus.

UOWD Building, Dubai Knowledge Park, P.O. Box 20183, Dubai, United Arab Emirates

www.uowdubai.ac.ae

Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi

Abu Dhabi / Public university with French academic partnerships

Humanities; Languages; Law; Economics

Programme choice determines French or English instruction and the relevant French awarding partner, giving applicants distinct linguistic and qualification pathways.

Al Reem Island, P.O. Box 38044, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates

www.sorbonne.ae

University of Birmingham Dubai

Dubai / UK university branch

Business; Computing; Engineering; Psychology

Selected Birmingham degrees are delivered through a dedicated Dubai course catalogue, allowing local study within the university's international academic structure.

Dubai International Academic City, P.O. Box 341799, Dubai, United Arab Emirates

www.birmingham.ac.uk/dubai

Rochester Institute of Technology Dubai

Dubai / US university branch

Engineering; Computing; Business; Design

Co-op combines full-time, subject-related work with formal performance evaluation; a compulsory preparation course helps undergraduates prepare for the placement search.

Dubai Silicon Oasis, P.O. Box 341055, Dubai, United Arab Emirates

www.rit.edu/dubai

Heriot-Watt University Dubai

Dubai / UK university branch

Engineering; Business; Computing; Design

Go Global provides eligible students with a route to study at UK or Malaysia campuses, subject to programme availability and transfer conditions.

Dubai Knowledge Park, P.O. Box 501745, Dubai, United Arab Emirates

www.hw.ac.uk/dubai

Gulf Medical University

Ajman / Private specialist university

Medicine; Dentistry; Pharmacy; Nursing

Health-science teaching combines with clinical preparation across dedicated professional colleges, offering separate routes into medicine, dentistry, pharmacy and allied health.

P.O. Box 4184, Ajman, United Arab Emirates

gmu.ac.ae

Middlesex University Dubai

Dubai / UK university branch

Business; Computing; Law; Psychology

Foundation, undergraduate and postgraduate routes lead to Middlesex qualifications, allowing different entry stages within the same local teaching institution.

Dubai Knowledge Park, Blocks 15, 16, 17 and 19, P.O. Box 500697, Dubai, United Arab Emirates

www.mdx.ac.ae

Mohammed Bin Rashid University of Medicine and Health Sciences

Dubai / Specialist health sciences university

Medicine; Dentistry; Nursing; Biomedical sciences

Membership of Dubai Health connects professional education and research with an integrated academic health system, supporting the clinical learning environment.

Building 14, Dubai Healthcare City, P.O. Box 505055, Dubai, United Arab Emirates

www.mbru.ac.ae

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES / ADDITIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Further study options

Additional institutions / location, institution type and official website

Abu Dhabi Polytechnic
Abu Dhabi / Public polytechnic
adpoly.ac.ae

Abu Dhabi School of Management
Abu Dhabi / Private business school
adsm.ac.ae

Al Qasimia University
Sharjah / Public university
www.alqasimia.ac.ae

Al Wasl University
Dubai / Nonprofit university
www.alwasl.ac.ae

American University in the Emirates
Dubai / Private university
aue.ae

American University of Ras Al Khaimah
Ras Al Khaimah / Independent nonprofit university
aurak.ac.ae

Amity University Dubai
Dubai / Indian university branch
amityuniversity.ae

The British University in Dubai
Dubai / Nonprofit university
www.buid.ac.ae

Canadian University Dubai
Dubai / Private university
www.cud.ac.ae

City University Ajman
Ajman / Private university
cu.ac.ae

Curtin University Dubai
Dubai / Australian university branch
curtindubai.ac.ae

De Montfort University Dubai
Dubai / UK university branch
www.dmu.ac.ae

Dubai Institute of Design and Innovation
Dubai / Private specialist higher education institution
didi.ac.ae

Dubai Medical University
Dubai / Private health sciences university
www.dmu.ae

EM Normandie Business School, Dubai
Dubai / French business school branch
www.em-normandie.ae

Emirates Aviation University
Dubai / Specialist aviation university
www.eau.ac.ae

Emirates College for Advanced Education
Abu Dhabi / Public specialist college
www.ecae.ac.ae

Fatima College of Health Sciences
Abu Dhabi / Al Ain / Ajman / Al Dhafra / Public specialist college
www.fchs.ac.ae

Fujairah University
Fujairah / Local university
www.fu.ac.ae

Global Studies University
Sharjah / Specialist postgraduate university
gsu.ac.ae

Hamdan Bin Mohammed Smart University
Dubai / Public university with smart-learning provision
www.hbmsu.ac.ae

Jumeira University
Dubai / Private university
www.ju.ac.ae

Liwa University
Abu Dhabi / Al Ain / Private university
lu.ac.ae

Mohamed bin Zayed University for Humanities
Abu Dhabi / Public specialist university
www.mbzuh.ac.ae

Mohammed Bin Rashid School of Government
Dubai / Public postgraduate school
www.mbrsg.ae

RAK Medical and Health Sciences University
Ras Al Khaimah / Specialist health sciences university
www.rakmhsu.ac.ae

Sharjah Education Academy
Sharjah / Public specialist academy
sea.ac.ae

Sharjah Maritime Academy
Khorfakkan / Public specialist academy
www.sma.ac.ae

Umm Al Quwain University
Umm Al Quwain / Local university
uaqu.ac.ae

University of Al Dhaid
Al Dhaid / Public university
www.uodh.ac.ae

University of Kalba
Kalba / Public university
www.ukb.ac.ae

University of Khorfakkan
Khorfakkan / Public university
ukf.ac.ae

University of Dubai
Dubai / Private university
ud.ac.ae

Manipal Academy of Higher Education, Dubai
Dubai / Indian university branch
www.manipaldubai.com

Birla Institute of Technology and Science Pilani, Dubai Campus
Dubai / Indian university branch
www.bits-pilani.ac.in/dubai

INSEAD, Abu Dhabi Campus
Abu Dhabi / International graduate business school campus
www.insead.edu/locations/abu-dhabi-campus

London Business School, Dubai
Dubai / UK graduate business school campus
www.london.edu/about/our-campuses/dubai

Murdoch University Dubai
Dubai / Australian university branch
www.murdochuniversitydubai.com

S P Jain School of Global Management, Dubai
Dubai / Australian-registered private higher education provider
www.spjain.ae

SAE University College, Dubai
Dubai / Australian university college branch
dubai.sae.edu

Saint Joseph University Dubai
Dubai / Lebanese university branch
www.usj.edu.lb/dubai

Symbiosis International University, Dubai
Dubai / Indian university branch
siudubai.ac.ae

The University of Manchester, Dubai
Dubai / UK university regional centre
www.manchester.ac.ae

University of Strathclyde Business School, UAE
Dubai / UK business school delivery centre
www.strath.ac.uk/business/international/uae

Hult International Business School, Dubai
Dubai / International private business school campus
www.hult.edu/campuses/dubai

STUDY IN OMAN

Oman

Public and private higher education, including international awards.



Sultan Qaboos University - Omani Studies Center / Abdullah Al Maani / CC BY-SA 4.0 / cropped

Oman's system includes public universities, private universities and colleges, with both locally awarded and internationally affiliated qualifications. Direct degree entry and foundation study are distinct routes. For resident families, commuting or living at home creates a different budget from a residential overseas course.

ANNUAL FEES / ROUTE COMPARISON

Public SQU Afaaq model: OMR 5,400-6,900

Private UG sample: OMR 4,100-7,800

International benchmarks. SQU Afaaq model assumes 30 nonclinical credits; actual loads differ. Private sample spans ICEM, Muscat University and GUtech. Foundation fees are additional.

LIVING / MONTH

OMR 350-500

Approx. US$ 910-1,300

Shared-living planning model: rent OMR 150-250, food OMR 80-100, utilities/communications OMR 30-50 and transport/personal costs OMR 90-100. Living with family creates a different budget.

Typical degree length

Bachelor's: usually 4 years
Master's: usually 1-2 years
Foundation: additional, if required

Fields of study

Engineering; business; computing; logistics; health sciences.

Academic entry

Institutions determine direct-entry or foundation placement through academic and language criteria. Tuition schedules may distinguish Omani and international students; holding Oman residence does not itself confer Omani-national fees. Confirm the student's fee category and residence arrangement with the institution before calculating the final cost.

Foundation and degree fees

The International College of Engineering and Management (ICEM) examples represent international bachelor's charges across programmes or years. Its listed foundation programme adds OMR 3,500 where required. A foundation is preparatory study and is additional to the degree period shown.

OMAN / EDUCATION AND ENTRY

Institutions and qualifications

Public universities, specialist colleges, partner awards and preparatory study.

Institutional structure

Oman's provision includes public universities, private universities, university colleges and specialist colleges. Sultan Qaboos University combines undergraduate and postgraduate teaching across disciplines. The University of Technology and Applied Sciences operates through branches in several governorates. Specialist provision includes dentistry, tourism, design, banking and military technology. Oman College of Health Sciences offers nursing, pharmacy, medical imaging, medical laboratory sciences, physiotherapy and health information management. Use each institution's current international-admissions page to check which programmes accept the applicant's citizenship and school qualification.

Qualifications and partner degrees

The Oman Qualifications Framework describes qualifications through levels and learning outcomes, with arrangements for listing Omani qualifications and aligning foreign qualifications. Partner awards are a significant feature of college provision. Muscat College offers Scottish Qualifications Authority diplomas and degrees linked to the University of Westminster and Universiti Malaysia Pahang Al-Sultan Abdullah. Majan University College offers University of Bedfordshire master's programmes alongside its own Arabic-taught MBA. For a partner programme, confirm the institution that awards the final qualification, its recognition and the campus where teaching takes place.

General foundation programmes

Foundation study develops competencies required before degree entry. Muscat College's programme includes English, mathematics and information technology, with separate exemption requirements for each component. At Modern College of Business and Science, placement results determine English levels and mathematics or computing classes; strong performance can exempt a student from foundation study. Ask for a written placement outcome showing which components remain, together with their fees and expected duration.

School-leaver admission

The Higher Education Admission Center coordinates routes for eligible Omani school-leavers and designated cooperation schemes. International applicants should also check direct institutional routes. Sultan Qaboos University's Afaaq scheme offers a fee-paying undergraduate route for eligible international applicants; the current call specifies available programmes and conditions. Check academic equivalency, school subjects, language and foundation requirements for the intended programme. Expatriate residents should obtain the eligibility and fee terms for their own applicant category.

squ.edu.om / Afaaq admissions

OMAN / STUDENT LIFE AND PLANNING

Entry, finance and student life

International documents, postgraduate requirements and institution-specific living arrangements.

International academic entry

International applicants enter through institution-specific admission routes as well as designated scholarship arrangements. Modern College of Business and Science publishes a separate international admissions service covering academic documentation, English evidence and visa arrangements. Mazoon College's application form requires international students to obtain a Ministry of Education equalisation letter for their higher-secondary certificate. It records school results, identity documents and available English or computing certificates separately. Obtain equivalency evidence early, then confirm subjects and foundation placement. Allow time for any required translation, attestation and preparation.

Postgraduate language requirements

Sultan Qaboos University requires valid academic English-test evidence for postgraduate admission at the score specified by the programme. Its published policy recognises the International English Language Testing System Academic examination and the internet-based Test of English as a Foreign Language. Candidates whose mother language is English are exempt. A further doctoral exemption can apply when a master's degree satisfying the relevant language requirements was completed within two years of application. The university also describes conditional English-course arrangements for certain admitted candidates, with successful course completion required before programme registration.

Tuition and scholarship components

Funding benefits differ between Omani domestic allocations and institutional international awards. Sultan Qaboos University publishes full postgraduate scholarships and tuition-only scholarships; full awards include monthly allowances of OMR250 for master's students and OMR350 for doctoral students. Recipients undertake specified academic or administrative duties. A'Sharqiyah University's published 2026-27 international undergraduate package covers tuition and OMR80 monthly, but excludes accommodation, meals, travel, visas, books and registration. Oman Dental College states that its tuition fee is the same for domestic and international students. These are institution-specific financial arrangements.

Accommodation and student services

Oman Dental College is a non-residential institution at Al Wattayah in Muscat. Its Student Affairs Registry assists with nearby private hostels and shared apartments, transport information, counselling and settlement administration. The college's public-relations officer assists with student-visa and resident-card formalities. Its international guide identifies Mwasalat buses and taxis as commuting options and describes a Student Advisory Council with annually elected class representatives. Ask the college for current accommodation contacts and compare the full monthly cost, including transport to Al Wattayah. Confirm the room, landlord and contract directly before paying a deposit.

OMAN / ADMISSION

Entry tests and application notes

Programme-specific assessments, with official websites for further reading.

International English Language Testing System Academic (IELTS Academic)

Institution-specific English admission or foundation exemption

Muscat College publishes IELTS 5.5 for exemption from its foundation English component. This is a college rule; it does not establish a national threshold or exemption from mathematics and computing.

ielts.org/

Test of English as a Foreign Language, internet-based (TOEFL iBT)

Accepted English evidence at specified institutions

Muscat College's foundation page publishes 46 on the 0-120 scale for English-component exemption. This published score is not a threshold for every Omani degree, and separate foundation components remain subject to their own rules.

www.ets.org/toefl.html

College English placement examination

Modern College of Business and Science foundation placement

The college's examination assigns students to English levels 1-3; sufficient performance can support exemption from foundation classes. This is an institutional placement process, not an Oman-wide entrance examination.

www.mcbs.edu.om/placement-tests/

Mathematics placement examination

Modern College of Business and Science foundation mathematics

Published passing marks are 24/40 for MATH 10 and MATH 20/21. The Arabic-programme MATH 12 threshold is 20/40. These scores determine college course placement or exemption.

www.mcbs.edu.om/placement-tests/

Information technology placement examination

Modern College of Business and Science foundation computing

The college publishes 24/40 for COSC10 and 12/20 for Arabic-programme COSC12. Mathematics and computing placement tests permit at most three attempts per course; later attempts have a published OMR 20 fee.

www.mcbs.edu.om/placement-tests/

IELTS Academic / TOEFL iBT for postgraduate study

Sultan Qaboos University postgraduate programmes

The required score is programme-specific. Native English speakers are exempt; a qualifying recent master's degree can support a doctoral exemption. Published conditional language-course provisions apply to specified admitted candidates, not every international applicant.

ielts.org/
www.ets.org/toefl.html

Counsellor's student-status brief

Route and timing. Confirm the institution's international route, start date and student-visa sponsorship before booking travel.

Student work. A study visa is not a general employment permit. Obtain the required approval for work or placements.

After graduation. Employment and residence require the applicable permission; do not assume an automatic graduate work period.

Funding. Request a programme-specific tuition, foundation and living-cost plan for your applicant category.

rop.gov.om / Student visa · checked 17 October 2026

OMAN / SCHOLARSHIPS

Funding routes

Published award terms retain their stated intake or reference period.

Sultan Qaboos University postgraduate scholarships

Master's and PhD

Support. Full awards combine tuition exemption and a monthly allowance; tuition-only awards also exist. Published full-award allowances are OMR250 for master's and OMR350 for PhD.

Eligibility. Omani and non-Omani applicants with unconditional admission, full-time study and required academic standing; master's applicants normally need at least 3.0/4.0.

Application. Eligible students with unconditional admission enter automatic college nomination; a separate scholarship application is not required.

Conditions. Recipients undertake up to ten hours of academic or administrative work weekly on full awards, or five hours on tuition-only awards. The separate international master's allocation excludes Oman residents, application fees and bridging courses.

Private-university scholarships and fee reductions

Undergraduate: routes for residents and international applicants

Support. GUtech offers eligible non-Omani bachelor's students up to 20% tuition support, including Oman residents. MCBS, Muscat University and Sohar University publish separate scholarship or discount schemes.

Eligibility. GUtech requires unconditional admission, full-time study and good standing; renewal requires at least 2.5 cGPA. Foundation study is excluded from this international award.

Application. Apply through each institution and confirm the scheme for your nationality, residency category and intake.

Conditions. Compare the written award's covered fees, duration and renewal grades. A tuition reduction leaves accommodation, transport and other study costs to budget separately.

GUtech / International Student Scholarship

A'Sharqiyah University International Undergraduate Scholarships

Bachelor's

Support. Published 2026-27 offer: full tuition for the programme duration and OMR80 monthly; the OMR210 registration fee is payable by the student.

Eligibility. International applicants with an eligible school qualification, at least 70% and medical fitness. Priority goes to higher grades and certificates obtained abroad; continuation requires CGPA 2.7. IELTS above 5 permits foundation-year exemption for non-native English speakers.

Application. The university receives scholarship applications directly from candidates.

Conditions. Agency and third-party applications are excluded. Flights, visa costs, books, housing, meals and the registration fee remain outside the published 2026-27 package.

HEAC internal scholarship routes for Omani school-leavers

Undergraduate

Support. Government-funded study places in eligible domestic institutions; tuition and any allowances follow the specific programme code and award terms.

Eligibility. Eligible Omani applicants meeting the current General Education Diploma or equivalent, subject, age and programme conditions.

Application. HEAC allocates places through its coordinated undergraduate admission system and ranked programme preferences.

Conditions. Restricted to eligible Omani applicants. Expatriate residence in Oman does not confer entitlement to these domestic scholarship places.

OMAN / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

Universities and institutions

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Sultan Qaboos University

Muscat / Public university / QS 2027: 306
Engineering; Medicine; Science; Agriculture
Credit-based degree plans combine university, college and departmental requirements; science students progress into majors under published criteria and available-place rules.
P.O. Box 50, P.C. 123, Al Khoud, Muscat, Sultanate of Oman
www.squ.edu.om

University of Technology and Applied Sciences

Muscat / Public university with multiple branches
Engineering; Computing; Business; Applied sciences
A branch-based system provides diploma and degree routes, with the chosen branch determining which applied programmes and progression opportunities are available.
P.O. Box 74, Al Khuwair, Muscat 133, Sultanate of Oman
www.utas.edu.om

National University of Science and Technology

Muscat / Private university with multiple campuses
QS 2027: 1201–1400
Medicine; Engineering; Pharmacy; Maritime studies
Medical, pharmacy, engineering and maritime colleges provide distinct professional-training settings; applicants choose a constituent college as well as a degree.
P.O. Box 620, P.C. 130, Azaiba, Bousher, Muscat, Sultanate of Oman
nu.edu.om

Sohar University

Sohar / Private university
Business; Computing; Engineering; Education
Its engineering faculty reports Engineers Australia accreditation for four undergraduate programmes, adding a professional-accreditation dimension to programme comparison.
P.O. Box 44, P.C. 311, Sohar, Sultanate of Oman
www.su.edu.om

University of Nizwa

Nizwa / Private university / QS 2027: 901–950
Arts and sciences; Engineering; Business; Pharmacy
Pharmacy training includes hospital, community and industrial placements, while nursing combines classroom learning with supervised clinical experience and internship provision.
Nizwa Campus, P.O. Box 33, P.C. 616, Nizwa, Sultanate of Oman
www.unizwa.edu.om

Dhofar University

Salalah / Private university / QS 2027: 901–950
Arts; Applied sciences; Business; Engineering
Uses a credit-hour model for two-year diplomas and four-year bachelor's degrees, with a separate foundation stage where additional preparation is required.
P.O. Box 2509, Postal Code 211, Salalah, Sultanate of Oman
www.du.edu.om

A'Sharqiyah University

Ibra / Private university
Business; Engineering; Applied sciences; Humanities
Its international undergraduate scholarship scheme includes tuition support and a monthly allowance, with selection and eligible programmes governed by the scholarship call.
P.O. Box 42, Postal Code 400, Ibra, Sultanate of Oman
www.asu.edu.om

University of Buraimi

Al Buraimi / Private university
Engineering; Business; Nursing; Law
Nursing study combines academic preparation with clinical training for hospital and community roles, alongside separate programmes in business, engineering and law.
University of Buraimi, Al Buraimi, Sultanate of Oman
www.uob.edu.om

German University of Technology in Oman

Halban / Private university / QS 2027: 1201–1400
Engineering; Geosciences; Computing; Architecture
Programmes were developed with RWTH Aachen University, whose academic partnership contributes to curriculum design and quality assurance within the Omani institution.
Halban, near Southern Expressway; postal: P.O. Box 1816, Athaibah P.C. 130, Muscat, Sultanate of Oman
www.gutech.edu.om

Muscat University

Muscat / Private university
Engineering; Business; Logistics; Finance
Undergraduate programmes include a compulsory third-year industry placement, allowing students to apply their first two years of academic study before returning.
Building 2089, Al Ghubra North, P.O. Box 550, P.C. 130, Muscat, Sultanate of Oman
muscatuniversity.edu.om

Middle East College

Muscat / Private college
Engineering; Computing; Business; Logistics
Its catalogue includes Coventry University programmes and locally awarded qualifications, making the awarding institution a concrete distinction between available study routes.
Knowledge Oasis Muscat, Al Rusayl, P.O. Box 79, Postal Code 124, Sultanate of Oman
mec.edu.om

Majan University College

Muscat / Private university college
Business; Computing; English language; Accounting
Master's options include University of Bedfordshire programmes and Majan's own Arabic-taught MBA, providing different award and teaching-language routes within one college.
Way 2621, Building 1986, Muscat–Mutrah; P.O. Box 710, P.C. 112, Ruwi, Sultanate of Oman
majancollege.edu.om

OMAN / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

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Modern College of Business and Science
Muscat / Private college
Business; Computing; Economics; Aviation management
University partnerships include Missouri–St. Louis and Franklin, with transfer or dual-degree opportunities governed by the relevant agreement and programme requirements.
Bawshar Street, Way 273, Building 259, Muscat, Sultanate of Oman
www.mcbs.edu.om

Gulf College
Muscat / Private college
Business; Computing; Cybersecurity; Management
Cardiff Metropolitan University affiliations sit alongside a locally awarded cybersecurity degree with cyber-forensics and network-security pathways, giving applicants different qualification routes.
Mabela, Muscat; postal: P.O. Box 885, Postal Code 133, Al Khuwair, Sultanate of Oman
gulfcollege.edu.om

Muscat College
Muscat / Private college
Business; Computing; Accounting; Management
Foundation study builds English, mathematics and information-technology preparation before degree progression, while academic partnerships determine the awarding arrangements for particular programmes.
P.O. Box 2910, Ruwi, Postal Code 112, Sultanate of Oman
muscatcollege.edu.om

College of Banking and Financial Studies
Muscat / Specialist higher education college
Banking; Finance; Accounting; Business
Academic degrees and diplomas sit alongside professional financial-sector qualifications, allowing students to compare university-style study with credential-specific training routes.
Bushar, Muscat; P.O. Box 3122, Postal Code 112, Ruwi, Sultanate of Oman
cbfs.edu.om

Scientific College of Design
Muscat / Private specialist college
Graphic design; Interior design; Fashion design; Animation
Studio-based programmes emphasise developing design work, giving applicants a practical learning environment across animation, fashion, graphics and interior design.
Airport Heights, Matar Street, P.O. Box 1656, P.C. 114, Matrah, Sultanate of Oman
scd.edu.om

Oman Tourism College
Muscat / Specialist higher education college
Tourism; Hospitality; Events; Culinary arts
Training kitchens and hospitality spaces support practical instruction alongside academic study, with progression available through preparatory, diploma and bachelor's routes.
Airport Heights, Muscat; P.O. Box 2008, C.P.O., Postal Code 111, Seeb, Sultanate of Oman
www.otc.edu.om

International College of Engineering and Management
Muscat / Private specialist college
Fire safety; Mechanical engineering; Facilities management; Construction management
University of Lancashire affiliations support specialist programmes in fire safety and facilities management, alongside mechanical engineering and construction-related qualifications.
P.O. Box 2511, C.P.O. Seeb, Postal Code 111, Sultanate of Oman
www.icem.edu.om

Arab Open University, Oman
Muscat / Nonprofit university branch
Business; Computing; English language
An open-learning model combines independent study with scheduled teaching, participation requirements and examinations, offering a structured alternative to conventional daily attendance.
Building 994, Way 92, Al Maabilah, Seeb, Muscat; P.O. Box 1596, P.C. 130, Sultanate of Oman
www.aou.edu.om

Additional institutions

Al Buraimi University College
Al Buraimi / Private university college
buc.edu.om

Bayan College
Halban / Private college
bayancollege.edu.om

Al-Zahra College for Women
Muscat / Private women's college
www.zcw.edu.om

Global College of Engineering and Technology
Muscat / Private college
gcet.edu.om/en

Mazoon College
Muscat / Private college
mazcol.edu.om/OM

Oman College of Management and Technology
Halban / Private college
www.ocmt.edu.om

Oman Dental College
Muscat / Private specialist college
www.odc.edu.om

National College of Automotive Technology
Muscat / Private specialist college
ncat.edu.om

Oman College of Health Sciences
Muscat and regional branches / Public specialist university college
www.ochs.edu.om

College of Sharia Sciences
Muscat / Public specialist college
css.edu.om

Military Technological College
Muscat / Public military college
www.mtc.edu.om

STUDY IN GEORGIA

Georgia

University degrees and single-cycle medical education.



Tbilisi State University - Tbilisi State University building / Patrik Kunec / CC BY-SA 4.0 / cropped

Georgia offers business, technology, social-science and medical study through public and private institutions. Medicine is a six-year single-cycle qualification. The National Center for Educational Quality Enhancement records institutional authorisation and programme accreditation within Georgia's quality-assurance system.

ANNUAL FEES / ROUTE COMPARISON

Public computing sample: USD 4,500

Private computing sample: USD 4,000-5,500

English computing benchmarks: Ilia State public; University of Georgia and Caucasus private. Medicine and joint international degrees follow separate tariffs; these are not national averages.

LIVING / MONTH

GEL 1,600–2,500

Approx. US$ 610–960

Shared-housing planning model: rent GEL 900-1,400, food/daily spending GEL 600-900 and utilities/local travel GEL 100-200. Accommodation is the largest variable; initial deposits and insurance are separate.

Typical degree length

Bachelor's: 3-4 years
Master's: usually 2 years
Medicine: 6 years

Fields of study

Medicine; dentistry; business; computing; social sciences.

Other health routes and language

Tbilisi State Medical University lists English Dental Medicine at US$7,000/year, Pharmacy at US$3,500/year, and Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation at US$3,000/year. Its standard English MD is US$8,000/year. Residency programmes are currently taught in Georgian, a separate language requirement from English-medium initial study.

Indian medical-registration conditions

The relevant NEET result has a three-year validity for overseas admission. For students covered by India's Foreign Medical Graduate Licentiate Regulations, prescribed training, internship and host-country professional registration or licensing must satisfy the applicable conditions. University admission and later Indian registration are separate decisions.

GEORGIA / EDUCATION AND ENTRY

Qualifications and provision

Authorised institutions offer a wider subject range than medicine, including newer three-year English-language bachelor's programmes.

44,400

foreign students in Georgian higher education, 2025/26. Reporting period: as stated by the source.

Bachelor's, master's and integrated degrees

Georgia uses bachelor's, master's and doctoral levels, alongside integrated professional qualifications. Programme duration is not identical across the current bachelor's catalogue: three-year and four-year routes are both present. International Black Sea University, for example, publishes a three-year, 180-credit English-language Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence degree. Credits follow the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System. Medicine follows a separate integrated structure of six years and 360 credits; dentistry normally comprises five years and 300 credits. Check the exact course's credits and duration when budgeting or planning postgraduate study.

Authorisation and accreditation

The National Center for Educational Quality Enhancement is Georgia's higher-education quality authority. Institutional authorisation establishes whether a provider is entitled to operate as a higher-education institution and issue recognised qualifications within its authorised scope. Programme accreditation is a separate quality process applied to the educational programme. Check the institution's current authorisation and the exact programme's accreditation decision. Read the decision dates and any attached conditions, then keep a copy of the relevant records alongside the offer.

Computing, business and creative subjects

International provision extends beyond health sciences. Caucasus University's bachelor's catalogue includes computing and artificial intelligence, cybersecurity, business, diplomacy, architecture and graphic design, with the teaching language and duration identified for individual programmes. Its catalogue also contains international joint-degree routes. Kutaisi International University publishes English-language and bilingual bachelor's admission arrangements in areas including computing, management, mathematics and design. For each option, record the teaching language, credit total, fee currency and awarding institution. For a joint degree, confirm which parts are taught in Georgia and whether study at the partner institution adds costs or entry conditions.

The medical curriculum and its limits

Tbilisi State Medical University's English-medium Medical Doctor programme comprises six academic years, twelve semesters and 360 European credits. Its curriculum brings together biomedical foundations, clinical learning and professional competencies. A medical-school catalogue describes the academic qualification; it does not award a licence to practise abroad. The term 'MD' in this context denotes an integrated entry-to-medicine qualification, rather than necessarily a postgraduate research doctorate. Recognition for professional registration remains a separate process in the country where the graduate intends to practise.

GEORGIA / STUDENT LIFE AND PLANNING

Admission and student costs

Foreign-school applicants can use specified national-examination exemptions, followed by institutional assessment and qualification recognition.

The foreign-qualification pathway

Georgia provides statutory routes through which eligible foreign-educated applicants can enrol without the Unified National Examinations used in the standard domestic admission system. Eligibility depends on citizenship and educational history under the applicable category; it is not a blanket exemption for every applicant with a foreign passport. Tbilisi State University describes a sequence involving the faculty's assessment, institutional consent, recognition of foreign education and the relevant ministry decision. Admission to a particular programme therefore combines national administrative recognition with the university's academic requirements.

Documents and institutional assessment

Tbilisi State University's international application information distinguishes identity documents, the qualifying diploma and transcript, language evidence and programme-specific assessment. Foreign educational documents are submitted with the required Georgian translation and notarisation for the recognition procedure. A faculty may conduct an examination where its programme requires one. The university's consent precedes the national recognition and enrolment stages described in its procedure. Ask which approval remains outstanding and what evidence is needed next. Keep the faculty decision, recognition documents and final enrolment confirmation together, and follow the university's arrival instructions.

A named tuition and language example

For its published 2026-27 foreign-citizen bachelor's intake, Kutaisi International University lists annual tuition of EUR 5,500 for Computer Science and Management, EUR 1,000 for Mathematics and Applications, and EUR 4,000 for Design. Its published English evidence begins at B1 level and is accompanied by an online interview. These are programme-specific terms, not a national Georgian minimum or fee schedule. The university states that payment is made in Georgian lari using the National Bank exchange rate applicable at payment.

Tbilisi rent and everyday spending

The Georgian Institute of Public Affairs gives a June 2026 illustration of central Tbilisi apartment rent at approximately GEL 1,000-1,500 a month and food and daily expenditure at GEL 600-700. Taken together, those two components amount to GEL 1,600-2,200 before any additional charges not covered by the estimate. The institution states that it does not provide dormitory accommodation. This is a local rental example, not a guaranteed student-housing tariff. Sharing an apartment changes the per-person calculation, while deposits and initial household purchases affect arrival costs.

GEORGIA / ADMISSION

Entry tests and application notes

Programme-specific assessments, with official websites for further reading.

Unified National Examinations

Standard domestic bachelor's admission; specified foreign-route exemptions

Eligible foreign-educated applicants can use a statutory exemption route. Citizenship and schooling conditions determine eligibility; exemption does not remove institutional assessment.

mes.gov.ge/oldmes/content.php?id=1129&lang=eng

English certificate and interview

Kutaisi International University foreign bachelor's intake

The published route uses English evidence from B1 level plus an online interview. Other Georgian programmes can require a higher level or different accepted evidence.

ielts.org/
www.ets.org/toefl.html

Common Master's Examination

Standard master's route; specified exemptions

Georgia provides exemption categories for certain foreign-educated applicants. Universities can retain their own academic and language assessments for the chosen master's programme.

mes.gov.ge/oldmes/content.php?id=1129&lang=eng

Faculty assessment

Programme-specific international applicants

Tbilisi State University can require a faculty examination as part of its international admission assessment. This is separate from the national recognition of the school qualification.

www.tsu.ge/en/international-student/page/Study-at-TSU-1

Check the institution and exact course

Use Georgia's National Center for Educational Quality Enhancement register to confirm the institution's authorisation, then locate the accreditation record for the proposed programme. Match the course name, qualification and teaching language with the university's offer. Read the current decision and any conditions attached to it; an old prospectus may describe an earlier approval period. For a regulated profession, take those course details to the authority in the country where the student intends to work. Keep the findings with the shortlist so recognition is settled before a deposit is paid.

Build a programme-specific application file

Confirm whether the student applies through the national-examination or foreign-applicant route, then request that route's document list and fee schedule. IBSU's three-year English Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence degree, for example, lists different tuition categories for the two routes. TSU's international process includes faculty review and recognition of the foreign qualification, with the required Georgian translation and notarisation. Track each stage and retain the submitted versions. Before arranging travel, check the final enrolment instructions, teaching language and location against the original course choice.

GEORGIA / SCHOLARSHIPS

Funding routes

Published award terms retain their stated intake or reference period.

IBSU international bachelor's tuition scholarship route

Undergraduate: selected English-taught programmes

Support. Up to US$1,000 tuition scholarship advertised against the US$4,900 fee for entrants outside Georgia's Unified National Examinations route.

Eligibility. Published on Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence, Management and International Relations programme pages for the foreign-admission fee category.

Application. International admission application to IBSU under the foreign-applicant process.

Conditions. The programme pages state a maximum award but do not publish selection criteria, duration or renewal terms. No maintenance benefit is stated.

Caucasus University postgraduate CU Grant competition

Master's: eligible standard programmes

Support. 50% tuition funding under the 2026/27 schedule; for example, annual MBA tuition falls from GEL12,990 to GEL6,495 with the grant.

Eligibility. Bachelor's GPA of at least 3.5, or at least 65% of the maximum combined score on the Unified Master's Examination.

Application. Application to the relevant CU master's programme and entry into the CU Grant competition.

Conditions. Thresholds establish competition eligibility. Joint/dual degrees are excluded. Continuation requires timely first-year completion and GPA 3.8; 1+1 programmes also require uninterrupted progression.

Caucasus University TOP 501 entrance scholarship

Undergraduate: eligible standard CU programmes

Support. 100% tuition funding for qualifying undergraduate entrants.

Eligibility. CU programme selected as first preference and a place among the top 501 entrants nationwide in Georgia's Unified National Examinations.

Application. National examination admission route with CU as the first programme preference.

Conditions. National-examination award rather than an international direct-entry scholarship. Joint degrees are excluded; living expenses are outside the stated tuition benefit. CU identifies funding-policy changes during education reforms.

Erasmus+ credit mobility to Georgia

Bachelor's, master's and doctoral exchange

Support. Host tuition, registration and examination fees are waived; funded places may include travel and living-cost contributions determined by the institutional project.

Eligibility. Students enrolled at a participating home institution, selected and nominated under an eligible inter-institutional agreement.

Application. Home-university selection and nomination followed by the Georgian host's exchange application and learning agreement.

Conditions. Temporary study credits, not a full degree award. At Caucasus University, first/final-year students are excluded and B2 English evidence is required. Partnership alone does not guarantee grant funding.

GEORGIA / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

Universities and institutions

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Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University

Tbilisi / Public university / QS 2027: 1001-1200
Natural sciences; Humanities; Economics and business; Law
Practical resources include a Bloomberg laboratory, science laboratories and an archaeological field base, supporting different forms of research and field learning.
1 Ilia Chavchavadze Avenue, Academic Building I, Tbilisi 0179, Georgia
tsu.ge/en

Ilia State University

Tbilisi / Public university
Arts and sciences; Natural sciences; Business; Technology and education
Specialist philosophy and medical research institutes sit alongside teaching faculties, linking undergraduate and postgraduate study with focused research groups.
3/5 Kakutsa Cholokashvili Avenue, Tbilisi 0162, Georgia
iliauni.edu.ge/en

Georgian Technical University

Tbilisi / Public technical university
Engineering; Architecture; Computer science; Agricultural sciences
Mining Geology and Sustainable Mountain Development provides a specialist route, alongside an International School of Design and applied engineering faculties.
77 Kostava Street, Tbilisi 0160, Georgia
gtu.ge/en/index2.php

Tbilisi State Medical University

Tbilisi / Public medical university
Medicine; Dentistry; Pharmacy; Public health
An international faculty supports medicine and stomatology; the Institute of Pharmacochemistry adds research on medicinal substances to professional health education.
Administrative Building, 33 Vazha-Pshavela Avenue, Tbilisi 0186, Georgia
tsmu.edu/ts/index.php?lang=en

Batumi Shota Rustaveli State University

Batumi / Public university
Economics and business; Humanities; Natural sciences and healthcare; Technologies
The catalogue includes an English-taught Medical Doctor programme and separate vocational provision, giving applicants distinct professional and academic study routes.
35 Ninoshvili Street / 32 Rustaveli Street, Batumi 6010, Georgia
bsu.edu.ge/?lang=en

Akaki Tsereteli State University

Kutaisi / Public university
Engineering; Agriculture; Medicine; Humanities
Maritime transport extends the professional degree range beyond engineering and medicine; a distinct teacher-preparation route serves applicants interested in education.
59 Tamar Mepe Street, Kutaisi 4600, Georgia
atsu.edu.ge/en

Samtskhe-Javakheti State University

Akhaltsikhe / Public university
Education and humanities; Business administration; Law; Engineering
A joint astronomy doctorate partners with the national astrophysical observatory, while an integrated veterinary medicine master's provides a separate professional pathway.
113 Rustaveli Street, Akhaltsikhe, Georgia
sjuni.edu.ge/en/sjsu

Iakob Gogebashvili Telavi State University

Telavi / Public university
Education; Humanities; Business and law; Agrarian sciences
Primary-school teaching has an integrated bachelor's-and-master's route, alongside separate teacher training and Georgian-language preparation for different entry needs.
1 Kartuli Universiteti Street, Telavi 2200, Georgia
tesau.edu.ge/en

Gori State University

Gori / Public university; EQE register lists Gori State Teaching University
Humanities; Education; Natural sciences; Business
Academic bachelor's and master's programmes are listed separately from vocational provision, allowing applicants to distinguish university degrees from occupational training routes.
53 Chavchavadze Avenue, Gori, Georgia
gu.edu.ge/en

Free University of Tbilisi

Tbilisi / Private university
Business administration; Law; Mathematics and computer science; Physics
The visual art, architecture and design school provides a distinct creative route, alongside computing and research units in cognitive neuroscience.
Kakha Bendukidze Campus, 240 Davit Aghmashenebeli Alley, Tbilisi 0159, Georgia
freeuni.edu.ge/en

Caucasus University

Tbilisi / Private university
Business; Law; Technology; Architecture and design
Joint undergraduate programmes include business with Rennes School of Business and cybersecurity with New Jersey City University, alongside standard university degrees.
1 Paata Saakadze Street, Tbilisi 0102, Georgia
cu.edu.ge/en

University of Georgia

Tbilisi / Private university
Arts and humanities; Business administration; Science and technology; Education
A simulation hospital, medical theatre and rehabilitation clinic support scenario-based health teaching and practical preparation before and alongside clinical work.
77a Merab Kostava Street, Tbilisi 0171, Georgia
ug.edu.ge/en

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International Black Sea University

Tbilisi / Private university

Business; Computer science and artificial intelligence; Architecture; Law

The catalogue distinguishes standard bachelor's and master's degrees from a Medical Doctor programme and a separate teacher-training qualification.

2 Davit Aghmashenebeli Alley, 13th kilometre, Tbilisi, Georgia

ibsu.edu.ge/en

Georgian American University

Tbilisi / Private university

Business; Law and diplomacy; Informatics and engineering; Humanities

The six-year, 360-ECTS Medical Doctor programme progresses from biomedical foundations to clinical subjects and final-year clinical attachments.

10 Merab Aleksidze Street, Tbilisi 0160, Georgia

www.gau.edu.ge/en

European University

Tbilisi / Private university

Medicine; Dentistry; Veterinary medicine; Business and technology

The university owns Jo Ann University Hospital, giving medical students a clinical teaching setting alongside healthcare and nonclinical academic programmes.

76 Guramishvili Avenue, Tbilisi 0141, Georgia

eu.edu.ge/en

Alte University

Tbilisi / Private university

Business; Law and social sciences; Information technology; Medicine

Medical students study clinical subjects at the affiliated Ivane Bokeria University Hospital, connecting the single-cycle curriculum with hospital-based teaching.

10 University Street, Tbilisi 0177, Georgia

alte.edu.ge/en

Additional institutions

Agricultural University of Georgia
Tbilisi / Private university
agruni.edu.ge

Apolon Kutateladze Tbilisi State Academy of Arts
Tbilisi / Public arts academy
art.edu.ge

Batumi State Maritime Academy
Batumi / Public maritime academy
bsma.edu.ge

Batumi State Teaching University of Arts
Batumi / Public arts university
batu.edu.ge

BAU International University Batumi
Batumi / Private university
bauinternational.edu.ge

Business and Technology University
Tbilisi / Private university
btu.ge

Caucasus International University
Tbilisi / Private university
ciu.edu.ge

Central University of Europe
Kutaisi / Private university
cue.edu.ge

David Aghmashenebeli University of Georgia
Tbilisi / Private university
sdasu.edu.ge

David Tvildiani Medical University
Tbilisi / Private medical university
dtmu.ge

East European University
Tbilisi / Private university
eeu.edu.ge

Georgian Aviation University
Tbilisi / Private university
ssu.edu.ge

Georgian Institute of Public Affairs
Tbilisi / Private university
gipa.ge

Georgian National University SEU
Tbilisi / Private university
seu.edu.ge

Grigol Robakidze University
Tbilisi / Private university
gruni.edu.ge

Kutaisi International University
Kutaisi / Public university
kiu.edu.ge

New Vision University
Tbilisi / Private university
newvision.ge

Petre Shotadze Tbilisi Medical Academy
Tbilisi / Private medical institution
tma.edu.ge

Saint Andrew the First-Called Georgian University
Tbilisi / Private university
sangu.edu.ge

Shota Meskhia Zugdidi State University
Zugdidi / Public university
zssu.ge

Shota Rustaveli Theatre and Film Georgia State University
Tbilisi / Public university
tafu.edu.ge

Sokhumi State University
Tbilisi / Public university
sou.edu.ge

Sulkhan-Saba Orbeliani University
Tbilisi / Private university
sabauni.edu.ge

Tbilisi Vano Sarajishvili State Conservatoire
Tbilisi / Public conservatoire
tsc.edu.ge

University Geomedi
Tbilisi / Private university
geomedi.edu.ge

STUDY IN FRANCE

France

Universities, grandes écoles and specialist higher-education institutions.



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France's degree structure commonly follows licence, master and doctorate. A licence usually takes three years and a master another two. Universities, grandes écoles and specialist schools have different selection and fee arrangements. English-taught programmes are available within a system where French remains a major teaching language.

ANNUAL FEES / ROUTE COMPARISON

Public bachelor / master: EUR 2,902 / 3,950

Private school guide: EUR 6,000-18,000

Public figures are differentiated non-EU fees; exemptions may apply. Private guide covers varied institutions. CVEC and other compulsory charges are separate.

LIVING / MONTH

EUR 800–1,200

Approx. US$ 910–1,370

European Commission national student guide. Paris private accommodation can require more; compare rent, meals, local transport and housing assistance before finalising the budget.

Typical degree length

Bachelor's: 3 years
Master's: 2 years
Medicine: 10-12 years incl. residency

Fields of study

Business; engineering; design; humanities; hospitality.

Academic entry

The application route depends on the qualification level, institution and applicant's circumstances. Études en France is the official procedure for applicants covered by that system; other courses use their designated university or national platform. For a private or specialist school, confirm the exact qualification awarded and its official recognition, as well as the advertised course title.

Public fees and other charges

The differentiated 2026/27 public-university fees shown here concern affected non-EU bachelor's and master's students. Exemptions can reduce the amount. Doctoral registration is EUR 398/year. The Student and Campus Life Contribution (CVEC), and private or specialist-school charges follow separate rules.

FRANCE / EDUCATION AND ENTRY

Degrees and academic routes

Universities, engineering schools and specialist institutions award different qualifications within the same higher-education system.

443,500

Foreign students enrolled in French higher education institutions. Reporting period: 2024/25.

Licence, master and doctorate

The national degree sequence is licence, master and doctorate. A licence normally comprises three years and 180 credits; a master adds two years and 120 credits. Credits use the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System, which measures learning workload rather than examination marks alone. Doctoral study centres on original research and normally follows a master's degree. For later master's study, compare the licence curriculum and subject credits with likely postgraduate entry requirements.

Engineering: a regulated qualification

The diplôme d'ingénieur is a specific engineering qualification carrying master's-level status. Its usual structure represents five years after secondary school, including either an integrated preparatory stage or entry after prior scientific study. The Commission des titres d'ingénieur, France's engineering accreditation body, evaluates programmes authorised to award this title. Engineering schools offer routes in fields such as computing, civil engineering, energy and industrial systems. Confirm whether the intended course awards the diplôme d'ingénieur and check its accreditation in the Commission's programme records.

University, business school or arts school

Universities teach broad academic disciplines; specialist schools organise courses around professions and creative practice. A three-year bachelor universitaire de technologie, taught in a university technology institute, combines disciplinary study with professional training. Business schools offer bachelor's, management and specialised postgraduate programmes, while art, architecture and design schools use their own course structures. France distinguishes national degrees and state-recognised academic grades from other institutional awards. Registration of a professional qualification in the national qualifications register is a different form of recognition from the national master's degree.

Language and selection are programme-specific

French remains a principal teaching language, alongside a substantial catalogue of programmes taught wholly or partly in English. Language and academic selection are separate requirements. A French-language licence can require the French proficiency test associated with preliminary admission, whereas an English-language management programme may request an English test and a management aptitude score. HEC Paris, for example, accepts GMAT, GRE or TAGE MAGE results for its Master in Management selection. Check the exact degree's test list and accepted sessions before registering, especially when applying to several schools with different selection methods.

FRANCE / STUDENT LIFE AND PLANNING

Applications and student costs

Residence-based application procedures, differentiated public fees and a large gap between Paris and smaller-city housing costs.

The country of residence changes the route

Études en France is the application and administrative platform used for residents of participating countries. India participates; Oman does not appear in the published participating-country list. An Indian passport therefore does not, on its own, determine that an applicant living in Oman follows the Indian procedure. Applicants outside the platform's territory use the applicable university, national platform or embassy procedure. The distinction also depends on the level of study: first-year university entry, architecture and later-cycle admissions do not all use the same route.

First-year and postgraduate applications

For relevant non-European applicants outside Études en France, first-year university licence admission uses the demande d'admission préalable, or preliminary admission request. The Campus France office in Oman identifies the French Embassy route for this procedure. Selective schools and certain other programmes have their own admissions arrangements. At master's level, the national Mon Master platform applies to eligible applicants and participating national master's programmes; other cases follow institutional procedures. Prepare documents against the correct route's checklist and track its deadline alongside any university application.

Fees, waivers and visa funds

France's 2026-27 public fees for affected non-EU students are EUR 2,902 for licence study and EUR 3,950 for master's; doctoral registration is EUR 398. A May 2026 decree restricts institutional fee waivers, with protection for specified existing awards. An exemption needs confirmation for the student's course and intake. Private schools set their own fees. Long-stay student-visa applications submitted from 1 August 2026 require resources of at least EUR 877.50/month. This minimum does not establish an adequate living budget, especially in Paris.

Housing, food and the first month

Paris has a markedly different rental market from many regional university cities. Campus France's housing guidance gives approximately EUR 400 a month for a Paris room in a CROUS residence, the public student-services housing network, and at least EUR 800 for a private studio. Its budget guidance places monthly food spending around EUR 300. A rent figure does not include every arrival expense: deposits, insurance, transport and household setup are separate budget items. Public residence accommodation is allocated through an application process and is not an automatic part of university admission.

FRANCE / ADMISSION

Entry tests and application notes

Programme-specific assessments, with official websites for further reading.

TCF for preliminary admission

Relevant French-taught first-year university or architecture applicants

The Test de connaissance du français assesses French. The preliminary-admission route requires the relevant test format and written-expression component unless an exemption applies.

france-education-international.fr/en/test/tcf-tout-public?langue=fr

IELTS / TOEFL or equivalent

Institution-specific English-taught programmes

International English Language Testing System (IELTS) or Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) may establish proficiency. Accepted tests, scores and exemptions are set by the admitting institution.

ielts.org/
www.ets.org/toefl.html

DELF B2 / DALF C1-C2

French-language evidence and specified exemptions

Diplôme d'études en langue française (DELF) and Diplôme approfondi de langue française (DALF) are national language diplomas. B2/C1/C2 awards can exempt applicants from the preliminary-admission French test; programme standards may be higher.

www.france-education-international.fr/hub/diplomes-tests

GMAT / GRE / TAGE MAGE

Selected management programmes

Graduate Management Admission Test (GMAT), Graduate Record Examinations (GRE) or the French TAGE MAGE management aptitude test are accepted for HEC Paris Master in Management. They are not general university entrance tests.

www.mba.com/exams/gmat-exam
www.ets.org/gre.html
www.tagemage.fr/

Check the qualification on the offer

Copy the full qualification title from the course page and offer, including the awarding institution and any national academic grade. Public universities normally offer national degrees; specialist schools can offer school diplomas, nationally recognised awards or both. For engineering, check whether the course awards the accredited diplôme d'ingénieur. For other specialist programmes, confirm the official recognition attached to the specific diploma. This is particularly useful when comparing a university master's with a similarly named school award, or planning later doctoral study.

Confirm the application route

Use nationality, current residence, qualification and study level to identify the correct procedure. Études en France applies in participating countries; first-year university entry can instead require the preliminary-admission process, and selective schools may use their own portals. Ask the receiving institution which records need translation and how they must be submitted. Check the language of the actual programme and its accepted proficiency evidence. Keep portal deadlines, test dates and final enrolment instructions in one application record.

FRANCE / SCHOLARSHIPS

Funding routes

Published award terms retain their stated intake or reference period.

France Excellence Eiffel

Master's and doctorate

Support. Monthly living allowance and specified travel, insurance and support services; master's allowance is €1,200 from January 2026.

Eligibility. Foreign students nominated in priority fields. The published 2027 call sets maximum ages of 29 for master's and 35 for doctoral candidates, with additional residence and prior-award restrictions.

Application. Institutions submit nominations by 6 January 2027; ask for their earlier internal deadline. Students cannot apply directly.

Conditions. Eiffel does not pay tuition. National-degree fee exemptions at public institutions follow the applicable French government scholarship rules.

Université Paris-Saclay International Master's Scholarship

Master's, M1 or M2

Support. The published 2026 scheme provides €10,000 per academic year, paid September-June, plus up to €900 for annual travel and visa support. Specified periods abroad or external internships reduce payments.

Eligibility. Foreign-national applicants under 30 in the application year, normally entering French higher education for the first time and admitted to an eligible master's.

Application. Admission to a master's precedes nomination by course coordinators. Selected candidates receive the scholarship application form.

Conditions. No advance payment before arrival and registration; accommodation is not guaranteed. Funding above €600 monthly and several other awards are incompatible.

Émile Boutmy Scholarship, Sciences Po

Bachelor's and eligible two-year master's

Support. Published terms checked 5 October 2026: bachelor's tuition exemption in full or by €9,500; master's tuition exemption of €18,500 annually for two years.

Eligibility. First-time non-EU applicants whose household does not pay tax in the EU, admitted to an eligible programme; exclusions include many dual degrees.

Application. Scholarship request forms part of the admission application's financial-information section. Applicants from French secondary schools use the separate published procedure.

Conditions. Merit based and competitive; living costs are separate. Deferral or failure to validate the year can end the award.

CampusBourses and French embassy funding route

Bachelor's through postgraduate, depending on call

Support. CampusBourses lists government, institutional and other funding schemes, including tuition awards, living allowances and travel support.

Eligibility. Nationality, residence, subject and degree-level restrictions are specific to each listed award.

Application. Each listing identifies its administrator and application route. Embassy scholarships and university awards use separate selection procedures.

Conditions. CampusBourses is a funding database, not an award. Each listed scheme has its own nationality, degree, coverage and duration conditions.

FRANCE / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

Universities and institutions

Location • fields • profile • official website • selected QS 2027 overall ranks

Sorbonne University

Paris / Public university / QS 2027: 73

Humanities; Languages; Health sciences; Science

Science degrees offer major–minor and double-major structures, allowing students to combine disciplines rather than follow only a single-subject curriculum.

21 rue de l'École de Médecine, 75006 Paris, France

www.sorbonne-universite.fr/en

Université Paris-Saclay

Gif-sur-Yvette / Public university / QS 2027: 76

Science; Engineering; Health sciences; Law

Graduate schools coordinate postgraduate study across university faculties and engineering schools, including CentraleSupélec and AgroParisTech within the wider academic structure.

3 rue Joliot Curie, Bâtiment Breguet, 91190 Gif-sur-Yvette, France

www.universite-paris-saclay.fr/en

Université Paris Cité

Paris / Public university

Health sciences; Science; Humanities; Social sciences

Graduate schools connect postgraduate teaching and research, while exchanges and short summer programmes offer additional international study formats.

85 boulevard Saint-Germain, 75006 Paris, France

u-paris.fr/en

Aix-Marseille Université

Marseille / Aix-en-Provence / Public university

Science; Health sciences; Law; Economics

Work-study routes sit alongside conventional university degrees, with interdisciplinary institutes connecting research across faculties and professional subjects.

Jardin du Pharo, 58 boulevard Charles Livon, 13284 Marseille Cedex 07, France

www.univ-amu.fr/en

Université Grenoble Alpes

Saint-Martin-d'Hères / Grenoble / Public university

Science; Engineering; Humanities; Law

The academic structure brings university faculties together with Grenoble INP, Sciences Po Grenoble and an architecture school, offering distinct institutional study routes.

621 avenue Centrale, 38400 Saint-Martin-d'Hères, France

www.univ-grenoble-alpes.fr/en

University of Bordeaux

Bordeaux / Public university

Health sciences; Science; Engineering; Law

The Institute of Vine and Wine Science provides a specialist setting connecting wine-related research with the university's wider scientific and professional teaching.

35 place Pey-Berland, CS 61751, 33076 Bordeaux Cedex, France

www.u-bordeaux.fr/en

University of Strasbourg

Strasbourg / Public university

Chemistry; Health sciences; Law; Languages

Eucor, the European Campus, provides cross-border university cooperation in the Upper Rhine region, alongside interdisciplinary institutes and doctoral schools.

4 rue Blaise Pascal, CS 90032, 67081 Strasbourg Cedex, France

www.unistra.fr/en

University of Lille

Lille / Public university

Science; Health sciences; Law; Management

Selected programmes offer joint or double degrees with overseas institutions, alongside Erasmus exchanges and internationally supervised doctoral study.

42 rue Paul Duez, 59000 Lille, France

www.univ-lille.fr/en

University of Montpellier

Montpellier / Public university

Science; Health sciences; Law; Economics

The qualification catalogue includes both national university degrees and school diplomas, with doctoral education organised separately through dedicated schools.

163 rue Auguste Broussonnet, 34090 Montpellier, France

www.umontpellier.fr/en

CY Cergy Paris Université

Cergy-Pontoise / Public university

Law; Economics; Science; Humanities

Forensic science and gastronomy sit alongside conventional academic disciplines, with separate degree and vocational routes across the university's schools and institutes.

33 boulevard du Port, 95011 Cergy-Pontoise Cedex, France

www.cyu.fr/en

FRANCE / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

Universities and institutions

Location • fields • profile • official website • selected QS 2027 overall ranks

Nantes Université

Nantes / Public university

Science; Health sciences; Law; Humanities

The university combines academic colleges with Centrale Nantes, art and architecture schools, a university hospital and research partners.

1 quai de Tourville, BP 13522, 44035 Nantes Cedex 1, France

english.univ-nantes.fr

Université de Lorraine

Nancy / Metz / Public university

Engineering; Science; Health sciences; Law

Engineering schools and university faculties share research themes including materials, energy transition and language engineering, supporting specialised postgraduate interests.

34 cours Léopold, 54000 Nancy, France

www.univ-lorraine.fr/en

Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne

Paris / Public university

Law; Economics; History; Geography

A specialist humanities and social-science institution with its own degrees and admissions, institutionally separate from Sorbonne University's science and health faculties.

12 place du Panthéon, 75231 Paris Cedex 05, France

www.pantheonsorbonne.fr

INSA Lyon

Villeurbanne / Public engineering school

Mechanical engineering; Civil engineering; Electrical engineering; Computer science

Preparatory study leads into engineering education, with apprenticeship routes available alongside conventional engineering degrees, master's programmes and doctoral research.

20 avenue Albert Einstein, 69621 Villeurbanne Cedex, France

www.insa-lyon.fr/en

Sciences Po

Paris / Public higher education institution with a private foundation

Political science; Law; Economics; History

The undergraduate college uses seven regional campuses, while graduate schools are in Paris; international dual degrees add selected overseas study routes.

27 rue Saint-Guillaume, 75337 Paris Cedex 07, France

www.sciencespo.fr/en

HEC Paris

Jouy-en-Josas / Private business school (EESC)

Management; Finance; Marketing; Entrepreneurship

The Master in Management serves a different career stage from the MBA; specialised master's and doctoral programmes offer further management-study routes.

1 rue de la Libération, 78350 Jouy-en-Josas, France

www.hec.edu/en

ESSEC Business School

Cergy-Pontoise / Private nonprofit business school

Management; Finance; Marketing; Business analytics

The four-year Global BBA combines business study with internships and international exchange, with optional mobility between ESSEC's campuses.

3 avenue Bernard Hirsch, CS 50105 Cergy, 95021 Cergy-Pontoise Cedex, France

www.essec.edu/en

EDHEC Business School

Roubaix / Lille / Private nonprofit business school

Management; Finance; Marketing; Business analytics

The International BBA, Master in Management, specialised master's and MBA programmes provide distinct entry routes for school-leavers, graduates and experienced professionals.

24 avenue Gustave Delory, CS 50411, 59057 Roubaix Cedex 1, France

www.edhec.edu/en

École Polytechnique

Palaiseau / Public engineering grande école

Mathematics; Physics; Computer science; Engineering

The Bachelor of Science and Ingénieur Polytechnicien are separate programmes, with different entry and curriculum structures alongside master's and doctoral study.

Route de Saclay, 91128 Palaiseau Cedex, France

www.polytechnique.edu/en

CentraleSupélec

Gif-sur-Yvette / Public engineering grande école

Engineering; Computer science; Energy; Applied mathematics

Joint undergraduate programmes involve McGill, BITS Pilani and ESSEC, complementing generalist and specialist engineering degrees within the wider school.

Bâtiment Eiffel, 8–10 rue Joliot Curie, 91190 Gif-sur-Yvette, France

www.centralesupelec.fr/en

FRANCE / ADDITIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Further study options

Additional institutions / location, institution type and official website

Audencia Business School
Nantes / Private higher-education institution
www.audencia.com

Avignon Université
Avignon / Public university
univ-avignon.fr

ESSCA School of Management
Angers / Private higher-education institution
www.essca.eu

IÉSEG School of Management
Lille / Private higher-education institution
www.ieseg.fr

KEDGE Business School
Talence / Private higher-education institution
kedge.edu

La Rochelle Université
La Rochelle / Public university
www.univ-larochelle.fr

Le Mans Université
Le Mans / Public university
www.univ-lemans.fr/fr/index.html

NEOMA Business School
Mont-Saint-Aignan / Private higher-education institution
neoma-bs.fr

Nîmes université
Nîmes / Public university
www.unimes.fr/fr/index.html

SKEMA Business School
Lille / Private higher-education institution
www.skema.edu/fr

TBS Education
Toulouse / Private higher-education institution
www.tbs-education.fr

Université Bordeaux Montaigne
Pessac / Public university
www.u-bordeaux-montaigne.fr/fr/index.html

Université Bourgogne Europe
Dijon / Public university
www.ube.fr

Université Bretagne Sud
Lorient / Public university
www.univ-ubs.fr/fr/index.html

Université Claude Bernard - Lyon 1
Villeurbanne / Public university
www.univ-lyon1.fr

Université Clermont Auvergne
Clermont-Ferrand / Public university
www.uca.fr

Université Côte d'Azur
Nice / Public higher-education institution
univ-cotedazur.fr

Université d'Angers
Angers / Public university
www.univ-angers.fr/fr/index.html

Université d'Artois
Arras / Public university
www.univ-artois.fr

Université d'Orléans
Orléans / Public university
www.univ-orleans.fr/fr

Université de Bretagne Occidentale
Brest / Public university
www.univ-brest.fr/fr

Université de Caen Normandie
Caen / Public university
www.unicaen.fr

Université de Corse Pasquale Paoli
Corte / Public university
www.universita.corsica/fr

Université de Haute-Alsace
Mulhouse / Public university
www.uha.fr/fr/index.html

Université de Limoges
Limoges / Public university
www.unilim.fr

Université de Montpellier Paul-Valéry
Montpellier / Public university
www.univ-montp3.fr

Université de Pau et des Pays de l'Adour
Pau / Public university
www.univ-pau.fr/fr/index.html

Université de Perpignan Via Domitia
Perpignan / Public university
www.univ-perp.fr

Université de Picardie Jules Verne
Amiens / Public university
www.u-picardie.fr

Université de Poitiers
Poitiers / Public university
www.univ-poitiers.fr

Université de Reims Champagne-Ardenne
Reims / Public university
www.univ-reims.fr

FRANCE / ADDITIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Further study options

Additional institutions / location, institution type and official website

Université de Rennes
Rennes / Public university
www.univ-rennes.fr

Université de Rouen Normandie
Mont-Saint-Aignan / Public university
www.univ-rouen.fr

Université de technologie de Compiègne
Compiègne / Public higher-education institution
www.utc.fr

Université de technologie de Troyes
Troyes / Public higher-education institution
www.utt.fr

Université de technologie Tarbes Occitanie Pyrénées
Tarbes / Public higher-education institution
www.uttop.fr/fr/index.html

Université de Toulon
La Garde / Public university
www.univ-tln.fr

Université de Toulouse
Toulouse / Public university
www.univ-tlse3.fr

Université de Tours
Tours / Public university
www.univ-tours.fr

Université de Versailles Saint-Quentin-en-Yvelines
Versailles / Public university
www.uvsq.fr

Université du Littoral Côte d'Opale
Dunkerque / Public university
www.univ-littoral.fr

Université Gustave Eiffel
Champs-sur-Marne / Public university
www.univ-gustave-eiffel.fr

Université Jean Monnet - Saint-Etienne
Saint-Étienne / Public university
www.univ-st-etienne.fr/fr/index.html

Université Jean Moulin - Lyon 3
Lyon 8e / Public university
www.univ-lyon3.fr

Université Le Havre Normandie
Le Havre / Public university
www.univ-lehavre.fr/fr

Université Lumière - Lyon 2
Lyon 7e / Public university
www.univ-lyon2.fr

Université Marie et Louis Pasteur
Besançon / Public university
www.umlp.fr

Université Paris 8
Saint-Denis / Public university
www.univ-paris8.fr

Université Paris Nanterre
Nanterre / Public university
www.parisnanterre.fr

Université Paris sciences et lettres
Paris 6e / Public higher-education institution
www.psl.eu

Université Paris-Est Créteil
Créteil / Public university
www.u-pec.fr

Université Paris-Panthéon-Assas
Paris 5e / Public university
www.assas-universite.fr/fr

Université Polytechnique Hauts-de-France
Aulnoy-lez-Valenciennes / Public university
www.uphf.fr

Université Rennes 2
Rennes / Public university
www.univ-rennes2.fr

Université Savoie Mont Blanc
Chambéry / Public university
www.univ-smb.fr

Université Sorbonne Nouvelle
Paris 12e / Public university
www.sorbonne-nouvelle.fr

Université Sorbonne Paris Nord
Villetaneuse / Public university
www.univ-spn.fr

Université Toulouse - Jean Jaurès
Toulouse / Public university
www.univ-tlse2.fr

Université Toulouse Capitole
Toulouse / Public university
www.ut-capitole.fr

Université Évry Paris-Saclay
Évry-Courcouronnes / Public university
www.univ-evry.fr/accueil.html

STUDY IN CHINA

China

Comprehensive, specialist and Sino-foreign universities.



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China's higher-education system includes comprehensive universities, specialist institutions and Sino-foreign cooperative universities. Degrees may be taught in Chinese, English or a specified mixed-language format. Use the international course catalogue to confirm the programme's teaching language, award and eligibility for overseas applicants.

ANNUAL FEES / ROUTE COMPARISON

Public English UG sample: CNY 19,800-100,000

Joint-university sample: CNY 99,000-120,000

Public sample includes premium English programmes. Joint-university benchmark: XJTLU and Nottingham Ningbo; overseas transfer years use the receiving campus's fees. Reference intakes differ.

LIVING / MONTH

CNY 2,500-6,000

Approx. US$ 370-900

Shared-housing/dormitory planning band across student cities. Private housing in Beijing/Shanghai costs more; campus rooms can be cheaper. Insurance and arrival fees are additional.

Typical degree length

Bachelor's: usually 4 years
Master's: 2-3 years
MBBS: usually 6 years, with internship

Fields of study

Engineering; computing; business; sciences; Chinese studies.

Academic entry

Use the university's international admissions portal for the exact programme. Check its teaching language, school-subject preparation, accepted language evidence and any CSCA or interview requirement for the intake. English-taught and Chinese-taught tracks can have different procedures and fees. Record document, assessment and payment deadlines together.

Medical teaching and clinical

and NMC requirements described on page 20.

CHINA / EDUCATION AND ENTRY

China’s degree system

Public, private and jointly established institutions offer distinct academic and language routes. This chapter covers mainland China’s higher education provision.

380,000

International students who studied or participated in exchange programmes in China, from 191 countries and regions. Not degree-only enrolment. Reporting period: 2024/25.

Institutions, degrees and verification

Mainland China’s system includes public universities administered nationally or locally, private institutions and jointly established universities. Programmes differ in awarding arrangements and teaching language, even within the same city. The Ministry of Education’s institution list establishes a national reference for institutional status; an international prospectus identifies the actual recruitment offer. Bachelor’s, master’s and doctoral applicants follow separate requirements. A university’s full subject catalogue can be wider than the majors open to international students, and an available major does not necessarily include an English-language route.

Departments and locations

Engineering and technology provision ranges from comprehensive universities to institutions specialising in transport, telecommunications, energy and aeronautics. Other universities concentrate on finance, languages, teacher education, agriculture, medicine or the arts. Departmental curricula and facilities distinguish similarly named degrees, while teaching campuses can lie in different cities or distant districts. Graduate admission adds the question of supervision and research fit. Graduate applicants should compare available supervisors, facilities and funded places. Discuss a research proposal with the department and obtain the formal admission and funding outcomes before committing.

Chinese and English study routes

Chinese-taught degrees commonly use HSK evidence at a level set by the university. English-taught programmes establish their own English criteria, sometimes including an exemption for previous English-medium schooling. Clinical contact, internships and daily administration can introduce Chinese-language demands beyond admission. Foundation and language preparation form separate stages whose progression conditions determine access to the degree. The language advertised for classroom teaching therefore does not necessarily describe every practical or graduation requirement, particularly in professional subjects involving communication with local clients, patients or employers.

Nationality and academic eligibility

International undergraduate applications generally include a completed secondary qualification and full transcript, with translations where required. For applicants with a Chinese nationality background, or particular parental nationality circumstances, ministry rules add foreign-nationality and overseas-residence conditions. Holding a foreign passport alone may therefore be insufficient to establish eligibility. Graduate admission requires the appropriate earlier degree and departmental evidence. Scholarship rules introduce another layer: an age ceiling or nationality restriction attached to an award does not necessarily apply identically to ordinary self-funded admission.

CHINA / STUDENT LIFE AND PLANNING

Admission and student life

CSCA use expanded for the 2026/27 undergraduate cycle. Its application varies by university and scholarship route, alongside language and academic screening.

CSCA and university selection

The 2026/27 Chinese Government Scholarship undergraduate notices require CSCA results, and Fudan publishes CSCA requirements for international undergraduate programmes. Tsinghua's FAQ, however, explicitly states that it did not require CSCA for its 2026 intake. This difference makes the university's current intake notice essential to interpreting wider announcements. Required subjects, examination language, accepted sessions and submission dates depend on the receiving programme. CSCA assesses academic preparation, while HSK supplies Chinese-language evidence; either can sit alongside an institutional interview or other selection procedure.

Fees, scholarships and payment

Tuition depends on the precise programme and language track. Specialist, clinical and jointly established degrees can differ substantially from standard Chinese-taught provision. Chinese Government Scholarship awards can include tuition, accommodation support, a stipend and medical insurance, with eligibility and application channels determined by the scheme. University and local-government awards have their own coverage and renewal conditions. Complete any separate scholarship application and keep its decision date beside the university's payment deadline. Preparatory study, insurance and accommodation deposits can create additional costs beyond the headline tuition figure or a scholarship's stated benefits.

Accommodation and arrival formalities

Dormitory arrangements vary by institution, room type and the dates covered. A scholarship's accommodation provision may be a university room or an allowance, rather than reimbursement for any apartment a student chooses. Everyday expenditure includes meals, transport, utilities, books and initial household purchases. The appropriate study visa, accommodation registration and residence formalities form a separate arrival process. Shanghai's official student guidance illustrates the role of the university international office and local exit-entry authority; procedures must correspond to the student's actual city and residence circumstances.

Practical training and recognition

Internships and work-study activities can require university approval and appropriate residence endorsements; student enrolment alone does not establish unrestricted employment rights. Professional outcomes depend on more than institutional status. For medicine and other regulated careers, the exact qualification, clinical language, practical hours, internship structure and destination-country licensing rules affect whether a graduate can practise. Obtain the clinical curriculum, internship structure and language requirements in writing. Compare them with the intended country of practice before accepting a professional course.

CHINA / ADMISSION

Entry tests and application notes

Programme-specific assessments, with official websites for further reading.

CSCA

CGS undergraduate applicants and university programmes requiring it

The China Scholastic Competency Assessment is required by 2026/27 Chinese Government Scholarship undergraduate routes and specified universities. Subjects depend on the programme; Tsinghua explicitly exempted its 2026 intake from CSCA.

csca.cn/about/examintro

HSK

Chinese-taught programmes requiring Chinese proficiency

Hanyu Shuiping Kaoshi, the Chinese Proficiency Test, supplies language evidence for applicable programmes. Universities set levels, scores and waivers; the operator publishes current format and 2026 transition information.

www.chinesetest.cn/

English-language tests

English-taught international programmes

Fudan's 2026 economics programme accepts specified English tests and permits an English-medium-school waiver route. Confirm the accepted test version and component scores, or obtain written confirmation of a permitted waiver.

ielts.org/
www.ets.org/toefl.html

University interview / academic assessment

Institutions requiring further selection

Universities can assess academic readiness beyond submitted grades and test results. The international prospectus specifies the additional academic, practical or interview assessment.

international.join-tsinghua.edu.cn/info/1029/1019.htm

Gaokao and overseas school exams

Qualification-specific undergraduate routes

Gaokao is the principal domestic examination, not the default test for every foreign applicant. Universities define accepted international school credentials and any additional testing.

international.join-tsinghua.edu.cn/Admission1/Eligibility.htm

Portfolio / artistic practical assessment

Relevant arts and design applicants

Specialist arts programmes can require creative work and practical assessment alongside language and CSCA evidence. Requirements are set in the current institutional admissions guide.

admission.caa.edu.cn/en/

Chinese and English teaching routes

China's international degree provision includes Chinese-medium and English-medium programmes. Chinese Government Scholarship guidance requires HSK 4 for Chinese-taught master's and doctoral study, while other teaching languages have university-specific proficiency requirements. At Shanghai Ocean University, the published postgraduate scholarship catalogue includes master's programmes in English or Chinese and doctoral programmes in English. Language obligations can extend beyond lectures: that university's scholarship guide also specifies an HSK 3 graduation requirement, alongside the other academic and scientific publication requirements of its postgraduate programmes.

CHINA / SCHOLARSHIPS

Funding routes

Published award terms retain their stated intake or reference period.

Chinese Government Scholarship - bilateral route

Undergraduate / master's / doctoral / visiting scholars

Support. Full awards cover tuition, accommodation or a housing subsidy, medical insurance and monthly stipends of RMB 2,500 undergraduate, RMB 3,000 master's/general scholar or RMB 3,500 doctoral/senior scholar. Funding follows the approved study period, including approved language preparation.

Eligibility. Non-Chinese citizens in good health: high-school graduates under 25 for undergraduate study, bachelor's holders under 35 for master's study, and master's holders under 40 for doctoral study. Academic and language requirements also apply.

Application. Applications pass through the home country's designated dispatching authority and the China Scholarship Council online system under Type A.

Conditions. Country agreements determine available places and award scope. Undergraduate applications require a valid CSCA score; nomination does not itself constitute a final award.

Shanghai Government Scholarship

Undergraduate / master's / doctoral; undergraduate preparation

Support. Category A covers tuition, accommodation, living expenses and comprehensive medical insurance for the study period. Category B covers tuition and insurance. Undergraduate preparation is funded under Category A.

Eligibility. Foreign nationals with strong academic records; typical upper ages are 25 for undergraduate, 35 for master's and 40 for doctoral study. Preparatory applicants are generally 23 or younger. The published general Chinese-language requirement is HSK 4, alongside programme-specific language conditions.

Application. Participating universities receive applications through the Study in Shanghai process, generally between February and April; each university sets its selection period.

Conditions. Continuation requires a successful annual evaluation. Recipients cannot concurrently hold other scholarships or financial support covered by the scheme's prohibition. Category B excludes accommodation and living support.

Chinese Government Scholarship - Shanghai Ocean University route

Master's / doctoral

Support. The published High-Level Postgraduate award covers tuition, shared accommodation, medical insurance and a living stipend for three-year master's or four-year doctoral programmes. Standard CSC monthly stipends are RMB 3,000 and RMB 3,500 respectively.

Eligibility. Non-Chinese applicants with GPA above 3.0; master's applicants need a bachelor's degree and age no more than 30, doctoral applicants a master's degree and age no more than 35. Doctoral applicants also need a published scientific paper.

Application. Applications use both SHOU's system and CSC Type B, agency 10264, with supervisor consent and a signed research proposal.

Conditions. The cited 2026 call closed on 1 February 2026. Its age limits are stricter than general CSC limits; university recommendation remains subject to CSC selection.

Nottingham Ningbo global scholarships

Undergraduate

Support. The Provost International Excellence award waives 100% of first-year tuition; the Emerging Leaders award waives 50%. Tuition already paid is refunded to the corresponding award value.

Eligibility. Full-time international undergraduate offer-holders. Competitive selection considers academic results and evidence of extracurricular, community, volunteering or work contributions.

Application. A separate scholarship application and statement of up to 500 words go through the university's Application Hub. The published deadline is 31 May 2027.

Conditions. Both awards cover the first year only and cannot be deferred. Recipients undertake 30 hours supporting university promotional activity; living expenses are outside these tuition awards.

CHINA / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

Universities and institutions

Location • fields • profile • official website • selected QS 2027 overall ranks

Tsinghua University

Beijing / Public university / QS 2027: 14

Engineering; Computer science; Architecture; Economics

The Academy of Arts and Design adds industrial, textile and visual communication design to technical study; Shenzhen provides a separate graduate-school setting.

30 Shuangqing Road, Haidian, Beijing 100084, China

www.tsinghua.edu.cn/en

Peking University

Beijing / Public university / QS 2027: 13

Humanities; Social sciences; Science; Medicine

Yenching Academy offers interdisciplinary postgraduate study of China, while a separate Health Science Center organises medical education and research.

5 Yiheyuan Road, Haidian, Beijing 100871, China

english.pku.edu.cn

Fudan University

Shanghai / Public university / QS 2027: 26

Economics; Journalism; Science; Medicine

Shanghai Medical College uses the Fenglin campus, giving health programmes a specialist setting within the university's broader arts and science provision.

220 Handan Road, Shanghai 200433, China

www.fudan.edu.cn/en

Shanghai Jiao Tong University

Shanghai / Public university / QS 2027: 36

Engineering; Computer science; Business; Medicine

Biomedical engineering research links medical imaging, artificial intelligence, clinical informatics and neuroscience, alongside dedicated management and medical schools.

800 Dongchuan Road, Minhang, Shanghai 200240, China

en.sjtu.edu.cn

Zhejiang University

Hangzhou / Public university / QS 2027: 47

Engineering; Agriculture; Science; Medicine

The Haining campus hosts joint institutes with Edinburgh and Illinois Urbana-Champaign, while the Ocean College has a specialist coastal setting.

866 Yuhangtang Road, Hangzhou 310058, China

www.zju.edu.cn/english

Nanjing University

Nanjing / Public university

Humanities; Science; Computer science; Business

The School of Astronomy and Space Science connects teaching with research in solar physics, galaxy evolution, planets and space technology.

Xianlin Campus, 163 Xianlin Road, Qixia, Nanjing 210023, China

www.nju.edu.cn/en

University of Science and Technology of China

Hefei / Public university

Physics; Chemistry; Computer science; Engineering

A Chinese Academy of Sciences affiliation supports research infrastructure including the National Synchrotron Radiation Laboratory and specialist quantum-information and fire-science laboratories.

96 Jinzhai Road, Hefei, Anhui 230026, China

en.ustc.edu.cn

Wuhan University

Wuhan / Public university

Law; Economics; Engineering; Medicine

Remote Sensing and Information Engineering connects with specialist surveying, mapping and geospatial research, giving technical applicants a focused earth-observation route.

299 Bayi Road, Wuchang, Wuhan, Hubei, China

en.whu.edu.cn

Huazhong University of Science and Technology

Wuhan / Public university

Engineering; Computer science; Medicine; Management

Optoelectronics research spans lasers and biomedical photonics, while Tongji Medical College and affiliated hospitals connect engineering with clinical research environments.

1037 Luoyu Road, Wuhan, Hubei 430074, China

english.hust.edu.cn

Xiamen University

Xiamen / Public university

Economics; Business; Marine science; Chemistry

The Ocean and Earth Sciences college has a specialist Xiangan base, while international and creative education use other campus settings.

422 South Siming Road, Siming, Xiamen, Fujian 361005, China

en.xmu.edu.cn

CHINA / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

Universities and institutions

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Tongji University
Shanghai / Public university
Civil engineering; Architecture; Design; Environmental science
Jiading brings automotive engineering and transport together with computing, electronics and materials, creating a focused setting for mobility-related technical study.
1239 Siping Road, Yangpu, Shanghai 200092, China
en.tongji.edu.cn

Beihang University
Beijing / Public university
Aerospace; Engineering; Computer science; Management
Aeronautics and astronautics anchor the technical portfolio, with associated computing and engineering disciplines supporting specialised aerospace study and research.
37 Xueyuan Road, Haidian, Beijing 100191, China
ev.buaa.edu.cn

Beijing Institute of Technology
Beijing / Public university
Engineering; Computer science; Design; Management
English-taught undergraduate options include aerospace and mechanical engineering, providing international routes into the university's specialised technical curriculum.
5 Zhongguancun South Street, Haidian, Beijing, China
english.bit.edu.cn

Harbin Institute of Technology
Harbin / Public university
Engineering; Aerospace; Computer science; Architecture
Space-environment materials research complements aerospace engineering, while the Shenzhen campus adds an international school of design to the university's technical portfolio.
92 Xidazhi Street, Nangang, Harbin, Heilongjiang, China
en.hit.edu.cn

Nankai University
Tianjin / Public university
Economics; Mathematics; Chemistry; Business
Pure mathematics and combinatorics research sit alongside applied physics at TEDA, complementing the university's business and government schools.
Jinnan Campus, 38 Tongyan Road, Jinnan, Tianjin 300350, China
en.nankai.edu.cn

Tianjin University
Tianjin / Public university
Engineering; Architecture; Chemical engineering; Management
The Binhai Industrial Research Institute adds an industry-facing research setting alongside specialist schools in architecture, chemical engineering and other technical fields.
Peiyangyuan Campus, 135 Yaguan Road, Jinnan, Tianjin 300350, China
en.tju.edu.cn

Sun Yat-sen University
Guangzhou / Public university
Business; Medicine; Humanities; Science
Affiliated cancer, ophthalmology and stomatology centres provide specialised clinical environments alongside general hospitals for the university's health education and research.
135 Xingang Xi Road, Guangzhou, Guangdong 510275, China
www.sysu.edu.cn/sysuen

South China University of Technology
Guangzhou / Public university
Engineering; Architecture; Materials; Business
Advanced materials, soft matter and intelligent engineering have dedicated academic units, offering specialised research settings within the broader technical university.
Wushan Campus, 381 Wushan Road, Tianhe, Guangzhou 510641, China
www.scut.edu.cn/en

Xi'an Jiaotong-Liverpool University
Suzhou / Sino-foreign cooperative university
Business; Engineering; Design; Computer science
Most teaching is in English; bachelor's graduates receive both XJTLU and University of Liverpool degrees through the universities' joint educational model.
111 Ren'ai Road, Suzhou Industrial Park, Suzhou, Jiangsu 215123, China
www.xjtlu.edu.cn/en

University of Nottingham Ningbo China
Ningbo / Sino-foreign cooperative university
Business; Engineering; International studies; Computer science
English-taught programmes award University of Nottingham degrees; selected undergraduate routes divide study between Ningbo and Nottingham rather than remaining entirely in China.
199 Taikang East Road, Ningbo, Zhejiang 315100, China
www.nottingham.edu.cn/en

CHINA / ADDITIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Further study options

Additional institutions / location, institution type and official website

Renmin University of China
Beijing / Public university
www.ruc.edu.cn

Beijing Normal University
Beijing / Public university
www.bnu.edu.cn

Beijing Jiaotong University
Beijing / Public university
www.bjtu.edu.cn

Beijing University of Posts and Telecommunications
Beijing / Public university
www.bupt.edu.cn

Beijing Foreign Studies University
Beijing / Public university
www.bfsu.edu.cn

University of International Business and Economics
Beijing / Public university
www.uibe.edu.cn

China University of Political Science and Law
Beijing / Public university
www.cupl.edu.cn

China Agricultural University
Beijing / Public university
www.cau.edu.cn

University of Chinese Academy of Sciences
Beijing / Public university
www.ucas.ac.cn

Southeast University
Nanjing / Public university
www.seu.edu.cn

Nanjing University of Aeronautics and Astronautics
Nanjing / Public university
www.nuaa.edu.cn

Nanjing University of Science and Technology
Nanjing / Public university
www.njust.edu.cn

Hohai University
Nanjing / Public university
www.hhu.edu.cn

Nanjing Agricultural University
Nanjing / Public university
www.njau.edu.cn

Soochow University
Suzhou / Public university
www.suda.edu.cn

Shanghai University
Shanghai / Public university
www.shu.edu.cn

East China Normal University
Shanghai / Public university
www.ecnu.edu.cn

East China University of Science and Technology
Shanghai / Public university
www.ecust.edu.cn

Shanghai University of Finance and Economics
Shanghai / Public university
www.sufe.edu.cn

Shanghai International Studies University
Shanghai / Public university
www.shisu.edu.cn

Donghua University
Shanghai / Public university
www.dhu.edu.cn

Shandong University
Jinan / Public university
www.sdu.edu.cn

Ocean University of China
Qingdao / Public university
www.ouc.edu.cn

Jilin University
Changchun / Public university
www.jlu.edu.cn

Dalian University of Technology
Dalian / Public university
www.dlut.edu.cn

Northeastern University
Shenyang / Public university
www.neu.edu.cn

Xi'an Jiaotong University
Xi'an / Public university
www.xjtu.edu.cn

Northwestern Polytechnical University
Xi'an / Public university
www.nwpu.edu.cn

Xidian University
Xi'an / Public university
www.xidian.edu.cn

Sichuan University
Chengdu / Public university
www.scu.edu.cn

University of Electronic Science and Technology of China
Chengdu / Public university
www.uestc.edu.cn

Chongqing University
Chongqing / Public university
www.cqu.edu.cn

Central South University
Changsha / Public university
www.csu.edu.cn

Hunan University
Changsha / Public university
www.hnu.edu.cn

Lanzhou University
Lanzhou / Public university
www.lzu.edu.cn

Shenzhen University
Shenzhen / Public university
www.szu.edu.cn

Westlake University
Hangzhou / Private university
en.westlake.edu.cn

Shanghai Sanda University
Shanghai / Private university
www.sandau.edu.cn

Shanghai Jian Qiao University
Shanghai / Private university
www.gench.edu.cn

Xi'an Eurasia University
Xi'an / Private university
www.eurasia.edu

Xijing University
Xi'an / Private university
www.xijing.edu.cn

Wuchang Shouyi University
Wuhan / Private university
www.wsyu.edu.cn

NYU Shanghai
Shanghai / Sino-foreign cooperative university
shanghai.nyu.edu

Duke Kunshan University
Kunshan / Sino-foreign cooperative university
www.dukekunshan.edu.cn

The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Shenzhen
Shenzhen / Mainland–Hong Kong cooperative university
www.cuhk.edu.cn

STUDY IN NEW ZEALAND

New Zealand

Eight universities and distinct applied study routes.



Clock Tower, University of Auckland / Uhooep / CC BY-SA 4.0 / cropped

New Zealand has eight universities alongside a wider applied tertiary sector. Universities offer general and specialist degrees; the qualification level, teaching campus and programme determine the route and cost of study.

ANNUAL FEES / ROUTE COMPARISON

Public university guide: NZD 35,000-55,000

Private degree sample: NZD 22,000 tuition

All eight universities are public. AIS private IT example adds NZD 3,500-6,000 resource fees and NZD 300/year services. Public postgraduate guide: NZD 20,000-45,000.

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NZD 1,667-2,250

Approx. US$ 940-1,270

Monthly equivalent of the official portal's NZD 20,000-27,000 Auckland/Wellington annual estimates. Dunedin's cited NZD 18,000-21,000 is lower; choose the relevant city and housing contract.

Typical degree length

Bachelor's commonly 3 years, with longer professional routes; master's vary with credit load and entry preparation.

Fields of study

Agriculture; environmental science; engineering; computing; business; health; creative disciplines.

Academic entry

Universities assess school-qualification equivalence, subjects and grades for the selected course. English evidence and specialist selection, where applicable, are separate entry requirements.

Distance and arrival costs

Long-haul travel, insurance and the first weeks of accommodation affect early cash needs. Plan the initial cash requirement around deposits, the scholarship's first payment date and the university's arrival instructions.

NEW ZEALAND / EDUCATION AND ENTRY

Degrees and entry routes

Eight universities share a national qualifications framework with a wider range of applied and specialist providers.

Qualifications and credit levels

New Zealand's qualifications framework distinguishes the level of an award from its subject and duration. A bachelor's degree is at level 7 and normally requires at least 360 credits, including substantial study at the final undergraduate level. Bachelor honours and postgraduate diplomas sit at level 8, master's degrees at level 9, and doctorates at level 10. A graduate diploma is not a master's qualification simply because it follows a first degree. Compare the award title, framework level, entry requirements and progression rights before choosing between programmes with similar names.

Master's study and research preparation

A New Zealand master's degree may contain 120, 180 or 240 credits or more, depending on its design and the applicant's preparation. Shorter routes can require honours study, a postgraduate diploma or relevant professional experience beyond a first degree. Taught courses, applied projects and supervised research are combined differently across programmes. Applicants considering a later doctorate should examine the research component and admission regulations rather than assume every master's provides the same preparation. A proposed supervisor and viable research topic may also be important for research admission.

Applying with an overseas qualification

Universities assess international school and university qualifications against their own published entry rules. Auckland, for example, distinguishes overseas school-leaver, foundation and other admission routes, with additional requirements for particular programmes. An acceptable school certificate establishes a possible route to entry, but required subjects, grades and selection processes still matter. Apply for the exact degree and intake, using the university's current country guidance. Where direct entry is unavailable, check a foundation programme's progression conditions, total cost and recognition by the intended university before committing to an extra year.

English evidence and specialist selection

English-language requirements belong to the admitting institution and programme. Auckland's standard undergraduate benchmark is IELTS Academic 6.0 overall with no band below 5.5, but some degrees require higher results. The university also lists accepted alternative tests and qualification-based evidence; these are not interchangeable without checking the table. Medicine, clinical subjects and creative disciplines can have additional selection stages. Check the exact course's test format, validity period and component scores before booking. Leave time for any interview, portfolio or clinical selection stage as well as the language result.

NEW ZEALAND / STUDENT LIFE AND PLANNING

Costs and the student experience

Build the budget around a confirmed programme and teaching location, then plan accommodation and support before departure.

Tuition and the full annual budget

Education New Zealand publishes an indicative international bachelor's fee range of NZ$35,000-55,000 a year, with medicine and veterinary science potentially higher. Its range was last updated in March 2025 and is a planning reference, not a 2027 quotation. Obtain a fee schedule for the intended intake and study load. Compare tuition with compulsory services charges, insurance, equipment and fieldwork costs. Eligible international PhD students can pay domestic tuition rates, but the residence and enrolment conditions matter. Professional doctorates and other postgraduate awards should not be assumed to receive identical treatment.

Accommodation and learner support

Housing choices include university residences and independently arranged accommodation. These have different meal arrangements, contract lengths, deposits and support, so compare the written offer rather than a headline weekly rent alone. New Zealand's learner Code sets expectations for international student information, wellbeing and safety, including support before and during enrolment. Read the accommodation contract and ask the provider how to raise a concern or complaint. Establish the location of teaching before choosing a room; a multi-campus university may require study away from its best-known campus during part of a programme.

Learning and participation on campus

Degree credits represent a larger workload than the hours spent in classrooms. At Victoria University of Wellington, the typical full-time annual load is 120 points, with lectures complemented by tutorials, laboratories or studios according to the course. Timetables and course outlines explain attendance and assessment arrangements. Independent reading, preparation and assignments therefore need time in the weekly plan. Otago's academic integrity guidance emphasises accurate attribution and identifies unauthorised copying or collaboration as misconduct. Check course rules for collaboration, citation and AI use, and ask the tutor about unclear assessment instructions.

Visa evidence and work conditions

The Fee Paying Student Visa requires an approved offer, tuition and living funds, insurance and other evidence. Tertiary students normally show NZD 20,000/year for living costs, plus onward-travel funds. Work may be permitted for up to 25 hours weekly and full-time in eligible breaks. From 16 November 2026, eligible Level 7 graduate-diploma holders with a prior bachelor's degree can obtain a Post-Study Work Visa after completing the entire diploma full-time in New Zealand without credit transfer. Permission matches time studied, up to one year. Other qualifications have different rules; employment is not guaranteed.

NEW ZEALAND / ADMISSION

Entry tests and application notes

Programme-specific assessments, with official websites for further reading.

English-language proficiency

Applicants required to demonstrate English for the chosen programme

IELTS Academic and accepted alternatives are assessed against institution-specific overall and component thresholds. Auckland's standard undergraduate example is 6.0 overall with no band below 5.5; higher programme requirements apply.

ielts.org/
www.ets.org/toefl.html

Programme-specific selection

Programmes with additional academic, clinical or creative entry requirements

Consult the current degree page for any required portfolio, audition, interview, subject preparation or admission test. New Zealand does not use a single universal entrance examination for every international university applicant.

www.auckland.ac.nz/en/study/applications-and-admissions/entry-requirements/undergraduate-entry-requirements.html

Choosing a recognised provider

The eight universities are listed by Universities New Zealand. Other tertiary providers can offer approved degrees and other qualifications, but they are not additional universities. The extended directory therefore distinguishes institutes of technology, polytechnics and private providers. Check the exact provider and qualification with NZQA and confirm that the institution can enrol international learners. Recognition for a regulated profession or for employment in another country needs a separate check with the relevant licensing or recognition authority.

A changing applied education sector

New Zealand's vocational system began a further restructuring on 1 January 2026. The Tertiary Education Commission identifies ten stand-alone polytechnics in the first phase, including a combined MIT and Unitec entity. Further changes remain in progress. An older reference to Te Pūkenga or an individual campus may therefore describe an earlier organisational arrangement. Confirm the current legal provider, qualification-awarding arrangements and teaching location shown on an offer before accepting it, especially when comparing information published in different years.

NEW ZEALAND / SCHOLARSHIPS

Funding routes

Published award terms retain their stated intake or reference period.

Manaaki New Zealand Scholarships

Eligible undergraduate and postgraduate study; country-specific provision

Support. Full academic awards include tuition, living support, establishment support, approved travel and insurance, with specified additional support.

Eligibility. Citizens of participating countries meeting residence, age, academic, subject and other scheme conditions; postgraduate applicants normally need relevant work experience.

Application. Use the Manaaki country and eligibility tools, then the official application process for the applicable round.

Conditions. Eligibility is not worldwide. Scholars are expected to contribute to their home country's development for at least two years after study; family expenses and every personal cost are not automatically covered.

University of Otago Doctoral Scholarship

PhD and eligible professional doctorates

Support. The published scheme provides an annual NZ$34,128 stipend and tuition support at the domestic rate for up to 36 months.

Eligibility. Domestic and international applicants, usually undertaking their first doctorate; selection considers academic merit and research potential.

Application. Apply through eVision with the required departmental assessment for a published scholarship consideration round.

Conditions. Otago states that its doctoral scholarship programme is under review. Recheck the current route and amount. Student services fees and insurance are excluded; professional-doctorate tuition support is capped at the domestic rate.

University of Auckland International Student Excellence Scholarship

Eligible new international master's students

Support. A tuition credit of up to 25% of fees for the first two semesters, under the regulations available in September 2026.

Eligibility. Eligible master's offer and Admissions GPE of at least 7.0; restrictions include prior New Zealand tertiary study, distance study and specified management programmes.

Application. Eligible offer holders are invited to complete a supplementary form for the relevant round; follow the current invitation timetable.

Conditions. The present scheme is for master's study. Use the current master's regulations and invitation rather than an earlier undergraduate or NZ$10,000 scheme description. Full-time study and two consecutive semesters are required, with repayment conditions.

NEW ZEALAND / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

Universities and institutions

Location • fields • profile • official website • selected QS 2027 overall ranks

University of Auckland

Auckland / Public university / QS 2027: 67

Engineering and design; Business; Health sciences; Humanities

Conjoint degrees combine two undergraduate fields, while the Bioengineering and Liggins institutes connect engineering and biological science with health research.

Private Bag 92019, Auckland 1142, New Zealand

www.auckland.ac.nz

Auckland University of Technology

Auckland / Public university

Business and law; Computing; Engineering; Design

Design and Creative Technologies brings computing, architecture and communication into a broader applied setting, alongside a dedicated Māori and Indigenous development unit.

55 Wellesley Street East, Auckland City, New Zealand

www.aut.ac.nz

University of Waikato

Hamilton / Tauranga / Public university

Computer science; Management; Law; Education

Bachelor's programmes incorporate work-integrated learning, with flexible subject combinations; Tauranga also offers aquaculture within a coastal teaching setting.

Gate 1, Knighton Road, Hamilton 3240, New Zealand

www.waikato.ac.nz

Massey University

Palmerston North / Auckland / Wellington / Public university

Sciences; Creative arts; Business; Health

Distance and online programmes complement campus study, while veterinary science and creative arts provide specialist professional pathways with their own delivery requirements.

Tennent Drive, Palmerston North 4410, New Zealand

www.massey.ac.nz

Victoria University of Wellington

Wellington / Public university

Law and government; Humanities; Science and engineering; Architecture and design

Pipitea brings law, business and government into the central-city setting, while architecture and design use specialist Te Aro facilities.

Kelburn Parade, Kelburn, Wellington 6012, New Zealand

www.wgtn.ac.nz

University of Canterbury

Christchurch / Public university

Engineering; Science; Business; Arts

The engineering honours degree includes 800 hours of practical industry work, supported by reporting, safety preparation and reflection on professional experience.

Private Bag 4800, Christchurch 8140, New Zealand

www.canterbury.ac.nz

Lincoln University

Lincoln, Canterbury / Public university

Agriculture; Environmental science; Landscape architecture; Property

Many programmes require practical work, connecting land-based study with experience beyond the classroom; landscape architecture offers undergraduate and postgraduate routes.

Ellesmere Junction Road, Lincoln 7647, Canterbury, New Zealand

www.lincoln.ac.nz

University of Otago

Dunedin / Public university

Health sciences; Sciences; Humanities; Business

Residential colleges form a distinct part of student accommodation; health programmes use several cities according to discipline and stage of study.

362 Leith Street, North Dunedin, Dunedin 9016, New Zealand

www.otago.ac.nz

NEW ZEALAND / ADDITIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Further study options

Additional institutions / location, institution type and official website

Ara Institute of Canterbury
Christchurch / Timaru / Public institute of technology
www.ara.ac.nz

MIT and Unitec
Auckland / Public institute of technology; single legal entity from 2026
www.unitec.ac.nz

Eastern Institute of Technology
Napier / Gisborne / Public institute of technology
www.eit.ac.nz

Toi Ohomai Institute of Technology
Rotorua / Tauranga / Public institute of technology
www.toiohomai.ac.nz

Waikato Institute of Technology (Wintec)
Hamilton / Public institute of technology
www.wintec.ac.nz

Nelson Marlborough Institute of Technology
Nelson / Blenheim / Public institute of technology
www.nmit.ac.nz

Southern Institute of Technology
Invercargill / Public institute of technology
www.sit.ac.nz

Otago Polytechnic
Dunedin / Central Otago / Public polytechnic
www.op.ac.nz

Universal College of Learning (UCOL)
Palmerston North / regional campuses / Public institute of technology
www.ucol.ac.nz

Open Polytechnic of New Zealand
Lower Hutt / distance learning / Public polytechnic; distance education
www.openpolytechnic.ac.nz

Whitecliffe College
Auckland / other campuses / Private tertiary provider
www.whitecliffe.ac.nz

Media Design School at Strayer
Auckland / Private tertiary provider
www.mediadesignschool.com

Yoobee Colleges
Auckland / Wellington / Christchurch / Private tertiary provider
www.yoobee.ac.nz

New Zealand Tertiary College
Auckland / Christchurch / Private tertiary provider
www.nztertiarycollege.ac.nz

Pacific International Hotel Management School
New Plymouth / Private tertiary provider
pihms.ac.nz

STUDY IN IRELAND

Ireland

English-medium study with distinct academic and applied routes.



Parliament Square, Trinity College Dublin / Shane Conneely / CC BY-SA 4.0 / cropped

Ireland combines comprehensive universities, technological universities and specialist colleges. Dublin and regional cities have different housing markets; the campus, qualification and programme establish the academic and financial comparison.

ANNUAL FEES / ROUTE COMPARISON

National nonclinical UG guide: EUR 10,300-29,000

Private Griffith benchmark: EUR 13,500

National guide spans subjects; private figure is Griffith's published undergraduate tariff. Compulsory annual charges and clinical courses are additional; scholarships require confirmation.

LIVING / MONTH

EUR 1,000–2,400

Approx. US$ 1,140–2,740

Planning band spanning national guidance and Dublin's higher rents. Dublin 2026 university estimates are about EUR 1,660-2,420/month; shared housing and smaller cities can be lower.

Typical degree length

Honours bachelor's commonly 3-4 years; taught master's usually 1-2 years. Professional routes differ.

Fields of study

Computing; engineering; business; life sciences; health; humanities; creative fields.

Academic entry

The institution specifies a Central Applications Office (CAO) or direct route. Qualification equivalence, subjects, English evidence and fee status depend on the applicant and programme.

Housing and early payments

Begin the housing search with the institution's accommodation office. Confirm the deposit, tenancy dates and commute, then include those payments in the arrival budget alongside any scholarship payment dates.

IRELAND / EDUCATION AND ENTRY

Qualifications and choosing a programme

Ireland's degree levels and different institution types make careful comparison more useful than a university name alone.

Bachelor's levels and progression

Ireland's National Framework of Qualifications distinguishes the ordinary bachelor's degree at level 7 from the honours bachelor's degree at level 8. An ordinary degree normally takes three years and 180 ECTS credits. An honours degree commonly requires three or four years and 180-240 ECTS, although professional programmes can be longer. Some institutions offer progression from a higher certificate to an ordinary degree and then an honours award. These routes have their own admission conditions. An ordinary bachelor's does not generally give immediate access to an Irish master's, so examine progression before enrolling.

Universities and other higher education providers

The HEA's institutional list includes universities, technological universities and specialist colleges within its statutory or funding remit. It is not a complete register of every independent provider. Other colleges may deliver programmes validated by QQI or awards made through another institution. Identify who teaches the course and who awards the qualification, then check its framework level and current approval. Academic recognition does not automatically settle professional licensing or immigration eligibility. The Irish Register of Qualifications and QQI records provide a starting point for checking the exact award rather than relying on a college's marketing name.

Application route and fee assessment

The Central Applications Office processes many undergraduate applications, but international applicants must first confirm the route required by each institution. The CAO handbook notes that applicants with residence outside the EU may need to apply directly to some providers. Universities also operate their own postgraduate applications. Nationality alone may not settle EU or non-EU fee status, so request an assessment where the position is unclear. Check qualification equivalence, prerequisite subjects and the course deadline. A conditional offer still requires the stated results or documents before the place becomes unconditional.

English and medical admissions tests

English requirements are programme-specific and separate from the minimum evidence used for immigration. Trinity's standard Band B example is IELTS Academic 6.5 overall and 6.0 in each component; higher-entry courses use a different band. Its current table distinguishes TOEFL results taken before and after the January 2026 scoring change. Medical selection also depends on the applicant category: HPAT-Ireland is relevant to designated undergraduate routes, while international applicants may be exempt. Graduate-entry medicine can require GAMSAT or MCAT under the university's rules. Check the current course instructions before booking a test.

IRELAND / STUDENT LIFE AND PLANNING

Financing study and settling in

The offer, housing contract and immigration permission each need their own checks before a move to Ireland.

Tuition and scholarship comparisons

Education in Ireland's published 2025/26 undergraduate guide places business at €10,300-29,000 annually and engineering or science and technology at €14,500-28,500. Its medicine and health-sciences category is substantially higher. These are dated reference ranges, not a fee commitment for a 2027 intake. Ask the institution for the current programme fee, compulsory charges and rules for later years. Postgraduate fees vary by subject and course length. A tuition scholarship may leave accommodation and everyday expenses entirely unfunded, so compare the remaining full-course cost rather than the percentage discount alone.

Housing and realistic living costs

Accommodation demand is high, and an academic offer should not be treated as a room allocation. Education in Ireland advises beginning the housing search early and using the institution's accommodation office. Compare university residences, private rentals and host-family arrangements by contract length, utilities, deposit and travel to campus. Trinity's July 2026 guide estimates annual undergraduate living costs in Dublin at €19,937-29,050, excluding tuition. That is a Dublin example rather than a national price. Arrange a realistic housing budget and verify the property and payment instructions before transferring a deposit.

Academic work and practical learning

Courses combine scheduled teaching with independent preparation, assignments and assessment. The balance differs between a laboratory subject, a studio course and a lecture-based degree; consult module descriptions rather than comparing contact hours alone. Limerick's quality report describes undergraduate routes with cooperative education or clinical and teaching placements, showing how practical learning can be built into the curriculum. Placement arrangements, assessment and any travel or professional checks need advance planning. Use induction to identify academic and international support contacts. Plan independent study alongside the timetable, and record placement preparation, travel and assessment deadlines early.

Immigration and permitted employment

Applicants who need Irish study permission must check the eligible programme lists, including the ILEP and TrustEd Ireland arrangements, as well as the visa process relevant to their nationality. Admission alone does not grant permission to travel or remain. The immigration application can require evidence of fee payment, finances and medical insurance, with registration obligations after arrival. Stamp 2 ordinarily permits 20 hours of work weekly during term and 40 during specified holiday periods. Those periods are defined by immigration rules, not simply by an individual timetable. Employment should not be the foundation of the study budget.

IRELAND / ADMISSION

Entry tests and application notes

Programme-specific assessments, with official websites for further reading.

English-language proficiency

Applicants required to provide English evidence for admission

Accepted tests and exemptions are institution-specific. Trinity's standard Band B uses IELTS Academic 6.5 overall with 6.0 components and lists accepted alternatives; its TOEFL table separates the pre- and post-January 2026 scales.

ielts.org/
www.ets.org/toefl.html

HPAT-Ireland

Designated undergraduate medicine admission routes

Applicability depends on the university and applicant category. ACER states that international/non-EU applicants may be exempt; do not assume every medical applicant must sit the test.

hpat-ireland.acer.org/

GAMSAT or MCAT

Relevant graduate-entry medicine applicants

For example, RCSI publishes separate EU and non-EU entry criteria and accepts the specified medical admissions test for the relevant route. The test does not replace the required previous degree or other selection conditions.

gamsat.acer.org/
students-residents.aamc.org/taking-mcat-exam/taking-mcat-exam

Choose the postgraduate award for the intended next step

A taught Irish master's is a level 9 award, commonly completed in one or two years with 60-120 ECTS credits. Research master's programmes normally involve a longer sustained research project. A higher diploma is a level 8 qualification, often allowing a graduate to enter a different field; a postgraduate diploma sits at level 9 but is not itself a master's degree. Compare the final award, research content and progression requirements when weighing conversion courses, taught postgraduate study and preparation for a doctorate.

Recognition beyond admission

NARIC Ireland provides advice on the comparability of foreign qualifications with Irish awards. This can help an applicant understand the level of an overseas qualification, but the admitting institution still applies its own admission criteria. Professional recognition is a separate matter: medicine, teaching and other regulated careers may require approval from the relevant professional authority. Students planning to return home should also check that country's licensing requirements before committing to a programme, especially where a degree includes clinical practice or a professional placement.

IRELAND / SCHOLARSHIPS

Funding routes

Published award terms retain their stated intake or reference period.

Government of Ireland International Education Scholarships

Eligible master's, postgraduate diploma and doctoral study at NFQ level 9 or 10

Support. The 2026 scheme provides a €10,000 stipend and a full fee waiver from the host institution for one year of full-time study.

Eligibility. Applicants whose domicile of origin is outside the EU/EEA, Switzerland and the UK, holding a conditional or final offer from an eligible institution; other call restrictions apply.

Application. Apply for admission first, then submit the separate HEA scholarship application with the required references for the published call.

Conditions. The cited 2026 call is closed. Funding covers one year, including for doctoral recipients; it does not cover an entire doctorate. Prior recipients cannot reapply. New calls set their own dates and terms.

UCD Global Excellence Scholarship

Eligible new full-time undergraduate and graduate programmes

Support. Competitive awards cover 50% or 100% of tuition fees under the applicable scheme conditions.

Eligibility. International applicants charged non-EU fees who hold an offer or conditional offer for an eligible UCD programme; regional and programme conditions apply.

Application. Apply through the UCD scholarship process after receiving an eligible programme offer, before the relevant regional deadline.

Conditions. This requires a scholarship application; it differs from UCD's automatically assessed International Student Scholarship. Tuition coverage does not include all living costs. Check continuation requirements and the current eligible-programme list.

Government of Ireland Postgraduate Scholarship Programme

Research master's and doctoral study

Support. The 2026 package includes a €25,000 annual stipend, up to €5,750 for fees and up to €3,250 for eligible research costs. Non-EU recipients may request up to €4,000 more toward fees.

Eligibility. The 2026 call accepts new entrants or students in the first year of the research degree. An eligible Irish host, proposed supervisor and the scheme's academic requirements are required.

Application. Prepare a research proposal and apply through the official scheme, meeting separate applicant, supervisor and research-office deadlines.

Conditions. The reviewed 2026 call is closed. The award is competitive and the fee contribution may not cover the full international fee. Duration depends on the award and research-degree route.

IRELAND / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

Universities and institutions

Location • fields • profile • official website • selected QS 2027 overall ranks

Trinity College Dublin

Dublin / Public university / QS 2027: 75

Humanities; Business; Law; Engineering and science

Trinity Electives let many undergraduates broaden their degree through interdisciplinary modules on societal challenges, research themes, languages and cultures.

College Green, Dublin 2, Ireland

www.tcd.ie

University College Dublin

Dublin / Public university / QS 2027: =100

Engineering and architecture; Business; Health and agriculture; Science

Quinn provides undergraduate business education while Smurfit serves graduate study; veterinary medicine, agriculture and health have dedicated specialist schools.

Belfield, Dublin 4, Ireland

www.ucd.ie

University College Cork

Cork / Public university

Arts and humanities; Business and law; Engineering; Food science

Food science shares an academic college with engineering and science, creating related study routes alongside the university's separate medicine and health provision.

College Road, Cork T12 K8AF, Ireland

www.ucc.ie

University of Galway

Galway / Public university

Medicine and health; Science and engineering; Business and law; Arts

Part-time, professional and flexible programmes complement conventional degrees, with specialist academic units in Irish studies, creative arts and allied health.

University Road, Galway H91 TK33, Ireland

www.universityofgalway.ie

University of Limerick

Limerick / Public university

Business; Engineering; Science; Education and health

Undergraduate programmes include cooperative education or professional practice placements, connecting academic study with employer, clinical or classroom experience.

Castletroy, Limerick, Ireland

www.ul.ie

Dublin City University

Dublin / Public university

Business; Education; Engineering and computing; Humanities

INTRA placements form assessed components of many undergraduate and some postgraduate programmes, connecting subject knowledge with supervised workplace experience.

DCU Glasnevin Campus, Dublin 9, Ireland

www.dcu.ie

Maynooth University

Maynooth / Public university

Computer science; Social sciences; Business; Education

The Graduate Research Academy supports research training alongside taught master's programmes, while the International Office serves full-degree and exchange applicants.

Maynooth, County Kildare, Ireland

www.maynoothuniversity.ie

RCSI University of Medicine and Health Sciences

Dublin / Independent not-for-profit university

Medicine; Pharmacy; Physiotherapy; Nursing

Specialist simulation and health-professions education centres support clinical preparation across medical and allied-health disciplines, alongside professional and research training.

123 St Stephen's Green, Dublin 2, Ireland

www.rcsi.com/dublin

Technological University Dublin

Dublin / Public technological university

Computing and data; Engineering; Business; Arts

Apprenticeships and lifelong-learning routes complement degrees; a conservatoire and specialist culinary, optometry and cybersecurity provision use different teaching environments.

Park House, Grangegorman, 191 North Circular Road, Dublin D07 EWV4, Ireland

www.tudublin.ie

Munster Technological University

Cork / Tralee / Public technological university

Engineering; Computing; Business; Creative arts

The National Maritime College, Cork School of Music and Crawford art college provide distinct specialist environments within the wider technological university.

Bishopstown, Cork T12 P928, Ireland

www.mtu.ie

IRELAND / ADDITIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Further study options

Additional institutions / location, institution type and official website

Atlantic Technological University
Galway / Sligo / Donegal and other western locations / Public technological university
www.atu.ie

South East Technological University
Waterford / Carlow and other south-eastern locations / Public technological university
www.setu.ie

Technological University of the Shannon
Athlone / Limerick and regional campuses / Public technological university
tus.ie

Dún Laoghaire Institute of Art, Design and Technology
Dún Laoghaire, Dublin / Public institute of technology
iadt.ie

Dundalk Institute of Technology
Dundalk / Public institute of technology
www.dkit.ie

National College of Art and Design
Dublin / Public specialist college
www.ncad.ie

Mary Immaculate College
Limerick / Thurles / Publicly funded specialist college
www.mic.ul.ie

National College of Ireland
Dublin / Independent not-for-profit college
www.ncirl.ie

Dublin Business School
Dublin / Private college
www.dbs.ie

Griffith College
Dublin / Cork / Limerick / Independent college
www.griffith.ie

Hibernia College
Dublin / blended learning / Private specialist college
hiberniacollege.com

CCT College Dublin
Dublin / Independent college
www.cct.ie

ICD Business School
Dublin / Independent college
icd.ie

Royal Irish Academy of Music
Dublin / Specialist conservatoire
www.riam.ie

St Patrick's Pontifical University, Maynooth
Maynooth / Specialist ecclesiastical university
sppu.ie

IICP College
Tallaght, Dublin / Private specialist college
iicp.ie

STUDY IN MALAYSIA

Malaysia

Public universities, private institutions and foreign branch campuses.

Malaysia hosts national universities, private institutions and overseas university campuses. An institution may award its own degree or teach a qualification awarded through an international arrangement. The Malaysian Qualifications Register records accredited programmes within its scope; programme and campus identity determine the qualification listed.



Universiti Putra Malaysia - Administration building / Chan.cadeupm / CC BY-SA 3.0 / cropped

Academic entry

A university offer precedes the Student Pass application. The file commonly includes a passport, academic records, health declaration and accepted English-language evidence. Education Malaysia Global Services (EMGS) supports the international-student process; immigration approval is distinct from university admission.

ANNUAL FEES / ROUTE COMPARISON

Public bachelor guide: USD 2,500-5,000

Private bachelor guide: USD 6,000-9,500

EMGS annual international bachelor's guide, quoted in USD. Professional degrees and overseas branch campuses may exceed these bands; scholarships reduce confirmed tuition.

LIVING / MONTH

MYR 1,500–3,100

Approx. US$ 370–760

EMGS-category model: shared rent, food, utilities, local transport, communications and personal spending. Stated assumptions total USD 365-765/month; the MYR range is rounded.

Typical degree length

Bachelor's: 3-4 years
Master's: 1-2 years
Medicine: usually 5 years

Fields of study

Business; computing; engineering; hospitality; sciences.

Student Pass and associated costs

Student Pass processing, medical screening and health insurance are separate from tuition. The institution's academic deposit, accommodation deposit and first living expenses can also fall before enrolment. The tuition band shown is an EMGS planning reference, not a professional-degree fee quotation.

MALAYSIA / EDUCATION AND ENTRY

Malaysia's degree pathways

Public universities, private universities and international branches offer different routes into degrees. Programme-level accreditation defines the qualification and delivery arrangement.

159,138

international students in public and private higher education institutions, as at 31 December 2025.

Qualifications and quality assurance

Malaysia's Qualifications Framework places a diploma at Level 4, a bachelor's degree at Level 6, a master's at Level 7 and a doctorate at Level 8. Foundation study prepares students for further entry and should be assessed through its progression arrangements. The Malaysian Qualifications Register records accredited qualifications and their providers. Accreditation attaches to the stated programme, qualification level, campus and mode of delivery. Match the register entry to the award, campus and mode on the offer, especially for partner degrees.

Public, private and branch campuses

Public universities cover comprehensive, technical, education and specialist fields. Private universities add business, computing, creative subjects and professional degrees, while foreign branch campuses deliver selected programmes linked to overseas institutions. A Malaysian campus does not necessarily offer every course available at its parent university. The awarding body, teaching location and any optional or compulsory overseas transfer distinguish the various forms of international provision. Written credit-transfer rules are particularly important for twinning, diploma-to-degree and international transfer arrangements that span more than one institution.

Subjects and entry pathways

School leavers can compare direct bachelor's entry, foundation, A levels and diploma routes. Engineering and computing commonly need specified mathematics preparation; health programmes can demand particular science subjects and stricter professional standards. A foundation is useful only if its destination programmes and progression grades suit the applicant. Design, architecture and performing arts can add portfolio or interview requirements to academic entry criteria. Industrial-training arrangements, international placement eligibility and accreditation for the actual intake and campus affect the usefulness of an otherwise attractive programme.

International school qualifications

MQA publishes guidance on overseas entry qualifications, distinguishing those suitable for bachelor's admission from those suitable for foundation, certificate or diploma study. Completing twelve years of schooling is part of the equivalency framework, but the qualification must also meet its stated conditions. The university still evaluates grades and subject prerequisites. Assessment uses the final qualification, full transcript and translations where the institution requires them. A qualification accepted for one degree may not satisfy the subject requirements for medicine, engineering or another regulated professional programme.

MALAYSIA / STUDENT LIFE AND PLANNING

Admission and student life

Plan the admission file and Student Pass together, then budget course fees, campus living and initial payments.

English evidence and application stages

MUET is central to many Malaysian admission routes, but international applicants should read the programme's accepted English-test alternatives. EMGS lists several tests for student-pass documentation, including MUET, IELTS and TOEFL; academic thresholds can differ by institution and subject. An English-medium school letter is useful only where the receiving institution accepts that exemption. An additional English course can change the total duration, fees and degree-entry date, so confirm the degree-entry date and the evidence required for the Student Pass before accepting the language pathway.

Student-pass preparation

After receiving an offer, international students follow the institution and EMGS process for a Malaysian Student Pass. Required documents include passport information and academic evidence, with additional items depending on nationality and application type. Medical screening, insurance and immigration formalities are separate from academic admission. Application tracking and the institution's arrival instructions establish the relevant stage of processing before travel. Processing charges and the applicable personal bond add to initial expenditure, so the tuition quotation alone does not represent the complete arrival cost.

The full cost of a degree

Tuition varies substantially between public universities, private institutions, foreign branches and professional programmes. A promotional first-semester price does not necessarily represent the cost of later study periods. Registration, laboratory or studio charges, compulsory insurance, visa-related costs and accommodation deposits can sit outside tuition; published annual increases also affect the total. Scholarship eligibility can depend on nationality, and continuation may require a specified academic result rather than automatic annual renewal. A branch-campus transfer abroad can change tuition and living costs sharply, making that stage financially distinct from study completed entirely in Malaysia.

Location and student life

Kuala Lumpur and the Klang Valley provide many institutions, but campuses in Penang, Johor, Sabah and Sarawak offer different subject networks and daily routines. The campus address and transport links determine daily travel more precisely than the nearest major city named in a prospectus. University residences can simplify the first semester, particularly when teaching sites are outside city centres. International students need prior Immigration approval to work up to 20 hours weekly, only during breaks longer than seven days. Applications go through the institution; permitted sectors include restaurants, petrol kiosks, mini-markets and hotels.

MALAYSIA / ADMISSION

Entry tests and application notes

Programme-specific assessments, with official websites for further reading.

MUET

Domestic routes and international programmes accepting it

The Malaysian University English Test assesses English. Required bands vary by programme; international applicants may present accepted alternatives where the institution permits.

www.mpm.edu.my/en/muet

English-language tests

International admission and student-pass documentation

EMGS accepts listed tests including IELTS, TOEFL and Pearson Test of English Academic. Programme thresholds and permitted exemptions are set by the university, separately from student-pass documentation.

ielts.org/
www.ets.org/toefl.html

STPM / A levels / IB

Bachelor's-entry qualifications

Sijil Tinggi Persekolahan Malaysia, Advanced Levels and the International Baccalaureate are bachelor's-entry qualification routes. MQA equivalency and programme-specific subject grades determine suitability; use the university's accepted-qualification list for the intended intake.

portal.mpm.edu.my/en/
www.cambridgeinternational.org/
ibo.org/programmes/diploma-programme/

APEL.A assessment

Eligible applicants seeking access through prior experience

Accreditation of Prior Experiential Learning for Access provides an assessed admission route at specified qualification levels. Eligibility and assessment vary by level; confirm course acceptance before paying for assessment.

www2.mqa.gov.my/portalapela/en/whatisapel.cfm

Programme interview / portfolio / aptitude assessment

Courses specifying additional selection

Art, design and professional programmes may assess suitability beyond school results. The published course criteria define the assessment; there is no single national test for these programmes.

educationmalaysia.gov.my/plan-your-studies/choose-what-to-study/programme-courses

Programme accreditation and awarding location

The Malaysian Qualifications Register records accredited qualifications awarded by higher education providers in Malaysia. Entries identify programmes rather than granting blanket approval to every course offered by an institution. MQA states that accreditation is location-specific unless otherwise indicated. For dual awards, the register lists the accredited qualification awarded by the Malaysian provider, rather than automatically accrediting the foreign partner's award. Provisional accreditation is recorded through a separate system. Malaysia's public universities, private universities and foreign branch campuses therefore appear within a programme-based qualification framework.

MALAYSIA / SCHOLARSHIPS

Funding routes

Published award terms retain their stated intake or reference period.

Malaysia International Scholarship (MIS)

Full-time master's and PhD

Support. Tuition is paid to the university. The 2026 living allowance is RM1,500/month, paid every four months after progress reports.

Eligibility. Citizens of the listed MIS recipient countries at participating Malaysian universities. The 2026 guide specifies age ceilings of 40 for master's and 45 for PhD, academic merit and English proficiency.

Application. The Ministry of Higher Education MIS portal receives academic, nationality and supporting documents; research applications include a proposal.

Conditions. Restricted to participating universities and listed recipient nationalities. The 2026 guide excludes medicine, nursing and pharmacy from its health priority area. Undergraduate study is outside the scheme.

Monash Malaysia High Achiever Award - new students

Undergraduate

Support. RM10,000 annual tuition waiver, normally RM5,000 per semester, subject to continued eligibility.

Eligibility. Malaysian and international new entrants with outstanding accepted secondary-school results and a full admission offer. Medicine and pharmacy are excluded; prior tertiary study or credit-transfer entry is ineligible.

Application. Eligible admission applications are considered automatically; an award is communicated with the admission offer.

Conditions. The award is a tuition waiver without a general living allowance. Retention requires the prescribed academic performance and full study load; concurrent financial assistance is normally excluded.

Malaysian Technical Cooperation Programme (MTCP) Scholarship

Full-time master's

Support. Tuition, other approved allowances and a return economy airline ticket; published award duration is 24-36 months.

Eligibility. International students from MTCP recipient developing countries; the current rules require age no more than 45, at least upper-second/CGPA 3.00 undergraduate results and qualifying English proficiency.

Application. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs MTCP portal receives applications for participating Malaysian universities and eligible master's programmes.

Conditions. Restricted to the designated recipient developing countries and participating institutions. Undergraduate and doctoral study are outside this award; its published funding duration is 24-36 months.

ASEAN Monash Malaysia Scholarships

Diploma, undergraduate and postgraduate routes

Support. 100% tuition waiver in the published routes. Selected diploma/undergraduate awards may add a stipend and laptop allowance; postgraduate routes list tuition coverage.

Eligibility. Nationals of the listed ASEAN countries, including Malaysia and Timor-Leste, with academic merit and demonstrated financial need. Coursework applicants require an offer and extracurricular evidence; research criteria differ.

Application. Coursework selection uses a separate scholarship application and interview; research scholarship consideration occurs within the admission application.

Conditions. Excluded undergraduate programmes include medicine and pharmacy. Living and laptop support belong to designated diploma or undergraduate categories; postgraduate routes list tuition coverage.

MALAYSIA / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

Universities and institutions

Location • fields • profile • official website • selected QS 2027 overall ranks

Universiti Malaya

Kuala Lumpur / Public university / QS 2027: 56

Medicine; Engineering; Business; Science

Selected integrated undergraduate programmes award double degrees with international partners, combining home-university study with structured academic mobility.

Universiti Malaya, 50603 Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

www.um.edu.my

Universiti Sains Malaysia

George Town / Public university

Science; Engineering; Medicine; Social sciences

Separate engineering and health campuses provide discipline-specific facilities, while distance-learning and joint-degree routes extend the conventional campus-based academic offer.

Universiti Sains Malaysia, 11800 USM, Penang, Malaysia

www.usm.my

Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia

Bangi / Public university

Medicine; Engineering; Science; Business

UKMi provides a direct-entry international bachelor's route through UKMShape, with its own programme catalogue and application arrangements.

Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia, 43600 UKM Bangi, Selangor, Malaysia

www.ukm.my

Universiti Putra Malaysia

Serdang / Public university

Agriculture; Veterinary medicine; Engineering; Science

The University Veterinary Hospital provides diagnostic and clinical facilities for undergraduate and postgraduate training, alongside agricultural and scientific study.

Universiti Putra Malaysia, 43400 UPM Serdang, Selangor, Malaysia

upm.edu.my

Universiti Teknologi Malaysia

Johor Bahru / Public university

Engineering; Computing; Built environment; Science

The Malaysia-Japan International Institute of Technology provides a specialist engineering setting; its programmes combine undergraduate research projects with industrial training.

Universiti Teknologi Malaysia, 81310 Skudai, Johor Bahru, Johor, Malaysia

www.utm.my

International Islamic University Malaysia

Gombak / Public university

Law; Economics; Engineering; Human sciences

An Islamic intellectual perspective shapes academic study across professional disciplines, with health programmes using specialist campuses separate from other faculties.

Jalan Gombak, 53100 Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

www.iium.edu.my

Universiti Teknologi MARA

Shah Alam / Public; no international bachelor's intake

Business; Engineering; Art and design; Health sciences

Undergraduate entry serves Malaysian Bumiputera applicants; international applicants should consult the separate postgraduate admissions route and programme-specific eligibility requirements.

Universiti Teknologi MARA, 40450 Shah Alam, Selangor, Malaysia

www.uitm.edu.my

Universiti Utara Malaysia

Sintok / Public university

Business; Economics; Accounting; Law

Management-related study extends beyond business into law, computing and social sciences, offering several professional perspectives within the specialist university.

Universiti Utara Malaysia, 06010 UUM Sintok, Kedah, Malaysia

www.uum.edu.my

Universiti Malaysia Sabah

Kota Kinabalu / Public university

Science; Business; Engineering; Humanities

The Borneo Marine Research Institute uses research vessels, laboratories and an aquarium for marine research, field learning and biodiversity education.

Jalan UMS, 88400 Kota Kinabalu, Sabah, Malaysia

www.ums.edu.my

Universiti Malaysia Sarawak

Kota Samarahan / Public university

Engineering; Computing; Medicine; Social sciences

Twelve-month science foundation programmes provide a pre-degree route, alongside undergraduate study and separate postgraduate coursework, research and executive qualifications.

Jalan Datuk Mohammad Musa, 94300 Kota Samarahan, Sarawak, Malaysia

www.unimas.my

MALAYSIA / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

Universities and institutions

Location • fields • profile • official website • selected QS 2027 overall ranks

Universiti Teknologi PETRONAS

Seri Iskandar / Private university

Engineering; Computing; Geoscience; Science

Structured industrial training combines an internship placement with an industry project, integrating workplace experience into the undergraduate study route.

Universiti Teknologi PETRONAS, 32610 Seri Iskandar, Perak, Malaysia

www.utp.edu.my

Taylor's University

Subang Jaya / Private university

Hospitality; Business; Design; Engineering

Selected hospitality and tourism degrees carry dual awards with Toulouse Jean Jaurès University, combining Malaysian delivery with a French academic partnership.

No. 1 Jalan Taylor's, 47500 Subang Jaya, Selangor, Malaysia

university.taylors.edu.my

Sunway University

Bandar Sunway / Private nonprofit university

Business; Computing; Hospitality; Arts

Selected programmes award both Sunway and Lancaster degrees; eligible hospitality programmes add Le Cordon Bleu certification under separate partnership arrangements.

No. 5, Jalan Universiti, Bandar Sunway, 47500 Selangor, Malaysia

sunwayuniversity.edu.my

Monash University Malaysia

Bandar Sunway / Australian university branch

Business; Engineering; Computing; Science

Selected Monash degrees are delivered locally; medical students use the Johor Bahru clinical school for the clinical stage of their training.

Jalan Lagoon Selatan, 47500 Bandar Sunway, Selangor, Malaysia

www.monash.edu.my

University of Nottingham Malaysia

Semenyih / UK university branch

Engineering; Business; Science; Social sciences

A residential campus delivers selected Nottingham degrees locally, with programmes organised within the university's wider international teaching and research structure.

Jalan Broga, 43500 Semenyih, Selangor, Malaysia

www.nottingham.edu.my

Heriot-Watt University Malaysia

Putrajaya / UK university branch

Engineering; Business; Actuarial science; Psychology

Go Global allows eligible students to request study at the UK or Dubai campus, subject to programme availability and transfer conditions.

No. 1 Jalan Venna P5/2, Precinct 5, 62200 Putrajaya, Malaysia

www.hw.ac.uk/malaysia

Multimedia University

Cyberjaya / Private university

Computing; Engineering; Business; Creative multimedia

Cinematic Arts students create short films across fiction, documentary and experimental formats, combining practical production with critical study of film.

Persiaran Multimedia, 63100 Cyberjaya, Selangor, Malaysia

www.mmu.edu.my

UCSI University

Kuala Lumpur / Private university

Medicine; Pharmacy; Engineering; Business

Co-op modules integrate workplace experience into eligible degree programmes, with placement frequency and requirements determined by the course structure.

1, Jalan Menara Gading, Taman Connaught, 56000 Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

www.ucsiuniversity.edu.my

Asia Pacific University of Technology and Innovation

Kuala Lumpur / Private university

Computing; Cybersecurity; Engineering; Business

The APU–De Montfort partnership offers separate degree certificates from both universities on participating programmes, subject to the chosen award arrangement.

11, Jalan Teknologi 5, Technology Park Malaysia, Bukit Jalil, 57000 Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

www.apu.edu.my

Universiti Tunku Abdul Rahman

Kampar / Private nonprofit university

Business; Engineering; Computing; Science

Selected work-based degrees combine two campus years with one year at an industry partner, subject to selection and programme requirements.

Jalan Universiti, Bandar Barat, 31900 Kampar, Perak, Malaysia

utar.edu.my

MALAYSIA / ADDITIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Further study options

Additional institutions / location, institution type and official website

Universiti Pendidikan Sultan Idris
Tanjong Malim / Public university
www.upsi.edu.my

Universiti Malaysia Terengganu
Kuala Nerus / Public university
www.umt.edu.my

Universiti Malaysia Pahang Al-Sultan Abdullah
Pekan / Gambang / Public university
www.umpsa.edu.my

Universiti Tun Hussein Onn Malaysia
Parit Raja / Public university
www.uthm.edu.my

Universiti Teknikal Malaysia Melaka
Durian Tunggal / Public university
www.utem.edu.my

Universiti Malaysia Perlis
Arau / Public university
www.unimap.edu.my

Universiti Sains Islam Malaysia
Nilai / Public university
www.usim.edu.my

Universiti Malaysia Kelantan
Bachok / Public university
www.umk.edu.my

Universiti Sultan Zainal Abidin
Kuala Nerus / Public university
www.unisza.edu.my

Universiti Pertahanan Nasional Malaysia
Kuala Lumpur / Public university
www.upnm.edu.my

Universiti Tenaga Nasional
Kajang / Private university
www.uniten.edu.my

Universiti Kuala Lumpur
Kuala Lumpur / Private university
www.unikl.edu.my

Management and Science University
Shah Alam / Private university
www.msu.edu.my

HELP University
Shah Alam / Kuala Lumpur / Private university
university.help.edu.my

SEGi University
Petaling Jaya / Private university
university.segi.edu.my

INTI International University
Nilai / Private university
newinti.edu.my

Nilai University
Nilai / Private university
www.nilai.edu.my

MAHSA University
Bandar Saujana Putra / Private university
mahsa.edu.my

AIMST University
Bedong / Private university
aimst.edu.my

IMU University
Kuala Lumpur / Private university
www.imu.edu.my

University of Cyberjaya
Cyberjaya / Private university
cyberjaya.edu.my

Lincoln University College
Petaling Jaya / Private university college
www.lincoln.edu.my

Universiti Selangor
Bestari Jaya / Shah Alam / State-owned private university
unisel.edu.my

Universiti Tun Abdul Razak
Kuala Lumpur / Private university
unirazak.edu.my

UNITAR International University
Petaling Jaya / Private university
www.unitar.my

Universiti Poly-Tech Malaysia
Kuala Lumpur / Private university
www.uptm.edu.my

Tunku Abdul Rahman University of Management and Technology
Kuala Lumpur / Private university
www.tarc.edu.my

Wawasan Open University
George Town / Private university
www.wou.edu.my

Open University Malaysia
Petaling Jaya / Private university
www.oum.edu.my

Malaysia University of Science and Technology
Petaling Jaya / Private university
must.edu.my

International University of Malaya-Wales
Kuala Lumpur / Private university
www.iumw.edu.my

Universiti Sultan Azlan Shah
Kuala Kangsar / Private university
www.usas.edu.my

Southern University College
Skudai / Private university college
www.southern.edu.my

New Era University College
Kajang / Private university college
www.newera.edu.my

Han Chiang University College of Communication
George Town / Private university college
www.hcu.edu.my

Perdana University
Kuala Lumpur / Private university
www.perdanauniversity.edu.my

Manipal University College Malaysia
Melaka / Private university college
www.manipal.edu.my

RCSI & UCD Malaysia Campus
George Town / Private medical higher-education institution
www.rcsiucd.edu.my

Swinburne University of Technology Sarawak Campus
Kuching / Foreign university branch campus
www.swinburne.edu.my

Curtin University Malaysia
Miri / Foreign university branch campus
curtin.edu.my

Xiamen University Malaysia
Sepang / Foreign university branch campus
www.xmu.edu.my

University of Southampton Malaysia
Iskandar Puteri / Foreign university branch campus
www.southampton.ac.uk/my

University of Reading Malaysia
Iskandar Puteri / Foreign university branch campus
www.reading.edu.my

Newcastle University Medicine Malaysia
Iskandar Puteri / Foreign university branch campus
www.ncl.ac.uk/numed

STUDY IN POLAND

Poland

First-cycle degrees and long-cycle professional programmes.



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Poland has public and non-public institutions offering first-, second- and third-cycle education. Certain professional subjects use an integrated long-cycle master's route. English-taught degrees operate alongside Polish-language provision. Recognition of the entry qualification and programme selection are separate stages.

ANNUAL FEES / ROUTE COMPARISON

Fee-paying degree guide: EUR 2,000-6,000

Official fee-paying degree guide; public and non-public tariffs overlap. Some eligible Polish-taught public routes are free. MBA, clinical and individual institutional fees differ.

LIVING / MONTH

PLN 2,500-4,500

Approx. US$ 650-1,170

Model: rent/utilities PLN 1,300-2,500; food PLN 700-1,100; travel/communications PLN 150-250; personal/study costs PLN 350-650. Monthly total, before deposits and travel.

Typical degree length

Bachelor's: usually 3-4 years
Master's: 1.5-2 years
Medicine: 6 years

Fields of study

Engineering; computing; business; sciences; medicine.

Academic entry

A foreign school certificate may be recognised automatically or require a statement from NAWA, the Polish National Agency for Academic Exchange. The university also applies its subject, selection and language criteria. Master's admission concerns the recognition and relevance of the first degree.

University of Warsaw residences

University of Warsaw dormitories list PLN 520-1,100/month for 2026/27, subject to allocation. This is an accommodation charge. Food, local transport, insurance and personal expenditure remain separate from rent. The psychology tuition example is a long-cycle master's degree, not a bachelor's.

POLAND / EDUCATION AND ENTRY

Degree routes and specialisms

Separate university traditions in technology, medicine, economics, agriculture and the arts sit alongside comprehensive institutions.

108,609

Foreign students enrolled in Polish higher education institutions. Reporting period: 2024/25.

First cycle, second cycle and long cycle

First-cycle degrees normally take three to four years and lead to a licencjat or, in engineering and certain technical fields, an inżynier qualification. Second-cycle master's programmes commonly take one and a half to two years. Some professions use an integrated long-cycle course instead of a separate bachelor's followed by a master's. Medicine, dentistry, law and selected other fields fall within this structure, with durations determined by the discipline. For later doctoral study, compare the research preparation and admission requirements of the intended graduate route.

Different institutional specialisms

Poland's higher-education directory includes comprehensive universities, universities of technology, medical universities, universities of economics and life-sciences institutions, as well as arts and physical-education academies. Public and non-public institutions both operate within the national system. Specialist naming often indicates the institution's historical subject concentration, but current programmes can extend beyond that label. Academic and vocational institutions have distinct statutory profiles. The Polish Accreditation Committee evaluates the quality of higher education; check its programme records alongside the institution's current status when assessing a specific offer.

Engineering and life-sciences routes

An engineering first-cycle programme commonly uses a longer technical curriculum than a three-year general bachelor's. Poland's national framework assigns 180-240 European credits to first-cycle study, while a second-cycle qualification normally adds 90-120 credits. Technical universities offer disciplines such as civil engineering, computing, mechanical engineering and energy; life-sciences universities add agriculture, food, veterinary and environmental fields. These subject families exist in different institution types. An English-language route and a Polish-language route can have different admissions, fees and available places even where they share the same subject name.

Medicine has its own selection model

The Medical University of Gdańsk offers a six-year English-language medical programme with a defined admissions procedure. Its published route includes a written science assessment and interview for relevant candidates, while specified diploma categories have different academic-evidence arrangements. Biology and other required school sciences therefore affect eligibility independently of English proficiency. A six-year medical degree is not equivalent to an unrestricted right to practise in every country. Professional recognition and registration depend on the destination regulator as well as the completed qualification.

POLAND / STUDENT LIFE AND PLANNING

Recognition, language and costs

Recent recognition and language rules have made the origin of the qualifying certificate particularly important.

Recognition of a foreign school certificate

NAWA, the Polish National Agency for Academic Exchange, issues statements confirming the right associated with a foreign secondary-school certificate to apply for higher education in Poland. Since July 2025, this procedure applies to certificates outside the categories covered by automatic recognition or specified exemptions. International Baccalaureate and European Baccalaureate diplomas have separate treatment. Earlier valid recognition decisions can remain relevant. Recognition addresses the legal standing of the qualification; it does not replace the university's subject requirements, ranking of applicants or decision to admit a particular candidate.

Additional admission assessments

The University of Warsaw's 2026-27 rules set out additional requirements for specified foreign-qualification applicants: recognised school documentation, acceptable teaching-language evidence and, for the relevant first-cycle or long-cycle category, a positive result in an entrance examination testing knowledge needed for the course. Exemptions depend on the qualification and legal category. Identify the category for the student's actual certificate, then list any required recognition statement, language document and entrance examination. Resolve exemptions with the admissions office before booking a test or submitting an incomplete file.

Language evidence and tuition status

For applicants covered by the additional language-document rules, the University of Warsaw publishes accepted evidence at least at B2 level, the upper-intermediate band of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages. Its list includes IELTS 5.5, TOEFL iBT 72 and PTE Academic 59, alongside other approved evidence; programmes may set additional demands. Poland's national study portal gives broad tuition estimates of EUR 2,000-6,000 annually for many fee-paying courses.
English-language medicine and other specialist programmes can cost substantially more, and fee exemptions depend on legal eligibility.

A Warsaw accommodation example

The University of Warsaw's published 2026-27 residence rates range from PLN 520 to PLN 1,100 per month, depending on the residence and room arrangement. Its students generally pay a deposit equivalent to one month's accommodation fee. A separate university faculty guide estimates everyday living expenses excluding rent at PLN 2,000-3,000 per month. Add the relevant room charge to the everyday allowance and keep the refundable deposit in the arrival cash plan. Residence places require allocation, and private rentals can involve different rents, utilities, deposits and contract conditions from a university-managed room.

POLAND / ADMISSION

Entry tests and application notes

Programme-specific assessments, with official websites for further reading.

IELTS

English-language evidence for eligible routes

International English Language Testing System. Warsaw's published accepted-document list includes a minimum score of 5.5; programme standards and the applicant's legal category can add conditions.

ielts.org/

TOEFL iBT / PTE Academic

Alternative English-language evidence

Test of English as a Foreign Language, internet-based, and Pearson Test of English Academic. Warsaw publishes thresholds of 72 and 59 respectively; these are not universal admission scores for every Polish degree.

www.ets.org/toefl.html
www.pearsonpte.com/

University entrance examination

Specified foreign-school applicants

An academic knowledge assessment applies to relevant first-cycle and long-cycle applicants under Warsaw's additional admissions rules. Qualification-based exemptions and programme-specific arrangements apply.

rekrutacja.uw.edu.pl/en/additional-requirements-for-candidates-with-foreign-documents/

Medical science assessment and interview

Medical University of Gdańsk English medicine

The university publishes science-assessment and interview routes, with different treatment for specified diploma categories. Medical selection is institution-specific.

admission.mug.edu.pl/1447.html

State Polish-language certificate

Polish-taught programmes and specified eligibility routes

National examinations certify Polish proficiency at designated levels. A Polish-language certificate does not replace English evidence for a programme taught in English.

certyfikatpolski.pl/terminy-sesji-egzaminacyjnych-w-2027-roku/

Degree structure and institutional status

Poland has public and non-public higher-education institutions. First-cycle awards include licencjat and inżynier; second-cycle study leads to magister or an equivalent title. Some regulated fields use long-cycle degrees combining the first two stages. Doctoral education is a separate research route. Postgraduate non-degree courses award certificates rather than a master's qualification. RAD-on is the official information system for institutions and programmes. The distinction between a degree and a non-degree course remains the same whether the teaching language is Polish or English.

POLAND / SCHOLARSHIPS

Funding routes

Published award terms retain their stated intake or reference period.

Banach NAWA Programme

Postgraduate: second-cycle master's; preparatory route where offered

Support. The published 2026/27 award provides PLN 2,500 monthly and tuition exemption at public universities. Preparatory-course and other support follow the call.

Eligibility. Citizens of the developing countries listed in the call, with an eligible recent first degree and required Polish or English proficiency. Previous master's study or NAWA funding restrictions apply.

Application. NAWA receives the funding application through its online system. The participating university processes a separate academic application.

Conditions. The eligible country list, qualifying first-degree dates and supported institutions are defined in the published call. A funding application does not constitute university admission.

Poland My First Choice NAWA

Postgraduate: full-time second-cycle master's

Support. The 2026 call provides PLN 2,000 monthly, public-university tuition exemption and a one-off travel allowance.

Eligibility. Candidates from the specified countries and territories with a high level of socioeconomic development, meeting degree and other call requirements; Polish or English at least B2.

Application. NAWA and the eligible university receive separate applications. Participating academic universities hold a framework agreement with NAWA.

Conditions. This scheme is restricted to the countries and territories named in the call. Tuition at private universities is not automatically waived.

General Anders NAWA Programme

Undergraduate, long-cycle and second-cycle master's

Support. Monthly NAWA scholarship for eligible full-time Polish-taught studies; an approved preparatory Polish-language year may precede the degree. Tuition treatment follows status and the call.

Eligibility. Applicants of Polish origin meeting the Pole's Card or qualifying dual-citizenship conditions. Separate bachelor/long-cycle and master's calls set education and other requirements.

Application. Applications use the relevant NAWA call and online system, with evidence of Polish origin. Universities conduct their own admission procedure.

Conditions. This is a diaspora programme, not an unrestricted international award. English-taught programmes and excluded fields are outside the published route.

Erasmus+ study mobility to Poland

Undergraduate and postgraduate exchange

Support. A contribution towards living and travel costs, with receiving-university tuition and specified academic charges waived. Grant rates and additional support depend on the mobility agreement.

Eligibility. Students already enrolled at a participating institution, nominated for an eligible study exchange with a Polish partner.

Application. The home university nominates students through its international or Erasmus office. A learning agreement records the study plan and recognition of credits.

Conditions. This funds a period within an existing degree, not general admission to an entire Polish degree. A grant may not cover all expenses.

POLAND / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

Universities and institutions

Location • fields • profile • official website • selected QS 2027 overall ranks

University of Warsaw

Warsaw / Public university / QS 2027: =289

Humanities; Social sciences; Mathematics; Natural sciences

Through Polish-taught MISMaP, students plan courses across at least two fields with a tutor, while completing a named science degree.

Krakowskie Przedmieście 26/28, 00-927 Warszawa, Poland

en.uw.edu.pl

Jagiellonian University

Kraków / Public university

Humanities; Law; Natural sciences; Medicine

Collegium Medicum provides health education, while the SOLARIS synchrotron and biotechnology centre create specialist research settings within the broader university.

Gołębia 24, 31-007 Kraków, Poland

en.uj.edu.pl

Warsaw University of Technology

Warsaw / Public technical university / QS 2027: =504

Engineering; Computer science; Architecture; Mathematics

Specialist engineering faculties provide separate degree routes in civil, mechanical, electrical and chemical engineering, with architecture and management alongside them.

Plac Politechniki 1, 00-661 Warszawa, Poland

www.pw.edu.pl

AGH University of Krakow

Kraków / Public technical university

Engineering; Computer science; Materials science; Energy

Materials, energy and geosciences connect with engineering and computing, extending mining and metallurgy into contemporary technical and environmental study routes.

al. Adama Mickiewicza 30, 30-059 Kraków, Poland

www.agh.edu.pl/en

University of Wrocław

Wrocław / Public university

Humanities; Social sciences; Law; Natural sciences

Selected English-taught degrees sit alongside Polish-language programmes, with specialist faculties combining mathematics and computing, and physics and astronomy.

Plac Uniwersytecki 1, 50-137 Wrocław, Poland

uwr.edu.pl/en

Wrocław University of Science and Technology

Wrocław / Public technical university

Engineering; Computer science; Architecture; Chemistry

Technical specialisms include photonics, microsystems and geoengineering, while a Faculty of Medicine adds a distinct professional route to the technical university.

Wybrzeże Stanisława Wyspiańskiego 27, 50-370 Wrocław, Poland

pwr.edu.pl/en

Adam Mickiewicz University, Poznań

Poznań / Public university

Humanities; Social sciences; Natural sciences; Law

A dedicated Polish Language and Culture school offers language preparation, alongside full degrees, short international study programmes and doctoral education.

Wieniawskiego 1, 61-712 Poznań, Poland

amu.edu.pl/en

University of Gdańsk

Gdańsk / Public university

Economics; Law; Humanities; Oceanography

Oceanography and coastal research add a specialist marine dimension to the broader university, alongside economics, law, humanities and natural sciences.

Jana Bażyńskiego 8, 80-309 Gdańsk, Poland

en.ug.edu.pl

Gdańsk University of Technology

Gdańsk / Public technical university

Engineering; Architecture; Computer science; Chemistry

The Fahrenheit Universities association connects the technical university with Gdańsk's comprehensive and medical universities, complementing its engineering and doctoral provision.

Gabriela Narutowicza 11/12, 80-233 Gdańsk, Poland

pg.edu.pl/en

University of Lodz

Łódź / Public university

Economics; Management; Humanities; Natural sciences

English-taught International Marketing combines social-science perspectives with data analysis, negotiation and an extended traineeship in companies or public institutions.

Narutowicza 68, 90-136 Łódź, Poland

www.uni.lodz.pl/en

POLAND / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

Universities and institutions

Location • fields • profile • official website • selected QS 2027 overall ranks

Lodz University of Technology

Łódź / Public technical university

Engineering; Computer science; Biotechnology; Design

The International Faculty of Engineering coordinates international degree provision, while an Interdisciplinary Doctoral School supports research across technical subject boundaries.

Żeromskiego 116, 90-543 Łódź, Poland

p.lodz.pl/en

Poznan University of Technology

Poznań / Public technical university

Engineering; Computer science; Architecture; Logistics

A technology-transfer centre supports industry collaboration, complementing technical degree teaching and research infrastructure across engineering, computing and design.

Marii Skłodowskiej-Curie 5, 60-965 Poznań, Poland

put.poznan.pl/en

Nicolaus Copernicus University in Toruń

Toruń / Public university

Humanities; Natural sciences; Law; Economics

Collegium Medicum in Bydgoszcz provides the health-sciences setting, separate from the main academic centre used for many other disciplines.

Gagarina 11, 87-100 Toruń, Poland

www.umk.pl/en

University of Silesia in Katowice

Katowice / Public university

Humanities; Social sciences; Natural sciences; Law

The Krzysztof Kieślowski Film School provides a specialist creative route, while an International Environmental Doctoral School supports interdisciplinary research.

Bankowa 12, 40-007 Katowice, Poland

us.edu.pl/en

Medical University of Warsaw

Warsaw / Public medical university

Medicine; Dentistry; Pharmacy; Nursing

Selected English-language health degrees combine academic and clinical education, supported by university healthcare facilities and separate doctoral training routes.

Żwirki i Wigury 61, 02-091 Warszawa, Poland

www.wum.edu.pl/en

Medical University of Gdańsk

Gdańsk / Public medical university

Medicine; Pharmacy; Nursing; Public health

Selected English-language programmes use university healthcare facilities; membership of Fahrenheit Universities connects the medical institution with neighbouring scientific and technical universities.

M. Skłodowskiej-Curie 3a, 80-210 Gdańsk, Poland

mug.edu.pl

SGH Warsaw School of Economics

Warsaw / Public economics university

Economics; Finance; Management; International business

Polish-language bachelor's students choose their field after year one; English-language applicants select a named programme when applying.

al. Niepodległości 162, 02-554 Warszawa, Poland

www.sgh.waw.pl/en

Kozminski University

Warsaw / Private university

Management; Finance; Economics; Law

Selected English-taught programmes include double-degree arrangements, while summer schools and executive study offer additional formats beyond conventional full-time degrees.

Jagiellońska 57/59, 03-301 Warszawa, Poland

www.kozminski.edu.pl/en

SWPS University

Warsaw / Private university

Psychology; Social sciences; Humanities; Law

Specialist psychology and design faculties sit alongside law and humanities, with preparatory language programmes providing an additional route into study.

Chodakowska 19/31, 03-815 Warszawa, Poland

english.swps.pl

Vistula University

Warsaw / Private university

Management; Finance; Computer science; International relations

Selected degrees are taught in English; Vistula School of Hospitality is a separately named institution within the same educational group.

Stokłosy 3, 02-787 Warszawa, Poland

vistula.edu.pl/en

POLAND / ADDITIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Further study options

Additional institutions / location, institution type and official website

Białystok University of Technology
Białystok / Public university
pb.edu.pl

Bydgoszcz University of Science and Technology
Bydgoszcz / Public university
pbs.edu.pl

Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński University
Warsaw / Public university
uksw.edu.pl

Cracow University of Technology
Kraków / Public university
www.pk.edu.pl/index.php?lang=en

Częstochowa University of Technology
Częstochowa / Public university
pcz.pl

Jan Długosz University
Częstochowa / Public university
ujd.edu.pl

Jan Kochanowski University
Kielce / Public university
ujk.edu.pl

John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin
Lublin / Non-public Catholic university
kul.pl

Kazimierz Wielki University
Bydgoszcz / Public university
ukw.edu.pl

Kielce University of Technology
Kielce / Public university
tu.kielce.pl

Koszalin University of Technology
Koszalin / Public university
tu.koszalin.pl

Krakow University of Economics
Kraków / Public university
uek.krakow.pl

Lazarski University
Warsaw / Non-public university
lazarski.pl

Lublin University of Technology
Lublin / Public university
pollub.pl

Maria Curie-Skłodowska University
Lublin / Public university
umcs.pl

Medical University of Białystok
Białystok / Public university
umb.edu.pl

Medical University of Lodz
Łódź / Public university
umed.pl

Medical University of Lublin
Lublin / Public university
umlub.pl

Medical University of Silesia
Katowice / Public university
sum.edu.pl

Opole University of Technology
Opole / Public university
po.edu.pl

Polish-Japanese Academy of Information Technology
Warsaw / Non-public university
pja.edu.pl

Pomeranian Medical University
Szczecin / Public university
pum.edu.pl

Poznan University of Medical Sciences
Poznań / Public university
www.ump.edu.pl/en

Poznań University of Economics and Business
Poznań / Public university
ue.poznan.pl

Poznań University of Life Sciences
Poznań / Public university
www.up.poznan.pl/en

Rzeszów University of Technology
Rzeszów / Public university
prz.edu.pl

Silesian University of Technology
Gliwice / Public university
www.polsl.pl/en

University of Agriculture in Krakow
Kraków / Public university
urk.edu.pl

University of Białystok
Białystok / Public university
uwb.edu.pl

University of Bielsko-Biala
Bielsko-Biała / Public university
ubb.edu.pl

University of Economics in Katowice
Katowice / Public university
ue.katowice.pl

University of Information Technology and Management
Rzeszów / Non-public university
en.uitm.edu.eu

University of Life Sciences in Lublin
Lublin / Public university
up.lublin.pl

University of Opole
Opole / Public university
uni.opole.pl

University of Rzeszów
Rzeszów / Public university
ur.edu.pl

University of Social Sciences
Łódź / Non-public university
san.edu.pl

University of Szczecin
Szczecin / Public university
usz.edu.pl

University of Warmia and Mazury
Olsztyn / Public university
uwm.edu.pl

University of Zielona Góra
Zielona Góra / Public university
uz.zgora.pl

Warsaw University of Life Sciences
Warsaw / Public university
sggw.edu.pl

West Pomeranian University of Technology
Szczecin / Public university
zut.edu.pl

Wroclaw Medical University
Wrocław / Public university
en.umw.edu.pl

Wroclaw University of Economics and Business
Wrocław / Public university
ue.wroc.pl

Wrocław University of Environmental and Life Sciences
Wrocław / Public university
upwr.edu.pl

WSB University
Dąbrowa Górnicza / Non-public university
wsb.edu.pl

STUDY IN THE NETHERLANDS

Netherlands

Two principal routes: research universities and applied sciences.



Maastricht University - Tongersestraat university building / Mark Ahsmann / CC BY-SA 4.0 / cropped

Dutch higher education distinguishes research-oriented WO from professionally oriented HBO. WO bachelor's degrees usually take three years; HBO bachelor's degrees commonly take four. Public and private institutions operate in both the wider education market and professional-specialist sectors. English-taught study remains subject to programme-specific entry requirements.

ANNUAL FEES / ROUTE COMPARISON

Public non-EU UG guide: EUR 9,000-20,000

Private BBA benchmark: EUR 11,800

Non-EU bachelor's guide and Wittenborg private benchmark. Master's guide: EUR 12,000-30,000. Statutory-fee eligibility differs from international institutional-fee status.

LIVING / MONTH

EUR 1,000–1,500

Approx. US$ 1,140–1,710

Nuffic student living estimate including accommodation. Typical room allowance is EUR 450-1,000/month; housing availability, city and contract length materially affect the budget.

Typical degree length

Bachelor's: research 3; applied 4 years
Master's: usually 1-2 years
Medicine: 6 years (3 + 3)

Fields of study

Business; engineering; life sciences; public health; computing.

Academic entry

Studielink is the national registration platform used by many programmes; universities separately assess qualifications and documents. Numerus fixus means a programme has limited places and a selection procedure. For relevant non-EU students, an educational sponsor recognised by the Immigration and Naturalisation Service (IND) submits the residence application.

Public and private examples

HAN and NHL Stenden are publicly funded universities of applied sciences; Maastricht is a publicly funded research university. Wittenborg and Nyenrode are private institutions. The school qualification, required subjects and selected programme determine academic eligibility.

NETHERLANDS / EDUCATION AND ENTRY

Research and applied degrees

Research universities and universities of applied sciences have different entry profiles, teaching structures and bachelor's durations.

129,764

International bachelor's and master's students at publicly funded Dutch higher-education institutions. Reporting period: 2025/26.

Research and professional higher education

The Dutch system distinguishes research-oriented education, known as WO, from professional higher education, known as HBO. A research-university bachelor's normally takes three years and 180 credits. A university-of-applied-sciences bachelor's normally takes four years and 240 credits, combining disciplinary learning with professional application. Both use the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System. Some applied-sciences institutions also run intensive three-year bachelor's routes for suitably qualified entrants. Check the programme's official WO or HBO classification and accreditation, then compare its curriculum and progression route with the student's plans.

What a school qualification must establish

Research-university entry normally requires a qualification comparable to Dutch pre-university secondary education, known as VWO. Applied-sciences entry can be based on the Dutch HAVO general-secondary diploma or level-four vocational qualification and comparable foreign awards. Nuffic, the Dutch organisation for internationalisation in education, publishes comparisons of foreign qualifications; the admitting institution makes the admission decision. Subject prerequisites remain important after diploma-level comparison. Mathematics, science or language deficiencies can lead to additional assessment even when the overall school qualification is acceptable.

Business, technology and specialist provision

Research and applied-sciences routes both include business, computing and engineering, but their course structures differ. Applied-sciences provision also includes hospitality, teacher education, nursing, design and performing arts. Specialist institutions extend the range: IHE Delft provides postgraduate water education, while arts schools admit students through discipline-specific selection. A master's after an applied-sciences bachelor's can involve a preparatory or bridging programme before admission to a research university. Ask the intended master's provider whether a bridge is needed, which modules it includes and how much additional time and tuition it adds.

Medicine, mathematics and capped places

A course offered in English elsewhere in the university does not establish the teaching language of medicine or another regulated profession. Maastricht's published medicine admission route is Dutch-language and requires the relevant pre-university science subjects. In quantitative subjects, universities identify acceptable mathematics evidence: Maastricht Computer Science lists the OMPT-D mathematics test and specified Dutch examination alternatives. Programmes with a numerus fixus have a capped number of places and their own selection process. Meeting minimum subject requirements does not remove that additional competition.

NETHERLANDS / STUDENT LIFE AND PLANNING

Admissions, fees and housing

Programme-level selection sits alongside a national registration portal and a housing market with limited student accommodation.

Complete Studielink and the university file

Most Dutch higher-education applications begin with Studielink, the national enrolment portal, followed by the institution's own document and assessment stages. A Studielink registration is therefore not an admission offer. Numerus-fixus programmes normally have a 15 January application deadline; other courses have different deadlines, including earlier dates for applicants who need immigration processing. The institution evaluates the diploma, required subjects and language evidence. Selection programmes can add tests, written work or interviews, while arts courses may assess portfolios or performance.

Choosing between WO and HBO

Compare research-oriented WO and applied HBO courses through their compulsory modules, assessment and practical work. Note the normal three- or four-year duration and calculate the full cost. For a student planning a research master's after HBO, ask the future university whether a bridging course would be needed. For direct research-university entry, confirm that the school qualification meets the required VWO comparison and subject prerequisites. Keep the outcome beside the shortlist: a suitable course needs both a workable entry route and a clear next step.

Tuition depends on fee status and subject

Study in NL, the national international-study information service, gives indicative annual tuition of EUR 9,000-20,000 for non-European Economic Area bachelor's students and EUR 12,000-30,000 for master's students. These broad estimates describe a market, not a fixed national tariff. Statutory-fee eligibility depends on conditions including nationality or residence status and prior study; many international applicants instead pay institutional fees. Some institutions also charge application or handling fees. The amount attached to a particular course and intake is the relevant tuition commitment.

Living costs and room availability

Study in NL estimates total student living expenditure at EUR 1,000-1,500 a month, with accommodation commonly EUR 450-1,000. These figures overlap: rent is a component of living expenditure, not an extra amount to add twice. Amsterdam generally costs more than smaller student cities. University admission does not guarantee a room, and the national study service warns of housing shortages. Deposits, furnishings and initial travel can create a larger first-month requirement than the recurring monthly budget; shared housing and studio accommodation have different cost structures.

NETHERLANDS / ADMISSION

Entry tests and application notes

Programme-specific assessments, with official websites for further reading.

English-language tests

Institution-specific English-taught degrees

International English Language Testing System (IELTS), Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), or other accepted evidence. Required scores and exemptions depend on the programme and prior education.

ielts.org/
www.ets.org/toefl.html

CCVX / Boswell-Bèta examinations

Applicants with specified subject deficiencies

Dutch pre-university subject examinations from CCVX or Boswell-Bèta can address specified mathematics or science deficiencies. Accepted certificates are set by the institution, not required from every international applicant.

ccvx.nl/
www.boswell-beta.nl/en/exams/

OMPT mathematics examinations

Selected quantitative bachelor's programmes

The Online Mathematics Placement Test has different versions. Maastricht Computer Science identifies OMPT-D; another degree's accepted version or threshold may differ.

www.omptest.org/

Numerus-fixus selection

Programmes with a capped intake

Selection is organised for the particular programme and may include tests or other assessments. It is distinct from a nationwide university entrance examination.

www.studyinnl.org/plan-your-stay/how-to-apply

Compare the complete academic route

For each shortlisted course, record WO or HBO status, degree duration, required subjects and the balance of academic and practical work. Check the institution and programme in DUO's RIO register. If the student intends to continue to a research master's, ask whether the bachelor's supplies its entry preparation or whether a pre-master's would be required. Add any bridging period and its fees to the comparison. A four-year applied course and a three-year research course should be compared as complete routes towards the student's goal.

Track both application systems

After registering in Studielink, complete the university's own document and selection tasks. For numerus-fixus courses, record the general 15 January deadline and any test, written-work or interview dates. Other courses set their own timetable, which can be earlier for applicants needing immigration processing. Save submission confirmations and monitor the university portal for requests. When an offer arrives, record its acceptance deadline and the remaining conditions for enrolment.

Set the arrival budget before accepting

Start the housing search early and ask how many rooms, if any, the institution can arrange. Confirm the tuition category; most non-EEA students pay institutional fees. Deduct only confirmed awards for the years they cover: the standard NL Scholarship contributes EUR 5,000 in year one, while other schemes have their own duration. Add rent, insurance, food, transport and study materials, then list deposits and initial payments separately. Keep an affordable housing alternative while awaiting any university allocation.

NETHERLANDS / SCHOLARSHIPS

Funding routes

Amounts and conditions refer to the intake shown. Check the current call and the cost left to fund.

NL Scholarship

Bachelor's and master's

Support. €5,000 in the first study year under the standard national scheme.

Eligibility. Non-EEA applicants to a full-time programme at a participating institution, meeting its criteria and without a Dutch higher education degree.

Application. Applications and selection are administered by participating universities, with institution-specific courses and deadlines.

Conditions. Partial support only: it is not a full-tuition award. Participation and additional institutional conditions vary by intake.

Maastricht University NL-High Potential Scholarship

Listed full-time master's

Support. Tuition, visa and specified insurance costs, plus EUR 20,150 living support for 13 months or EUR 38,750 for 25 months under the 2027-28 call.

Eligibility. Eligible non-EU/EEA applicants, excluding Swiss and Surinamese nationals; age no more than 35 on 1 September 2027, GPA at least 7.5/10 and no previous Dutch degree study.

Application. A complete application to a listed master's is required before the later scholarship deadline. A separate scholarship form follows. The 2027/28 call offers 18 awards for specified one- and two-year programmes.

Conditions. The allocated first-year room is a mandatory part of the award. Airfare, cleaning and any programme handling fees are excluded.

University of Twente Scholarship (UTS)

Eligible master's

Support. EUR 3,000-22,000 for one year. A second-year award of the same value is possible when renewal conditions are met.

Eligibility. Excellent non-EU/EEA applicants with conditional or full admission to an eligible master's; statutory-fee payers and current UT students are excluded.

Application. A separate scholarship application follows conditional or full master's admission and issuance of a university student number.

Conditions. Renewal requires a 7/10 average and at least half the year's credits by the end of the third quartile. ITC and pre-master's programmes are excluded.

Erasmus Mundus Joint Masters

Master's

Support. Competitive full scholarships may cover participation costs and contribute to travel, visa and living expenses.

Eligibility. Applicants worldwide with a bachelor's degree, or in its final year and graduating before the programme starts, meeting the consortium's requirements.

Application. The joint-master consortium receives admission and scholarship applications directly.

Conditions. These are joint programmes involving study in multiple countries. A Dutch partner does not mean the entire degree is taught in the Netherlands.

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Universities and institutions

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University of Amsterdam

Amsterdam / Publicly funded research university
QS 2027: 60

Humanities; Social sciences; Business; Law

Amsterdam University College offers a joint liberal arts and sciences honours degree with VU, alongside the university's specialist disciplinary programmes.

Spui 21, 1012 WX Amsterdam, Netherlands
www.uva.nl/en

Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam

Amsterdam / Publicly funded research university

Business; Social sciences; Law; Science

PPE at John Stuart Mill College combines philosophy, politics and economics, with a third-year choice of international study or a five-month internship.

De Boelelaan 1105, 1081 HV Amsterdam, Netherlands
vu.nl/en

Leiden University

Leiden / The Hague / Publicly funded research university

Law; Humanities; Social sciences; Science

Governance and Global Affairs draws on The Hague teaching setting, while other faculties operate across the university's two-city campus network.

Rapenburg 70, 2311 EZ Leiden, Netherlands
www.universiteitleiden.nl/en

Utrecht University

Utrecht / Publicly funded research university

Science; Humanities; Social sciences; Law

University College Utrecht offers interdisciplinary undergraduate education alongside the wider university's specialist degrees, including separate medical and veterinary pathways.

Heidelberglaan 8, 3584 CS Utrecht, Netherlands
www.uu.nl/en

Delft University of Technology

Delft / Publicly funded technical research university
QS 2027: 48

Engineering; Architecture; Computer science; Applied sciences

Dream Teams let students manage, design and build technical projects across disciplines, complementing formal engineering education with student-led innovation.

PO Box 5, 2600 AA Delft, Netherlands
www.tudelft.nl/en

Eindhoven University of Technology

Eindhoven / Publicly funded technical research university

Engineering; Computer science; Applied physics; Industrial design

Innovation Space supports interdisciplinary student projects and technology development, complementing the Bachelor College and Graduate School's separate academic structures.

PO Box 513, 5600 MB Eindhoven, Netherlands
www.tue.nl/en

University of Twente

Enschede / Publicly funded research university

Engineering; Computer science; Business; Behavioural sciences

Geo-information and earth observation sit alongside health technology and nanotechnology, connecting technical study with behavioural sciences and public administration.

Drienerlolaan 5, 7522 NB Enschede, Netherlands
www.utwente.nl/en

Wageningen University & Research

Wageningen / Publicly funded research university and research organisation

Agriculture; Food science; Environmental science; Life sciences

The university awards degrees within an organisation that also conducts applied research for public and private partners in food, environment and life sciences.

Droevendaalsesteeg 4, 6708 PB Wageningen, Netherlands
www.wur.nl/en

University of Groningen

Groningen / Publicly funded research university

Science; Business; Law; Humanities

Honours and interdisciplinary study complement standard degrees; Campus Fryslân offers a separate academic setting from the university's main teaching locations.

Broerstraat 5, 9712 CP Groningen, Netherlands
www.rug.nl

Radboud University

Nijmegen / Publicly funded research university

Science; Social sciences; Law; Humanities

The Cognitive Neuroscience research master's is embedded in the Donders Institute, combining specialised teaching with a supervised research project.

Houtlaan 4, 6525 XZ Nijmegen, Netherlands
www.ru.nl/en

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Maastricht University

Maastricht / Publicly funded research university
Business; Law; Health sciences; Psychology
Problem-based learning uses small tutorial groups to analyse questions and cases, combining collaborative work with substantial independent study.
Minderbroedersberg 4–6, 6211 LK Maastricht, Netherlands
www.maastrichtuniversity.nl

Erasmus University Rotterdam

Rotterdam / Publicly funded research university
Economics; Business; Law; Social sciences
Erasmus MC provides a specialist medical setting alongside Woudestein's social-science and business disciplines, with separate research and professional education routes.
Burgemeester Oudlaan 50, 3062 PA Rotterdam, Netherlands
www.eur.nl/en

Tilburg University

Tilburg / Publicly funded research university
Economics; Business; Law; Social sciences
University College Tilburg offers an interdisciplinary Liberal Arts and Sciences bachelor's, combining a broad foundation with subsequent major specialisation.
Warandelaan 2, 5037 AB Tilburg, Netherlands
www.tilburguniversity.edu

HU University of Applied Sciences Utrecht

Utrecht / Publicly funded university of applied sciences
Business; Communication; Engineering; Education
Applied projects connect disciplinary teaching with professional practice; research groups work with outside organisations on practical and societal problems.
Padualaan 99, 3584 CH Utrecht, Netherlands
www.internationalhu.com

HAN University of Applied Sciences

Arnhem / Nijmegen / Publicly funded university of applied sciences
Engineering; Business; Life sciences; Health
Practical assignments and work placements form part of professional programmes, supported by applied research across technical, business and health disciplines.
Ruitenberglaan 31, 6826 CC Arnhem, Netherlands
www.hanuniversity.com/en

Fontys University of Applied Sciences

Eindhoven and other cities / Publicly funded university of applied sciences
Engineering; Business; ICT; Arts
Internships and applied projects support professional learning, with associate degrees providing a shorter qualification route alongside bachelor's and master's programmes.
Rachelsmolen 1, Eindhoven, Netherlands
www.fontys.nl/en

Saxion University of Applied Sciences

Enschede / Deventer / Apeldoorn / Publicly funded university of applied sciences
Business; Engineering; ICT; Creative technology
Shorter bachelor's routes require prior study, while full bachelor's, master's and exchange programmes offer different entry points into professional education.
M.H. Tromplaan 28, 7513 AB Enschede, Netherlands
www.saxion.edu

Hanze University of Applied Sciences

Groningen / Publicly funded university of applied sciences
Business; Engineering; Arts; Health
An honours college adds further study opportunities, while research centres and professorships connect applied investigation with professional degree teaching.
Zernikeplein 7, 9747 AS Groningen, Netherlands
www.hanze.nl/en

Breda University of Applied Sciences

Breda / Publicly funded university of applied sciences
Tourism; Hospitality; Games and media; Logistics
Teaching uses industry-based projects across games, media, hospitality and logistics, with distinct creative, managerial and technical programme structures.
Mgr. Hopmansstraat 2, 4817 JS Breda, Netherlands
www.buas.nl/en

Nyenrode Business University

Breukelen / Amsterdam / Private research university
Business administration; Management; Finance; Accountancy
Residential facilities at Breukelen support campus study, while MBA, executive and part-time doctoral routes serve professionals at different career stages.
Straatweg 25, 3621 BG Breukelen, Netherlands
www.nyenrode.nl/en

NETHERLANDS / ADDITIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Further study options

Additional institutions / location, institution type and official website

Aeres Hogeschool
Dronten / Almere / Wageningen / Publicly funded applied-sciences institution
www.aereshogeschool.nl

Amsterdamse Hogeschool voor de Kunsten
Amsterdam / Publicly funded applied-sciences institution
www.ahk.nl

ArtEZ University of the Arts
Arnhem / Enschede / Zwolle / Publicly funded applied-sciences institution
www.artez.nl

Avans Hogeschool
Breda / 's-Hertogenbosch / Publicly funded applied-sciences institution
www.avans.nl

Christelijke Hogeschool Ede
Ede / Publicly funded applied-sciences institution
www.che.nl

Codarts Rotterdam
Rotterdam / Publicly funded applied-sciences institution
www.codarts.nl

De Haagse Hogeschool
The Hague / Publicly funded applied-sciences institution
www.dehaagsehogeschool.nl

De Kempel
Helmond / Publicly funded applied-sciences institution
www.kempel.nl

Design Academy Eindhoven
Eindhoven / Publicly funded applied-sciences institution
www.designacademy.nl

Driestar hogeschool
Gouda / Publicly funded applied-sciences institution
www.driestar-hogeschool.nl

Gerrit Rietveld Academie
Amsterdam / Publicly funded applied-sciences institution
rietveldacademie.nl

HAS green academy
's-Hertogenbosch / Venlo / Publicly funded applied-sciences institution
www.has.nl

Hogeschool der Kunsten Den Haag
The Hague / Publicly funded applied-sciences institution
www.hogeschoolderkunsten.nl

Hogeschool Inholland
Multiple cities / Publicly funded applied-sciences institution
www.inholland.nl

Hogeschool IPABO
Amsterdam / Alkmaar / Publicly funded applied-sciences institution
www.ipabo.nl

Hogeschool KPZ
Zwolle / Publicly funded applied-sciences institution
www.kpz.nl

Hogeschool Leiden
Leiden / Publicly funded applied-sciences institution
www.hsleiden.nl

Hogeschool NCOI
Hilversum / Private applied-sciences institution
www.ncoi.nl

Hogeschool Rotterdam
Rotterdam / Publicly funded applied-sciences institution
www.hogeschoolrotterdam.nl

Hogeschool van Amsterdam
Amsterdam / Publicly funded applied-sciences institution
www.hva.nl

Hogeschool Viaa
Zwolle / Publicly funded applied-sciences institution
www.viaa.nl

Hogeschool voor de Kunsten Utrecht
Utrecht / Publicly funded applied-sciences institution
www.hku.nl

Hotelschool The Hague
The Hague / Amsterdam / Publicly funded applied-sciences institution
www.hotelschool.nl

HZ University of Applied Sciences
Vlissingen / Middelburg / Publicly funded applied-sciences institution
hz.nl

IHE Delft Institute for Water Education
Delft / Specialist postgraduate institution
www.un-ihe.org

Iselinge Hogeschool
Doetinchem / Publicly funded applied-sciences institution
www.iselinge.nl

LOI Hogeschool
Leiderdorp / Private distance-learning institution
www.loi.nl

Marnix Academie
Utrecht / Publicly funded applied-sciences institution
www.marnixacademie.nl

NHL Stenden Hogeschool
Leeuwarden / Emmen / Publicly funded applied-sciences institution
www.nhlstenden.com

Open Universiteit
Heerlen / Public distance university
www.ou.nl

Protestant Theological University
Utrecht / Specialist university
www.pthu.nl/en

Theological University Apeldoorn
Apeldoorn / Specialist university
www.tua.nl

Theological University Utrecht
Utrecht / Specialist university
tuu.nl/en

Thomas More Hogeschool
Rotterdam / Publicly funded applied-sciences institution
thomasmorehs.nl

Tio Business School
Hilversum / multiple campuses / Private applied-sciences institution
www.tio.nl

University of Humanistic Studies
Utrecht / Publicly funded specialist university
www.uvh.nl/en

Van Hall Larenstein University of Applied Sciences
Velp / Leeuwarden / Publicly funded applied-sciences institution
www.hvhl.nl

Windesheim
Zwolle / Almere / Publicly funded applied-sciences institution
www.windesheim.nl

Wittenborg University of Applied Sciences
Apeldoorn / Private applied-sciences institution
www.wittenborg.eu

Zuyd Hogeschool
Heerlen / Maastricht / Sittard / Publicly funded applied-sciences institution
www.zuyd.nl

STUDY IN SWEDEN

Sweden

English-taught master's study, research universities and specialist institutions.



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Sweden offers comprehensive universities and specialist technical, medical and agricultural institutions. English-taught study is especially extensive at master's level. Academic prerequisites, teaching location and fee status distinguish the available routes.

ANNUAL FEES / ROUTE COMPARISON

Fee-paying degree average: SEK 160,000

Official national average across fee-paying bachelor's/master's programmes. Public and independent institutions both charge; subject tariffs matter more than ownership alone.

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SEK 10,700

Approx. US$ 1,070

Rounded national-portal monthly planning figure of SEK 10,656 for one student. Rent is the largest variable; compare the current permit requirement separately and budget initial housing payments.

Typical degree length

Bachelor's normally 3 years; master's 1 or 2 years. Professional qualifications vary.

Fields of study

Engineering; computing; life sciences; environmental studies; social sciences; design.

Academic entry

University Admissions assesses completed qualifications, subject preparation and accepted English evidence. The application round and document deadline affect applicants whose final school results arrive later.

What the award leaves unpaid

For a tuition-only award, calculate the rent, living expenses and early housing payments still due. Fund the full study period before relying on income from a future job.

SWEDEN / EDUCATION AND ENTRY

Degrees and admission in Sweden

Degree-awarding powers, subject prerequisites and application timing determine the route into Swedish higher education.

Qualifications and institutional recognition

Swedish higher education follows three cycles. A general bachelor's degree normally carries 180 higher education credits, while master's degrees may carry either 60 or 120 credits. Full-time study normally produces 60 credits a year. Professional qualifications have their own structures and can extend across the first and second cycles. Recognition rests on degree-awarding powers, rather than the English word "university" alone. UKÄ's official institutional list is a useful starting point, but students should also check the intended qualification and any professional recognition needed in the country where they plan to work.

School qualifications and subject preparation

Bachelor's applicants must normally have completed upper-secondary education and document English at the required Swedish equivalent. Applicants whose final school grades were awarded after 2009 also face a general mathematics requirement. Individual programmes can require more advanced mathematics, sciences or other school subjects. The admissions service compares the actual qualification and curriculum, so the number of years spent in a subject is not conclusive. Master's entry requires a qualifying first degree and the programme's own subject preparation. Country-specific documentation instructions remain essential even when two applicants hold qualifications with similar English titles.

Application rounds and final school results

Universityadmissions.se coordinates applications to many English-taught programmes. International applicants are encouraged to use the first admissions round, which provides earlier decisions and more time for residence-permit arrangements. A later round may offer fewer English-taught places and insufficient time for applicants who need a permit. School-leavers should pay particular attention to final results: Swedish selection normally needs a completed upper-secondary qualification, not simply predicted grades. If final certificates arrive after the required documentation stage, applying for the next available intake may be more realistic than assuming conditional admission will bridge the timing gap.

English evidence and Swedish language

The common English requirement is expressed as English 6, also called English Level 2 under Sweden's revised school-course terminology. It can be demonstrated through accepted tests or specified previous education; an English-medium letter is not automatically sufficient. Some master's courses require a different level. Applicants should check both the programme requirement and the admissions service's rules for verifying their particular result. For Swedish-taught study, check the required Swedish level alongside academic prerequisites. Tisus provides university-entry language evidence; selection also depends on the programme's academic requirements.

SWEDEN / STUDENT LIFE AND PLANNING

Funding and everyday academic life

Compare the tuition bill, housing payments and residence-permit evidence before accepting an offer.

Tuition and the application fee

Most applicants who are citizens outside the EU, EEA and Switzerland pay application and tuition fees, unless a specified exemption applies. Citizenship and residence status should be documented under the official rules; residence in another European country is not itself the same as qualifying citizenship. Universities publish programme-specific tuition, so compare the entire degree cost and payment schedule. The national application fee is SEK 900 per semester of application and covers multiple choices in that semester. It is an administrative payment, separate from tuition paid to the admitting university and from living expenses.

Housing and a usable budget

Housing must be investigated alongside the programme. At Lund, the university advises students without a defined housing guarantee to search through several providers before arrival; even guaranteed groups must follow the housing application procedure. Its illustrative monthly budget lists food at SEK 3,000, accommodation at SEK 4,000-8,000, literature at SEK 400-1,000 and miscellaneous costs at SEK 1,500. Replace these Lund estimates with your actual costs. Rent, deposits, travel and the timing of payments can make the cash needed at arrival appreciably different from an average monthly estimate.

Course pace and independent work

A Swedish full-time academic year normally represents 60 credits, including independent work as well as scheduled teaching. Gothenburg describes a 40-hour study week and notes that students commonly take courses sequentially during the semester. A course marked 100% study pace may occupy the working week even when contact hours look modest. Assessment can combine written examinations, take-home work, presentations and other assignments. Students should read the syllabus for the grading scale, assessment tasks and prerequisites, and allow time for reading and preparation before class rather than treating the timetable as the complete workload.

Residence permission and work conditions

For most non-EU/EEA students, admission is followed by a separate residence-permit application. The Migration Agency requires qualifying full-time on-site study, financial maintenance and any applicable insurance; tuition must be paid as required before the application. Its 2026 maintenance figure is SEK 10,656 per month, with different calculations for accompanying family members. Rules changed during 2026: bachelor's and master's permits granted on or after 11 June generally carry a 15-hour weekly work limit, with specified exceptions. Use the Migration Agency's rules for your application date, and fund essential costs without relying on a future job.

SWEDEN / ADMISSION

Entry tests and application notes

Check which assessments your programme requires; official websites are listed below.

IELTS Academic

Applicants using IELTS to meet English 6 / English Level 2

The published benchmark is 6.5 overall with no component below 5.5. A higher programme-level requirement can apply. Accepted variants and online verification rules matter; General Training is not accepted.

ielts.org/

TOEFL iBT

Applicants using TOEFL to meet English 6 / English Level 2

For tests from 21 January 2026, the published requirement is 4.5 overall with no section below 4 on the 1-6 scale. Earlier tests use 90 overall and 20 in writing. Verify the score-date rules and accepted test format.

www.ets.org/toefl.html

Tisus

Applicants needing Swedish language evidence for university studies

Tisus is the Test in Swedish for University Studies. Use its current registration and component guidance, and confirm that the target programme accepts the evidence. It is a language qualification, not a national subject-admission examination.

www.su.se/english/divisions/tisus---test-in-swedish-for-university-studies

Check degree-awarding powers and the intended qualification

Use UKÄ's institutional list to check degree-awarding powers, then confirm that the institution offers the qualification you need. For a regulated career, ask the professional authority in your intended country of work whether that course meets its entry requirements.

Rank your choices with scholarship conditions in mind

Several university scholarships require the host programme to be ranked first in the national application. Before setting that order, compare the curriculum and the cost remaining after each award. A tuition waiver may still leave the entire housing and living budget to fund.

SWEDEN / SCHOLARSHIPS

Funding routes

Amounts and conditions refer to the intake shown. Check the current call and the cost left to fund.

Lund University Global Scholarship

Master's; specified bachelor's exceptions

Support. Part or all of tuition. No living-cost stipend.

Eligibility. Fee-paying citizens outside the EU/EEA and Switzerland with strong academic results; the eligible Lund programme must be first choice.

Application. Apply for the degree through Universityadmissions.se, complete fee requirements, then submit the separate scholarship form and motivation letter.

Conditions. Competitive and merit-based. The 2026 round is closed. Eligible bachelor's courses are limited; check the next published call and finance living expenses independently.

Uppsala University Global Scholarship

International master's

Support. Full tuition for the awarded programme; no living expenses.

Eligibility. Citizens outside the EU/EEA and Switzerland with academic merit who place the Uppsala programme first in their national application.

Application. Complete the degree application, fee and supporting documents by their deadlines, then follow the university's scholarship application round.

Conditions. Highly competitive. The autumn 2026 round is closed; the university says the next round opens in early 2027. Scholarship availability can differ between years.

KTH Scholarship

Eligible one- or two-year master's

Support. Full tuition at KTH; second-year support requires satisfactory first-year results. Living costs are excluded.

Eligibility. Fee-paying applicants who rank the eligible KTH master's first and pay the application fee; selection considers academic merit and contribution to sustainable development.

Application. Apply for the master's through Universityadmissions.se first, then submit the separate KTH scholarship form within its annual window. KTH uses the academic documents submitted with the degree application.

Conditions. Joint-programme exclusions apply. Tuition funding leaves accommodation, food and other living expenses to be financed separately. Continuation depends on satisfactory first-year results.

SI Scholarship for Global Professionals

Eligible full-time one- or two-year master's programmes

Support. Published 2026 call: full tuition, a SEK 12,000 monthly living allowance, and a one-time travel grant subject to the scheme's conditions.

Eligibility. Citizens of one of the 34 countries listed for the 2026 call who are liable for tuition fees, meet the work and leadership experience requirements, and apply to an SI-eligible master's programme.

Application. First apply for eligible master's study through Universityadmissions.se, then submit the separate SI scholarship application through its official portal.

Conditions. Highly competitive and restricted by citizenship and eligible programme; it is not open to all non-EU applicants. The 2026 application period closed on 25 February. Recheck the next call rather than assuming the same countries, amounts or dates.

SWEDEN / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

Universities and institutions

Location • fields • profile • official website • selected QS 2027 overall ranks

Lund University

Lund / Malmö / Helsingborg / Public university / QS 2027: 71

Engineering; Medicine; Law; Humanities

Fine and performing arts use the Malmö academies, while LTH provides the engineering setting; programme choice determines the relevant teaching location.

Box 117, SE-221 00 Lund, Sweden

www.lunduniversity.lu.se

Uppsala University

Uppsala / Visby / Public university

Humanities; Social sciences; Medicine; Pharmacy

Subject-based campuses include Campus Gotland in Visby; applicants should compare location and support arrangements alongside the degree curriculum.

Box 256, SE-751 05 Uppsala, Sweden

www.uu.se/en

KTH Royal Institute of Technology

Stockholm / Public technical university

Architecture; Engineering; Computer science; Biotechnology

Five technical schools connect infrastructure and design with computing, health technology and industrial management, offering several interdisciplinary engineering directions.

SE-100 44 Stockholm, Sweden

www.kth.se/en

Chalmers University of Technology

Gothenburg / Independent foundation-owned technical university

Engineering; Science; Architecture; Shipping

Shipping and architecture sit alongside engineering, with the Onsala Space Observatory adding a specialist research setting beyond conventional campus laboratories.

Chalmersplatsen 1, 412 96 Gothenburg, Sweden

www.chalmers.se/en

University of Gothenburg

Gothenburg / Public university

Medicine and health; Business and law; Science and technology; Humanities

Courses are often studied sequentially within a semester; assessment can combine written examinations, presentations and take-home work according to the programme.

Box 100, SE-405 30 Gothenburg, Sweden

www.gu.se/en

Karolinska Institutet

Stockholm / Solna / Huddinge / Public medical university

Medicine; Health sciences; Medical research

Solna and Flemingsberg campuses sit close to Karolinska University Hospital facilities, connecting a specialist medical university with clinical research environments.

Karolinska Institutet, SE-171 77 Stockholm, Sweden

ki.se/en

Stockholm University

Stockholm / Public university

Humanities; Social sciences; Natural sciences; Law

Marine programmes include field courses at the Askö Laboratory and Tjärnö, connecting classroom study with coastal sampling and environmental research.

SE-106 91 Stockholm, Sweden

www.su.se/english

Linköping University

Linköping / Norrköping / Lidingö / Public university

Engineering; Medicine and health; Arts and sciences; Education

The University Hospital Campus provides a specialist health setting, while Norrköping and other campuses support different faculty and departmental programmes.

SE-581 83 Linköping, Sweden

liu.se/en

Umeå University

Umeå / Public university

Arts and humanities; Medicine; Social sciences; Science and technology

Most teaching and services concentrate within walking distance on the main campus, with regional campuses providing additional programme settings.

SE-901 87 Umeå, Sweden

www.umu.se/en

Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences

Uppsala / Alnarp / Umeå / Public specialist university

Agricultural sciences; Forestry; Landscape architecture; Environmental sciences

Research stations and experimental parks extend learning beyond campus, connecting field-based study with environmental assessment, forestry and landscape education.

P.O. Box 7070, SE-750 07 Uppsala, Sweden

www.slu.se/en

SWEDEN / ADDITIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Further study options

Additional institutions / location, institution type and official website

Karlstad University
Karlstad / Public university
www.kau.se/en

Linnaeus University
Växjö / Kalmar / Public university
www.lnu.se/en

Luleå University of Technology
Luleå / Public technical university
www.ltu.se/en

Malmö University
Malmö / Public university
mau.se/en

Mid Sweden University
Sundsvall / Östersund / Public university
www.miun.se/en

Stockholm School of Economics
Stockholm / Independent university
www.hhs.se

Örebro University
Örebro / Public university
www.oru.se/english

Mälardalen University
Västerås / Eskilstuna / Public university
www.mdu.se/en/malardalen-university

Blekinge Institute of Technology
Karlskrona / Public university college
www.bth.se/english

Dalarna University
Falun / Borlänge / Public university college
www.du.se/en

Halmstad University
Halmstad / Public university college
www.hh.se/english.html

Jönköping University
Jönköping / Independent foundation university college
ju.se/en.html

Kristianstad University
Kristianstad / Public university college
www.hkr.se/en

Swedish Defence University
Stockholm / Public specialist university college
www.fhs.se/en/swedish-defence-university.html

Södertörn University
Huddinge / Public university college
www.sh.se/english/sodertorn-university

Swedish School of Sport and Health Sciences
Stockholm / Public specialist university college
www.gih.se/english

University of Borås
Borås / Public university college
www.hb.se/en

University of Gävle
Gävle / Public university college
www.hig.se/engelska/university-of-gavle

University of Skövde
Skövde / Public university college
www.his.se/en

University West
Trollhättan / Public university college
www.hv.se/en

STUDY IN TAIWAN

Taiwan

Research universities and technological universities.



National Tsing Hua University - Learning Resource Center (Macronix Building) / T Gordon Cheng / CC BY-SA 4.0 / cropped

Taiwan has comprehensive universities, technological universities and specialist institutions. Engineering, electronics and computing feature prominently in the directory, alongside medicine, business and humanities. Mandarin-taught and English-taught programmes maintain their own academic and language requirements.

ANNUAL FEES / ROUTE COMPARISON

Public UG sample: TWD 99,080-117,880

Public undergraduate academic-fee sample across NTU, NTHU and NYCU, annualised over two semesters. Private and specialist programme tariffs require a separate quotation.

LIVING / MONTH

TWD 17,000–39,000

Approx. US$ 530–1,220

Cross-city planning band using Taipei and Hsinchu university budgets. Includes shared/private housing and daily costs; align semester rent, insurance and books with a full-year study plan.

Typical degree length

Bachelor's: 4 years Master's: 1–4 years (statutory range) Medicine: 6 years

Fields of study

Electronics; engineering; computing; business; sciences.

Academic entry

National Taiwan University (NTU) international applicants may select up to five departments but enrol in one. Departments set academic, language and supporting-document requirements. NTU undergraduate entry is in September; February entry is available for graduate programmes.

Programme language and entry level

Taiwan's official programme database classifies study by subject, qualification level and language. Check the language of required modules and placements in the listed programme. If Mandarin preparation is needed first, include its admission requirements, duration and cost in the study plan.

TAIWAN / EDUCATION AND ENTRY

Taiwan’s degree system

National and private universities sit alongside a large technical and vocational sector. Degree language and admissions status shape the available routes.

140,417

International/overseas students in Taiwan; Ministry of Education-based series includes degree and non-degree students and multiple overseas-origin categories, not foreign-degree students only. Reporting period: 2025/26.

Academic and applied institutions

Taiwan’s system includes national and private universities, universities of science and technology, technical colleges and junior colleges. A bachelor’s degree normally takes four years, with different structures for particular professional or post-diploma routes. The ministry describes master’s study as one to four years and doctoral study as two to seven years. For each course, check the normal completion period and the award it grants. Applicants moving between academic and technical-vocational routes should also confirm their entry level and any credit recognition.

Subjects and regional provision

Technology applicants can compare engineering, computing, materials and applied programmes, while other institutions offer business, languages, design, agriculture, marine studies and health sciences. The official Study in Taiwan finder filters institutions and subject areas, including private and technical universities beyond the major national names. Laboratory access, practical placements and the actual teaching campus can distinguish similar programmes. Taipei, Taichung, Tainan, Kaohsiung and eastern Taiwan provide different settings. Compare the department’s available modules, facilities and teaching campus before choosing an international programme.

Chinese-medium and English-medium degrees

Programmes set their own teaching-language and proficiency requirements, which must be described in the international admissions guide. TOCFL is a principal option for documenting Mandarin ability, while English-taught programmes may request IELTS, TOEFL or another accepted certificate. Required modules, assessments and practical placements can have language conditions beyond those suggested by a programme’s headline description. Mandarin centres can support preparation and daily communication, but a language-centre place is separate from a degree offer. Scholarship language rules can also differ from those of the university admitting you.

Admissions status

Taiwan distinguishes international students from overseas compatriot, Hong Kong, Macao and mainland student routes. Nationality, previous household registration and residence history can affect eligibility, so an overseas passport alone may not resolve the correct category. Current ministry regulations and institutional eligibility review establish the category under which an applicant can enter. Direct international admission typically uses institutional selection rather than the domestic examination pathway. Applications require the previous qualification, transcript, relevant authentication or translation and financial evidence specified for the intended degree and entry year.

TAIWAN / STUDENT LIFE AND PLANNING

Admission and student life

Plan around department selection, scholarship deadlines, residence documents and the first housing payment.

Applications and assessment

Universities publish their own application windows, available departments, screening methods and language thresholds. Some offer more than one annual intake, but availability can differ by degree and department. Selection can involve a study plan, recommendations, portfolio, research proposal or an interview, including remote assessment where the institution provides it. Research-degree suitability also depends on available supervision and the language used within the laboratory. Record the scholarship and degree deadlines in one calendar, including the responsible office and required documents for each.

Tuition and scholarship coverage

Tuition and miscellaneous fees vary by institution, degree and subject. The Ministry of Education Taiwan Scholarship can cover eligible tuition and miscellaneous expenses up to NTD 40,000 per semester, with a monthly allowance of NTD 15,000 for undergraduate students or NTD 20,000 for postgraduate students. Costs beyond the award's limits and excluded items remain important. University admission requires a separate application, while the overseas mission administers its current scholarship selection. University awards may offer different reductions, conditions and renewal arrangements from the government scheme.

Residence, insurance and housing

Dormitory allocation, application dates and vacation occupancy are governed by institutional rules, and an admission offer may not guarantee a room. Private renting adds deposits and utility arrangements that are easy to overlook in a tuition-only comparison. International students complete visa and Alien Resident Certificate procedures, with medical coverage needed from arrival. The university can advise on the transition to National Health Insurance when eligibility is met. Transport, meals, course materials and any required health examination contribute to the first-year cost.

Work and professional plans

Student employment requires the relevant work permit and remains subject to the limits and conditions attached to the student's status. A placement included in a degree does not establish unrestricted permission for outside employment. Internship supervision, insurance and any workplace Chinese requirement belong in the programme's practical-training information. Professional careers involve destination-country recognition and licensing requirements beyond the university's academic admission process. For a regulated career, obtain the destination regulator's course-recognition requirements before enrolling.

TAIWAN / ADMISSION

Entry tests and application notes

Check which assessments your programme requires; official websites are listed below.

TOCFL

Mandarin-language evidence where required

The Test of Chinese as a Foreign Language measures Mandarin proficiency for non-native speakers. Check the required TOCFL level and assessed skills in both the programme and scholarship instructions.

tocfl.edu.tw/

IELTS / TOEFL

English-taught or specified international programmes

International English Language Testing System and Test of English as a Foreign Language results may support English-taught admission. Universities set scores, validity and waivers; scholarship language conditions may differ.

ielts.org/
www.ets.org/toefl.html

University interview / document review

Direct international admission

Universities publish their own screening procedures. A study plan, recommendations, interview or research proposal may be required without a national written entrance test.

edu.law.moe.gov.tw/EngLawContent.aspx?id=20484

Portfolio / audition / subject assessment

Departments specifying specialist selection

Artistic, design and other specialist programmes can add practical evidence or departmental examinations. Assessment requirements are published for the particular international intake.

www.studyintaiwan.org/how-to-apply/school

GSAT / AST

Applicants using Taiwan's domestic admission system

The General Scholastic Ability Test and Advanced Subjects Test serve domestic academic admission routes. Direct international admission follows separate institutional procedures, determined by the applicant's eligible admissions category.

www.ceec.edu.tw/

Universities and practical learning facilities

Taiwan's university sector includes national and private institutions with different disciplinary structures. Taiwan Tech and Taipei Tech combine engineering with design and management, while medical universities organise teaching around health sciences and clinical institutions. Practical facilities extend beyond laboratories: National Chung Hsing University operates experimental forests, farms and an animal experiment station; Tunghai uses a dairy farm and food-processing pilot plant. National Sun Yat-sen University's marine studies draw on an offshore research station, underwater vehicle facilities and a research vessel.

TAIWAN / SCHOLARSHIPS

Funding routes

Amounts and conditions refer to the intake shown. Check the current call and the cost left to fund.

Ministry of Education Taiwan Scholarship

Bachelor's / master's / doctoral

Support. Tuition and eligible fees up to TWD 40,000 per semester, plus TWD 15,000 monthly for undergraduates or TWD 20,000 for postgraduates. Maximum periods are four, two and four years respectively; the overall scholarship limit is five years.

Eligibility. Foreign nationals with a school diploma or higher and strong grades. ROC nationals, overseas Chinese, exchange and same-level repeat applicants are excluded. Existing Taiwan students qualify only when graduating that year to pursue a higher degree.

Application. The relevant Taiwan overseas mission assesses scholarship applications; university admission requires a separate application.

Conditions. Charges above the tuition cap remain payable. Other Taiwan government or institutional awards are generally excluded, apart from permitted university tuition-gap subsidies.

Taiwan International Graduate Program stipend

Doctoral research

Support. Admitted TIGP students receive a tax-free TWD 40,000 monthly stipend in the first year. Satisfactory performance can extend it for one further year.

Eligibility. Applicants need the prior degree required by their selected doctoral programme. Some programmes admit bachelor's or master's graduates; others require a master's degree. Programme-specific academic and language standards apply.

Application. One TIGP programme may be selected through the central online portal, with transcripts, referees and the programme's required language evidence.

Conditions. After the initial stipend period, further funding depends on the thesis adviser. The stipend is not an unconditional award covering the full doctoral duration.

Huayu Enrichment Scholarship

Non-degree Mandarin study

Support. TWD 28,000 per month for approved two-month summer courses or study periods of three, six, nine or twelve months.

Eligibility. Foreign applicants aged at least 18 with secondary education or higher and strong academic records. ROC passport-holders, overseas compatriot students and people already studying Chinese in Taiwan are excluded.

Application. Applications go to the overseas office responsible for the applicant's nationality, with proof of an application to a university-affiliated Chinese language centre.

Conditions. The award funds language study rather than a degree. Previous Taiwan degree students and former HES, Taiwan Scholarship or TUSA recipients are excluded under the published rules; concurrent government or institutional funding is restricted.

NTU International Outstanding Graduate Student Scholarship

Master's / doctoral; current NTU students

Support. Tuition waiver up to TWD 100,000, plus monthly support of TWD 8,000 for master's students. Doctoral stipends are TWD 10,000 in Liberal Arts, Law, Social Sciences and Management, or TWD 15,000 in other colleges. Support extends up to year two of a master's or year four of a doctorate, with renewal review.

Eligibility. Current international NTU graduate students before their second master's year or fourth doctoral year; dual-degree students are excluded.

Application. The current-student system accepts transcripts or adviser evaluations, a recommendation and CV. The cited 2026 application period closed on 15 May.

Conditions. Advisers or departments provide stipends and may assign associated responsibilities. Administrative and credit fees, adviser fees, insurance, accommodation and internet are excluded from the tuition waiver.

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National Taiwan University

Taipei / National university / QS 2027: 54

Engineering; Management; Science; Medicine

Experimental farms and forests, a veterinary hospital and a plant hospital support practical teaching beyond conventional laboratories and classrooms.

1, Section 4, Roosevelt Road, Taipei 106319, Taiwan

www.ntu.edu.tw/english

National Tsing Hua University

Hsinchu / National university

Engineering; Science; Education; Humanities

Technical study sits alongside teacher education, arts and design across two principal campuses, broadening the university's science-and-engineering academic base.

101, Section 2, Kuang-Fu Road, Hsinchu 300044, Taiwan

nthu-en.site.nthu.edu.tw

National Yang Ming Chiao Tung University

Hsinchu / Taipei / National university

Engineering; Computer science; Medicine; Life sciences

A physician-engineer programme connects medicine with technology, while Taipei Veterans General Hospital supports clinical education within the wider university network.

Guangfu Campus, 1001 Daxue Road, East District, Hsinchu 300093, Taiwan

www.nycu.edu.tw/nycu/en

National Cheng Kung University

Tainan / National university

Engineering; Design; Management; Medicine

The College of Medicine links teaching to a university hospital, placing clinical education alongside the university's biomedical and engineering research.

1 University Road, Tainan 701, Taiwan

web.ncku.edu.tw/index.php?Lang=en

National Chengchi University

Taipei / National university

Business; Social sciences; Law; Communication

Language departments include Arabic, Turkish and Slavic studies, alongside specialist research in elections and international relations for socially focused study.

64, Section 2, Zhinan Road, Wenshan, Taipei 116011, Taiwan

www.nccu.edu.tw/app/home.php?Lang=en

National Taiwan Normal University

Taipei / National university

Education; Languages; Arts; Science

The Mandarin Training Center offers a separate Chinese-language study route, alongside teacher education and degrees in humanities, sciences and arts.

162, Section 1, Heping East Road, Taipei 106, Taiwan

en.ntnu.edu.tw

National Central University

Taoyuan / National university

Engineering; Science; Management; Earth sciences

Earth, atmospheric and space sciences share a college, with a dedicated remote-sensing centre supporting satellite and geospatial research.

300 Zhongda Road, Zhongli, Taoyuan 320317, Taiwan

www.ncu.edu.tw

National Chung Hsing University

Taichung / National university

Agriculture; Engineering; Veterinary medicine; Management

Experimental forests, farms and an animal research station connect agricultural and environmental subjects with practical fieldwork and veterinary science.

145 Xingda Road, South District, Taichung 402202, Taiwan

www.nchu.edu.tw/en-index

National Sun Yat-sen University

Kaohsiung / National university

Marine science; Management; Engineering; Social sciences

Marine science uses an atoll research station, underwater-vehicle facilities and a research vessel, creating a specialist field and ocean-research setting.

70 Lien-hai Road, Kaohsiung 804201, Taiwan

www.nsysu.edu.tw/?Lang=en

National Taiwan University of Science and Technology

Taipei / National university

Engineering; Design; Management; Computer science

Architecture teaching connects green buildings and digital design with the built environment's social dimensions, alongside management and technical degree routes.

43, Section 4, Keelung Road, Da'an, Taipei 106335, Taiwan

www.ntust.edu.tw/?Lang=en

TAIWAN / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

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National Taipei University of Technology

Taipei / National university

Engineering; Design; Management; Computer science

Resource engineering combines minerals and materials research, while electrical engineering spans power, energy and computing within the applied technical curriculum.

1, Section 3, Zhongxiao East Road, Taipei 106344, Taiwan

www-en.ntut.edu.tw

Taipei Medical University

Taipei / Private university

Medicine; Pharmacy; Nursing; Public health

Health education connects to a network of university-affiliated hospitals, while Shuangho brings teaching, medical research and industry collaboration together.

Xinyi Campus, 250 Wuxing Street, Xinyi, Taipei 110, Taiwan

eng.tmu.edu.tw

China Medical University

Taichung / Private university

Medicine; Pharmacy; Public health; Chinese medicine

Western and traditional Chinese medicine form parallel academic strengths, including acupuncture and integrated medicine teaching connected to the hospital network.

Shuinan Campus, 100, Section 1, Jingmao Road, Beitun, Taichung 406040, Taiwan

english.cmu.edu.tw

Chang Gung University

Taoyuan / Private university

Medicine; Engineering; Management; Biomedical science

Medical education links to Chang Gung Memorial Hospital, with molecular medicine and biosignature research centres complementing clinical and laboratory teaching.

259 Wenhua 1st Road, Guishan, Taoyuan 33302, Taiwan

www.cgu.edu.tw/en

Fu Jen Catholic University

New Taipei City / Private university

Humanities; Business; Design; Medicine

A university hospital supports health disciplines, while specialist academic units include textiles, clothing and landscape architecture alongside the broader curriculum.

510 Zhongzheng Road, Xinzhuang, New Taipei City 242062, Taiwan

www.fju.edu.tw/indexEN.jsp

Tamkang University

New Taipei City / Private university

Business; Engineering; Languages; International affairs

The Taipei campus provides continuing education and separate Chinese, English and Japanese language centres, complementing mainstream degree study.

151 Yingzhuan Road, Tamsui, New Taipei City 251301, Taiwan

english.tku.edu.tw

Tunghai University

Taichung / Private university

Management; Engineering; Arts; Social sciences

A dairy farm, food-processing pilot plant and hospitality facilities support practical learning; the International College offers selected English-medium study.

1727, Section 4, Taiwan Boulevard, Xitun, Taichung 407224, Taiwan

eng.thu.edu.tw

Feng Chia University

Taichung / Private university

Engineering; Business; Information technology; Architecture

Research themes include autonomous-driving systems, digital construction and space technology, linking the technical portfolio with current industrial applications.

100 Wenhua Road, Xitun, Taichung 407102, Taiwan

www.fcu.edu.tw/en

Yuan Ze University

Taoyuan / Private university

Engineering; Informatics; Management; Humanities

The English-taught Informatics bachelor's combines computing and information management, with a yearlong industry internship or university research project.

135 Yuandong Road, Zhongli, Taoyuan 320315, Taiwan

www.yzu.edu.tw/index.php/en-us

National Chung Cheng University

Chiayi / National university

Engineering; Management; Law; Social sciences

An optomechatronics institute adds specialised research and teaching alongside mechanical, electrical and communications engineering, supporting interdisciplinary technical interests.

168, Section 1, University Road, Minxiong, Chiayi 621301, Taiwan

www.ccu.edu.tw/?Lang=en

TAIWAN / ADDITIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Further study options

Additional institutions / location, institution type and official website

National Taipei University
New Taipei / Taipei / National university
www.ntpu.edu.tw

National Taiwan Ocean University
Keelung / National university
www.ntou.edu.tw

National Dong Hwa University
Shoufeng, Hualien / National university
www.ndhu.edu.tw

National Chi Nan University
Puli, Nantou / National university
www.ncnu.edu.tw

National Chiayi University
Chiayi / National university
www.ncyu.edu.tw

National University of Kaohsiung
Kaohsiung / National university
www.nuk.edu.tw

National Ilan University
Yilan / National university
www.niu.edu.tw

National United University
Miaoli / National university
www.nuu.edu.tw

National Taitung University
Taitung / National university
www.nttu.edu.tw

National Pingtung University
Pingtung / National university
www.nptu.edu.tw

National Taichung University of Education
Taichung / National university
www.ntcu.edu.tw

National Taipei University of Education
Taipei / National university
www.ntue.edu.tw

National Changhua University of Education
Changhua / National university
www.ncue.edu.tw

National Kaohsiung Normal University
Kaohsiung / National university
www.nknu.edu.tw

University of Taipei
Taipei / Public municipal university
www.utaipei.edu.tw

National Yunlin University of Science and Technology
Douliu, Yunlin / National technical university
www.yuntech.edu.tw

National Formosa University
Huwei, Yunlin / National technical university
www.nfu.edu.tw

National Kaohsiung University of Science and Technology
Kaohsiung / National technical university
www.nkust.edu.tw

National Pingtung University of Science and Technology
Neipu, Pingtung / National technical university
www.npust.edu.tw

National Chin-Yi University of Technology
Taichung / National technical university
www.ncut.edu.tw

National Taipei University of Business
Taipei / National university
www.ntub.edu.tw

Taipei National University of the Arts
Taipei / National arts university
www.tnua.edu.tw

National Taiwan University of Arts
New Taipei / National arts university
www.ntua.edu.tw

Tainan National University of the Arts
Tainan / National arts university
www.tnnua.edu.tw

Soochow University
Taipei / Private university
www.scu.edu.tw

Chung Yuan Christian University
Taoyuan / Private university
www.cycu.edu.tw

Ming Chuan University
Taipei / Taoyuan / Private university
www.mcu.edu.tw

Shih Hsin University
Taipei / Private university
www.shu.edu.tw

Chinese Culture University
Taipei / Private university
www.pccu.edu.tw

Shih Chien University
Taipei / Kaohsiung / Private university
www.usc.edu.tw

Providence University
Taichung / Private university
www.pu.edu.tw

Asia University
Taichung / Private university
www.asia.edu.tw

I-Shou University
Kaohsiung / Private university
www.isu.edu.tw

Chang Jung Christian University
Tainan / Private university
www.cjcu.edu.tw

Tzu Chi University
Hualien / Private university
www.tcu.edu.tw

Fo Guang University
Jiaoxi, Yilan / Private university
www.fgu.edu.tw

Nanhua University
Dalin, Chiayi / Private university
www.nhu.edu.tw

Kaohsiung Medical University
Kaohsiung / Private medical university
www.kmu.edu.tw

Chung Shan Medical University
Taichung / Private medical university
www.csmu.edu.tw

Chaoyang University of Technology
Taichung / Private technical university
www.cyut.edu.tw

Southern Taiwan University of Science and Technology
Tainan / Private technical university
www.stust.edu.tw

Ming Chi University of Technology
New Taipei / Private technical university
www.mcut.edu.tw

STUDY IN FINLAND

Finland

Research degrees and applied professional routes in one national system.



Main building, University of Helsinki / Richard Mortel / CC BY 2.0 / cropped

Finland has research universities and universities of applied sciences (UAS). The sectors differ in degree structure and entry preparation. A UAS master's normally requires work experience; university master's admission assesses the relevance of previous degree study.

ANNUAL FEES / ROUTE COMPARISON

English degree guide: EUR 9,000-20,000

National guide for fee-paying English bachelor's/master's programmes across institutional structures. Public-law and foundation status do not create a universal cheap/expensive split.

LIVING / MONTH

EUR 900–1,200

Approx. US$ 1,030–1,370

Official national planning guide, varying by location. This covers living rather than tuition; the separate residence-permit minimum is not a complete student budget.

Typical degree length

University bachelor's usually 3 years; UAS bachelor's 3.5-4.5. University master's usually 2 years; UAS master's commonly 1-1.5.

Fields of study

Technology; computing; education; business; design; environmental and health sciences.

Academic entry

Studyinfo hosts joint and separate applications. Check each course's accepted school qualification, language evidence and selection method in Studyinfo before booking an entrance examination or SAT.

First-year funding

A tuition waiver can leave all living costs and part of tuition unpaid. Some reductions begin after successful first-year study, so their timing differs from an award available at admission.

FINLAND / EDUCATION AND ENTRY

Understanding Finland's two higher education routes

Research universities and universities of applied sciences offer different programme structures and admissions pathways.

Universities and universities of applied sciences

Finland's higher education system has two complementary sectors. Universities connect degree study with academic research and offer bachelor's, master's and doctoral education. Universities of applied sciences, usually abbreviated UAS, emphasise professional practice and applied development. The official study portal describes bachelor's degrees as typically three years at universities and three-and-a-half to four-and-a-half years at UAS. University master's degrees normally take two years; UAS master's degrees commonly take one to one-and-a-half years. UAS master's admission also requires relevant work experience; students planning this route should allow time for employment after their first degree.

Eligibility and the application route

Applications are made through Studyinfo, with either a joint application or a programme's separate admission period. The joint application commonly allows up to six choices, but the programme instructions determine which selection rules apply. Bachelor's applicants need a school qualification providing higher education eligibility; master's applicants need an appropriate first degree. UAS master's applicants also normally need two years of relevant work experience. Selection may use qualifications, an entrance examination, SAT or GMAT results, an interview, or another published method. Record the eligibility documents, selection method and offer-acceptance deadline for each course.

Language evidence and entrance examinations

Finland has no single English score that covers every institution and programme. The International UAS Exam is a shared digital bachelor's entrance examination used by participating universities of applied sciences; its sections depend on the programmes selected. English-language evidence is a separate requirement for invitation and selection under this route, even for native speakers unless an accepted qualification satisfies the rules. Other programmes may use SAT scores, portfolio assessment or their own selection method. Read the applicable intake instructions carefully: test versions, verification dates and accepted previous education can differ between application rounds.

Quality assurance and professional recognition

The Ministry of Education and Culture lists universities and universities of applied sciences; the Finnish Education Evaluation Centre (FINEEC) audits institutional quality. For regulated careers, the Finnish National Agency for Education identifies the qualifications or practice rights required. Institutional quality assurance does not itself grant those rights. A student planning to work abroad must also meet the intended destination's professional requirements, which may include further training or assessment.

FINLAND / STUDENT LIFE AND PLANNING

Financing and managing student life

Budget for the whole degree, apply for student housing early and allow for deposits and arrival costs.

Tuition and scholarships

Students outside the EU, EEA and Switzerland usually pay tuition for English-taught bachelor's and master's programmes, subject to exemptions. Study in Finland's current guide gives a typical annual range of EUR 9,000-20,000, with exceptions above and below it. Finnish- and Swedish-taught degrees and doctoral programmes are tuition-free under the guide's rules. A EUR 100 application fee generally applies to non-EU/EEA/Swiss applicants. Scholarships are mainly institution-specific and often reduce tuition without paying living costs. Examine the intake year, renewal requirements and remaining bill: an early-payment discount and a later academic-progress award operate differently from an admission scholarship.

Housing and the cost of settling in

Apply for student housing once admission is confirmed, using the university's local guidance. Shared flats can cost less and have shorter queues than studios. Study in Finland recommends EUR 900–1,200/month for total living costs. Use confirmed rent for the housing component and retain allowances for food, transport, insurance and personal spending. Budget arrival costs—travel, deposits and household items—separately, and check which utilities rent includes.

Credits and independent study

Credit values describe total study effort rather than classroom time. Aalto's study guidance uses 27 hours of work for one credit and 60 credits for a full-time academic year. Assessments may include examinations, portfolios, learning diaries, presentations and project assignments, depending on the course. A personal study plan maps the curriculum, electives and timing of the degree; at Aalto it is maintained in Sisu. Students should register for courses and examinations under the local deadlines, seek advice when prerequisites or schedules conflict, and allow adequate time for independent preparation between teaching sessions.

Residence permission and employment

Students who need a Finnish residence permit apply separately after receiving an eligible study place. Migri assesses the study purpose, finances, tuition arrangements and required insurance; mainly online study without a need to live in Finland does not normally support a study permit. Its published rules allow paid work averaging 30 hours per week, with specific treatment of degree-related training. That permission does not provide a job or guarantee enough income for fees and rent. Check the current rules before applying, including family arrangements where relevant, and keep a funding plan that works without future earnings.

FINLAND / ADMISSION

Entry tests and application notes

Check which assessments your programme requires; official websites are listed below.

International UAS Exam

Participating English-taught UAS bachelor's programmes

A shared remote digital entrance examination, with sections determined by the study choices. Separate English evidence and acceptable identity documents are required. Use the spring 2027 instructions to check the assessed sections, identity documents and test arrangements.

www.uasinfo.fi/international-uas-exam/

SAT

Programmes that explicitly use SAT-based selection

Participating institutions set their own minimum scores, accepted test dates and score-delivery instructions. Book the SAT only for a programme using that selection route, and submit the required Studyinfo application.

satsuite.collegeboard.org/sat

IELTS Academic and other English evidence

Applicants using the International UAS Exam or specified certificate-selection routes

Published UAS guidance includes IELTS Academic 6.0 overall, PTE Academic 55, or TOEFL iBT 3.5 for tests from 21 January 2026; accepted prior education can also qualify. These are route-specific benchmarks, not national university minima. Check the intake and verification rules.

www.uasinfo.fi/language-requirements/

National scholarship claims need checking

Study in Finland warns that there is no general Finnish government scholarship programme for international bachelor's or master's study. Universities publish their own competitive waivers or reductions. Check the named university's offer and its intake year before treating an advertisement for "fully funded Finland study" as a reliable financing route.

Language matters beyond an English degree

Finnish and Swedish are Finland's national languages. The official study portal encourages international students to learn a local language even when their degree is taught in English, because it supports everyday participation and access to employment. Use the university's Finnish or Swedish courses to prepare for everyday communication, placements and employment.

FINLAND / SCHOLARSHIPS

Funding routes

Amounts and conditions refer to the intake shown. Check the current call and the cost left to fund.

University of Helsinki tuition-fee waivers

Eligible international master's

Support. Published 2025-26 application-round categories waive 50% or 100% of tuition; most available awards are 50%. No living-cost support.

Eligibility. Fee-liable applicants assessed for academic excellence, prior study performance and motivation for the master's programme.

Application. Request scholarship consideration on the master's application form; admission and scholarship evaluation are separate.

Conditions. Limited and competitive. The published award lasts two years subject to full-time progress, normally at least 55 ECTS annually. Verify the next intake's categories and remaining tuition bill.

University of Turku Merit Scholarship

Bachelor's and master's after initial study at Turku

Support. 50% of the following eligible year's tuition under the published scheme; no living allowance.

Eligibility. Fee-paying students meeting progress requirements: normally 55 credits for second-year support, an average grade of at least 3.0/5, and at least four credits of Finnish or an accepted equivalent. Bachelor's third-year support requires 110 credits.

Application. Apply in the separate merit-scholarship round after completing qualifying studies; eligible students are invited by admissions.

Conditions. No first-year tuition scholarship under the current standard scheme. A separate EUR 2,000 early-payment discount is available for eligible new master's students within its deadline. Recheck intake terms.

Aalto University Excellence Scholarship

Eligible bachelor's and master's

Support. Full tuition waiver for the target programme duration. Living costs and other study expenses are not covered.

Eligibility. Tuition-fee-liable applicants selected on the programme's academic evaluation criteria.

Application. Select scholarship consideration on the admission application during the application period; a late scholarship application is not available.

Conditions. Very limited; programmes may award none. Accept the scholarship terms and check progress conditions. Continuing from an Aalto bachelor's to a master's has separate eligibility rules.

University of Eastern Finland tuition reductions

Eligible bachelor's and master's; published 2027 intake scheme

Support. 30% first-year early-payment reduction; later 30% tuition waivers in programmes offering them. These are partial tuition reductions, not maintenance grants.

Eligibility. Fee-liable admitted students meeting programme-specific conditions. Later waivers normally require at least 55 ECTS in the first academic year, counted toward the approved degree plan.

Application. For the first-year reduction, accept and pay as instructed in the admission letter, normally within 21 days of results. Apply separately for later progress-based waivers.

Conditions. UEF explicitly says full 100% waivers cannot be applied for under the 2027 scheme. Use the 2027 intake's published terms when calculating the remaining fee.

FINLAND / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

Universities and institutions

Location • fields • profile • official website • selected QS 2027 overall ranks

University of Helsinki

Helsinki / Public-law university / QS 2027: =123

Natural sciences; Medicine; Law; Humanities

Four specialist campus settings separate medicine, laboratory sciences and humanities; Viikki brings agriculture, veterinary medicine and biosciences into one academic environment.

P.O. Box 3, FI-00014 University of Helsinki, Finland

www.helsinki.fi/en

Aalto University

Espoo / Foundation university

Art and design; Architecture; Business; Engineering

Six schools connect design and architecture with business and engineering, giving students a multidisciplinary setting for electives and collaborative projects.

P.O. Box 11000, FI-00076 Aalto, Finland

www.aalto.fi/en

University of Turku

Turku / Public-law university

Medicine; Science; Technology; Law

International degree options include biomedical imaging and futures studies, offering specialised routes beyond the university's wider Finnish-language course catalogue.

FI-20014 Turun yliopisto, Finland

www.utu.fi/en

Tampere University

Tampere / Foundation university

Technology; Health sciences; Social sciences; Humanities

A merged academic structure connects technology, health and society; its research-university degrees are distinct from Tampere University of Applied Sciences qualifications.

Kalevantie 4, FI-33100 Tampere, Finland

www.tuni.fi/en/tau

University of Oulu

Oulu / Public-law university

Information technology; Engineering; Medicine; Biochemistry

Eight faculties connect engineering with health, education and business; cross-faculty research centres and a graduate school support interdisciplinary doctoral work.

Pentti Kaiteran katu 1, FI-90570 Oulu, Finland

www.oulu.fi/en

University of Jyväskylä

Jyväskylä / Public-law university

Education and psychology; Sport and health sciences; Information technology; Business

Sport and exercise education sits alongside the Finnish Institute for Educational Research, creating a distinctive environment for education and human-performance study.

P.O. Box 35, FI-40014 University of Jyväskylä, Finland

www.jyu.fi/en

University of Eastern Finland

Joensuu / Kuopio / Public-law university

Forestry; Health sciences; Business; Education

English-taught bachelor's and master's routes span two academic settings, with forestry and technology organised alongside health sciences and education.

P.O. Box 111, FI-80101 Joensuu, Finland; P.O. Box 1627, FI-70211 Kuopio, Finland

www.uef.fi/en

LUT University

Lappeenranta / Lahti / Public-law university

Energy technology; Engineering; Business; Software engineering

Specialist options include circular economy, water technology and digital social science, connecting technical training with environmental and societal applications.

Yliopistonkatu 34, FI-53850 Lappeenranta, Finland

www.lut.fi/en

Åbo Akademi University

Turku / Vaasa / Public-law Swedish-language university

Human and social sciences; Science; Engineering

Swedish is central to its academic identity; programme-specific language routes matter for applicants comparing its human, social and engineering sciences.

Tuomiokirkontori 3, FI-20500 Turku, Finland

www.abo.fi/en

University of Vaasa

Vaasa / Public-law university

Management; Accounting and finance; Marketing and communication; Technology and innovations

Its business and technology schools connect energy-transition research with the surrounding energy industry, particularly relevant to students combining management and technical study.

Wolffintie 32, FI-65200 Vaasa, Finland

www.uwasa.fi/en

FINLAND / ADDITIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Further study options

Additional institutions / location, institution type and official website

University of Lapland
Rovaniemi / Public-law university
ulapland.fi/en/frontpage

Hanken School of Economics
Helsinki / Vaasa / Public-law university
www.hanken.fi/en

University of the Arts Helsinki
Helsinki / Public-law arts university
www.uniarts.fi/en

Arcada University of Applied Sciences
Helsinki / University of applied sciences
www.arcada.fi/en

Centria University of Applied Sciences
Kokkola / Ylivieska / Pietarsaari / University of applied sciences
net.centria.fi/en

Haaga-Helia University of Applied Sciences
Helsinki / Porvoo / Vierumäki / University of applied sciences
www.haaga-helia.fi/en

Häme University of Applied Sciences
Hämeenlinna and regional campuses / University of applied sciences
www.hamk.fi/en

Jamk University of Applied Sciences
Jyväskylä / Saarijärvi / University of applied sciences
www.jamk.fi/en

LAB University of Applied Sciences
Lahti / Lappeenranta / University of applied sciences
lab.fi/en

Lapland University of Applied Sciences
Rovaniemi / Kemi / Tornio / University of applied sciences
lapinamk.fi/en/homepage

Laurea University of Applied Sciences
Espoo / Vantaa and Uusimaa campuses / University of applied sciences
www.laurea.fi/en

Metropolia University of Applied Sciences
Helsinki / Espoo / Vantaa / University of applied sciences
www.metropolia.fi/en

Novia University of Applied Sciences
Vaasa / Turku / Raasepori / University of applied sciences
www.novia.fi/en

Oulu University of Applied Sciences
Oulu / University of applied sciences
oamk.fi/en

Satakunta University of Applied Sciences
Pori / Rauma and regional campuses / University of applied sciences
www.samk.fi/en

Savonia University of Applied Sciences
Kuopio / Iisalmi / Varkaus / University of applied sciences
www.savonia.fi/en/homepage

Seinäjoki University of Applied Sciences
Seinäjoki / University of applied sciences
www.seamk.fi/en

Tampere University of Applied Sciences
Tampere / University of applied sciences
www.tuni.fi/en/tamk

Turku University of Applied Sciences
Turku / Salo / University of applied sciences
www.turkuamk.fi/en

South-Eastern Finland University of Applied Sciences
Kotka / Kouvola / Mikkeli / Savonlinna / University of applied sciences
www.xamk.fi/en

STUDY IN SINGAPORE

Singapore

Autonomous universities, arts education and international providers.



Nanyang Technological University - The Hive learning hub / Sohjan / CC BY-SA 4.0 / cropped

Singapore's higher-education landscape includes autonomous universities, arts institutions and private education providers. The teaching provider and awarding institution are not always the same organisation. Subsidised and unsubsidised tuition schedules differ, and some government tuition support carries an employment obligation.

ANNUAL FEES / ROUTE COMPARISON

Public UG sample: SGD 36,350-47,700

Private business sample: SGD 19,570-35,450

Public sample excludes Tuition Grants. Private business model annualises SIM-RMIT over three years and JCU over two; includes GST. Extra administrative charges remain separate.

LIVING / MONTH

SGD 1,500-2,800

Approx. US$ 1,170-2,190

Planning band spanning campus/shared housing and off-campus university guidance. Private rental is usually the main expense; the higher NUS monthly estimate is SGD 1,800-2,800.

Typical degree length

Bachelor's: 3-4 years
Master's: 1-2 years

Fields of study

Computing; engineering; business; finance; life sciences.

Academic entry

NUS requires at least twelve years of general education by July of the application year, together with qualification-specific and subject requirements. Its routes distinguish national school systems, international qualifications and diplomas. Other institutions maintain their own selection and language criteria.

The Tuition Grant

The Ministry of Education (MOE) Tuition Grant reduces eligible tuition charges. International recipients normally undertake a three-year obligation to work for a Singapore entity after graduation. Compare the subsidised fee and service obligation with the unsubsidised fee before accepting the grant; recipients must arrange their own qualifying employment.

SINGAPORE / EDUCATION AND ENTRY

Singapore's degree system

Six autonomous universities sit alongside an arts university, overseas campuses and private providers. Awarding arrangements distinguish the different degree routes.

Universities and degree providers

Singapore's six autonomous universities combine publicly supported education with distinct academic missions. NUS and NTU offer broad research environments; SMU emphasises business and social sciences, while SIT and SUSS provide applied pathways. SUTD centres its programmes on technology and design. The University of the Arts Singapore is a government-supported private university formed by LASALLE and NAFA. Overseas campuses and private education institutions add further choices, but a teaching provider may deliver a degree awarded by a different university.

Qualifications and awarding bodies

The exact award, entry level and study pattern define the qualification being offered. A foundation certificate or private diploma can be a route into a partner degree, but progression and credit exemptions must be stated in the offer. Obtain written confirmation of the receiving university's entry year and credit exemptions before starting a private diploma. Private provision is governed through registration, permitted courses and the EduTrust framework. Check both the provider's registration and the partner degree's recognition for further study or professional practice.

Subjects and teaching models

Business applicants can compare broad undergraduate degrees, specialised finance courses and postgraduate business schools. Engineering and computing applicants should examine laboratories, mathematics prerequisites and the role of compulsory internships. Arts applicants need time for portfolios, auditions and interviews, rather than relying solely on examination grades. An overseas campus may offer a shorter or differently structured degree than a local university. Module maps, assessment methods and overseas-study requirements can distinguish programmes that otherwise carry very similar degree titles.

International qualification routes

Universities publish separate instructions for IB, Singapore A levels and individual overseas school qualifications. At NUS, standardised testing depends on the credential and whether final results are available; the American diploma and other-high-school routes require additional tests. SMU publishes its own accepted international qualifications and test alternatives. Subject prerequisites still apply even when a qualification is accepted. Prior university students may fall under a transfer or freshman route; previous study does not automatically produce transferable credits or advanced entry.

SINGAPORE / STUDENT LIFE AND PLANNING

Admission and student life

Before accepting, put the fee schedule, grant obligations and housing estimate beside the offer. Then schedule the Student's Pass application and arrival requirements.

Admissions calendars

Each institution sets its own calendar for application closure, final results, test reporting, interviews and acceptance of offers. Some courses assess applicants through additional aptitude exercises, writing tests or portfolio reviews. An offer may remain conditional until the final school certificate arrives. Late school-leaving results are handled under the receiving institution's qualification-specific and intake-specific deadlines. After admission, ICA's Student's Pass process applies according to the institution category, with its own documents, formalities and processing timetable.

Tuition grants and financial commitments

Tuition schedules distinguish subsidised from unsubsidised fees, often producing substantially different totals. Eligible international students may be offered an MOE Tuition Grant, but receiving it normally carries a three-year obligation to work for a Singapore entity after graduation. Read the grant agreement's service and repayment conditions as part of the cost comparison. Scholarship conditions can add their own requirements. Compulsory charges and any overseas component add to the full degree cost. Loan and aid eligibility depends on the institution, nationality and admission category, rather than on enrolment alone.

Housing and everyday costs

Accommodation can determine the practical affordability of a Singapore offer. University halls have their own eligibility, application and renewal rules, while many private providers require students to arrange housing independently. Housing costs can include deposits, utilities and air-conditioning charges; commuting, meals and insurance add further regular expenses. Actual teaching locations differ, so journeys can vary considerably between providers and campuses. A monthly estimate should also allow for semester breaks when an academic-year housing contract may not cover the entire stay.

Work, placements and graduation

A Student's Pass alone does not give every international student permission to work. MOM's exemption applies to students at listed institutions who meet its conditions; eligible term-time work is generally limited to sixteen hours weekly or a qualifying course-related attachment. This institution-specific distinction is particularly important for students enrolled with private providers. Internships should be checked with the school's placement office. After graduation, continuing to work requires an appropriate immigration and employment arrangement; a degree or tuition-grant bond does not itself guarantee employment.

SINGAPORE / ADMISSION

Entry tests and application notes

Check which assessments your programme requires; official websites are listed below.

Singapore-Cambridge A levels / IB

Applicants presenting these school-leaving qualifications

Singapore-Cambridge Advanced Level and International Baccalaureate are school-leaving qualifications. Use the admissions route matching your school-leaving credential and check its subject and result requirements.

www.seab.gov.sg/gce-a-level/
ibo.org/programmes/diploma-programme/

SAT / ACT / AP

Selected overseas-qualification routes

SAT, ACT and Advanced Placement are academic tests used in selected overseas-qualification routes. NUS requirements depend on the credential and whether final results are available.

satsuite.collegeboard.org/sat
www.act.org/
apstudents.collegeboard.org/

English and standardised tests

University-specific international routes

IELTS (International English Language Testing System), TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language) and other published alternatives are accepted by SMU for relevant international routes. IB applicants have stated exemptions.

admissions.smu.edu.sg/admissions-requirements/international-and-other-qualifications

UCAT

Relevant medicine applicants

The University Clinical Aptitude Test is listed for NUS medicine applicants using the cited international-qualification route. Check the NUS medicine instructions for the accepted UCAT sitting and result-submission deadline.

www.ucat.ac.uk/

Interviews, writing tests and portfolios

Shortlisted or specialist-course applicants

NUS may request programme assessments; SMU Law uses a writing test and selection process. Arts courses can require auditions or portfolios.

www.nus.edu.sg/oam/admissions/application-guides-sample-forms

Autonomous universities and private degree providers

Singapore has six autonomous universities: NUS, NTU, SMU, SUTD, SIT and SUSS. University of the Arts Singapore is a government-supported private university whose member colleges are LASALLE and NAFA. The colleges remain separately constituted and deliver UAS degrees. Other private providers teach qualifications awarded by overseas universities, including partner-degree arrangements at SIM and Kaplan. TPGateway distinguishes private-institution registration from government accreditation of its qualifications. The teaching institution and the degree-awarding institution can therefore be different organisations within Singapore's higher education system.

SINGAPORE / SCHOLARSHIPS

Funding routes

Amounts and conditions refer to the intake shown. Check the current call and the cost left to fund.

NUS International Undergraduate Scholarship

Undergraduate

Support. Subsidised tuition after the MOE Tuition Grant; S$5,800 annual living and S$5,000 annual accommodation allowances, plus S$1,750 once for a computer.

Eligibility. Outstanding new full-time undergraduate applicants who are citizens of countries other than Singapore; transfer applicants are excluded. Academic, leadership and extracurricular merit are assessed.

Application. Eligible undergraduate admission applications are considered automatically; shortlisted candidates are interviewed.

Conditions. Recipients must take the MOE Tuition Grant, which entails a three-year Singapore-registered-company work bond for PRs and international students. Medicine and dentistry have additional specified service obligations. Renewal and repayment conditions apply.

SMU ASEAN Undergraduate Scholarship

Undergraduate

Support. Subsidised tuition after MOE Tuition Grant; S$5,800 annual living allowance, S$3,000 annual accommodation allowance and S$1,750 one-off computer allowance.

Eligibility. Citizens of listed ASEAN countries other than Singapore, applying for full-time undergraduate study with outstanding academic, leadership and extracurricular records.

Application. Scholarship applications accompany undergraduate admission through the applicant self-service system.

Conditions. Mandatory MOE Tuition Grant creates a three-year Singapore-registered-company work bond for PRs and international students. SMU does not guarantee employment. Academic renewal, concurrent-award and repayment conditions apply.

NTU Nanyang Global Scholarship

Undergraduate

Support. Subsidised tuition after Tuition Grant; S$6,500 annual living allowance, up to S$2,000 annual hostel allowance, one-off S$2,000 computer allowance and eligible overseas-programme support.

Eligibility. Outstanding freshmen of all nationalities entering full-time undergraduate study, with academic merit, leadership and extracurricular records.

Application. A scholarship application, essay and teacher appraisal follow submission of the undergraduate admission application.

Conditions. The scholarship has no separate bond, but PRs and international students taking the MOE Tuition Grant have its three-year work bond. Hostel, travel, academic-renewal and early-termination conditions apply.

A*STAR Graduate Scholarship (AGS)

Doctoral research

Support. Up to four years of full tuition, monthly support and approved book, computer, conference and thesis allowances; eligible overseas attachment support.

Eligibility. Singapore citizens and PRs need relevant upper-second honours or equivalent. Current rules require non-PR foreign applicants to hold, or be completing, the qualifying honours degree at a Singapore autonomous university. Doctoral admission is also required.

Application. Applications are submitted through A*STAR, with admission to the participating university's doctoral programme also required.

Conditions. Singapore citizens and permanent residents have no AGS service commitment. Other foreign recipients owe three years of service with Singapore-based companies after completing their studies.

SINGAPORE / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

Universities and institutions

Location • fields • profile • official website • selected QS 2027 overall ranks

National University of Singapore

Singapore / Autonomous university / QS 2027: 10

Medicine; Engineering; Computing; Business

Undergraduate curricula combine shared interdisciplinary learning, major requirements and unrestricted electives, with the precise balance set by each school or college.

21 Lower Kent Ridge Road, Singapore 119077

www.nus.edu.sg

Nanyang Technological University

Singapore / Autonomous university / QS 2027: 12

Engineering; Computing; Science; Business

The compulsory Interdisciplinary Collaborative Core brings students from different majors together to develop communication, teamwork and approaches to shared societal challenges.

50 Nanyang Avenue, Singapore 639798

www.ntu.edu.sg

Singapore Management University

Singapore / Autonomous university

Business; Accounting; Economics; Computing

Seminar-based teaching encourages discussion and participation across business, law and social-science degrees, alongside specialist postgraduate and doctoral routes.

Administration Building, 81 Victoria Street, Singapore 188065

www.smu.edu.sg

Singapore University of Technology and Design

Singapore / Autonomous university

Engineering; Architecture; Computing; Design

Interdisciplinary design projects connect engineering, computing and architecture, making practical development and collaborative problem-solving central features of its teaching model.

8 Somapah Road, Singapore 487372

www.sutd.edu.sg

Singapore Institute of Technology

Singapore / Autonomous university

Engineering; Computing; Allied health; Business

A compulsory Integrated Work Study Programme forms part of SIT-conferred and joint degrees, linking academic study with extended workplace experience.

1 Punggol Coast Road, Singapore 828608

www.singaporetech.edu.sg

Singapore University of Social Sciences

Singapore / Autonomous university

Social sciences; Business; Education; Law

Full-time, part-time and continuing-education routes support students at different career stages, with applied learning embedded in its educational model.

Block C, Clementi Campus, 463 Clementi Road, Singapore 599494

www.suss.edu.sg

University of the Arts Singapore

Singapore / Government-supported private university

Fine arts; Design; Music; Performance

Degrees are awarded through two member colleges, LASALLE and NAFA; students apply for the specific college and creative programme they intend to join.

111 Middle Road, National Design Centre, Singapore 188969

uas.edu.sg

LASALLE College of the Arts

Singapore / Arts college and UAS member

Design; Fine arts; Music; Film

Combines its own diploma programmes with University of the Arts Singapore degrees, providing progression through different levels of specialist creative study.

1 McNally Street, Singapore 187940

www.lasalle.edu.sg

SINGAPORE / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

Universities and institutions

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Nanyang Academy of Fine Arts

Singapore / Arts institution and UAS member
Fine arts; Design; Music; Dance
Diploma routes and University of the Arts Singapore degrees sit within one arts institution, covering visual, applied and performing practice.
Campus 1, 80 Bencoolen Street, Singapore 189655
www.nafa.edu.sg

INSEAD, Asia Campus

Singapore / International graduate business school campus
Management; Finance; Strategy; Entrepreneurship
Graduate business education operates within INSEAD's international campus network, with the location and mobility arrangements determined by the selected degree.
1 Ayer Rajah Avenue, Singapore 138676
www.insead.edu

ESSEC Business School, Asia-Pacific

Singapore / International business school campus
Management; Finance; Business analytics; Marketing
Selected business degrees connect Singapore with ESSEC's international campus network; programme design determines where students complete each stage of study.
5 Nepal Park, Singapore 139408
www.essec.edu/en

James Cook University, Singapore

Singapore / Australian university branch
Business; Psychology; Computing; Environmental science
Students earn Australian James Cook University qualifications locally, with a catalogue extending to psychology, environmental science and aquaculture as well as business.
149 Sims Drive, Singapore 387380
www.jcu.edu.sg

Curtin Singapore

Singapore / Private teaching campus for Curtin University; operated by Curtin Education Centre
Business; Communications; Information technology; Health sciences
Curtin University awards the degrees delivered locally through Curtin Education Centre, providing Australian university qualifications within a Singapore teaching setting.
10 Science Park Road, The Alpha, Science Park II, Level 3, Unit 03-08, Singapore 117684
curtin.edu.sg

SP Jain School of Global Management, Singapore

Singapore / Private international higher education institution
Business; Finance; Marketing; Management
Selected business programmes involve study in multiple countries, giving the curriculum a multicity structure with different locations for successive study stages.
10 Hyderabad Road, next to HortPark, off Alexandra Road, Singapore 119579
www.spjain.org

Singapore Institute of Management Global Education

Singapore / Private education provider with university partners
Business; Economics; Computing; Social sciences
Diplomas lead towards a choice of overseas partner-university degrees; the awarding university and progression requirements depend on the selected pathway.
461 Clementi Road, Singapore 599491
www.sim.edu.sg

Kaplan Higher Education Academy, Singapore

Singapore / Private education provider with university partners
Business; Accounting; Computing; Psychology
Locally delivered teaching leads to degrees conferred by overseas university partners, allowing students to compare different awarding institutions within one provider.
8 Wilkie Road, Level 2, Wilkie Edge, Singapore 228095
www.kaplan.com.sg

Additional institutions

Management Development Institute of Singapore
Singapore / Private degree provider
www.mdis.edu.sg

PSB Academy
Singapore / Private degree provider
www.psb-academy.edu.sg

London School of Business and Finance, Singapore
Singapore / Private degree provider
www.lsbf.edu.sg

Amity Global Institute
Singapore / Private degree provider
www.amitysingapore.sg

TMC Academy
Singapore / Private degree provider
www.tmc.edu.sg

East Asia Institute of Management
Singapore / Private degree provider
www.eaim.edu.sg

Raffles College of Higher Education
Singapore / Private degree provider
raffles-college.edu.sg

Singapore Raffles Music College
Singapore / Private degree provider
srmc.edu.sg

ERC Institute
Singapore / Private degree provider
erci.edu.sg

SHRM College
Singapore / Private degree provider
shrm.edu.sg/en

STUDY IN JAPAN

Japan

National, public and private universities.



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Japan's universities offer four-year bachelor's degrees and research-based postgraduate routes; selected professional degrees take six years. Japanese-language programmes and dedicated English-taught degrees have different admissions arrangements. Junior colleges and specialised training colleges form separate parts of the education system.

FIRST-YEAR ACADEMIC FEES / SECTOR

National / local public: JPY 820,000 / 910,000

Private undergraduate: JPY 1,140,000-1,640,000

JASSO first-year academic-fee averages, including admission charges; later years differ. Private medicine, dentistry and pharmacy are excluded. Figures are approximate.

LIVING AVERAGE / MONTH

JPY 105,000

Approx. US$ 670

JASSO 2023 survey national monthly average, excluding study/research costs. Tokyo and private housing can cost more; retain separate funds for arrival deposits and tuition.

Typical degree length

Bachelor's: 4 years
Master's: 2 years
Medicine: 6 years

Fields of study

Engineering; computing; business; sciences; design.

Academic entry

Bachelor's entry normally requires twelve years of schooling or an accepted equivalent. The Examination for Japanese University Admission for International Students (EJU) is used by participating institutions, alongside their own criteria. English-taught degrees apply the language and examination requirements of the selected programme.

Academic-year structure

April is the principal start of the Japanese academic year. Some universities also admit in September or October. Research master's and doctoral selection can include a research proposal and supervisor arrangements; taught undergraduate entry follows a different application process.

JAPAN / EDUCATION AND ENTRY

Japan’s higher education system

National, local public and private universities offer different academic settings. Language, qualification type and the entrance route distinguish their international options.

408,069

JASSO survey published in May 2026; includes higher education, professional training, preparatory courses and Japanese-language institutions, not only university degrees. Reporting period: May 2025.

Institutions and recognised awards

Japan distinguishes national universities, universities established by local public authorities and private universities. Bachelor’s study usually lasts four years, with longer professional programmes in fields such as medicine. Junior colleges, colleges of technology and professional training colleges offer separate qualifications and progression arrangements. NIC-Japan’s directory identifies institutions recognised by the competent authorities and marks closed institutions. Use the NIC-Japan record to identify the institution type, then confirm the exact award, course length and progression opportunities before comparing tuition.

Academic settings and specialisms

Comprehensive universities combine humanities, sciences and professional faculties; specialist institutions concentrate on technology, languages, education, medicine or the arts. Regional national universities extend the choice beyond Tokyo, Kyoto and Osaka, while private universities offer both broad and specialist curricula. Department-level differences include laboratory access, teaching language and the structure of final-year projects. Art and music admissions can involve practical assessment. At graduate level, the proposed research group, supervisor availability and laboratory language help determine the suitability of an otherwise relevant degree programme.

Japanese and English degree pathways

English-taught degrees provide selected routes without the same Japanese-language admission threshold as Japanese-taught programmes. Availability varies considerably by institution, subject and degree level, and practical placements may involve additional Japanese. Japanese-medium admission can combine EJU scores, JLPT evidence and university assessment. If language preparation comes first, ask which university-entry requirements must still be completed. The distinction between admission language and later course requirements is particularly relevant to professional training, internships and graduate recruitment, where communication in Japanese can remain important after an English-medium degree.

Schooling eligibility and transfer

Undergraduate eligibility generally requires twelve years of schooling or another accepted route. For applicants from shorter systems, designated exceptions and recognised university-preparatory courses can establish eligibility; ordinary language study is not automatically equivalent. Universities apply their own published rules to international credentials and subject preparation. Transfer admission exists at participating institutions and departments, with separate credit decisions and examinations. Before budgeting for a shorter degree, ask the receiving department which credits it will accept and how much study remains.

JAPAN / STUDENT LIFE AND PLANNING

Admission and student life

Examination sessions shape admission timing. Costs include first-year admission charges, housing setup and any preparatory study before the degree.

Examinations and intake dates

The academic year commonly begins in April, while some universities offer September or October entry. Receiving universities specify EJU subjects, mathematics course, examination language and acceptable score sessions. Some offer pre-arrival admission; others include interviews or examinations in Japan. JLPT documents Japanese proficiency rather than the academic subjects assessed through EJU. Build the application calendar around the required score session and university deadline. Final school results, score-report dates and any in-person selection stage can determine which intake is realistically accessible.

Fees and scholarship timing

First-year charges commonly include an admission fee in addition to tuition, so the initial payment can exceed later years. National, local public and private institutions have different charging patterns, and laboratory, practical or clinical programmes can add costs. JASSO's published figures provide planning context; institutional schedules establish the actual bill. MEXT, JASSO and university support use different application channels and eligibility rules. An award can cover tuition without meeting every arrival or living expense, and scholarship decisions do not always precede admission payments.

Housing and arrival expenses

University dormitories can reduce setup costs, although places and residence periods may be limited. Private renting can involve a deposit, key money, an agency fee, furnishings and a guarantor arrangement. JASSO separates study costs from everyday spending in its living-expense information. Regional housing markets differ from Tokyo and other major cities, making a single national estimate insufficient for an individual budget. Initial spending can also include travel, insurance and winter clothing, while scholarship recipients may need cash to bridge the period before their first payment.

Residence and work alongside study

Admission precedes the Certificate of Eligibility and student residence process. Eligible part-time employment requires permission for activity outside the student status; the usual limit is twenty-eight hours weekly, with separate provisions during long vacations. Earnings are intended to supplement study costs rather than finance the entire education plan. Attendance and academic progress remain important to the student's status. Japanese ability affects everyday services, practical placements and recruitment, including for English-degree students, so the language has a role beyond the initial university admission requirement.

JAPAN / ADMISSION

Entry tests and application notes

Check which assessments your programme requires; official websites are listed below.

EJU

International applicants to participating undergraduate programmes

The Examination for Japanese University Admission for International Students tests Japanese and academic subjects. Universities select the subjects, mathematics course and test language; science and Japan and the World cannot be taken together.

www.jasso.go.jp/en/ryugaku/eju/

JLPT

Programmes requesting Japanese-language evidence

The Japanese-Language Proficiency Test documents language ability. N1 and N2 are commonly relevant to degree study, but institutions set their own threshold; JLPT does not replace EJU academic subjects.

www.jlpt.jp/e/

IELTS / TOEFL

English-taught degrees and some other routes

International English Language Testing System and Test of English as a Foreign Language scores are used by programmes requiring English evidence. Required scores, validity and exemptions are programme-specific.

ielts.org/
www.ets.org/toefl.html

Overseas academic tests

Institutions accepting these academic credentials

Some universities accept SAT, ACT, International Baccalaureate examinations or national school-leaving results, particularly for English-degree entry. Check the programme's accepted tests.

www.studyinjapan.go.jp/en/planning/examination/

University examinations and interviews

Programmes specifying additional selection

May include subject papers, essays, portfolios, practical tests or interviews. Remote or pre-arrival selection is available only where specified by the institution.

www.studyinjapan.go.jp/en/planning/learn-about-schools/universities/

MEXT scholarship screening

Applicants through the relevant MEXT category

Japanese Government scholarship screening under the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology uses category-specific tests and interviews. Embassy undergraduate screening is separate from ordinary self-funded university admission.

www.studyinjapan.go.jp/en/planning/scholarships/mext-scholarships/

Degree structure and institutional types

Japan has national, local public and private universities. A bachelor's degree normally takes four years; medicine, dentistry, veterinary medicine and designated pharmacy programmes take six. A master's degree normally takes two years. Doctoral study commonly follows a master's, while some professional fields use different structures. Universities also admit non-degree research students, whose enrolment does not itself confer a degree. English-taught qualifications coexist with Japanese-medium courses; the teaching language and degree-awarding school are properties of the particular programme.

JAPAN / SCHOLARSHIPS

Funding routes

Amounts and conditions refer to the intake shown. Check the current call and the cost left to fund.

Japanese Government (MEXT) Scholarship

Separate undergraduate and graduate/research categories

Support. Published monthly stipends are ¥117,000 for undergraduates; ¥143,000 for non-degree research students, ¥144,000 for master's students and ¥145,000 for doctoral students. Tuition exemption and prescribed airfare are included.

Eligibility. Undergraduate applicants are normally under 25 with twelve years of schooling or equivalent; research applicants are normally under 35 and qualified for the relevant graduate course. Nationality and screening conditions are category-specific.

Application. Embassy recommendation through a Japanese diplomatic mission, or university recommendation where an institution holds an allocation.

Conditions. Embassy-recommended undergraduate awards normally last five years including preparatory study, or seven in medicine, dentistry, veterinary medicine and designated pharmacy courses. University recommendation requires an institutional quota; graduate duration depends on degree status and the recommendation route.

JASSO Student Exchange Support Program

Short-term undergraduate or graduate exchange; not a full degree

Support. ¥80,000 per month for an eligible supported exchange programme lasting eight days to one year.

Eligibility. Students accepted under a qualifying exchange arrangement who show academic merit and financial need and return to complete study at their home institution.

Application. Selection through the home and Japanese host institutions; the Japanese institution submits the exchange programme to JASSO.

Conditions. Funding is restricted to selected exchange programmes. Other study-in-Japan scholarship income above ¥80,000 monthly makes the student ineligible. Participants must return to their home institution to complete their studies.

JASSO Monbukagakusho Honors Scholarship

Undergraduate and graduate; eligible research-student routes

Support. ¥48,000 monthly for twelve months from April or six months from October at undergraduate/graduate level. This is partial maintenance support, without an automatic tuition waiver.

Eligibility. Privately financed students with Student residence status and qualifying academic records. Language routes include JLPT N2, EJU Japanese 200, CEFR B2 English or recognised equivalents; financial limits also apply.

Application. Nomination by the enrolled institution within its allocation. Separate reservation routes cover eligible pre-arrival admissions and EJU results.

Conditions. Average allowance excluding tuition-related payments cannot exceed ¥90,000 monthly; a supporter in Japan must earn less than ¥5 million annually. Incompatible awards and JASSO exchange support exclude eligibility. Monthly attendance confirmation is required.

APU Tuition Reduction Scholarship

Undergraduate international applicants; graduate scheme has separate rules

Support. For 2027 undergraduate entry, reductions of 30%, 50%, 65%, 80% or 100% of tuition over the standard study period, subject to continuation review.

Eligibility. International applicants with Student residence status; selection considers the application, interview and family financial circumstances.

Application. Scholarship consideration is requested within the APU admission application, with the required essays and recommendation. Scholarship results accompany the admission decision.

Conditions. The reduction covers tuition; admission charges and living expenses remain separate. Academic performance and completed credits are reviewed each semester for continuation.

JAPAN / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

Universities and institutions

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The University of Tokyo

Tokyo / National university / QS 2027: 39

Engineering; Science; Law; Economics

Undergraduates begin with two years of general education at Komaba before progressing into specialist departments, delaying full disciplinary concentration until later study.

7-3-1 Hongo, Bunkyo-ku, Tokyo 113-8654, Japan

www.u-tokyo.ac.jp/en

Kyoto University

Kyoto / National university

Engineering; Science; Medicine; Agriculture

Kyoto iUP combines six months of preparatory education with four undergraduate years, admitting applicants without prior Japanese proficiency into a supported language transition.

Yoshida-honmachi, Sakyo-ku, Kyoto 606-8501, Japan

www.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en

The University of Osaka

Suita / Osaka / National university

Engineering; Medicine; Science; Human sciences

Foreign-language study has a dedicated academic home at Minoh, alongside a wider university structure spanning laboratory sciences, medicine and humanities.

1-1 Yamadaoka, Suita, Osaka 565-0871, Japan

www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en

Tohoku University

Sendai / National university

Engineering; Materials science; Medicine; Science

Its Advanced Institute for Materials Research adds a specialist research environment to a university spanning engineering, clinical disciplines and the basic sciences.

2-1-1 Katahira, Aoba-ku, Sendai, Miyagi 980-8577, Japan

www.tohoku.ac.jp/en

Nagoya University

Nagoya / National university

Engineering; Science; Medicine; Economics

Global 30 International Programs provide selected undergraduate and graduate degrees entirely in English, alongside the university's wider Japanese-medium academic provision.

Furo-cho, Chikusa-ku, Nagoya 464-8601, Japan

en.nagoya-u.ac.jp

Hokkaido University

Sapporo / National university

Agriculture; Engineering; Science; Veterinary medicine

Fisheries education has a dedicated Hakodate setting, complementing agriculture and veterinary science within a university with extensive environmental and life-science provision.

Kita 8, Nishi 5, Kita-ku, Sapporo, Hokkaido 060-0808, Japan

www.global.hokudai.ac.jp

Kyushu University

Fukuoka / National university

Engineering; Science; Medicine; Design

Design has its own school and graduate school at Ohashi, offering a focused academic setting distinct from the university's other technical faculties.

744 Motooka, Nishi-ku, Fukuoka 819-0395, Japan

www.kyushu-u.ac.jp/en

University of Tsukuba

Tsukuba / National university

Science; Engineering; Human sciences; Health

Subject-specific undergraduate colleges sit alongside a transdisciplinary science and design school in Kuala Lumpur, giving international applicants distinct programme and campus choices.

1-1-1 Tennodai, Tsukuba, Ibaraki 305-8577, Japan

www.tsukuba.ac.jp/en

Hiroshima University

Higashi-Hiroshima / National university

Education; Engineering; Science; Medicine

Medicine, dentistry and pharmaceutical sciences share the Kasumi setting with the university hospital, while other subjects occupy separate academic campuses.

1-3-2 Kagamiyama, Higashi-Hiroshima, Hiroshima 739-8511, Japan

www.hiroshima-u.ac.jp/en

Kobe University

Kobe / National university

Economics; Business; Engineering; Medicine

Maritime-science facilities and the Kobe Ocean-Bottom Exploration Center create a specialist marine-research setting alongside its broader business, law and engineering provision.

1-1 Rokkodai-cho, Nada-ku, Kobe, Hyogo 657-8501, Japan

www.kobe-u.ac.jp/en

JAPAN / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

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Chiba University

Chiba / National university

Engineering; Medicine; Horticulture; Education

Horticulture forms a distinct part of its academic portfolio, alongside engineering and health; international-student support operates across its teaching locations.

1-33 Yayoi-cho, Inage-ku, Chiba 263-8522, Japan

www.chiba-u.ac.jp/e

Okayama University

Okayama / National university

Engineering; Medicine; Agriculture; Humanities

The interdisciplinary Discovery Program for Global Learners complements conventional faculties, giving international applicants an alternative to a narrowly defined departmental entry route.

1-1-1 Tsushima-naka, Kita-ku, Okayama 700-8530, Japan

www.okayama-u.ac.jp/eng

Institute of Science Tokyo

Tokyo / National university

Engineering; Computing; Materials science; Medicine

Combines the former Tokyo Institute of Technology with Tokyo Medical and Dental University, bringing engineering and physical sciences together with clinical disciplines.

2-12-1 Ookayama, Meguro-ku, Tokyo 152-8550, Japan

www.isct.ac.jp/en

Waseda University

Tokyo / Private university

Political science; Economics; Engineering; Humanities

Six undergraduate schools offer English-based degrees, giving international applicants options from political economy and liberal studies to science and engineering.

1-104 Totsukamachi, Shinjuku-ku, Tokyo 169-8050, Japan

www.waseda.jp/top/en

Keio University

Tokyo / Private university

Economics; Law; Business; Medicine

Science and technology and clinical medicine occupy different specialist campuses, making faculty location a significant part of the student experience.

2-15-45 Mita, Minato-ku, Tokyo 108-8345, Japan

www.keio.ac.jp/en

Sophia University

Tokyo / Private university

Liberal arts; Languages; Economics; Global studies

English-taught bachelor's options include Liberal Arts and Sustainable Futures, the latter drawing on six departments to examine environmental and social questions.

7-1 Kioi-cho, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 102-8554, Japan

www.sophia.ac.jp/eng

Ritsumeikan University

Kyoto / Private university

International relations; Economics; Engineering; Policy science

Dedicated English-medium undergraduate programmes complement Japanese-medium degrees; this institution has separate admissions and awards from Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University.

56-1 Toji-in Kitamachi, Kita-ku, Kyoto 603-8577, Japan

en.ritsumei.ac.jp

Doshisha University

Kyoto / Private university

Economics; Law; Humanities; Engineering

Humanities and social-science teaching is concentrated around Imadegawa, while Kyotanabe provides a separate setting for engineering and life-science laboratory study.

Karasuma-higashi-iru, Imadegawa-dori, Kamigyo-ku, Kyoto 602-8580, Japan

www.doshisha.ac.jp/en

Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University

Beppu / Private university

Asia Pacific studies; International management; Sustainability; Tourism

English and Japanese underpin study across Asia Pacific Studies, International Management, and Sustainability and Tourism, supported by a dedicated language-education centre.

1-1 Jumonjibaru, Beppu, Oita 874-8577, Japan

en.apu.ac.jp

Tokyo Metropolitan University

Hachioji / Tokyo / Public metropolitan university

Urban environmental sciences; System design; Economics; Science

Systems Design and Health Sciences students move into specialist campus settings for later study, following initial university study at Minami-Osawa.

1-1 Minami-Osawa, Hachioji, Tokyo 192-0397, Japan

www.tmu.ac.jp/english

JAPAN / ADDITIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Further study options

Additional institutions / location, institution type and official website

Hitotsubashi University
Kunitachi / National university
www.hit-u.ac.jp/eng

Tokyo University of Foreign Studies
Fuchu / National university
www.tufs.ac.jp/english

Tokyo University of Agriculture and Technology
Fuchu / Koganei / National university
www.tuat.ac.jp/en

Tokyo University of the Arts
Tokyo / National university
www.geidai.ac.jp/english

Ochanomizu University
Tokyo / National university
www.ocha.ac.jp/en

Yokohama National University
Yokohama / National university
www.ynu.ac.jp/english

Kanazawa University
Kanazawa / National university
www.kanazawa-u.ac.jp/en

Niigata University
Niigata / National university
www.niigata-u.ac.jp/en

Shinshu University
Matsumoto / National university
www.shinshu-u.ac.jp/english

Shizuoka University
Shizuoka / Hamamatsu / National university
www.shizuoka.ac.jp/english

Gifu University
Gifu / National university
www.gifu-u.ac.jp/en

Mie University
Tsu / National university
www.mie-u.ac.jp/en

Nara Women's University
Nara / National university
www.nara-wu.ac.jp

Kyushu Institute of Technology
Kitakyushu / National university
www.kyutech.ac.jp/english

Kumamoto University
Kumamoto / National university
ewww.kumamoto-u.ac.jp/en

Nagasaki University
Nagasaki / National university
www.nagasaki-u.ac.jp/en

Kagoshima University
Kagoshima / National university
www.kagoshima-u.ac.jp/en

University of the Ryukyus
Nishihara / National university
www.u-ryukyu.ac.jp/en

Ehime University
Matsuyama / National university
www.ehime-u.ac.jp/en

Tokushima University
Tokushima / National university
www.tokushima-u.ac.jp/english

Yamaguchi University
Yamaguchi / National university
www.yamaguchi-u.ac.jp/english

Saitama University
Saitama / National university
en.saitama-u.ac.jp

Ibaraki University
Mito / National university
www.ibaraki.ac.jp/en

University of Fukui
Fukui / National university
www.u-fukui.ac.jp/eng

Osaka Metropolitan University
Osaka / Sakai / Public university
www.omu.ac.jp/en

Yokohama City University
Yokohama / Public university
www.yokohama-cu.ac.jp/english

Nagoya City University
Nagoya / Public university
www.nagoya-cu.ac.jp/english

University of Hyogo
Kobe / Public university
www.u-hyogo.ac.jp/english

Akita International University
Akita / Public university
web.aiu.ac.jp/en

Tokyo University of Science
Tokyo / Private university
www.tus.ac.jp/en

Meiji University
Tokyo / Private university
www.meiji.ac.jp/cip/english

Aoyama Gakuin University
Tokyo / Private university
www.aoyama.ac.jp/en

Rikkyo University
Tokyo / Private university
english.rikkyo.ac.jp

Chuo University
Tokyo / Hachioji / Private university
www.chuo-u.ac.jp/english

Hosei University
Tokyo / Private university
www.hosei.ac.jp/english

Kansai University
Suita / Private university
www.kansai-u.ac.jp/English

Kwansei Gakuin University
Nishinomiya / Private university
global.kwansei.ac.jp

Kindai University
Higashiosaka / Private university
www.kindai.ac.jp/english

Ryukoku University
Kyoto / Private university
www.ryukoku.ac.jp

International Christian University
Mitaka / Private university
www.icu.ac.jp/en

STUDY IN SWITZERLAND

Switzerland

Research universities and applied study across a multilingual system.



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Switzerland has research universities, universities of applied sciences and teacher-education institutions. Programme language and foreign-qualification requirements differ across the multilingual system. Compare tuition with the city's rent, health-insurance costs and arrival deposits.

ANNUAL FEES / ROUTE COMPARISON

Public university guide: CHF 1,000-8,000

Public-sector national guide, annualised over two semesters. Private and continuing-education tariffs are programme-specific and can be substantially higher.

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CHF 1,850

Approx. US$ 2,220

National-portal illustrative student budget before tuition. Check rent, health insurance, local travel and initial deposits; the city and accommodation contract drive the final amount.

Typical degree length

Bachelor's usually 3 years; consecutive master's usually 1.5-2 years.

Fields of study

Engineering; life sciences; finance; hospitality; international studies; design.

Academic entry

Foreign school certificates face country-specific admission conditions. Master's entry depends on previous degree content; teaching-language evidence and any entrance examination are additional course requirements.

Budget beyond the tuition fee

Alongside tuition, reserve funds for rent, health cover and early deposits. Count only confirmed scholarship support when calculating the amount needed before arrival.

SWITZERLAND / EDUCATION AND ENTRY

Qualifications and admission

Institution type, school qualification and teaching language determine the Swiss study route.

Choosing a recognised institution

Switzerland has research universities, universities of applied sciences and arts, and universities of teacher education. Institutional accreditation under the Higher Education Act protects the use of these designations and their derived forms. The swissuniversities list is a useful starting point, but the Swiss Accreditation Council makes accreditation decisions. Confirm a private institution's Swiss accreditation through the competent authority before comparing its courses. Check the awarding institution and the specific qualification; professional licensing and admission to further study involve additional decisions beyond institutional accreditation.

Degrees and academic workload

A standard Swiss bachelor's degree carries 180 ECTS credits and normally takes three years of full-time study. A consecutive master's commonly requires 90 or 120 credits over one and a half or two years. One full academic year represents 60 credits, with each credit corresponding to approximately 25-30 hours of total work, including independent study. Professional and specialist routes can differ. For further-study plans, check whether the receiving institution accepts the proposed continuing-education award or requires a consecutive academic master's.

Assessing a foreign qualification

There is no single centralised application for admission to all Swiss universities. Each institution evaluates applicants under its own rules. Bachelor's entry depends on an upper-secondary certificate comparable to the Swiss school-leaving qualification, sometimes with specified subjects, minimum grades, prior university admission or an additional examination.

The swissuniversities country tables provide a useful overview, but the university's decision is decisive. Master's admission considers a relevant recognised first degree and its academic content. A general eligibility statement should therefore be checked against the precise programme and the intended entry year.

Languages and selection requirements

Allow time for the teaching-language qualification before the university's application deadline. German, French and Italian remain important at bachelor's level, while English is common in selected master's programmes. ETH Zurich, for example, teaches its bachelor's programmes principally in German and publishes specific language-certificate rules. Some applicants must also complete its reduced or comprehensive entrance examination. Other institutions may require the ECUS supplementary examination or their own selection. Medical admission is particularly restricted. Book a language or entrance test only after confirming the university's accepted evidence and applicable route.

SWITZERLAND / STUDENT LIFE AND PLANNING

Costs and daily study

Moderate tuition at some institutions still requires careful provision for Swiss living costs.

Building the full budget

Tuition depends on the institution, student category and programme. ETH Zurich currently distinguishes CHF 730 and CHF 2,190 per semester, with the higher category applying where the published exemption criteria are not met; nationality alone does not settle every case. The national study portal's illustrative living budget totals CHF 1,850 monthly before tuition, but actual housing and insurance can change it considerably. Add travel, residence formalities, deposits and initial purchases. Multiply semester charges by the semesters in the degree and deduct only scholarship support confirmed in writing.

Finding housing and arranging insurance

Student residences have limited capacity, and relatively few institutions accommodate students directly on campus. Shared flats and private rentals are common alternatives. Start through the university's housing advice and recognised local providers; compare the total rent, deposit, utilities, transport and contract period. An admission offer does not reserve a room. Health-insurance arrangements also require attention before the move: eligibility for a student product or an exemption depends on personal circumstances and the competent authority. Obtain written confirmation of coverage rather than assuming an overseas policy will automatically meet Swiss requirements.

Learning and assessment

Swiss programmes expect active participation, independent reading and the ability to explain and defend an argument. Seminars, presentations, laboratory work and group projects can complement lectures and examinations. Research universities connect teaching with disciplinary research, while applied-sciences programmes emphasise practical problems and projects; teacher education includes professional practice. Read module descriptions and assessment regulations at the start of each semester. Credit load measures total work, so a timetable with few classroom hours may still involve extensive preparation. Clarify deadlines, citation expectations and permitted collaboration before submitting assessed work.

Residence and paid work

After admission, identify the visa and residence procedure that applies to your nationality and intended stay. Foreign nationals staying longer than three months generally need a residence permit, and visa requirements depend on nationality and circumstances. Follow the Swiss representation and the relevant canton's current instructions before travel. The national study portal describes limited student employment, normally up to 15 hours weekly during term, with notification or permission requirements; non-EU/EFTA students generally face an initial six-month waiting period. Confirm exceptions and employer obligations with the competent authority. Fund essential costs before relying on part-time earnings, and check the appropriate employment route when planning to stay after graduation.

SWITZERLAND / ADMISSION

Entry tests and application notes

Check which assessments your programme requires; official websites are listed below.

ETH entrance examination

Bachelor's applicants assigned an examination route by ETH.

Reduced and comprehensive examinations address different qualification profiles. The country-specific admission conditions determine which route, if any, is required. Schedule the required language evidence and examination early enough for the intended intake.

ethz.ch/en/studium/bachelor/bewerbung/auslaendische-reifezeugnisse/zulassungsvoraussetzungen.html

ECUS supplementary examination

Applicants whose university and school-qualification combination requires ECUS.

An additional academic entrance assessment used in specified admission routes. Obtain the university's admission assessment before registering, so you prepare for the examination route assigned to your qualification.

www.swissuniversities.ch/en/topics/studying/admission-to-universities/countries-1

Teaching-language evidence

Programmes requiring proof of German, French, Italian or English.

Accepted certificates, minimum scores, validity and exemptions are institution-specific. ETH publishes German certificate requirements for bachelor's entry; English-language qualifications do not substitute for German on a German-taught route.

ethz.ch/de/studium/bachelor/bewerbung/auslaendische-reifezeugnisse/sprachanforderungen.html

Medical study is a restricted route

Swiss medical admission is especially constrained. swissuniversities states that applicants without Swiss citizenship or Swiss residence cannot enter medical study because places are limited. Residence itself is not a universal entitlement: the detailed rules define which foreign residents may be treated like Swiss applicants. School-leaver medical entry is principally in German or French. USI's later Master of Medicine uses English, with Italian clinical practice and restricted admission. Obtain a written eligibility assessment before paying for test preparation or treating Switzerland as a medical-school option.

Distinguish academic and continuing education awards

Swiss higher education also offers Certificates, Diplomas and Masters of Advanced Studies, commonly abbreviated CAS, DAS and MAS. These continuing-education awards develop or broaden professional competence and can draw on previous degrees and work experience. An MAS normally carries at least 60 ECTS credits. When comparing an MAS with a consecutive academic master's, check which qualification supports your intended career or further-study route. Check the awarding institution, entry requirements, full fees and the recognition needed for the next intended step.

SWITZERLAND / SCHOLARSHIPS

Funding routes

Amounts and conditions refer to the intake shown. Check the current call and the cost left to fund.

Swiss Government Excellence Scholarships

Research fellowships, doctorates and eligible arts master's routes

Support. Published 2027/28 terms provide CHF 2,450 monthly for one person, with specified additional benefits; tuition and semester fees are not covered.

Eligibility. Eligible-country applicants meeting the relevant research or arts requirements; research applicants need an appropriate Swiss academic supervisor.

Application. Country-specific awards and deadlines apply. Applications use SERI's GO ESKAS portal; no email or paper submissions.

Conditions. Not a general bachelor's or taught-master's scholarship. No family allowance; fieldwork, conference costs and some fees remain the scholar's responsibility.

EPFL Master Excellence Fellowships

Master's

Support. CHF 10,000 per semester under published terms, with a student-room reservation for eligible external candidates.

Eligibility. Academic merit guides selection. Prior master's graduates and students already enrolled in an EPFL master's are ineligible.

Application. For 2027, external candidates apply in the first master's window; internal candidates follow the relevant EPFL procedure.

Conditions. Tuition, rent and other expenses remain payable by the student. Renewal requires the published credit and grade thresholds; a room reservation is not free accommodation.

ETH Excellence Scholarship and Opportunity Programme

Consecutive master's

Support. Tuition waiver and CHF 12,000 per semester under current terms; ETH has published CHF 13,500 per semester from autumn 2027.

Eligibility. Outstanding bachelor's results, normally top 10%; applicants already holding a master's or enrolled in an ETH master's are excluded.

Application. Apply through eApply in the first master's application window with the required thesis pre-proposal and references.

Conditions. Competitive awards cover the regular three- or four-semester master's programme. Each intake has its own application window and award allocation.

University of Geneva Science Excellence Master Fellowships

Eligible Faculty of Science master's

Support. CHF 10,000-15,000 per year under the published scheme, renewable for the normal degree duration subject to successful progress.

Eligibility. Excellent bachelor's students who meet admission requirements for a participating science master's; selection is competitive.

Application. Begin the university enrolment procedure and submit the separate online fellowship file with the requested academic documents and references.

Conditions. The fellowship is for new entrants; students already enrolled on the science master's cannot newly apply. Application dates are set in the call for the relevant entry cohort.

SWITZERLAND / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

Universities and institutions

Location • fields • profile • official website • selected QS 2027 overall ranks

ETH Zurich

Zurich / Federal institute of technology / QS 2027: =8

Engineering; Computer science; Architecture; Natural sciences

Bachelor's teaching is mainly in German; many master's programmes use English and combine advanced disciplinary study with substantial research and thesis work.

Rämistrasse 101, 8092 Zurich, Switzerland

ethz.ch

EPFL

Lausanne / Federal institute of technology / QS 2027: =22

Engineering; Architecture; Computer science; Mathematics

Discovery Learning Laboratories support practical experiments and projects, complementing scientific foundations at bachelor's level and specialised or interdisciplinary work at master's level.

EPFL, 1015 Lausanne, Switzerland; postal deliveries require the relevant unit and station

www.epfl.ch

University of Zurich

Zurich / Public university

Medicine; Law; Economics; Humanities

A joint language centre with ETH supports language learning across a comprehensive university that also includes distinct medical and veterinary faculties.

Rämistrasse 71, 8006 Zurich, Switzerland

www.uzh.ch/en.html

University of Basel

Basel / Public university

Life sciences; Medicine; Humanities; Law

Life-sciences and medical research sit within a broader curriculum, connecting health questions with legal, social and technological perspectives at postgraduate level.

Petersplatz 1, Postfach, 4001 Basel, Switzerland

www.unibas.ch/en.html

University of Bern

Bern / Public university

Climate science; Medicine; Space science; Humanities

Selected English-taught master's routes include climate science, economics and biomedical engineering, while German remains important across the wider undergraduate curriculum.

Hochschulstrasse 6, 3012 Bern, Switzerland

www.unibe.ch/index_eng.html

University of Geneva

Geneva / Public university

International relations; Translation; Law; Science

Translation and interpreting sit alongside interdisciplinary international studies, providing academic routes relevant to the city's concentration of international organisations.

Rue du Général-Dufour 24, 1211 Geneva 4, Switzerland

www.unige.ch/en

University of Lausanne

Lausanne / Public university

Business; Life sciences; Environmental studies; Humanities

Specialist research includes forensic science and environmental law; French remains important across degree study, with selected master's programmes available in English.

Dorigny campus, 1015 Lausanne, Switzerland

www.unil.ch

University of Fribourg

Fribourg / Public university

Law; Economics; Humanities; Science

Many subjects offer French, German or bilingual study; formal bilingual degree annotations depend on completing the required credits in both languages.

Avenue de l'Europe 20, 1700 Fribourg, Switzerland

www.unifr.ch

University of St.Gallen

St.Gallen / Public university

Business; Economics; Law; International affairs

Contextual Studies adds social, cultural and historical perspectives to specialist subjects, while the assessment-year structure shapes progression into later undergraduate study.

Dufourstrasse 50, 9000 St.Gallen, Switzerland

www.unisg.ch/en

Università della Svizzera italiana

Lugano / Mendrisio / Bellinzona / Public university

Architecture; Communication; Economics; Informatics

Italian and English serve different programmes and levels; the Academy of Architecture has its own Mendrisio setting within the wider university.

Via Buffi 13, 6900 Lugano, Switzerland

www.usi.ch/en

SWITZERLAND / ADDITIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Further study options

Additional institutions / location, institution type and official website

University of Lucerne
Lucerne / Public university
www.unilu.ch/en

University of Neuchâtel
Neuchâtel / Public university
www.unine.ch

Bern University of Applied Sciences
Bern / Biel / Burgdorf / Public university of applied sciences
www.bfh.ch/en

University of Applied Sciences and Arts Northwestern Switzerland
Windisch / Basel / Muttenz / Olten / Public university of applied sciences
www.fhnw.ch/en

HES-SO University of Applied Sciences and Arts Western Switzerland
Delémont / multiple western Swiss campuses / Public university of applied sciences
www.hes-so.ch/en

Kalaidos University of Applied Sciences
Zurich / Private university of applied sciences
www.kalaidos-fh.ch/de-CH

Lucerne University of Applied Sciences and Arts
Lucerne / Horw / Rotkreuz / Public university of applied sciences
www.hslu.ch/en

OST Eastern Switzerland University of Applied Sciences
St.Gallen / Rapperswil / Buchs / Public university of applied sciences
www.ost.ch/en

University of Applied Sciences and Arts of Southern Switzerland
Manno / Lugano / Mendrisio / Locarno / Public university of applied sciences
www.supsi.ch/en

University of Applied Sciences of the Grisons
Chur / Public university of applied sciences
www.fhgr.ch/en

Zurich University of the Arts
Zurich / Public university of the arts
www.zhdk.ch/en/zurich-university-of-the-arts-1

Zurich University of Applied Sciences
Winterthur / Zurich / Wädenswil / Public university of applied sciences
www.zhaw.ch/en/university

Bern University of Teacher Education
Bern / Public university of teacher education
www.phbern.ch

Lucerne University of Teacher Education
Lucerne / Public university of teacher education
www.phlu.ch

Zurich University of Teacher Education
Zurich / Public university of teacher education
phzh.ch/en

St.Gallen University of Teacher Education
St.Gallen / Gossau / Rorschach / Public university of teacher education
www.phsg.ch/de

Schwyz University of Teacher Education
Goldau / Public university of teacher education
www.phsz.ch

Zug University of Teacher Education
Zug / Public university of teacher education
www.zg.ch/behoerden/direktion-fur-bildung-und-kultur/phzg

Vaud University of Teacher Education
Lausanne / Public university of teacher education
www.hepl.ch/accueil.html

Swiss Federal University for Vocational Education and Training
Zollikofen / Lausanne / Lugano / Federal university of teacher education
www.sfuvet.swiss

STUDY IN SOUTH KOREA

South Korea

Four-year degrees and Korean- or English-taught tracks.



KAIST - Main entrance, Daejeon campus / revi / CC BY 2.0 kr / cropped

South Korea has national, public and private universities, alongside junior colleges and specialist institutions. Bachelor's study commonly lasts four years, with longer professional routes. English-taught provision is organised by programme or track; Korean-language preparation is a separate course of study.

ANNUAL FEES / ROUTE COMPARISON

National / public average: KRW 4,270,000

Private university average: KRW 7,630,000

Study in Korea undergraduate sector averages, rounded. Subject mix affects individual fees; clinical courses, language programmes and scholarships need separate comparisons.

LIVING / MONTH

KRW 750,000–1,000,000

Approx. US$ 550–740

Study in Korea student living guide. Seoul private accommodation and substantial housing deposits can raise the amount needed before arrival.

Typical degree length

Bachelor's: 4 years
Master's: 2 years
Medicine: 6 years

Fields of study

Engineering; computing; business; sciences; media.

Academic entry

A recognised school-leaving qualification and the university's international-applicant category determine the admission route. Korean-taught programmes commonly require TOPIK, the Test of Proficiency in Korean, at level 3 or above. English-track requirements and interviews are set by the programme.

Language preparation

If Korean preparation is required, budget for its tuition and living costs before the degree begins. Obtain the progression conditions in writing, including the language result needed to enter the degree.

SOUTH KOREA / EDUCATION AND ENTRY

South Korea’s degree system

International admission usually operates through university-specific routes. Nationality, school history and the degree’s actual teaching language determine eligibility.

253,434

Study in Korea/Ministry of Education total includes degree students, language training and other training. Reporting period: 2025.

Universities and degree structures

South Korea offers national, public and private universities, alongside specialist institutes and junior colleges. Bachelor’s programmes commonly take four years, while professional courses can have longer structures; associate-degree programmes typically take two or three years. Private universities form an important part of the system and include many established research institutions. AcademyInfo provides official institutional disclosures, while Study in Korea helps international applicants discover programmes. The qualification, campus and department distinguish broad research degrees, applied programmes and specialist professional routes within the system.

Subject choices beyond Seoul

Seoul offers a dense concentration of universities, but regional institutions provide substantial choices in engineering, agriculture, marine studies, science, business and the arts. Laboratories, industry placements and departmental locations vary within this wider network of institutions. A university may operate separate campuses with different subjects and admissions instructions. For graduate study, research fit and available supervision can be more informative than an institution-wide reputation. International recruitment can differ between the same department’s spring and autumn intakes and between its undergraduate and graduate programmes.

Language is a programme decision

Korean-taught programmes usually request Korean proficiency, commonly documented through TOPIK. The government portal describes typical entry and graduation levels, but universities and departments determine their own accepted evidence and exemptions. English-taught programmes may instead request an accepted English test. Confirm the language of all compulsory modules and assessments. Examinations, laboratory meetings, practical placements and graduation conditions may introduce additional language requirements. Check the language result and academic selection required after preparation.

Nationality and prior schooling

International eligibility is not decided by passport alone. Common routes include applicants who, with both parents, are foreign nationals and applicants who completed their full school education outside Korea; each university defines the documentary tests for its route. Universities may request family-relationship records, nationality evidence and authenticated academic documents. Korean nationality history and dual nationality can change eligibility and the supporting documents required. Transfer admission has separate prior-study and credit requirements, and acceptance into a later year does not guarantee recognition of every previous module.

SOUTH KOREA / STUDENT LIFE AND PLANNING

Admission and student life

Include language preparation, semester fees, scholarship renewal and housing deposits in the application plan.

Admissions and student visas

Applications commonly involve transcripts, graduation evidence, a personal statement or study plan, language results and proof of financial resources. Some programmes add interviews, portfolios or departmental tests. Spring and autumn entry follow institutional calendars, with separate deadlines where original documents are required. Degree students normally use the D-2 visa category, while language training follows a different route. The visa application uses university admission documents alongside consular requirements; authentication, translation and financial-document validity can influence the timing of submission.

Tuition and scholarship renewal

Tuition is commonly quoted by department and semester, with laboratory, arts and professional courses differing from classroom-based subjects. National and private universities can have different charging patterns, while institutional scholarships may reduce a portion of tuition rather than cover every living expense. Initial awards can depend on TOPIK, an English score or admission ranking, while later awards may depend on grades and completed credits. Global Korea Scholarship has its own nomination and selection process. A separate language-training period adds tuition and living expenses before the degree begins.

Dormitories and daily life

Dormitory allocation rules differ, and meals, bedding, utilities or vacation residence may be charged separately from the advertised room rate. Off-campus housing may require a significant deposit as well as monthly rent, so a low advertised monthly figure can conceal a larger initial commitment. Actual travel time depends on the particular teaching campus and local transport. Insurance, local transport, a phone plan, course materials and seasonal clothing add to everyday spending. The international office can explain arrival registration, insurance enrolment and practical support, but accommodation availability should be confirmed before travel.

Work and longer-term plans

International students holding D-2 or D-4 status need the appropriate permission before part-time work, and eligibility depends on factors including study category and Korean proficiency. Ask the university and immigration office to confirm the permitted hours and conditions for your status and proposed job. An internship may require its own review. Before graduation, review the job-search or employment route available to you and the evidence needed for its application.

SOUTH KOREA / ADMISSION

Entry tests and application notes

Check which assessments your programme requires; official websites are listed below.

TOPIK I / TOPIK II

Korean-language evidence for applicable international routes

The Test of Proficiency in Korean has TOPIK I levels 1-2 and TOPIK II levels 3-6. Institutions determine entry and graduation levels, accepted paper- or internet-based results and exemptions.

www.topik.go.kr/

IELTS / TOEFL

English-taught programmes or specified international routes

International English Language Testing System and Test of English as a Foreign Language scores may support English-taught or specified international routes. Check any additional Korean-language requirements.

ielts.org/
www.ets.org/toefl.html

CSAT / Suneung

Primarily domestic undergraduate admission

The College Scholastic Ability Test is primarily part of domestic undergraduate selection. International-track eligibility and assessment are established by each university rather than a universal requirement to sit CSAT.

www.studyinkorea.go.kr/eng/plan/schoolType.do?tab=undergraduate-college

Interview / portfolio / practical examination

Departments specifying additional selection

University screening may include interviews or subject-related assessments, especially in creative fields. The international admission guide establishes the assessment for the particular department.

www.studyinkorea.go.kr/eng/plan/schoolType.do?tab=undergraduate-college

Graduate research screening

Relevant master's or doctoral programmes

Relevant departments may request the Graduate Record Examinations (GRE), Graduate Management Admission Test (GMAT), research proposals or interviews. No single national graduate examination covers all foreign applicants.

admission.snu.ac.kr/international/graduate/spring/guide

Language qualifications and TOPIK

Korean universities and departments set their own language thresholds for admission and graduation. Korean-taught programmes commonly use TOPIK, while English-taught programmes require evidence of English proficiency. TOPIK I tests listening and reading; TOPIK II adds writing. Results are valid for two years from the score announcement date. Some institutions also accept Korea Immigration and Integration Program results or King Sejong Institute course certificates. TOPIK Basic is a separate self-assessment service: it issues no official certificate and has no legal validity.

SOUTH KOREA / SCHOLARSHIPS

Funding routes

Amounts and conditions refer to the intake shown. Check the current call and the cost left to fund.

Global Korea Scholarship - Undergraduate (GKS-U)

Undergraduate: designated associate and bachelor's routes

Support. The standard funded route combines one year of Korean-language training with a 2-3-year associate degree or 4-6-year bachelor's degree. Benefits include tuition, language-training fees, airfare and living allowances.

Eligibility. Applicants and both parents must hold non-Korean citizenship. General requirements include age under 25 in the applicable year, secondary-school completion and at least 80% academic performance, top-20% class standing or an accepted CGPA equivalent.

Application. The 2027 guidelines were published on 9 September 2026. Applications follow an eligible embassy or university track; country quotas and designated university and department lists govern available places.

Conditions. The embassy and university tracks have distinct selection procedures. Ordinary university admission does not confer GKS funding; award duration and payments follow the selected route's conditions.

KAIST Scholarship for International Undergraduates

Undergraduate only; graduate funding follows separate rules

Support. Eight semesters of full tuition exemption, KRW 350,000 per month for living expenses and medical health insurance.

Eligibility. Students selected through KAIST international undergraduate admission. Continued support requires a GPA above 2.7 out of 4.3 after the freshman year.

Application. The KAIST Scholarship option appears in the admission application's financial-resources section. Scholarship consideration forms part of admission; no separate scholarship application is required.

Conditions. Maintain the required academic results for renewal and budget for any living costs above the monthly allowance. Graduate applicants should use the separate graduate funding guidance.

Global Korea Scholarship - Graduate (GKS-G)

Postgraduate: designated master's, doctoral and research routes

Support. The standard degree award funds one Korean-language year plus two master's years or three doctoral years. Benefits include tuition, language training, airfare and monthly allowances; research awards follow separate duration rules.

Eligibility. General degree criteria require non-Korean citizenship for the applicant and both parents, age under 40 and a relevant bachelor's or master's degree. The academic threshold is 80%, with accepted equivalents and specified exceptions in the annual call.

Application. Degree applications use a Korean embassy or designated university track; research applications go to a designated university. The terms here are from the 2026 GKS-G call; use the applicable intake's guidelines when applying.

Conditions. The 2026 call's quotas, approved institutions and award terms are specific to that cycle. Funding is limited to eligible countries, programmes and track allocations.

SNU Global Scholarship (GS)

Postgraduate: international degree students at Seoul National University

Support. Fall 2026: one semester, six months. GS1 provides full tuition, KRW 1.2 million monthly and conditional one-time airfare support; GS2 provides full tuition. Korean-language evening-course support is a separate award.

Eligibility. International students admitted to or enrolled in an SNU graduate degree with at least one regular semester remaining. GKS recipients, non-degree students and students taking leave during the award period are excluded.

Application. Applications use mySNU after admission. Colleges or departments screen candidates and assign GS1 or GS2 within their quotas; the Office of Global Affairs announces the final selection.

Conditions. The Fall 2026 application window closed on 12 July 2026. The award covers one semester; airfare has arrival or graduation-and-departure conditions, and a leave of absence revokes funding.

SOUTH KOREA / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

Universities and institutions

Location • fields • profile • official website • selected QS 2027 overall ranks

Seoul National University

Seoul / National university / QS 2027: 38

Engineering; Natural sciences; Humanities; Business

Professional graduate schools include public administration, public health and data science, alongside a separate medical-campus setting for clinical education and research.

1 Gwanak-ro, Gwanak-gu, Seoul 08826, Republic of Korea

en.snu.ac.kr

Yonsei University

Seoul / Private university / QS 2027: 42

Business; Engineering; Humanities; Social sciences

Underwood International College offers a four-year liberal-arts education in English, providing a distinct route within the university's broader undergraduate portfolio.

50 Yonsei-ro, Seodaemun-gu, Seoul 03722, Republic of Korea

www.yonsei.ac.kr/sites/en_sc/index.do

Korea University

Seoul / Private university

Business; Engineering; Humanities; Social sciences

Medical education is linked to the Anam, Guro and Ansan teaching hospitals, giving clinical study a multi-hospital academic setting.

145 Anam-ro, Seongbuk-gu, Seoul 02841, Republic of Korea

www.korea.edu

KAIST

Daejeon / Public science and technology institute

Engineering; Computer science; Natural sciences; Business

Students enter with an undeclared major and choose their discipline after the freshman year, allowing initial exploration before technical specialisation.

291 Daehak-ro, Yuseong-gu, Daejeon 34141, Republic of Korea

www.kaist.ac.kr/site/en

Pohang University of Science and Technology (POSTECH)

Pohang / Private science and technology university

Engineering; Computer science; Physics; Chemistry

The Pohang Accelerator Laboratory and synchrotron facilities support an intensive science-and-engineering research environment, including advanced materials and semiconductor-related study.

77 Cheongam-ro, Nam-gu, Pohang, Gyeongsangbuk-do 37673, Republic of Korea

www.postech.ac.kr/eng

Sungkyunkwan University

Seoul and Suwon / Private university

Humanities; Business; Engineering; Natural sciences

Humanities and social sciences are based in Seoul, while the Suwon Natural Sciences Campus provides a separate setting for scientific study.

25-2 Sungkyunkwan-ro, Jongno-gu, Seoul 03063, Republic of Korea

www.skku.edu/eng

Hanyang University

Seoul and Ansan / Private university

Engineering; Business; Humanities; Social sciences

The ERICA campus is organised around an education, research and industry cluster, offering a distinct setting from the university's Seoul programmes.

222 Wangsimni-ro, Seongdong-gu, Seoul 04763, Republic of Korea

www.hanyang.ac.kr/web/eng

Kyung Hee University

Seoul and Yongin / Private university

Humanities; Business; Hospitality; Engineering

Conventional medicine, Korean medicine and dentistry sit within the same university, providing distinct clinical pathways alongside hospitality, engineering and creative study.

26 Kyungheedae-ro, Dongdaemun-gu, Seoul 02447, Republic of Korea

www.khu.ac.kr/eng/user/main/view.do

Ewha Womans University

Seoul / Private women's university

Humanities; Social sciences; Engineering; Business

Scranton College offers a self-designed major pathway, complementing professional programmes in engineering and healthcare within a women's university setting.

52 Ewhayeodae-gil, Seodaemun-gu, Seoul 03760, Republic of Korea

www.ewha.ac.kr/ewhaen

Sogang University

Seoul / Private university

Humanities; Social sciences; Business; Engineering

Its multi-major system permits students to combine up to three majors, supporting academic combinations across departmental boundaries rather than a single-subject curriculum.

35 Baekbeom-ro, Mapo-gu, Seoul 04107, Republic of Korea

www.sogang.ac.kr

SOUTH KOREA / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

Universities and institutions

Location • fields • profile • official website • selected QS 2027 overall ranks

Pusan National University

Busan / National university

Engineering; Business; Humanities; Natural sciences

The Yangsan campus concentrates medical education and healthcare facilities, creating a dedicated clinical setting within a university spread across four campuses.

2 Busandaehak-ro 63beon-gil, Geumjeong-gu, Busan 46241, Republic of Korea

www.pusan.ac.kr/eng/Main.do

Kyungpook National University

Daegu / National university

Engineering; Natural sciences; Humanities; Business

Veterinary education includes an animal hospital, adding clinical facilities to a portfolio that also connects agriculture, life sciences and engineering.

80 Daehak-ro, Buk-gu, Daegu 41566, Republic of Korea

en.knu.ac.kr

Chonnam National University

Gwangju / National university

Engineering; Agriculture; Natural sciences; Humanities

Yeosu's specialist marine programmes include aquaculture, aqualife medicine and fisheries resource management, giving students several distinct routes into aquatic-sector study.

77 Yongbong-ro, Buk-gu, Gwangju 61186, Republic of Korea

global.jnu.ac.kr

Chungnam National University

Daejeon / National university

Engineering; Natural sciences; Agriculture; Humanities

Clinical education draws on university-hospital infrastructure, alongside a wider academic structure connecting agriculture, pharmacy, engineering and the natural sciences.

99 Daehak-ro, Yuseong-gu, Daejeon 34134, Republic of Korea

plus.chungnam.ac.kr/html/en

Jeonbuk National University

Jeonju / National university

Engineering; Agriculture; Natural sciences; Humanities

The Graduate School of Veterinary Quarantine offers a specialised postgraduate direction alongside medicine, dentistry and pharmaceutical study within its wider campus network.

567 Baekje-daero, Deokjin-gu, Jeonju, Jeonbuk 54896, Republic of Korea

jbnu.edu/en/index.do

Seoul National University of Science and Technology

Seoul / National university

Engineering; Computer science; Design; Business

Manufacturing Systems and Design Engineering is taught and assessed in English through a dual-degree programme jointly operated with Northumbria University.

232 Gongneung-ro, Nowon-gu, Seoul 01811, Republic of Korea

en.seoultech.ac.kr

Ajou University

Suwon / Private university

Engineering; Computer science; Business; Social sciences

Industrial engineering includes a capstone-design course, giving students a defined project stage for applying their technical learning before graduation.

206 Worldcup-ro, Yeongtong-gu, Suwon 16499, Republic of Korea

eng.ajou.ac.kr/en/index.do

University of Ulsan

Ulsan / Private university

Engineering; Business; Natural sciences; Humanities

Naval architecture and ocean engineering provide a specialist route linked to Ulsan's industrial setting, complementing mechanical and electrical engineering study.

93 Daehak-ro, Nam-gu, Ulsan 44610, Republic of Korea

www.ulsan.ac.kr/eng

Ulsan National Institute of Science and Technology (UNIST)

Ulsan / Public science and technology institute

Engineering; Computer science; Natural sciences; Energy

English-medium academic courses and study across multiple concentrations support interdisciplinary training, with research priorities including advanced materials and next-generation energy.

50 UNIST-gil, Eonyang-eup, Ulju-gun, Ulsan 44919, Republic of Korea

www.unist.ac.kr

Gwangju Institute of Science and Technology (GIST)

Gwangju / Public science and technology institute

Engineering; Computer science; Physics; Materials science

Dedicated colleges in artificial intelligence and medical engineering connect emerging technical fields with natural-science foundations and humanities provision within a research-focused institution.

123 Cheomdangwagi-ro, Buk-gu, Gwangju 61005, Republic of Korea

www.gist.ac.kr/en

SOUTH KOREA / ADDITIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Further study options

Additional institutions / location, institution type and official website

University of Seoul
Seoul / Public university
www.uos.ac.kr/en

Incheon National University
Incheon / National university
www.inu.ac.kr

Chungbuk National University
Cheongju / National university
www.chungbuk.ac.kr

Kangwon National University
Chuncheon / National university
www.kangwon.ac.kr

Gyeongsang National University
Jinju / National university
www.gnu.ac.kr

Jeju National University
Jeju / National university
www.jejunu.ac.kr

Pukyong National University
Busan / National university
www.pknu.ac.kr

Korea Maritime & Ocean University
Busan / National university
www.kmou.ac.kr

Changwon National University
Changwon / National university
www.changwon.ac.kr

Kongju National University
Gongju / National university
www.kongju.ac.kr

Hanbat National University
Daejeon / National university
www.hanbat.ac.kr

Kumoh National Institute of Technology
Gumi / National university
www.kumoh.ac.kr

Sunchon National University
Suncheon / National university
www.scnu.ac.kr

Mokpo National University
Muan / National university
www.mokpo.ac.kr

Daegu Gyeongbuk Institute of Science and Technology
Daegu / Public science and technology institute
www.dgist.ac.kr

Korea National University of Arts
Seoul / National arts university
www.karts.ac.kr

Chung-Ang University
Seoul / Anseong / Private university
neweng.cau.ac.kr

Dongguk University
Seoul / Private university
www.dongguk.edu/eng

Konkuk University
Seoul / Private university
www.konkuk.ac.kr

Sejong University
Seoul / Private university
www.sejong.ac.kr

Hankuk University of Foreign Studies
Seoul / Yongin / Private university
www.hufs.ac.kr

Hongik University
Seoul / Private university
www.hongik.ac.kr

Kookmin University
Seoul / Private university
english.kookmin.ac.kr

Soongsil University
Seoul / Private university
eng.ssu.ac.kr

Sookmyung Women's University
Seoul / Private university
www.sookmyung.ac.kr

Sungshin Women's University
Seoul / Private university
www.sungshin.ac.kr

Seoul Women's University
Seoul / Private university
www.swu.ac.kr

Duksung Women's University
Seoul / Private university
www.duksung.ac.kr

Dongduk Women's University
Seoul / Private university
www.dongduk.ac.kr

Inha University
Incheon / Private university
www.inha.ac.kr

Dankook University
Yongin / Cheonan / Private university
www.dankook.ac.kr

Gachon University
Seongnam / Private university
www.gachon.ac.kr

Hallym University
Chuncheon / Private university
www.hallym.ac.kr

Soonchunhyang University
Asan / Private university
www.sch.ac.kr

Yeungnam University
Gyeongsan / Private university
www.yu.ac.kr

Keimyung University
Daegu / Private university
www.kmu.ac.kr

Dong-A University
Busan / Private university
www.donga.ac.kr

Chosun University
Gwangju / Private university
www.chosun.ac.kr

Wonkwang University
Iksan / Private university
www.wku.ac.kr

Woosong University
Daejeon / Private university
english.wsu.ac.kr

STUDY IN SPAIN

Spain

Regional public systems and recognised degree structures.



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Spain combines public and private universities. Public tuition depends on the region, subject, credit load and student fee category. Some non-EU/non-resident charges are substantially higher than the regional base rate. Match the fee schedule to your own nationality and residence status.

ANNUAL FEES / ROUTE COMPARISON

Public undergraduate band: EUR 700-8,200

Private university guide: Up to EUR 20,000

Public base rates can be EUR 700-1,700, but non-EU/non-resident tariffs may be much higher. Private guide is indicative; specialist courses can exceed it.

LIVING / MONTH

EUR 700–1,200

Approx. US$ 800–1,370

European Commission student guide: smaller cities around EUR 700-900; Madrid and Barcelona around EUR 1,000-1,200. Compare actual rent and the number of contracted months.

Typical degree length

Bachelor's: usually 4 years
Master's: 1-2 years
Medicine: 6 years

Fields of study

Business; engineering; hospitality; humanities; design.

Academic entry

Foreign school qualifications enter through the relevant recognition or access route. UNEDasiss supplies academic accreditation used by participating universities. Teaching may be in Spanish, a regional language or English; the programme's published language arrangement determines the route.

Academic access accreditation

UNEDasiss is a service of Spain's National University of Distance Education. Its services can assess school qualifications and support access to participating universities, with subject assessments where applicable. Accreditation establishes the relevant academic record for selection; the university makes the admission decision.

SPAIN / EDUCATION AND ENTRY

Qualifications and course choices

Official university degrees, regional admission systems and programmes taught in Spanish, co-official languages and English.

220,809

Students of foreign nationality enrolled in the Spanish university system. Reporting period: 2024/25.

The official degree structure

Spain's principal university awards are the Grado, Máster Universitario and Doctorado. Most bachelor's degrees comprise 240 European credits over four years. Qualifications regulated by European professional requirements can extend to 300 or 360 credits; medicine normally takes six years. Official master's degrees comprise 60, 90 or 120 credits. The Registro de Universidades, Centros y Títulos is the national register of universities, centres and official qualifications. Its degree records distinguish an official award from a course advertised under a similar informal English title.

Official master's and continuing education

A university can provide both official degree programmes and its own continuing-education awards. Spain's regulations identify the Máster de Formación Permanente within continuing education; it is not the same qualification as a Máster Universitario. This distinction matters for doctoral entry and regulated academic progression. Universities can also offer shorter specialist and expert awards. A private university may award official degrees, while a public university may offer institution-specific continuing education: ownership alone does not establish the status of a particular course.

Subjects and the language of delivery

The national study-information service covers arts and humanities, sciences, health sciences, social and legal sciences, engineering and architecture. English-language and bilingual options are available, but the language is identified at programme level. Spanish is not the only language used in public higher education: universities in autonomous communities may teach in a co-official regional language. At Universidad Carlos III de Madrid, language evidence is linked to the chosen programme's teaching language. Check the language of compulsory modules, examinations and placements in the course catalogue.

Public and private admissions are different

Public-university places are commonly allocated through regional pre-enrolment systems using the relevant admission score and course capacity. UNEDasiss, the foreign-qualification accreditation service of Spain's National University of Distance Education, publishes institution-specific admission requirements. Private universities can operate their own selection procedures alongside the academic requirements for university access. Accreditation establishes qualifications or scores; it does not reserve a place. For a double degree, compare total credits, duration, compulsory modules and fees with the single-degree alternatives.

SPAIN / STUDENT LIFE AND PLANNING

Foreign entry and student costs

The school system determines the entry route; the autonomous community, fee category and course determine the tuition.

School systems lead to different routes

UNEDasiss separates applicants according to the education system in which they obtained their qualifying studies. International Baccalaureate, European Baccalaureate and specified foreign-system applicants do not all follow the same route. For many applicants from other school systems, recognition as equivalent to the Spanish Bachiller qualification forms part of access. This recognition is called homologación. The university may then require UNEDasiss accreditation and an admission score. Nationality and residence alone are insufficient to identify the correct academic route because the qualifying school award is central.

How subject examinations affect entry

The Pruebas de Competencias Específicas, or PCE, are subject examinations used in specified international admission routes. UNEDasiss permits registration in up to six subjects and recommends at least four for relevant applicants outside the automatic-access systems who seek public-university admission. The useful combination depends on the degree and the university's subject-weighting rules. For economics, check the required mathematics subject and its weighting. Use the receiving university's rules to choose PCE subjects and calculate the score used for selection.

A public-university tuition example

Universidad Carlos III de Madrid publishes different 2026-27 prices for non-European Union students without qualifying resident status. For a first enrolment of 60 credits, its schedule gives EUR 6,822.60 for degrees including Business Administration and Economics, EUR 7,714.20 for several engineering degrees, and EUR 8,186.40 for Biomedical Engineering and Neuroscience. Administrative charges are separate. This is a named Madrid example rather than a Spanish national fee range. Public fees differ by autonomous community, student category, subject and whether credits are being repeated.

Granada as a city-budget example

The University of Granada gives an indicative student living range of EUR 650-850 a month. Its international accommodation guidance describes approximately EUR 300 a month for a room in a shared apartment and notes that property agencies can charge a fee equivalent to one month's rent. These are Granada examples, not equivalent budgets for Madrid or Barcelona. List rent, utilities, agency charges and deposits separately to calculate the amount due before moving in. Use the university accommodation service to find options, then confirm the room and contract.

SPAIN / ADMISSION

Entry tests and application notes

Check which assessments your programme requires; official websites are listed below.

PCE subject examinations

Specified foreign-school routes, especially public-university entry

UNEDasiss subject tests can form part of the admission score. The number, subject combination and weighting follow the applicant's route and the admitting university's rules.

unedasiss.uned.es/oferta_asignaturas?idioma=en

DELE Spanish diploma

Programmes requiring Spanish-language evidence

Diploma de Español como Lengua Extranjera certifies Spanish proficiency. Universidad Carlos III de Madrid accepts relevant certificates for its specified Spanish-language admission routes; this is not an English-programme requirement.

examenes.cervantes.es/es/dele/que-es

SIELE Spanish assessment

Programmes accepting this Spanish-language certificate

The Servicio Internacional de Evaluación de la Lengua Española certifies Spanish proficiency. Acceptance and the required result are programme-specific, rather than a universal national entrance test.

siele.org/

English-language evidence

English or bilingual programmes

International English Language Testing System (IELTS), TOEFL or other accepted evidence may be required. Carlos III's foundation-to-degree route specifies English evidence for English-taught degrees; requirements are route-specific.

ielts.org/
www.ets.org/toefl.html

Official degrees and university awards

RUCT, the Register of Universities, Centres and Degrees, records Spain's universities and official degree qualifications. The three university cycles are grado, máster universitario and doctorado. Universities also offer their own continuing-education qualifications, which have a different legal status from official degrees. Recognition therefore attaches to the particular qualification as well as the institution. Public and private universities both appear in the system. Match the RUCT record's awarding university, teaching centre and qualification to the course named in your offer.

Undergraduate access and UNEDasiss

UNEDasiss is an accreditation service for applicants with school qualifications obtained outside the Spanish education system. Participating universities use its services to assess access qualifications and admission scores. The required service depends on the applicant's education system and the receiving university. Some routes also involve homologación, recognition of a qualification as equivalent to a Spanish award, and Pruebas de Competencias Específicas, subject competency examinations. After obtaining the required accreditation, complete the university or regional pre-enrolment procedure and meet its deadlines.

SPAIN / SCHOLARSHIPS

Funding routes

Amounts and conditions refer to the intake shown. Check the current call and the cost left to fund.

Spanish Ministry general university grants

Official bachelor's and master's

Support. Eligible tuition credits plus possible income, residence, achievement and variable components, depending on the annual rules.

Eligibility. Academic, household-income and asset tests apply, together with Spanish, EU or qualifying non-EU residence requirements.

Application. Applications are submitted through the Ministry's electronic grant system during the annual call, with household and study information.

Conditions. A non-EU student stay authorisation alone is insufficient under current rules. At private universities, tuition support is capped by the corresponding public price.

Fundación Carolina postgraduate scholarships

Postgraduate programmes in the published catalogue

Support. Coverage is programme-specific and may include part of tuition, living support, travel and medical insurance.

Eligibility. Primarily graduates who are nationals and residents of eligible Latin American countries; some calls include Portugal.

Application. The Foundation's scholarship portal receives programme selections and academic and professional documentation.

Conditions. This is a postgraduate scheme with geographic eligibility limits. Some awards require a student contribution and a commitment to return home.

IE University undergraduate scholarships

Bachelor's

Support. Awards and scholarships are applied toward tuition; amount depends on the award and applicant assessment.

Eligibility. Admitted undergraduate applicants meeting the specific merit, financial-need, nationality or other award criteria.

Application. Admitted applicants submit the IE Financial Aid form, together with award-specific essays and supporting evidence.

Conditions. Awards apply to tuition and do not cover the place-reservation fee. Living costs and the unpaid tuition balance remain outside the award.

Erasmus Mundus Joint Masters

Master's

Support. Competitive scholarships can cover participation costs and contribute to living, visa and travel costs.

Eligibility. Applicants worldwide with a qualifying bachelor's degree or final-year status, subject to the joint programme's academic and language requirements.

Application. The joint-master consortium receives admission and scholarship applications directly; a Spanish university forms part of the programme partnership.

Conditions. Joint-master study normally takes place in several countries. The consortium determines the mobility sequence and scholarship allocation for each funded intake.

SPAIN / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

Universities and institutions

Location • fields • profile • official website • selected QS 2027 overall ranks

Complutense University of Madrid

Madrid / Public university

Humanities; Social sciences; Health sciences; Science

Double-degree routes complement single qualifications, including options within Economics and Business, giving students structured combinations rather than an informal mix of electives.

Avenida de Séneca 2, Ciudad Universitaria, 28040 Madrid, Spain

www.ucm.es/english

Universidad Autónoma de Madrid

Madrid / Public university

Science; Law; Economics; Humanities

The UAM–CSIC research campus connects the university with Spain's national research council, extending the research setting beyond its own departments.

Calle Einstein 3, Campus de Cantoblanco, 28049 Madrid, Spain

www.uam.es

Universidad Carlos III de Madrid

Getafe / Leganés / Madrid / Public university

Economics; Business; Law; Engineering

Spanish, bilingual and English-taught degree routes provide different language options; engineering has a dedicated concentration at Leganés within the campus network.

Calle Madrid 126, 28903 Getafe, Madrid, Spain

www.uc3m.es/home

Universidad Politécnica de Madrid

Madrid / Public technical university

Engineering; Architecture; Computer science; Agricultural sciences

Specialist schools cover telecommunications, agricultural engineering and building-related disciplines, giving technical applicants distinct departmental routes beyond a general engineering label.

Calle Ramiro de Maeztu 7, Ciudad Universitaria, 28040 Madrid, Spain

www.upm.es

University of Barcelona

Barcelona / Public university

Humanities; Science; Health sciences; Law

Teaching uses Catalan, Spanish and programme-dependent English; the university publishes each class group's language before enrolment and maintains it throughout the academic year.

Gran Via de les Corts Catalanes 585, 08007 Barcelona, Spain

web.ub.edu/en

Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona

Bellaterra / Cerdanyola del Vallès / Public university

Science; Humanities; Social sciences; Veterinary medicine

Veterinary medicine sits alongside science and health faculties at Bellaterra, with international study tracks and exchange provision complementing full-degree programmes.

Edifici A, Plaça Acadèmica, 08193 Bellaterra, Cerdanyola del Vallès, Spain

www.uab.cat

Pompeu Fabra University

Barcelona / Public university

Economics; Law; Communication; Health sciences

Three distinct academic settings group economics and law, communication and engineering, and health sciences, helping applicants identify their programme's daily study environment.

Carrer de la Mercè 12, 08002 Barcelona, Spain

www.upf.edu/en

Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya · BarcelonaTech

Barcelona / Public technical university

Engineering; Architecture; Computer science; Applied sciences

Technical schools across Catalonia provide distinct engineering and architecture specialisations; the specific school determines both the curriculum and the teaching location.

Carrer Jordi Girona 31, 08034 Barcelona, Spain

www.upc.edu/en

Universitat de València

Valencia / Public university

Humanities; Science; Health sciences; Law

Three main campus settings separate different faculty groupings, with specialist institutes supporting postgraduate research across scientific, professional and humanities disciplines.

Avenida Blasco Ibáñez 13, 46010 Valencia, Spain

www.uv.es

Universitat Politècnica de València

Valencia / Public technical university

Engineering; Architecture; Computer science; Fine arts

Fine arts and business sit alongside its technical schools, creating programme choices that extend beyond engineering across three established Spanish campuses.

Camino de Vera s/n, 46022 Valencia, Spain

www.upv.es

SPAIN / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

Universities and institutions

Location • fields • profile • official website • selected QS 2027 overall ranks

University of Granada

Granada / Public university
Humanities; Science; Health sciences; Engineering
Degree study spans Granada, Ceuta and Melilla, with language education and international exchanges adding options beyond the main academic curriculum.
Avenida del Hospicio s/n, 18010 Granada, Spain
www.ugr.es/en

University of Seville

Seville / Public university
Engineering; Humanities; Science; Health sciences
Engineering master's students can pursue selected international double degrees, earning qualifications from Seville and a partner institution through an agreed study pathway.
Calle San Fernando 4, 41004 Seville, Spain
www.us.es

University of Salamanca

Salamanca / Public university
Humanities; Languages; Law; Science
International Spanish-language courses complement degree programmes, offering a separate language-study route alongside undergraduate and postgraduate study in specialist faculties.
Patio de Escuelas 1, 37008 Salamanca, Spain
www.usal.es

University of Zaragoza

Zaragoza / Public university
Engineering; Science; Health sciences; Law
Participation in the Campus Iberus alliance connects its regional academic network with other universities, alongside degree provision across Zaragoza, Huesca and Teruel.
Calle Pedro Cerbuna 12, 50009 Zaragoza, Spain
www.unizar.es

University of Santiago de Compostela

Santiago de Compostela / Lugo / Public university
Science; Health sciences; Humanities; Law
Veterinary teaching is based in Lugo, giving animal-health applicants a specific academic location distinct from programmes at the Santiago campus.
Colexio de San Xerome, Praza do Obradoiro s/n, 15782 Santiago de Compostela, Spain
www.usc.gal

University of the Basque Country / Euskal Herriko Unibertsitatea

Leioa / Bilbao / San Sebastián / Vitoria-Gasteiz / Public university
Engineering; Science; Humanities; Social sciences
Basque and Spanish form the core teaching environment across three provincial campuses, making the chosen programme's language an important academic consideration.
Barrio Sarriena s/n, 48940 Leioa, Bizkaia, Spain
www.ehu.eus/en

University of Navarra

Pamplona / Private Catholic university
Health sciences; Business; Law; Communication
The Clínica Universidad de Navarra and IESE Business School provide distinct professional teaching environments within the university's wider academic structure.
Campus Universitario, 31009 Pamplona, Navarra, Spain
en.unav.edu

University of Deusto

Bilbao / San Sebastián / Private Catholic university
Business; Law; Engineering; Social sciences
Selected dual-education programmes integrate company work into the syllabus, with joint mentoring from university staff and the host organisation.
Avenida de las Universidades 24, 48007 Bilbao, Spain
www.deusto.es/en/home

IE University

Segovia / Madrid / Private university
Business; Law; International relations; Architecture
Madrid and Segovia provide different urban and residential study settings, while specialist schools connect business and public affairs with design and technology.
Calle Cardenal Zúñiga 12, 40003 Segovia, Spain
www.ie.edu/university

Comillas Pontifical University

Madrid / Private Catholic university
Business; Law; Engineering; Humanities
ICAI engineering and ICADE business and law underpin specialist single and combined degrees, allowing students to pursue structured double-degree routes.
Calle Alberto Aguilera 23, 28015 Madrid, Spain
www.comillas.edu/en

SPAIN / ADDITIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Further study options

Additional institutions / location, institution type and official website

Mondragon Unibertsitatea
Arrasate-Mondragón / Private university
www.mondragon.edu

Universidad a Distancia de Madrid
Madrid / Private university
www.udima.es

Universidad Alfonso X El Sabio
Madrid / Private university
www.uax.es

Universidad Antonio de Nebrija
Madrid / Private university
www.nebrija.com

Universidad Camilo José Cela
Madrid / Private university
www.ucjc.edu

Universidad Católica de Valencia San Vicente Mártir
Valencia / Private university
www.ucv.es

Universidad Católica de Ávila
Ávila / Private university
www.ucavila.es

Universidad Católica San Antonio de Murcia
Murcia / Private university
www.ucam.edu

Universidad CEU Cardenal Herrera
Valencia / Private university
www.uchceu.es

Universidad CEU San Pablo
Madrid / Private university
www.uspceu.com

Universidad de Alcalá
Alcalá de Henares / Public university
www.uah.es

Universidad de Alicante
Alicante / Public university
www.ua.es

Universidad de Almería
Almería / Public university
www.ual.es

Universidad de Burgos
Burgos / Public university
www.ubu.es

Universidad de Cantabria
Santander / Public university
www.unican.es

Universidad de Castilla-La Mancha
Ciudad Real / Public university
www.uclm.es

Universidad de Cádiz
Cádiz / Public university
www.uca.es

Universidad de Córdoba
Córdoba / Public university
www.uco.es

Universidad de Extremadura
Badajoz / Public university
www.unex.es

Universidad de Huelva
Huelva / Public university
www.uhu.es

Universidad de Jaén
Jaén / Public university
www.ujaen.es

Universidad de La Laguna
San Cristóbal de La Laguna / Public university
www.ull.es

Universidad de La Rioja
Logroño / Public university
www.unirioja.es

Universidad de Las Palmas de Gran Canaria
Las Palmas de Gran Canaria / Public university
www.ulpgc.es

Universidad de León
León / Public university
www.unileon.es

Universidad de Murcia
Murcia / Public university
www.um.es

Universidad de Málaga
Málaga / Public university
www.uma.es

Universidad de Oviedo
Oviedo / Public university
www.uniovi.es

Universidad de Valladolid
Valladolid / Public university
www.uva.es

SPAIN / ADDITIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Further study options

Additional institutions / location, institution type and official website

Universidad Europea de Madrid
Madrid / Private university
universidadeuropea.com

Universidad Europea Miguel de Cervantes
Valladolid / Private university
www.uemc.es

Universidad Francisco de Vitoria
Madrid / Private university
www.ufv.es

Universidad Internacional de Andalucía
Sevilla / Public university
www.unia.es

Universidad Internacional de La Rioja
Logroño / Private university
www.unir.net

Universidad Internacional de Valencia
Valencia / Private university
www.universidadviu.com/es

Universidad Internacional Menéndez Pelayo
Madrid / Public university
www.uimp.es

Universidad Loyola Andalucía
Córdoba / Private university
www.uloyola.es

Universidad Miguel Hernández de Elche
Elche / Public university
www.umh.es

Universidad Nacional de Educación a Distancia
Madrid / Public university
www.uned.es

Universidad Pablo de Olavide
Sevilla / Public university
www.upo.es

Universidad Politécnica de Cartagena
Cartagena / Public university
www.upct.es

Universidad Pontificia de Salamanca
Salamanca / Private university
www.upsa.es

Universidad Pública de Navarra
Pamplona / Public university
www.unavarra.es

Universidad Rey Juan Carlos
Madrid / Public university
www.urjc.es

Universidad San Jorge
Zaragoza / Private university
www.usj.es

Universidade da Coruña
A Coruña / Public university
www.udc.es

Universidade de Vigo
Vigo / Public university
www.uvigo.es

Universitat Abat Oliba CEU
Barcelona / Private university
www.uaoceu.es

Universitat de Girona
Girona / Public university
www.udg.es

Universitat de les Illes Balears
Palma de Mallorca / Public university
www.uib.es

Universitat de Lleida
Lleida / Public university
www.udl.es

Universitat de Vic – Universitat Central de Catalunya
Vic / Private university
www.uvic.cat

Universitat Internacional de Catalunya
Barcelona / Private university
www.uic.es

Universitat Jaume I
Castellón / Public university
www.uji.es

Universitat Oberta de Catalunya
Barcelona / Private university
www.uoc.es

Universitat Ramon Llull
Barcelona / Private university
www.url.es

Universitat Rovira i Virgili
Tarragona / Public university
www.urv.cat

STUDY IN HUNGARY

Hungary

English-taught degrees, research cities and competitive scholarship routes



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Hungary offers international programmes in medicine, engineering, computing, business, sciences and the arts. Budapest and regional university cities differ in housing costs and scale. Entry assessments and programme language are determined by the university and the course.

ANNUAL FEES / ROUTE COMPARISON

Nonclinical UG sample: EUR 6,100-7,000

Nonclinical undergraduate sample across ELTE, BME and Debrecen. Ownership structures and scholarship routes differ; private, clinical and specialist courses require separate fees.

LIVING / MONTH

HUF 200,000–300,000

Approx. US$ 620–930

Shared-housing planning model using the national calculator's rent categories plus food, transport and personal costs. Budapest private accommodation is usually the higher-cost choice.

Typical degree length

Bachelor's: usually 3-4 years.
Master's: usually 1-2 years.
General medicine: 6 years.

Fields of study

Medicine, engineering, computing, business, agriculture, sciences, music and design.

Academic entry

Relevant school qualifications or prior degrees, language evidence and programme selection establish eligibility. An entrance test or interview may be part of the assessment.

Funding is competitive

Stipendium Hungaricum eligibility depends on the sending partner, degree and available programme. Subtract the confirmed living contribution from your own city budget to calculate the amount still needed.

HUNGARY / EDUCATION AND ENTRY

Education, entry and student life

Compare course assessments, clinical requirements, semester fees and living costs beyond Budapest.

A course-specific choice

English-taught degrees include general academic subjects and professional programmes. Bachelor's and master's routes coexist with undivided degrees, such as medicine. A foundation or preparatory course can develop language or subject knowledge, but progression conditions belong to that programme; it should not be treated as an unconditional degree offer.

Entry tests and interviews

International admission is handled through the chosen university or a scholarship route. Faculties may assess mathematics, biology, chemistry, English or other relevant preparation. Tests can be followed by an interview. Use the chosen faculty's current admissions guide to plan subjects, assessment dates and interview preparation.

A concrete computing example

ELTE's English Computer Science BSc lasts six semesters. The published tuition is EUR 3,200 per semester, plus a separate application fee. Its admission process includes an assessment and interview. At the stated rate, two semesters cost EUR 6,400 and the six-semester tuition totals EUR 19,200, before application fees and living costs.

Medicine and professional recognition

English-medium medical teaching does not remove the need to communicate with patients during clinical training. The destination programme, clinical exposure, internship and registration route all matter. Indian applicants also need to satisfy the National Medical Commission's foreign-medical-graduate requirements; the medicine chapter explains why admission abroad and eligibility to practise in India are separate decisions.

Budapest or a regional city

The national living-cost calculator distinguishes Budapest from Debrecen, Győr, Miskolc, Pécs and Szeged. Its shared-flat examples range from HUF 80,000 to 140,000 monthly including utilities. Add food, transport and personal expenses to the local housing estimate.

How Stipendium Hungaricum works

Applicants select eligible programmes under the arrangements with their sending partner. Partner nomination and host-university assessment are separate parts of the process. Published benefits include tuition support, a stipend, accommodation support and health coverage. The award is competitive, and its financial contributions may not cover the recipient's complete living budget.

From selection to enrolment

An offer can remain conditional on final documents, fee payment or other requirements. Immigration approval, insurance and accommodation arrangements follow their own processes. University orientation and student support help with academic registration and settling in; language learning can also make daily life and professional placements easier.

HUNGARY / SCHOLARSHIPS

Funding routes

Amounts and conditions refer to the intake shown. Check the current call and the cost left to fund.

Stipendium Hungaricum

ELIGIBLE DEGREE / NON-DEGREE ROUTES

Support. The 2026/27 scheme waives tuition. Non-doctoral awards provide HUF 43,700/month, a dormitory place or HUF 40,000/month for housing, and medical coverage. Doctoral stipends are HUF 140,000/180,000 by phase.

Eligibility. Available fields and degree levels depend on the sending partner and programme agreement.

Application. Use the scheme's portal and meet any sending-partner nomination requirement.

Conditions. The contributions may leave a living-cost shortfall. Follow the call for your nationality and entry year.

Bilateral State Scholarships

STUDY / RESEARCH / SUMMER COURSES

Support. Awards follow individual bilateral or country-specific calls.

Eligibility. Nationality, previous study and the planned activity determine the route.

Application. Follow Tempus Public Foundation and any home-country nomination procedure.

Conditions. Full-degree, partial-study and research opportunities have different terms; availability varies by country.

Erasmus Mundus Joint Masters

MASTER'S

Support. Selected joint master's programmes offer competitive scholarships towards participation and living costs.

Eligibility. Applicants normally hold a bachelor's degree or are completing one before the programme begins.

Application. Applications go to the individual consortium, which publishes its own selection process.

Conditions. An award applies to a named joint programme and its mobility plan, not to every master's course in the country.

STIPENDIUM: THE MONTHLY GAP

Monthly support

For non-doctoral scholars renting privately: HUF 43,700 stipend + HUF 40,000 housing = HUF 83,700/month.

Amount left to fund

Against the chapter's HUF 200,000–300,000 monthly scenario, the gap is HUF 116,300–216,300.

Dormitory alternative

A free dormitory place replaces the HUF 40,000 housing contribution. Recalculate the gap using the room actually allocated.

HUNGARY / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

Universities and institutions

Location • fields • profile • official website • selected QS 2027 overall ranks

Eötvös Loránd University
Budapest / University / QS 2027: =595
Computing; Sciences; Humanities; Psychology
Its English-taught Psychology BA develops empirical research skills through field-practice papers, culminating in a portfolio and an extended research paper.
Egyetem tér 1–3, 1053 Budapest, Hungary
www.elte.hu

University of Pécs
Pécs / University / QS 2027: 791-800
Medicine; Business; Engineering; Arts
Its English-taught, EFMD-accredited business bachelor combines case studies, practical assignments and teamwork, with electives in marketing, management or finance.
Vasvári Pál utca 4, 7622 Pécs, Hungary
www.pte.hu

University of Szeged
Szeged / University
Medicine; Sciences; Engineering; Humanities
Its six-year English medical programme combines foundational sciences with clinical-department and teaching-hospital practice, followed by a final internship year.
Dugonics tér 13, 6720 Szeged, Hungary
www.u-szeged.hu

Budapest University of Technology and Economics
Budapest / University / QS 2027: 751-760
Engineering; Architecture; Computing; Economics
A two-semester pre-engineering course strengthens mathematics, science and English before entry to the university's English-language bachelor's or integrated programmes.
Műegyetem rakpart 3, 1111 Budapest, Hungary
www.bme.hu

University of Debrecen
Debrecen / University
Medicine; Engineering; Agriculture; Business
Offers a Basic Medicine preparatory course in biology, chemistry and physics alongside direct entry to its six-year medical degree.
Egyetem tér 1, 4032 Debrecen, Hungary
www.unideb.hu

Corvinus University of Budapest
Budapest / University
Business; Economics; Management; Social sciences
Selected master's students can combine a Corvinus degree with CEMS International Management, including international study and business-linked learning.
Fővám tér 8, 1093 Budapest, Hungary
www.uni-corvinus.hu

Additional institutions

Semmelweis University
Budapest / Medical university
www.semmelweis.hu

Óbuda University
Budapest / Technical university
www.uni-obuda.hu

University of Miskolc
Miskolc / University
www.uni-miskolc.hu

University of Pannonia
Veszprém / University
www.uni-pannon.hu

Széchenyi István University
Győr / University
www.sze.hu

Hungarian University of Agriculture and Life Sciences
Gödöllő / multiple campuses / University
www.uni-mate.hu

Liszt Ferenc Academy of Music
Budapest / Music university
www.lfze.hu

Moholy-Nagy University of Art and Design
Budapest / Art and design university
www.mome.hu

STUDY IN BELGIUM

Belgium

Research universities, applied degrees and a multilingual academic setting



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Belgium offers Dutch- and French-speaking education systems alongside English-taught degrees. Brussels, Leuven, Ghent, Antwerp and the French-speaking university cities provide distinct settings. Compare each course's teaching language, awarding institution and local living costs.

ANNUAL FEES / ROUTE COMPARISON

Flanders fee-paying guide: EUR 5,300-12,000

Flanders 2026/27 non-EEA fee-paying guide. Public and subsidised independent institutions share regional funding rules; French-speaking institutions have a separate system.

FLANDERS GUIDE / MONTH

EUR 800–1,000

Approx. US$ 910–1,140

Flanders/Brussels student guide including rent, food, study materials, transport, insurance and personal costs. The applicable regional and institutional guidance should match the campus.

Typical degree length

Bachelor's: usually 3 years.
Master's: usually 1-2 years.
Medicine: normally 6 years before specialisation.

Fields of study

Engineering, biosciences, business, European studies, public health and the arts.

Academic entry

A qualifying school diploma or relevant prior degree, subject preparation and proof of the teaching language establish eligibility.

Two systems, different routes

An academic bachelor's normally leads towards a master's. A professional bachelor's can require a bridging programme before academic postgraduate entry.

BELGIUM / EDUCATION AND ENTRY

Education, entry and student life

Academic and professional degrees, language choices, admission and housing.

Academic or professional study

In Flanders, universities offer academic degrees built around theory and research. Universities of applied sciences and arts emphasise professional practice, often including a placement. Most bachelor's degrees carry 180 European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System credits; nursing is a notable four-year exception. A professional bachelor's and an academic bachelor's do not always provide the same direct access to a master's.

Language shapes the shortlist

Dutch remains the language of many undergraduate courses in Flanders, while French predominates in the French-speaking system. English-taught options are more numerous at master's level. Check the course's stated teaching language, examination language and any local-language requirement for placements.

Admission and selection

Institutions evaluate foreign diplomas and the preparation required for the chosen programme. Language certificates, mathematics evidence, portfolios or interviews may be requested. Medicine and dentistry have specific entry arrangements; arts programmes may use an artistic admission assessment. Follow the selected institution's assessment requirements and registration dates.

The academic year

Most programmes begin in September. Courses commonly run over two semesters, with examination periods and a later resit period. A small number allow a February start. A student changing disciplines may need a preparatory or bridging programme, which changes both the duration and the total cost.

Housing and early expenses

A student room, often called a kot, can involve a deposit and a contract running beyond teaching weeks. Utilities, internet and shared facilities vary by lease. The regional monthly estimate is useful for comparison, but a Brussels private-rental budget can differ from a university residence elsewhere. Deposits require cash before they become recoverable at the end of a tenancy.

From offer to arrival

After receiving an offer, students who need a long-stay study visa should plan its application and evidence. Financial evidence, insurance and supporting documents follow the applicable consular requirements. University international offices explain enrolment and local registration. Accommodation, arrival arrangements and access to healthcare belong in the preparation budget.

Choosing a funded place

The Master Mind scheme is tied to participating Flemish institutions and a competitive nomination. French-speaking Belgium has different funding programmes. A fee reduction is distinct from a monthly living allowance; award duration, progression requirements and eligible nationalities determine its actual value.

BELGIUM / SCHOLARSHIPS

Funding routes

Amounts and conditions refer to the intake shown. Check the current call and the cost left to fund.

Master Mind Scholarships

MASTER'S

Support. The 2026/27 scheme provides EUR 10,225 per academic year and a tuition waiver. A host may still charge EUR 136.50 at the stated 2026/27 rate.

Eligibility. Outstanding international applicants to participating Flemish master's programmes; detailed academic and language conditions apply.

Application. The host institution selects and nominates candidates.

Conditions. The 2026/27 call has closed; 2027/28 terms are under review. The earlier amount is a reference, not a promised future award.

Erasmus Mundus Joint Masters

MASTER'S

Support. Selected joint master's programmes offer competitive scholarships towards participation and living costs.

Eligibility. Applicants normally hold a bachelor's degree or are completing one before the programme begins.

Application. Applications go to the individual consortium, which publishes its own selection process.

Conditions. An award applies to a named joint programme and its mobility plan, not to every master's course in the country.

University research positions

DOCTORAL / RESEARCH

Support. Advertised doctoral positions may provide employment or a funded research appointment.

Eligibility. Applicants need the required degree and a research profile matching the project.

Application. Applications follow the university vacancy and doctoral-school process.

Conditions. Funding attaches to the position and contract; admission to doctoral study alone does not establish a salary.

THE AWARD AND THE BUDGET

Fee reduction

A tuition waiver reduces the university bill. It does not automatically pay rent, insurance or travel.

Maintenance support

A stipend contributes to living costs. Its amount, payment dates and renewal conditions affect the budget.

Remaining contribution

Total costs less confirmed support give the amount still to fund. A pending award is not confirmed income.

BELGIUM / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

Universities and institutions

Location • fields • profile • official website • selected QS 2027 overall ranks

KU Leuven
Leuven / University / QS 2027: 59
Engineering; Business; Humanities; Health sciences
Its English Engineering Technology bachelor begins broadly before specialisation, with individual and team assignments that apply science to practical engineering problems.
Oude Markt 13, 3000 Leuven, Belgium
www.kuleuven.be

Ghent University
Ghent / University
Bioscience; Engineering; Medicine; Social sciences
English options include international master's degrees and a joint Social Sciences bachelor with VUB, where undergraduate applications are submitted.
Sint-Pietersnieuwstraat 25, 9000 Ghent, Belgium
www.ugent.be

UCLouvain
Louvain-la-Neuve / University
Business; Engineering; Health; Humanities
Many bachelor's degrees combine a 150-credit major with a 30-credit minor, allowing students to broaden or deepen their academic specialisation.
Place de l'Université 1, 1348 Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium
www.uclouvain.be

Université libre de Bruxelles
Brussels / University
Sciences; Law; Economics; Public health
Its English-taught Advanced Master in EU Interdisciplinary Studies brings together European policy fields, with study visits to European institutions.
Avenue Franklin Roosevelt 50, 1050 Brussels, Belgium
www.ulb.be

University of Antwerp
Antwerp / University
Business; Sciences; Law; Health sciences
Its English Social-Economic Sciences bachelor integrates economics, sociology and quantitative methods, with later majors spanning economics, sociology, business and socio-economics.
Prinsstraat 13, 2000 Antwerp, Belgium
www.uantwerpen.be

Vrije Universiteit Brussel
Brussels / University
Engineering; Business; Social sciences; Sciences
The English Social Sciences bachelor, jointly offered with Ghent, combines politics, communication and sociology before students choose a disciplinary specialisation.
Pleinlaan 2, 1050 Brussels, Belgium
www.vub.be

Additional institutions

Hasselt University
Hasselt / University
www.uhasselt.be

Howest University of Applied Sciences
Bruges / Kortrijk / Applied sciences
www.howest.be

Thomas More University of Applied Sciences
Mechelen / multiple campuses / Applied sciences
www.thomasmore.be

Karel de Grote University of Applied Sciences and Arts
Antwerp / Applied sciences and arts
www.kdg.be

Artevelde University of Applied Sciences
Ghent / Applied sciences
www.artevelde-uas.be

University of Liège
Liège / University
www.uliege.be

University of Namur
Namur / University
www.unamur.be

University of Mons
Mons / University
www.umons.ac.be

STUDY IN DENMARK

Denmark

Research, design and applied learning in a Nordic setting



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Danish higher education combines research universities with professional and artistic institutions. English-taught master's degrees are well established; undergraduate availability depends on the institution and field. Group projects and independent study feature prominently in many programmes.

ANNUAL FEES / ROUTE COMPARISON

Fee-paying degree guide: EUR 6,000-16,000

Official guide for fee-paying full degrees. Citizenship and exemption status determine liability; privately funded programmes have individual tariffs, rather than a uniform sector average.

LIVING / MONTH

DKK 8,500–13,700

Approx. US$ 1,290–2,080

Calculated total of the national portal's monthly housing, food, insurance, books, transport and personal-spending categories. Deposits and initial household setup are additional.

Typical degree length

University bachelor's: usually 3 years. Professional bachelor's: commonly 3-4½ years. Master's duration depends on the programme and intake.

Fields of study

Engineering, energy, life sciences, design, architecture, business and computing.

Academic entry

Foreign qualifications, subject levels and language evidence are assessed for each programme. Specialist courses may require a portfolio or admission assessment.

Fees and student status

EU/EEA and Swiss students generally have different tuition rules from other international applicants. Residence-based exemptions have specific conditions.

DENMARK / EDUCATION AND ENTRY

Education, entry and student life

Programme formats, English-taught options, project work and housing.

Research and professional degrees

Universities combine disciplinary study with research; university colleges focus on professional practice. Business academies and arts institutions offer other specialised routes. The award title, qualification level and opportunities to progress into a master's matter when comparing these sectors. Similar subject names can lead to different degrees and learning experiences.

Finding a programme in English

English-taught provision is particularly strong in postgraduate study. A university can have many English master's degrees while teaching most of its bachelor's degrees in Danish. Clinical, school-based or other professional placements may require local-language competence even where some academic modules are in English.

Entry requirements and applications

Bachelor's applicants need an accepted upper-secondary qualification and the required subject levels. Programme requirements can specify mathematics and science preparation, as well as English or Danish. Some courses use additional selection criteria. For master's entry, institutions assess the academic content and credits of the previous degree. Compare the listed prerequisites with your transcript before applying.

Study duration is changing

Three-year university bachelor's degrees remain a common structure. Denmark is reforming parts of its master's provision, including shorter and work-integrated formats alongside two-year programmes. The published curriculum for the intended intake establishes the duration, workload and structure. A professional bachelor's may also have a different progression route from an academic bachelor's.

How the classroom works

Project work can combine group assignments, presentations and substantial independent reading. At Aalborg University, problem-based learning is a central teaching model. Students need to manage shared deadlines and explain their own contribution. For a placement or company project, check its assessment, supervision and the student's responsibilities.

Housing and first-month cash

Rent is only part of the initial outlay. A deposit, prepaid rent, transport and household essentials can make arrival much more expensive than a routine month. The national portal's sample budget includes personal expenditure as well as essentials. Copenhagen housing can be particularly competitive; residence offers and private contracts have different payment terms.

Funding and doctoral study

Government scholarships for eligible non-EU applicants are administered by universities and may cover tuition, living expenses or both. Awards are limited. Doctoral opportunities often follow a vacancy-based recruitment process. Danish student support, called SU, has nationality or equal-status conditions and is not an automatic entitlement for an overseas student.

DENMARK / SCHOLARSHIPS

Funding routes

Amounts and conditions refer to the intake shown. Check the current call and the cost left to fund.

Danish government scholarships

SELECTED FULL-DEGREE PROGRAMMES

Support. Universities may award full or partial tuition waivers and/or living grants.

Eligibility. Highly qualified eligible non-EU/EEA applicants; residence and programme conditions apply.

Application. Each university administers its own selection and award process.

Conditions. Places are limited. The tuition and living components may differ between awards.

University doctoral vacancies

DOCTORAL

Support. Funded appointments advertised by universities may combine research training with a salary.

Eligibility. Academic qualifications and research experience must match the project and faculty requirements.

Application. Candidates apply to a specific advertised vacancy.

Conditions. Salary, duration, duties and admission conditions follow the appointment, not a general national scholarship.

Erasmus Mundus Joint Masters

MASTER'S

Support. Selected joint master's programmes offer competitive scholarships towards participation and living costs.

Eligibility. Applicants normally hold a bachelor's degree or are completing one before the programme begins.

Application. Applications go to the individual consortium, which publishes its own selection process.

Conditions. An award applies to a named joint programme and its mobility plan, not to every master's course in the country.

THE AWARD AND THE BUDGET

Fee reduction

A tuition waiver reduces the university bill. It does not automatically pay rent, insurance or travel.

Maintenance support

A stipend contributes to living costs. Its amount, payment dates and renewal conditions affect the budget.

Remaining contribution

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DENMARK / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

Universities and institutions

Location • fields • profile • official website • selected QS 2027 overall ranks

University of Copenhagen
Copenhagen / University / QS 2027: =90
Sciences; Health; Humanities; Social sciences
Full bachelor's programmes require Danish; English-speaking applicants can explore a broad master's catalogue, with admission tied to relevant prior academic study.
Nørregade 10, 1165 Copenhagen K, Denmark
www.ku.dk

University of Southern Denmark
Odense / University
Engineering; Business; Health; Sciences
Bachelor of Engineering routes include a compulsory company internship, giving students supervised workplace experience alongside laboratory and project-based study.
Campusvej 55, 5230 Odense M, Denmark
www.sdu.dk

Aarhus University
Aarhus / University
Business; Sciences; Arts; Engineering
English bachelor's options include Cognitive Science, Computer Science and Data Science, alongside Economics and Business Administration at Aarhus and Herning.
Nordre Ringgade 1, 8000 Aarhus C, Denmark
www.au.dk

Aalborg University
Aalborg / University
Engineering; Computing; Social sciences; Health
Problem-based learning centres on substantial projects, often undertaken in groups, linking disciplinary courses with real problems and supervised investigation.
Fredrik Bajers Vej 7K, 9220 Aalborg East, Denmark
www.aau.dk

Technical University of Denmark
Kongens Lyngby / University
Engineering; Biotechnology; Computing; Energy
Its English General Engineering bachelor builds a common foundation before specialisation in living systems, cyber systems, advanced materials or future energy.
Anker Engelunds Vej 1, 2800 Kongens Lyngby, Denmark
www.dtu.dk

Copenhagen Business School
Frederiksberg / University
Business; Economics; Management; Social sciences
International Business students can use their fifth semester for electives, an exchange or a company internship, shaping the degree around their interests.
Solbjerg Plads 3, 2000 Frederiksberg, Denmark
www.cbs.dk

Additional institutions

Roskilde University
Roskilde / University
www.ruc.dk

IT University of Copenhagen
Copenhagen / University
www.itu.dk

VIA University College
Aarhus / multiple campuses / University college
www.via.dk

University College of Northern Denmark
Aalborg / University college
www.ucn.dk

UCL University College
Odense / Vejle / University college
www.ucl.dk

University College South Denmark
Haderslev / multiple campuses / University college
www.ucsyd.dk

Royal Danish Academy
Copenhagen / Arts and design academy
www.royaldanishacademy.com

Aarhus School of Architecture
Aarhus / Architecture school
www.aarch.dk

STUDY IN AUSTRIA

Austria

Research universities, applied study and specialist arts.



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Austria combines broad public universities with technical, medical, arts and applied-science institutions. German remains important, particularly for undergraduate study. Qualification equivalence, programme language and any selection procedure determine the entry route.

ANNUAL FEES / ROUTE COMPARISON

Public university tariff: EUR 1,453.44

Many third-country public-university students pay EUR 726.72 per semester, plus Students' Union contributions. Private universities and universities of applied sciences set separate fees.

LIVING / MONTH

EUR 1,300

Approx. US$ 1,480

OeAD national monthly student guide. City and housing choice affect spending; initial deposits, travel and tuition sit outside this living-cost amount.

Typical degree length

Bachelor's commonly 3 years; master's commonly 2. Diploma, professional and continuing-education routes can differ.

Fields of study

Engineering; natural sciences; business; environmental studies; music and arts.

Academic entry

Institutions assess foreign qualifications, subject preparation and language evidence. Check any examination or audition date early, then plan the applicable residence application after admission.

Language and preparation

A preparation period adds study time, accommodation and other costs before the degree. Housing deposits and the interval before funding starts affect the initial cash requirement.

AUSTRIA / EDUCATION AND ENTRY

Degrees and admission routes

Identify the institution type, qualification and teaching language before planning an application.

Qualifications and institutional choices

Austria combines public research universities, specialist arts universities, universities of applied sciences, private institutions and university colleges of teacher education. The usual first degree is a bachelor's, commonly three years and at least 180 ECTS credits. A relevant master's commonly adds two years; diploma programmes retain longer integrated structures in some subjects. Doctoral education centres on independent research. Compare the actual award and curriculum, particularly for professional or continuing-education programmes. A course marketed with a familiar degree title may have different entry requirements, duration and professional uses.

Foreign qualifications and applications

Applications go to the chosen institution rather than to OeAD. For undergraduate entry, the institution assesses the secondary qualification and any subject-specific requirements. Master's admission normally requires a relevant first degree, with the previous curriculum considered alongside its level. Prepare certificates, transcripts and required translations or legalisation in the precise form requested. A university of applied sciences may also consider a relevant vocational qualification for bachelor's entry. Programme selection deadlines can precede general enrolment dates, so build the timetable from the course's own current instructions.

Teaching language and preparation

German remains central to Austrian higher education, although English-language options are particularly important at postgraduate level. Requirements are set by each institution and programme. At the University of Vienna, German-taught bachelor's and diploma applicants generally need A2 evidence when applying and C1 for admission to regular study. Approved preparation programmes address prescribed supplementary requirements; confirm the examinations needed for regular admission. English-taught programmes have their own evidence rules; check accepted certificates, minimum results and exemptions before paying for a language examination.

Selection tests and artistic assessment

There is no single entrance examination governing every Austrian degree. Universities may use selection procedures in subjects such as psychology, business or computer science; universities of applied sciences use programme-specific admission processes that may combine documents, tests and interviews. Human medicine at the public medical universities in Vienna, Graz and Innsbruck and at JKU Linz uses MedAT; dentistry has the relevant MedAT route where offered. The test and official preparation materials are in German. Arts institutions assess artistic aptitude, so portfolios, auditions and their registration dates need separate attention.

AUSTRIA / STUDENT LIFE AND PLANNING

Costs and the study experience

Add semester contributions, housing setup and arrival expenses to the tuition and monthly living budget.

Tuition and a realistic budget

For many third-country students holding a Residence Permit Student, public-university tuition is generally EUR 726.72 per semester. EU/EEA students and equivalent-status groups normally pay no tuition within the standard duration plus two tolerance semesters; later fees and exemptions follow the applicable rules. All students also pay the compulsory student-union contribution, currently EUR 26.20 per semester. Universities of applied sciences and private providers set different fees. OeAD's current living-cost guide is about EUR 1,300 monthly. Treat these as figures checked in September 2026, not fixed prices for every 2027 intake.

Housing needs its own application

Admission does not normally include an allocated room. Students arrange accommodation through residence providers, shared flats or private rentals, and the appropriate option depends on the teaching location as well as the city. OeAD's guide uses approximately EUR 450-700 monthly for accommodation, with local and contractual variation. Compare furnished and unfurnished offers and identify what the rent includes. Before committing, establish the deposit, booking period, cancellation terms and commute. Budget separately for arrival costs and temporary accommodation if the tenancy begins after travel or an early entrance examination.

Credits, assessment and independent work

ECTS credits represent total academic workload, including classes, preparation, assignments and examinations. In Austria one credit corresponds to 25 hours of work; a full-time semester commonly comprises around 30 credits. At the University of Vienna, the grading scale runs from 1, the strongest result, to 5, a failure; 4 is the minimum passing grade. Course and examination registration have their own deadlines, and continuous-assessment seminars may require attendance. Read the curriculum and course catalogue before choosing modules, especially where prerequisites, laboratory places or thesis preparation affect progression.

Residence documents and professional recognition

After admission, confirm the entry and residence procedure for your nationality, including any conditions on work. Third-country students planning a stay beyond six months generally need the relevant residence permission, supported by financial, accommodation and insurance evidence. EU/EEA applicants follow a different route. Recognition also depends on purpose: entry to further study, professional licensing and an employer's assessment are separate questions. Before committing to a course for a regulated profession, ask the authority where you intend to practise which qualifications and practical training it accepts.

AUSTRIA / ADMISSION

Entry tests and application notes

Check which assessments your programme requires; official websites are listed below.

MedAT

Public human-medicine entry at Vienna, Graz, Innsbruck and JKU Linz; dentistry where offered.

Programme-specific medical admission test, with instructions and official preparation material in German. Registration, test location, ranking and applicable allocation rules must be checked for the intended intake.

www.medizinstudieren.at/en/

German language certificates and supplementary examination

German-taught programmes according to the receiving institution.

Accepted certificates and required levels vary. University of Vienna bachelor's and diploma entry illustrates the distinction between A2 at application and C1 for regular admission; an approved preparation route may lead to the prescribed supplementary examination.

studieren.univie.ac.at/en/applying-for-a-programme/language-proficiency/german-language-proficiency

Institutional tests, interviews and auditions

Selected university programmes, universities of applied sciences and arts institutions.

Selection may involve a written or oral test, interview, portfolio or artistic audition. Use the chosen provider's assessment format and registration dates to plan preparation.

studyinaustria.at/en/plan-your-studies/application-and-admission

Working while studying

Under the current rules, a third-country holder of a Residence Permit Student can obtain an employment permit for up to 20 hours weekly without a labour-market test. The employer must obtain the permit before the job starts, including for marginal employment. Confirm that the employer has secured the required permit before starting work, and fund the initial move independently. Eligible graduates can apply for a twelve-month extension to seek work or start a business, subject to the current requirements.

Check recognition for the intended profession

ENIC NARIC Austria provides information and evaluation of foreign higher-education qualifications. Its evaluation for professional purposes helps explain a qualification in the Austrian labour market; it is not itself formal professional recognition. Academic admission decisions remain with the receiving institution, while regulated professions can require a separate process with the competent authority. Students intending to return abroad should also check the Austrian qualification with the destination country's recognition body before enrolling, particularly for clinical, teaching and other licensed occupations.

AUSTRIA / SCHOLARSHIPS

Funding routes

Amounts and conditions refer to the intake shown. Check the current call and the cost left to fund.

TU Graz High Potentials scholarships

Selected bachelor's and master's entrants at TU Graz

Support. Up to EUR 8,800 for bachelor's students or EUR 17,600 for master's students over up to two years, under the current published scheme.

Eligibility. Strong academic results; applicants from Austria and abroad. Individual sponsor awards specify eligible programmes and additional conditions.

Application. Apply through the relevant bachelor's or master's scholarship procedure. Winter 2027/28 applications: master's, 15 October 2026–15 February 2027; bachelor's, 5 May–7 July 2027. Recheck the intake call.

Conditions. Competitive and separate from admission. Maximum amounts cover up to two years, not each year. Use the current sponsor's eligible-programme list and award terms.

ISTA funded PhD employment

Doctoral research at the Institute of Science and Technology Austria

Support. Employment salary, full social-security coverage and research-conference support; no tuition or PhD application fee. Published 2026 gross salaries range from EUR 3,053 to EUR 3,673 monthly, paid 14 times yearly, depending on entry qualification and progress.

Eligibility. Applicants with a relevant science bachelor's or master's degree; international selection assesses research potential and programme fit.

Application. Apply to ISTA's graduate-school call with the specified academic records, statement and references; shortlisted candidates complete the selection process.

Conditions. A salaried doctoral route rather than an undergraduate scholarship. Employment and continued support depend on the programme's conditions and satisfactory progress. Visa and relocation expenses are not covered.

Erasmus Mundus Joint Masters scholarships

Participating international joint master's programmes with an Austrian study component

Support. Selected scholarships cover participation costs and contribute towards travel, visa costs and living expenses.

Eligibility. Applicants worldwide with a bachelor's degree or recognised equivalent; final-year students must graduate before the programme begins. Subject and language criteria are consortium-specific.

Application. Apply directly to the chosen consortium, using the European Commission catalogue to check the current universities, study locations and scholarship round.

Conditions. Only listed participating programmes qualify. Study normally spans multiple countries; this is not a general scholarship for any Austrian master's. Admission and scholarship selection may have different outcomes.

Ernst Mach Grant for study at an Austrian university of applied sciences

Temporary bachelor's or master's exchange study

Support. Maintenance support for a study stay of four to ten months under the relevant call; check the current grant rate and any travel provisions.

Eligibility. Students enrolled at universities in the call's eligible countries; bachelor's applicants must have completed at least four semesters. The published 2026/27 call sets a maximum age of 35 and requires acceptance by an Austrian UAS as an exchange scholar.

Application. Secure the host institution's support, then submit the OeAD scholarship application with the required academic evidence and recommendations.

Conditions. This is an exchange grant, not funding for a complete Austrian degree. The 2026/27 application deadline has passed. Use the next call to check its application dates, amount and eligible countries.

AUSTRIA / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

Universities and institutions

Location • fields • profile • official website • selected QS 2027 overall ranks

University of Vienna

Vienna / Public university / QS 2027: =140

Humanities; Natural sciences; Law; Social sciences

Doctoral schools and academies combine organised research communities with transferable-skills training, alongside a broad curriculum including translation, psychology and teacher education.

Universitätsring 1, 1010 Vienna, Austria

www.univie.ac.at

TU Wien

Vienna / Public university

Engineering; Computer science; Architecture; Mathematics

Research themes connect computational science, quantum technologies and energy with specialist engineering faculties, supporting routes from scientific foundations into technical applications.

Karlsplatz 13, 1040 Vienna, Austria

www.tuwien.at

BOKU University

Vienna / Public university

Agriculture; Biotechnology; Environmental sciences; Forestry

English-taught and international joint master's programmes connect resource management with biotechnology and environmental study, supported by agrobiotechnology research facilities in Tulln.

Gregor-Mendel-Straße 33, 1180 Vienna, Austria

boku.ac.at

WU Vienna University of Economics and Business

Vienna / Public university

Business; Economics; Finance; Business law

An English-taught Business and Economics bachelor's complements German-language options; postgraduate opportunities include English-taught degrees and participation in the CEMS network.

Welthandelsplatz 1, 1020 Vienna, Austria

www.wu.ac.at

University of Graz

Graz / Public university

Humanities; Natural sciences; Law; Social sciences

The NAWI Graz partnership with Graz University of Technology provides joint natural-science programmes, including chemistry, mathematics, physics and biosciences.

Universitätsplatz 3, 8010 Graz, Austria

www.uni-graz.at

Graz University of Technology

Graz / Public university

Engineering; Computer science; Architecture; Biotechnology

Student teams work on automotive and robotics projects, while the NAWI Graz collaboration adds shared natural-science programmes with the University of Graz.

Rechbauerstraße 12, 8010 Graz, Austria

www.tugraz.at

University of Innsbruck

Innsbruck / Public university

Physics; Computer science; Humanities; Business

Mountain and climate research reflects its Alpine setting, alongside physics and scientific computing; medical degrees belong to the separate Medical University of Innsbruck.

Innrain 52, 6020 Innsbruck, Austria

www.uibk.ac.at

Johannes Kepler University Linz

Linz / Public university

Engineering; Natural sciences; Law; Business

The Linz Institute of Technology connects engineering research across disciplines, while medical teaching has a dedicated campus near Kepler University Hospital.

Altenberger Straße 69, 4040 Linz, Austria

www.jku.at

Paris Lodron University of Salzburg

Salzburg / Public university

Humanities; Law; Digital sciences; Natural sciences

Selected master's degrees are taught entirely in English, including routes within a portfolio connecting digital and analytical sciences with humanities and social sciences.

Kapitelgasse 4–6, 5020 Salzburg, Austria

www.plus.ac.at

Montanuniversität Leoben

Leoben / Public university

Materials science; Mining; Metallurgy; Energy

Resource-cycle study runs from extraction and metallurgy to recycling, with shared early foundations in mathematics, physics, chemistry, mechanics and computing.

Franz Josef-Straße 18, 8700 Leoben, Austria

www.unileoben.ac.at

AUSTRIA / ADDITIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Further study options

Additional institutions / location, institution type and official website

Medical University of Vienna
Vienna / Public medical university
www.meduniwien.ac.at

University of Veterinary Medicine Vienna
Vienna / Public veterinary university
www.vetmeduni.ac.at

University of Applied Arts Vienna
Vienna / Public arts university
www.dieangewandte.at

mdw University of Music and Performing Arts Vienna
Vienna / Public arts university
www.mdw.ac.at

Academy of Fine Arts Vienna
Vienna / Public arts university
www.akbild.ac.at

University of Klagenfurt
Klagenfurt am Wörthersee / Public university
www.aau.at

University for Continuing Education Krems
Krems an der Donau / Public university specialising in continuing education
www.donau-uni.ac.at

Mozarteum University Salzburg
Salzburg / Public arts university
www.moz.ac.at

Medical University of Graz
Graz / Public medical university
www.medunigraz.at/en

University of Music and Performing Arts Graz
Graz / Oberschützen / Public arts university
www.kug.ac.at

Medical University of Innsbruck
Innsbruck / Public medical university
www.i-med.ac.at

University of Arts Linz
Linz / Public arts university
www.kunstuni-linz.at

UAS Technikum Wien
Vienna / University of applied sciences
www.technikum-wien.at

Hochschule Campus Wien
Vienna / University of applied sciences
www.hcw.ac.at

FH JOANNEUM
Graz / Kapfenberg / Bad Gleichenberg / University of applied sciences
www.fh-joanneum.at

University of Applied Sciences Upper Austria
Wels / Hagenberg / Linz / Steyr / University of applied sciences
www.fh-ooe.at

IMC Krems University of Applied Sciences
Krems an der Donau / University of applied sciences
www.imc.ac.at

Salzburg University of Applied Sciences
Puch / Kuchl / Salzburg / Schwarzach / University of applied sciences
www.fh-salzburg.ac.at

MCI The Entrepreneurial School
Innsbruck / University of applied sciences
www.mci.edu

Central European University
Vienna / Private university
www.ceu.edu

STUDY IN PORTUGAL

Portugal

University and polytechnic routes with distinct international fee schedules



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Portugal combines research universities and practice-oriented polytechnics, with public and private provision. Lisbon, Porto, Coimbra and smaller university cities offer different costs and settings. Portuguese remains important in undergraduate study, while selected programmes are taught in English.

ANNUAL FEES / ROUTE COMPARISON

Public international UG sample: EUR 2,250-7,000

International undergraduate sample across Minho, Porto and Coimbra. Private fees require programme quotes; national-equivalent and CPLP rates can be lower.

LIVING / MONTH

EUR 700–1,100

Approx. US$ 800-1,250

Shared-housing planning model using Portuguese study-portal categories for rent, food, transport and personal spending. Lisbon or Porto private accommodation can require a larger allowance.

Typical degree length

Bachelor's: 3-4 years.
Master's: usually 1½-2 years.
Integrated master's: 5-6 years.

Fields of study

Engineering, computing, business, marine sciences, architecture, tourism and humanities.

Academic entry

International applicants follow the institution's applicable admission route. Prior qualifications, entrance-subject evidence and course language determine eligibility.

International tuition

Request the fee schedule for your nationality and residence category; national or equivalent students can have a lower regulated rate.

PORTUGAL / EDUCATION AND ENTRY

Education, entry and student life

Compare university and polytechnic awards, international fee categories, course language and housing.

Universities and polytechnics

Both sectors form part of Portugal's higher-education system. Universities generally emphasise research and academic disciplines; polytechnics emphasise applied and professional study. Public and private institutions exist in both sectors. The national quality-assurance agency, A3ES, evaluates institutions and programmes. The precise accredited course and campus establish what qualification is awarded.

Degrees and progression

A bachelor's normally carries 180-240 credits over three or four years. Master's courses commonly take one and a half to two years, with some shorter exceptions. Certain professional programmes use an integrated five- or six-year master's structure. A technical professional higher course, or TeSP, is shorter than a bachelor's. Check any progression route.

International admission

The international-student regime has specific nationality and residence rules. Institutions organise their own applications, available places and assessment of school qualifications. Subject examinations or accepted equivalent evidence may be required. The relevant public call identifies how foreign examination results are treated and whether additional tests are necessary.

The language of a course

Use the course catalogue's stated teaching language when building an English-taught shortlist. Coimbra's Informatics Engineering bachelor's, for example, lists Portuguese as the teaching language while allowing some assessment in English. Language requirements also affect internships and regulated professions. English-taught master's degrees can provide alternatives for students who already hold a relevant undergraduate qualification.

Understanding the price

International fees are set by the institution and programme. The annual public fee cap applicable to national or equivalent students does not represent the normal international tariff. Medicine, management programmes and other specialist courses may have separate prices. Published instalment arrangements also determine how much cash is needed before enrolment.

Housing and daily life

The national study portal distinguishes university residences, shared rooms and private apartments. A shared room is quoted at EUR 250-650 monthly, while a private apartment can cost substantially more. Food and transport add to the total. Replace this shared-housing estimate with local rent, food and transport prices.

Funding and research

Institutional merit schemes, subject-specific foundations and competitive research calls are distinct funding sources. Erasmus Mundus awards belong to particular joint master's programmes. Doctoral research funding may come through the Foundation for Science and Technology, known as FCT, or a project vacancy. Record the funding decision and payment conditions alongside the admission offer before setting the budget.

PORTUGAL / SCHOLARSHIPS

Funding routes

Amounts and conditions refer to the intake shown. Check the current call and the cost left to fund.

Erasmus Mundus Joint Masters

MASTER'S

Support. Selected joint master's programmes offer competitive scholarships towards participation and living costs.

Eligibility. Applicants normally hold a bachelor's degree or are completing one before the programme begins.

Application. Applications go to the individual consortium, which publishes its own selection process.

Conditions. An award applies to a named joint programme and its mobility plan, not to every master's course in the country.

Camões language and culture support

LANGUAGE / CULTURE / RESEARCH

Support. Selected schemes support Portuguese-language and cultural study or related research.

Eligibility. Eligibility depends on the particular programme and applicant category.

Application. Applications follow Camões' published scholarship announcements.

Conditions. These targeted awards should not be read as funding for any degree in Portugal.

FCT doctoral scholarships

DOCTORAL

Support. Competitive research scholarships support approved doctoral training under the applicable call.

Eligibility. Applicants must satisfy the call's academic, residency and research-plan conditions.

Application. Applications follow the Foundation for Science and Technology's published competition.

Conditions. This is research funding, not a general bachelor's tuition discount. Award terms and selection criteria are call-specific.

THE AWARD AND THE BUDGET

Fee reduction

A tuition waiver reduces the university bill. It does not automatically pay rent, insurance or travel.

Maintenance support

A stipend contributes to living costs. Its amount, payment dates and renewal conditions affect the budget.

Remaining contribution

Total costs less confirmed support give the amount still to fund. A pending award is not confirmed income.

PORTUGAL / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

Universities and institutions

Location • fields • profile • official website • selected QS 2027 overall ranks

University of Lisbon

Lisbon / University / QS 2027: =237

Engineering; Sciences; Architecture; Humanities

Its ISEG school offers fully English Economics and Management bachelor's routes, combining business study with quantitative and broader social-science foundations.

Alameda da Universidade, 1649-004 Lisbon, Portugal

www.ulisboa.pt

University of Porto

Porto / University / QS 2027: =255

Engineering; Business; Health; Arts

Its Data Science master includes levelling courses that bridge statistics and computer science, helping students from different quantitative backgrounds prepare for advanced study.

Praça de Gomes Teixeira, 4099-002 Porto, Portugal

www.up.pt

University of Coimbra

Coimbra / University

Engineering; Law; Medicine; Humanities

A Portuguese-language foundation year helps academically eligible international school-leavers develop the language proficiency needed for entry to Portuguese-taught undergraduate degrees.

Paço das Escolas, 3004-531 Coimbra, Portugal

www.uc.pt

NOVA University Lisbon

Lisbon / University

Business; Technology; Public health; Social sciences

Nova SBE's Economics and Management bachelors offer English instruction, with a bilingual first-year option and later elective or internship choices.

Campus de Campolide, 1099-085 Lisbon, Portugal

www.unl.pt

University of Minho

Braga / Guimarães / University

Engineering; Sciences; Education; Business

Its English Economics master offers selected students double-degree routes with partner universities, combining study at Minho with an overseas semester.

Largo do Paço, 4704-320 Braga, Portugal

www.uminho.pt

University of Aveiro

Aveiro / University

Engineering; Design; Sciences; Education

Combines university departments with four polytechnic schools, offering applicants both university degrees and professionally oriented courses within one institution.

Campus Universitário de Santiago, 3810-193 Aveiro, Portugal

www.ua.pt

Additional institutions

University of Algarve
Faro / University
www.ualg.pt

University of Beira Interior
Covilhã / University
www.ubi.pt

University of Évora
Évora / University
www.uevora.pt

University of Trás-os-Montes and Alto Douro
Vila Real / University
www.utad.pt

Iscte – University Institute of Lisbon
Lisbon / University
www.iscte-iul.pt

Universidade Católica Portuguesa
Lisbon / multiple campuses / Private university
www.ucp.pt

Polytechnic of Porto
Porto / Polytechnic
www.ipp.pt

Polytechnic University of Leiria
Leiria / Polytechnic
www.ipleiria.pt

STUDY IN SAUDI ARABIA

Saudi Arabia

Public universities, private institutions and graduate research.

Saudi Arabia's higher-education system includes public universities, private institutions and specialised graduate provision. International places can be self-funded or supported through a defined scholarship route. Award coverage, teaching language and entry conditions attach to the particular programme and applicant category.



King Saud University - Entrance gate, Riyadh / Dr. Basil Al Bayati / CC0 / cropped

Academic entry

Prince Mohammad Bin Fahd University (PMU) offers English-medium undergraduate study; its law curriculum includes English and Arabic. Direct freshman entry or preparatory study depends on academic and English evidence. The fee example uses its 2026/27 international bachelor's schedule including 15% non-Saudi VAT.

ANNUAL FEES / ROUTE COMPARISON

Private UG sample: SAR 69,000-108,100

Private undergraduate sample from PMU and Alfaisal, including applicable 15% non-Saudi VAT. Funded public scholarships and paid public programmes are separate routes.

LIVING / MONTH

SAR 2,500-4,000

Approx. US$ 670-1,070

Explicit shared-living model: rent SAR 1,500-2,500 plus food, local travel and personal costs SAR 1,000-1,500. University-provided or scholarship housing creates a different budget.

Typical degree length

Bachelor's: usually 4 years
Master's: 1-2 years
Medicine (PMU): 6 years + 1-year internship

Fields of study

Engineering; computing; business; sciences; Arabic studies.

Self-funded and funded places

A self-funded place carries the institution's applicable tuition and other charges. A scholarship can cover specified fees, accommodation, insurance, travel or a stipend, in different combinations. Read the award letter for each covered expense, payment date and renewal requirement, then calculate the remaining contribution.

SAUDI ARABIA / EDUCATION AND ENTRY

Universities and study routes

Public and private provision, degree levels and distinct domestic and international selection.

Public and private provision

The Ministry of Education's directory identifies public universities across the Kingdom, including regional institutions in Jazan, Tabuk, Najran, Ha'il and the Northern Borders. Private provision includes comprehensive universities and specialist institutions. Dar Al Uloom University, University of Business and Technology and Riyadh Elm University illustrate different private academic profiles. Arab Open University operates a Saudi branch with national recognition and an academic relationship with the United Kingdom's Open University. For each institution, identify the international-admission route and whether the offer is self-funded, partly funded or fully funded.

Degree and subject provision

Saudi institutions offer undergraduate and postgraduate study through different academic models. King Abdullah University of Science and Technology is a graduate research university offering Master of Science and doctoral degrees in science, technology, engineering and mathematics, with integrated master's-doctoral pathways in selected disciplines. King Saud bin Abdulaziz University for Health Sciences has its main campus in Riyadh and branches in Jeddah and Al-Ahsa. Private Al Mustaqbal University includes dentistry, engineering and computing, and administrative and humanities provision. Confirm the subject and degree level offered before comparing entry requirements.

Aptitude and achievement routes

Qudurat, the General Aptitude Test, and Tahsili, the achievement examination, serve different purposes: aptitude assessment concerns reasoning, while achievement assessment concerns school learning. Universities combine scores according to their own published routes. King Fahd University of Petroleum and Minerals currently weights its primary route equally between Qudurat and its own achievement test. Its secondary route for remaining vacancies uses 50% Qudurat, 40% Tahsili and 10% school performance. These are two university-specific combinations, not a national formula applying to every undergraduate or international application.

International applicant categories

The Ministry of Education distinguishes internal scholarships for legally resident non-Saudis from external scholarships for non-Saudis arriving from abroad. Its public-university scholarship guidance excludes health and medical specialities from that specified route; this is not a description of every private or paid programme. Separate institutional pathways also exist. King Fahd University of Petroleum and Minerals accepts local and international candidates through an SAT route that does not require Qudurat or Tahsili, but does require qualified applicants to pass the university's mathematics test. Use the admission guide for your nationality, residence status and chosen route when assembling the application.

SAUDI ARABIA / STUDENT LIFE AND PLANNING

Funding and student residence

Graduate evidence, scholarship components, educational visas and residential campus services.

Graduate academic evidence

KAUST requires a relevant bachelor's degree for master's entry and a relevant master's degree for direct doctoral entry. Its minimum grade-point average is 3.0/4.0. Applications include academic records, a statement of purpose, a curriculum vitae and three referees. English is the teaching language. English-test exemption requires a qualifying degree completed physically in the United States, Canada, United Kingdom, Ireland, Australia or New Zealand, or at KAUST. English-medium letters and degrees completed at offshore branches do not independently establish exemption. Transcripts submitted in another language require a certified English translation.

Funding and fee categories

The Study in Saudi platform separates full scholarships, partial scholarships and paid study programmes. The Ministry's guidance describes partial support as potentially limited to a place or a place plus housing. KAUST's fellowship provides tuition and bench fees, a stipend, base accommodation, health insurance and relocation support, with restrictions where external sponsorship applies. King Fahd University of Petroleum and Minerals separately publishes postgraduate scholarship arrangements. Use the written funding offer to identify tuition, housing and maintenance support, then calculate any costs the student must meet.

Educational visa categories

The official Study in Saudi platform describes a short-term educational visa for programmes of up to six months, extendable for a further six months, and a long-term visa valid for one year and renewable annually. Applicants must be at least sixteen and hold admission from a licensed, accredited institution, with financial evidence or a guarantee. The long-term category also requires medical documentation, insurance and evidence of the teaching language, except for Arabic-language study. Applicants under eighteen require the specified consent documentation. After receiving an offer, confirm the visa category and prepare its required evidence with the host institution.

Residential study and services

KAUST guarantees university-managed campus housing for admitted students. Furnished student accommodation is concentrated around the Harbour area near academic buildings and Discovery Square. Single students usually receive a room in shared accommodation; housing configurations depend on availability and student circumstances. The university's campus services include a health centre, pharmacy, shops, sports facilities, counselling and career support. It also operates buses to Jeddah. For other Saudi institutions, request the housing offer, location, charges and included services directly from the university.

SAUDI ARABIA / ADMISSION

Entry tests and application notes

Check which assessments your programme requires; official websites are listed below.

General Aptitude Test (GAT / Qudurat)

Specified undergraduate admission routes

Measures aptitude and reasoning. KFUPM's primary route gives Qudurat 50% weight alongside its institutional achievement test. It is not required in the university's separate SAT route for local and international candidates.

www.etec.gov.sa/en/eservices-catalogue/individual

Academic Achievement Test (Tahsili)

Specified school-leaver admission routes

Assesses school-subject achievement. KFUPM's secondary vacancies route weights Tahsili at 40%, alongside 50% Qudurat and 10% school performance. This route-specific formula does not establish a requirement for all expatriate or overseas applicants.

www.etec.gov.sa/en/eservices-catalogue/individual

KFUPM Achievement Test

King Fahd University of Petroleum and Minerals primary undergraduate route

The university's own achievement test contributes 50% of the primary-route selection score. It is distinct from national Tahsili and from the mathematics examination used in KFUPM's SAT route.

apply.kfupm.edu.sa/early-admissions/

SAT (College Board)

KFUPM's local and international SAT admission route

Minimum published score: 1350. Qudurat and Tahsili are not required in this route. Qualified candidates must pass the university mathematics test and may be interviewed; the minimum SAT score does not guarantee admission.

satsuite.collegeboard.org/sat

Standardized Test of English Proficiency (STEP)

English evidence for accepting institutions and routes

KFUPM publishes STEP 65 or an accepted equivalent for its primary and secondary routes. Its primary-route policy excludes the SAT and Olympiad tracks from this stated English-score requirement. STEP is not a universal international-admission condition.

www.etec.gov.sa/en/eservices-catalogue/individual

International English Language Testing System / Test of English as a Foreign Language (IELTS / TOEFL)

KAUST graduate English-language evidence

Published standard: IELTS 7 overall, 6.5 per section, or TOEFL iBT 5 overall, 4.5 per section on the new scale. Defined degree-location exemptions and conditional arrangements for Saudi nationals and doctoral students apply; these are KAUST rules.

ielts.org/
www.ets.org/toefl.html

Postgraduate General Aptitude Test / Graduate Record Examination (PGAT / GRE)

Institution-specific postgraduate selection

KAUST accepts either score as optional supporting evidence and recognises five-year score validity. Neither is compulsory for its application. Other universities determine their own postgraduate test requirements.

www.etec.gov.sa/en/eservices-catalogue/individual
www.ets.org/gre.html

SAUDI ARABIA / SCHOLARSHIPS

Funding routes

Amounts and conditions refer to the intake shown. Check the current call and the cost left to fund.

Study in Saudi - international scholarship routes

Undergraduate and postgraduate, depending on the university and call

Support. The portal distinguishes full scholarships, partial scholarships and paid study. Full awards include university-provided benefits such as tuition, accommodation, healthcare and travel under the relevant scheme.

Eligibility. Non-Saudi applicants: external scholarships are for applicants abroad; internal routes are for eligible legal residents. Nationality, age, academic and programme conditions vary.

Application. Applications are processed through the official Study in Saudi portal for the selected institution, programme and funding category.

Conditions. Paid-study admission carries no scholarship entitlement. Internal awards require lawful Saudi residence; external awards serve applicants abroad. The Ministry's international scholarship route excludes health and medical specialisations.

KFUPM graduate scholarship

Full-time research MS and PhD

Support. Full tuition support with a monthly stipend and benefits including furnished accommodation, medical care and eligible international travel.

Eligibility. Distinguished full-time graduate applicants meeting KFUPM's scholarship admission requirements, including eligible international students.

Application. Scholarship selection forms part of admission to an eligible full-time research graduate programme.

Conditions. Self-sponsored thesis degrees and professional master's routes have separate fee arrangements. The direct-entry PhD lasts five years, while the published full scholarship covers its first four years.

KAUST Fellowship

Research master's, MS/PhD and PhD

Support. Full tuition and bench fees; an annual stipend of US$20,000 for MS students or US$25,000-30,000 for PhD students; base housing, health insurance and relocation support.

Eligibility. Admitted eligible graduate students, including international applicants, in KAUST science and engineering programmes; externally sponsored arrangements can differ.

Application. Eligible graduate admission includes consideration for the KAUST Fellowship.

Conditions. External sponsorship can affect eligibility. Housing upgrades incur extra charges. Relocation support covers the initial move and return after graduation, rather than annual holiday travel.

Prince Sultan University scholarships

Undergraduate

Support. Competitive tuition awards of 25%, 50% or 100% in specified categories; some full-award recipients may also receive SAR 1,500 monthly.

Eligibility. Newly admitted students with a PSU ID must meet the relevant score threshold. Undergraduate admission requires Saudi/GCC nationality or lawful Saudi residence.

Application. Apply separately through the scholarship system after admission and receipt of a PSU student ID.

Conditions. The cited guide covers 2026-27. Some categories are restricted to Saudi nationals; the SAR1,500 stipend is attached to designated full-award categories and is not universal.

SAUDI ARABIA / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

Universities and institutions

Location • fields • profile • official website • selected QS 2027 overall ranks

King Saud University

Riyadh / Public university

Medicine; Engineering; Business; Science

The computer-science curriculum offers artificial-intelligence, networking and cybersecurity, and general tracks, allowing students to compare specialisations within a single degree.

King Saud University, Riyadh 11451, Saudi Arabia

ksu.edu.sa

King Abdulaziz University

Jeddah / Public university

Medicine; Engineering; Business; Science

Dedicated marine-science and environmental-science faculties provide routes in oceanography and meteorology, extending its academic choices beyond conventional science and engineering degrees.

P.O. Box 80200, Jeddah 21589, Saudi Arabia

www.kau.edu.sa

King Fahd University of Petroleum and Minerals

Dhahran / Public university / QS 2027: 63

Engineering; Computing; Science; Business

Thesis-based research master's and doctoral programmes sit alongside a separate professional master's route, giving graduate applicants different balances of coursework and research.

King Fahd University of Petroleum and Minerals, Dhahran 31261, Saudi Arabia

www.kfupm.edu.sa

King Abdullah University of Science and Technology

Thuwal / Graduate research university

Engineering; Computing; Bioscience; Environmental science

A residential graduate-research model concentrates on master's and doctoral science and engineering, making this primarily a destination for applicants after undergraduate study.

King Abdullah University of Science and Technology, Thuwal 23955-6900, Saudi Arabia

www.kaust.edu.sa

Imam Abdulrahman Bin Faisal University

Dammam / Public university

Medicine; Dentistry; Engineering; Business

Nursing students use dedicated clinical-simulation laboratories alongside healthcare training, supporting practical preparation before and during patient-facing learning.

P.O. Box 1982, Dammam 31441, Saudi Arabia

www.iau.edu.sa

King Faisal University

Al Ahsa / Public university

Agriculture; Veterinary medicine; Business; Engineering

Veterinary education includes a teaching hospital, connecting professional animal-health training with the university's wider agriculture and food-security research setting.

P.O. Box 400, Al Ahsa 31982, Saudi Arabia

www.kfu.edu.sa

King Khalid University

Abha / Public university

Medicine; Engineering; Computing; Business

Tourist Destination Management covers events, cultural tourism and resort operations, offering an applied route into the region's growing tourism sector.

Al-Faraa University Campus, Abha, Saudi Arabia

www.kku.edu.sa

Qassim University

Buraydah / Public university

Medicine; Engineering; Agriculture; Business

Agriculture and Food has dedicated provision in food science and human nutrition, alongside plant, animal and agricultural-systems disciplines.

Al-Jamea District, Buraydah; P.O. Box 52571, Al-Qassim, Saudi Arabia

www.qu.edu.sa

Umm Al-Qura University

Makkah / Public university

Islamic studies; Arabic; Engineering; Medicine

A specialist Hajj and Umrah research institute complements postgraduate routes in pilgrimage and crowd management, connecting academic study with mass-gathering operations.

Al-Abidiyyah Campus, Makkah, Saudi Arabia

uqu.edu.sa

Taibah University

Madinah / Public university

Medicine; Science; Engineering; Business

Occupational and physical therapy programmes provide dedicated rehabilitation-science routes, with clinical-practice components built into their published study plans.

Prince Nayef Road, Madinah 42353, Saudi Arabia

www.taibahu.edu.sa

SAUDI ARABIA / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

Universities and institutions

Location • fields • profile • official website • selected QS 2027 overall ranks

Princess Nourah bint Abdulrahman University

Riyadh / Public women's university

Health sciences; Computing; Business; Education

A women's university combining professional healthcare and computing study with arts and education, offering a broad academic environment for female applicants.

Building 7808, King Khalid International Airport, Unit 1, Riyadh 13412-3230, Saudi Arabia

pnu.edu.sa

King Saud bin Abdulaziz University for Health Sciences

Riyadh / Public specialist university

Medicine; Nursing; Pharmacy; Dentistry

A specialist health-sciences model combines clinical training and research across three campuses, with separate professional routes in medicine, nursing, pharmacy and dentistry.

P.O. Box 3660, Riyadh 11481, Saudi Arabia

www.ksau-hs.edu.sa

Islamic University of Madinah

Madinah / Public university

Islamic studies; Arabic; Science; Engineering

Preparatory Arabic study supports students from different language backgrounds before or alongside progression into the university's Islamic and other academic disciplines.

Islamic University, P.O. Box 170, Madinah, Saudi Arabia

iu.edu.sa

Prince Sultan University

Riyadh / Private nonprofit university

Business; Computing; Engineering; Architecture

Its competitive undergraduate scholarship scheme distinguishes Saudi and non-Saudi applicant categories, with separate academic thresholds and award conditions for each route.

P.O. Box 66833, Rafha Street, Riyadh 11586, Saudi Arabia

www.psu.edu.sa

Alfaisal University

Riyadh / Private nonprofit university

Medicine; Engineering; Business; Pharmacy

Medicine uses a spiral curriculum that revisits scientific foundations through clinical problems, combining early basic science with progressively more complex patient scenarios.

P.O. Box 50927, Riyadh 11533, Saudi Arabia

www.alfaisal.edu

Effat University

Jeddah / Private nonprofit university

Business; Engineering; Architecture; Humanities

Cinematic Arts includes film-production and animation routes, combining practical creative work with film theory within a broader technical and professional university.

P.O. Box 34689, Jeddah 21478, Saudi Arabia

www.effatuniversity.edu.sa

Dar Al-Hekma University

Jeddah / Private nonprofit university

Business; Law; Design; Computing

An internship unit coordinates academic departments and external partners, supporting placement arrangements across its professional, creative and social-science programmes.

6702 Prince Majed, Al Faiha, Unit 2, Jeddah 22246-4872, Saudi Arabia

www.dah.edu.sa

Prince Mohammad Bin Fahd University

Al Khobar / Private university

Engineering; Computing; Business; Law

English-language preparation supports progression into disciplinary degree study, giving applicants an identifiable preparatory route alongside its professional undergraduate and graduate programmes.

P.O. Box 1664, Al Khobar 31952, Saudi Arabia

www.pmu.edu.sa

Al Yamamah University

Riyadh / Private university

Business; Engineering; Architecture; Computing

A cooperative-training programme links academic study with workplace experience, supported by career services and formal internship reporting and assessment guidance.

King Fahad Branch Road, Al Qirawan, Riyadh 13451; P.O. Box 45180, Riyadh 11512, Saudi Arabia

yu.edu.sa

Prince Musaid bin Abdulrahman University (formerly Saudi Electronic University)

Riyadh / Public university using blended learning

Business; Computing; Health sciences; Humanities

Blended-learning programmes combine online study with in-person components across regional branches, giving students a defined mix of independent and scheduled attendance.

Abu Bakr Al Siddiq Road, intersection with Prince Mohammed bin Salman Road, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia

seu.edu.sa

SAUDI ARABIA / ADDITIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Further study options

Additional institutions / location, institution type and official website

Imam Muhammad bin Saud Islamic University
Riyadh / Public university
imamu.edu.sa

Taif University
Taif / Public university
www.tu.edu.sa

University of Ha'il
Ha'il / Public university
www.uoh.edu.sa

Jazan University
Jazan / Public university
www.jazanu.edu.sa

Jouf University
Sakaka / Public university
www.ju.edu.sa

Al-Baha University
Al Baha / Public university
bu.edu.sa

University of Tabuk
Tabuk / Public university
www.ut.edu.sa

Najran University
Najran / Public university
www.nu.edu.sa

Northern Border University
Arar / Public university
www.nbu.edu.sa

Prince Sattam bin Abdulaziz University
Al Kharj / Public university
www.psau.edu.sa

Shaqra University
Shaqra / Public university
www.su.edu.sa

Majmaah University
Al Majmaah / Public university
www.mu.edu.sa

University of Jeddah
Jeddah / Public university
www.uj.edu.sa

University of Bisha
Bisha / Public university
www.ub.edu.sa

University of Hafr Al Batin
Hafr Al Batin / Public university
www.uhb.edu.sa

Dar Al Uloom University
Riyadh / Private university
dau.edu.sa/en

Sulaiman Al Rajhi University
Al Bukayriyah / Private university
sr.edu.sa/site

Almaarefa University
Diriyah, Riyadh / Private university
www.um.edu.sa

University of Business and Technology
Jeddah / Private university
www.ubt.edu.sa

Fahad Bin Sultan University
Tabuk / Private university
fbsu.edu.sa

Al Mustaqbal University
Buraydah / Private university
uom.edu.sa

Riyadh Elm University
Riyadh / Private university
riyadh.edu.sa

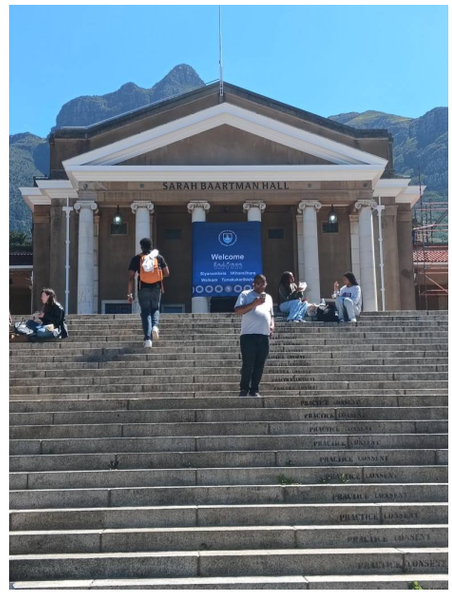
Arab Open University, Saudi Arabia
Riyadh and regional centres / Private open university
www.arabou.edu.sa

STUDY IN SOUTH AFRICA

South Africa

Research and professional study across a varied public university system.

South Africa has research-intensive universities, comprehensive institutions and universities of technology. Applicant category and programme affect international fees. The qualification, campus and practical living arrangements are therefore central to the comparison.



Sarah Baartman Hall, University of Cape Town / Gogontsi / CC0 1.0 / cropped

Academic entry

Foreign school qualifications may require Matriculation Board exemption. Faculty grades, subjects, English evidence and National Benchmark Tests vary. Postgraduate routes can require honours-level preparation and qualifications evaluation.

ANNUAL FEES / ROUTE COMPARISON

Public international UG sample:
ZAR 88,503-175,000

Non-SADC/non-African undergraduate sample across UWC and UCT, including UCT's international term fee. Private institutions and different nationality categories use separate tariffs.

LIVING / MONTH

ZAR 8,000–15,000

Approx. US$ 490-910

Major-city planning guide informed by university living-cost categories. Housing, food, transport, health cover and personal spending should be priced together; deposits and travel are separate.

Typical degree length

General bachelor's commonly 3 years; many professional degrees 4 years or longer. Honours often adds 1 year; master's duration varies.

Fields of study

Engineering; health sciences; business; environmental science; humanities; social sciences.

The complete financial offer

Fee categories differ for South African, regional and other applicants. Housing, transport and medical cover are separate costs; scholarship citizenship restrictions and payment dates affect available funding.

SOUTH AFRICA / EDUCATION AND ENTRY

Qualifications and entry routes

Check the institution, qualification level and school-certificate route before comparing offers.

Understanding the university landscape

South Africa's 26 public universities include institutions with research-oriented, comprehensive and technology-focused provision. Universities South Africa maintains a current member directory linking to each institution. Private higher education is a separate part of the system and requires its own registration and programme checks; a provider's trading name alone is not sufficient evidence. Match the institution, qualification and delivery site against official records. For regulated occupations, ask the relevant professional council whether the specific programme satisfies its academic requirements and what further registration, practical training or examinations may be required.

Bachelor's, honours and postgraduate study

The revised Higher Education Qualifications Sub-Framework was gazetted on 3 July 2026. It retains distinctions between general and professional bachelor's qualifications, bachelor honours, postgraduate diplomas, master's and doctoral study. A general bachelor's commonly takes three years, while professional routes can be longer. An honours degree normally follows a relevant bachelor's and develops advanced subject knowledge and research preparation. Master's admission therefore often requires honours, a relevant postgraduate diploma or an appropriate professional bachelor's at the required level. Applicants with a three-year overseas degree should ask whether they need honours-level or other additional preparation.

Foreign school certificates and admission

Applicants with international school qualifications should check the Universities South Africa Matriculation Board's exemption requirements for first-degree study. The Board assesses the relevant qualification and subject combination; complete and conditional exemptions serve different routes. An exemption establishes an academic entry condition but does not guarantee a university place. The faculty may impose higher grades, particular subjects, selection exercises or capacity limits. Keep the exemption application distinct from the university application, and ask the institution which documents must be available at application, offer and registration stages. Confirm the required qualification assessment with the faculty.

Language evidence and the NBT

English is widely used in higher education, but the exact language requirements and teaching arrangements belong to the institution and programme. Universities may require recognised English-language evidence where prior study does not meet an exemption. The National Benchmark Tests assess academic and quantitative literacy, with a separate mathematics test used for relevant routes. Their role varies between institutions and faculties: they can inform selection or placement, and are not a universal examination for every international applicant. Check the current prospectus before booking, including which components, test mode and submission deadline apply.

SOUTH AFRICA / STUDENT LIFE AND PLANNING

Planning a sustainable study year

Fee category, accommodation and academic support can materially change the cost and experience.

Tuition depends on the applicant category

There is no single national international-student tuition rate. Ask the university for a quotation covering the exact qualification, selected modules and applicant category. Wits, for example, distinguishes SADC students, other international undergraduates and postgraduate students; its current structure applies different tuition and international-registration charges. Residence and medical cover are additional expenses. Request the amount due before registration and the full annual estimate for your course. Confirm whether a sponsorship letter is accepted and read the cancellation and deferred-entry rules.

Housing, transport and day-to-day costs

Wits advises international students to budget approximately ZAR 8,000-15,000 monthly for living expenses in Johannesburg, depending on accommodation and lifestyle. Use this Johannesburg guide for initial planning and obtain current quotes for your chosen city. Compare university residences with vetted private housing and check whether meals, electricity, internet and holiday occupancy are included. The commute matters as much as the advertised rent: confirm campus transport, evening arrangements and the university's local safety advice. Budget separately for deposits, medical cover, books, data and travel home, and keep a reserve for expenses due before scholarship payments arrive.

Coursework, research and academic recognition

A programme may combine lectures, tutorials, laboratory sessions, placements and independent assignments, while research degrees require an appropriate project and supervisory arrangements. Read the faculty handbook for assessment, progression and attendance rules, and establish what academic support is available early. Foreign qualifications may need a SAQA evaluation when required by the receiving institution or another authority. SAQA's comparison does not replace the university's admission decision or a professional council's licensing conditions. Keep official transcripts, course descriptions and evidence of practical training, particularly when planning postgraduate study or professional recognition in another country.

Study permission and employment

International students should obtain the immigration permission appropriate to their circumstances and named institution before travelling to begin study. Use the university's offer to prepare the applicable study-visa or residence application. Official requirements include financial and health-cover evidence, with the precise checklist supplied by the relevant South African mission and university international office. Government guidance limits part-time work by study-visa holders to no more than 20 hours weekly; confirm the applicable conditions before accepting employment. Do not base essential tuition or living costs on finding a job. Changing institution, extending a course or remaining after graduation may require a separate immigration process.

SOUTH AFRICA / ADMISSION

Entry tests and application notes

Check which assessments your programme requires; official websites are listed below.

National Benchmark Tests

Applicants to programmes and faculties that require the NBT.

Academic and Quantitative Literacy is one assessment; Mathematics is a separate assessment for relevant study routes. Universities determine how results inform selection or placement. Test registration is separate from applying for a university place.

www.nbt.ac.za/

English-language proficiency evidence

Applicants who do not satisfy their institution's language exemption.

Use the exact accepted test, minimum score, validity period and exemption policy published by the university. An English-medium school or degree may be considered, but should not be assumed to waive the requirement everywhere.

ielts.org/
www.ets.org/toefl.html

Programme selection and practical assessment

Selected professional, creative or capacity-limited programmes.

Portfolios, auditions, interviews or additional selection can apply according to the faculty prospectus. After confirming matriculation exemption, check the faculty's grades, portfolio or interview requirements and its selection timetable.

usaf.ac.za/facilitating-entry-to-sa-universities/

Use the revised qualifications framework

The Higher Education Qualifications Sub-Framework published on 3 July 2026 replaces the 2013 framework. Its implementation section says the fundamental structure of most qualifications is retained, but the 240-credit diploma is delisted and discontinued. Applicants considering a diploma or progression pathway should ask the provider which registered qualification and transition arrangements apply to the intended intake. An older prospectus can describe a route that is no longer open to new entrants; check the current qualification record and university regulations before committing.

Distance study requires a different plan

The University of South Africa uses open distance e-learning, with limited face-to-face contact and substantial responsibility placed on students to plan their work. Its online student platform is central to study. A distance qualification should therefore be assessed differently from a residential campus offer: confirm reliable internet access, assessment arrangements, any practical attendance and the support available across time zones. Apply to the particular qualification and verify any professional requirements. Clarify whether any attendance is required in South Africa before budgeting for relocation.

SOUTH AFRICA / SCHOLARSHIPS

Funding routes

Amounts and conditions refer to the intake shown. Check the current call and the cost left to fund.

Mandela Rhodes Scholarship

One-year honours or two-year master's

Support. Tuition and registration plus defined allowances for study materials, accommodation, meals, medical aid and personal costs; specified international travel support.

Eligibility. Citizens of African countries, normally aged 19-29 in the application year, with excellent undergraduate results and leadership potential.

Application. Apply through the Foundation's process and separately secure admission to a recognised South African higher education institution.

Conditions. Leadership-development participation is compulsory. University application fees, SAQA evaluation and visa costs are excluded. The Foundation's call identifies the entry cohort and application period.

DSTI-NRF postgraduate student funding

Master's and doctoral study under the annual call

Support. Full Cost of Study or Partial Cost of Study awards under the published category rules; international students are considered only within the restricted partial-cost allocation.

Eligibility. The 2027 call gives a minimum previous-degree result of 65%; citizenship, age, degree and award-specific conditions must also be met.

Application. Use the NRF application system and the host university's postgraduate funding office; internal deadlines may be earlier than the national deadline.

Conditions. Full-cost funding is limited to qualifying South African citizens and permanent residents. International funding is highly limited and partial, so admission must not be treated as a funding commitment.

Mastercard Foundation Scholars Program at UCT

First bachelor's and eligible taught postgraduate qualifications

Support. Comprehensive scholarship and academic, mentoring and leadership support, subject to the programme's award conditions.

Eligibility. The published 2027 call admits African citizens, including South Africans, with academic talent, financial barriers and community-service and leadership potential.

Application. Submit both the UCT academic application and the separate Scholars Program application; scholarship selection requires a university offer.

Conditions. The 2027 call excludes part-time study, research-only master's and PhDs. Undergraduate and postgraduate scholarship dates differ and do not extend the university's own admission deadline.

SOUTH AFRICA / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

Universities and institutions

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University of Cape Town

Cape Town / Public university / QS 2027: 184

Commerce; Engineering; Health sciences; Humanities

Academic Development Programme units provide language, numeracy and tutorial support, with faculty-specific extended curricula offering additional time and structured assistance for eligible students.

Private Bag X3, Rondebosch 7701, Cape Town, South Africa

uct.ac.za

University of the Witwatersrand

Johannesburg / Public university

Engineering; Health sciences; Humanities; Commerce

Mining Engineering combines geological and technical study with practical workshop training, providing a defined professional route within its wider engineering portfolio.

1 Jan Smuts Avenue, Braamfontein 2000, Johannesburg, South Africa

www.wits.ac.za

Stellenbosch University

Stellenbosch / Public university

Agriculture; Engineering; Medicine; Business

Interdisciplinary schools in data science and climate studies complement ten faculties, giving graduate applicants routes that connect several academic disciplines.

Private Bag X1, Stellenbosch 7599, South Africa

www.su.ac.za/en

University of Pretoria

Pretoria / Public university

Engineering; Veterinary science; Law; Agriculture

Veterinary science has a dedicated Onderstepoort setting, while the Gordon Institute of Business Science provides a separate postgraduate business-school environment.

Private Bag X20, Hatfield 0028, Pretoria, South Africa

www.up.ac.za

University of Johannesburg

Johannesburg / Public university

Business; Engineering; Design; Health sciences

Degree, diploma and online routes have distinct attendance and practical requirements, offering several qualification formats across its college and faculty structure.

PO Box 524, Auckland Park 2006, Johannesburg, South Africa

www.uj.ac.za

University of KwaZulu-Natal

Durban / Pietermaritzburg / Public university

Agriculture; Engineering; Health sciences; Humanities

Agribusiness combines production knowledge with finance and management, while separate agricultural-science routes focus more closely on plant science and related technical disciplines.

Private Bag X54001, Durban 4000, South Africa

ukzn.ac.za

Rhodes University

Makhanda / Public university

Humanities; Journalism; Pharmacy; Science

Ichthyology and fisheries science sit alongside journalism, pharmacy and traditional disciplines, offering specialist choices within a compact residential university setting.

PO Box 94, Makhanda 6140, Eastern Cape, South Africa

www.ru.ac.za

University of the Western Cape

Bellville / Cape Town / Public university

Dentistry; Community health; Law; Natural sciences

Dental teaching uses an oral-health clinical platform jointly managed with the provincial health department, connecting university training with public healthcare delivery.

Private Bag X17, Bellville 7535, South Africa

www.uwc.ac.za

Nelson Mandela University

Gqeberha / George / Public university

Ocean sciences; Engineering; Business; Health sciences

The Ocean Sciences Campus concentrates interdisciplinary coastal and marine work, while the George campus provides a separate environmental and sustainability setting.

PO Box 77000, Nelson Mandela University, Gqeberha 6031, South Africa

www.mandela.ac.za

North-West University

Mahikeng / Potchefstroom / Vanderbijlpark / Public university

Education; Engineering; Health sciences; Business

Contact and distance-learning routes serve different attendance needs; programme availability and language arrangements vary across its three-campus academic structure.

Private Bag X1290, Potchefstroom 2520, South Africa

www.nwu.ac.za

SOUTH AFRICA / ADDITIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Further study options

Additional institutions / location, institution type and official website

Cape Peninsula University of Technology
Cape Town / Bellville / Wellington / Public university of technology
www.cput.ac.za

Central University of Technology
Bloemfontein / Welkom / Public university of technology
www.cut.ac.za

Durban University of Technology
Durban / Pietermaritzburg / Public university of technology
www.dut.ac.za

Mangosuthu University of Technology
Umlazi / Durban / Public university of technology
www.mut.ac.za

Tshwane University of Technology
Pretoria / multiple campuses / Public university of technology
www.tut.ac.za

Vaal University of Technology
Vanderbijlpark / Public university of technology
www.vut.ac.za

University of South Africa
Pretoria / distance education / Public distance university
www.unisa.ac.za

University of Fort Hare
Alice / East London / Public university
www.ufh.ac.za

University of the Free State
Bloemfontein / Qwaqwa / Public university
www.ufs.ac.za

University of Limpopo
Mankweng / Public university
www.ul.ac.za

University of Venda
Thohoyandou / Public university
www.univen.ac.za

University of Zululand
KwaDlangezwa / Richards Bay / Public university
www.unizulu.ac.za

Walter Sisulu University
Mthatha / Buffalo City / Butterworth / Komani / Public university
www.wsu.ac.za/en

Sol Plaatje University
Kimberley / Public university
www.spu.ac.za

University of Mpumalanga
Mbombela / Siyabuswa / Public university
www.ump.ac.za

Sefako Makgatho Health Sciences University
Ga-Rankuwa / Public health-sciences university
www.smu.ac.za

STUDY IN TÜRKIYE

Türkiye

State and foundation universities with language-specific routes.



Koç University - Main plaza and student union / Jorge1767 / Public domain / cropped

Türkiye has state universities and non-profit foundation universities. Programmes are offered in Turkish and other languages, including English. A preparatory language year can precede degree study. International selection may use accepted school qualifications, examinations or both, under the university's published criteria.

ANNUAL FEES / ROUTE COMPARISON

Public engineering benchmark: USD 2,400

Foundation/private sample: USD 18,400-38,000

Published undergraduate benchmarks: METU public; Bilkent and Koc foundation universities. Tariff years differ. Confirmed scholarships can substantially reduce the payable fee.

LIVING / MONTH

TRY 20,000-35,000

Approx. US$ 410-710

Shared-flat planning guide in local currency. Rent, food and transport vary strongly between Ankara and Istanbul; campus dormitories can cost less. Recheck TRY prices close to departure.

Typical degree length

Bachelor's: 4 years
Master's: usually 1-2 years
Medicine: 6 years

Fields of study

Engineering; computing; business; medicine; humanities.

Academic entry

Middle East Technical University (METU) accepts specified school-qualification and examination routes, including SAT and TR-YÖS. TR-YÖS is the Examination for International Students. METU requires English evidence or preparation; IELTS tests taken from 24 December 2022 are not accepted for its English exemption.

Preparatory language study

A language-preparation year has its own teaching, assessment and progression requirements. Its tuition and living period can be additional to the degree. Government or university scholarships may specify separate benefits and duration during preparation and during the academic programme.

TÜRKIYE / EDUCATION AND ENTRY

Institutions and degree routes

State and foundation universities offer Turkish- and English-language routes, with separate international admissions arrangements.

About 360,000

International students hosted by Türkiye, from 198 countries; Council of Higher Education president statement. Rounded headcount, not an annual intake. Reporting period: November 2025 statement.

State and foundation institutions

Türkiye's Council of Higher Education, known as YÖK, coordinates the national higher-education system. The principal ownership categories are state universities and foundation universities established through non-profit foundations. The latter are often described internationally as private universities, but their statutory category is a foundation institution. Both appear in the Council's official Study in Türkiye directory. Universities may contain faculties, graduate schools, vocational schools and specialist institutes. Use the course record to confirm the teaching language and consult the relevant regulator before entering a licensed profession.

Duration and qualification levels

Associate degrees normally take two years; bachelor's degrees normally take four. Medicine takes six years, while dentistry and pharmacy normally take five. Postgraduate routes include master's degrees and doctorates, with thesis and non-thesis master's structures serving different purposes. A preparatory language year can increase the total time spent at university without changing the nominal length of the academic degree. International admission to a four-year English-taught bachelor's can therefore be followed by language preparation before the student begins first-year departmental modules.

How subject choice can be organised

Turkish institutions include comprehensive universities, technical universities, health-focused providers and fine-arts institutions. Some organise undergraduate study around direct admission to a department; others allow subject choice after a common academic foundation. Sabancı University's Foundations Development Programme, for example, introduces common university courses before students complete their chosen degree structure. Check the institution's rules for choosing or changing a major. Engineering, management, social science and design programmes can therefore have different first-year structures even when their eventual degree duration is the same.

Plan the English-preparation route

Middle East Technical University teaches in English, but it does not require an English-proficiency score merely to submit an undergraduate application. At registration, an admitted student without acceptable proficiency evidence can take the university's English examination. A student who does not meet the required standard attends the preparatory class. The university's published policy no longer accepts IELTS examinations taken from 24 December 2022 onward. Before booking a test, use METU's current list of accepted qualifications and minimum results.

TÜRKIYE / STUDENT LIFE AND PLANNING

Selection, tuition and funding

International tests are only one part of selection; fee schedules distinguish the university, subject and year of entry.

International selection is institution-specific

The Examination for Foreign Students for Higher Education in Türkiye, known as TR-YÖS, is administered by ÖSYM, the national assessment, selection and placement centre. Universities determine how it fits their international admissions. Middle East Technical University accepts specified national or international qualifications and publishes minimum application criteria; an eligible score establishes the right to apply rather than a guaranteed place. Its accepted entrance-examination results have a two-year validity rule, while school-diploma qualifications are treated differently. Meet the published minimums, then submit the complete application for assessment against available programme places.

A public-university fee example

Middle East Technical University's 2026-27 schedule charges newer international-quota entrants USD 1,200 per semester for engineering, architecture and specified science degrees. Two regular semesters therefore total USD 2,400. The corresponding rate for listed economics, administrative-science, education and selected humanities or social-science programmes is USD 800 per semester. Payment is made in Turkish lira under the university's stated conversion and minimum-fee rules. These figures apply to the named entry category and campuses; foundation-university prices and joint programmes follow separate schedules.

Ankara living costs: rent is included

Middle East Technical University's June 2026 guidance estimates TRY 20,000-35,000 a month for an Ankara student sharing an apartment with a moderate lifestyle. The estimate includes accommodation. Its separate basic-expenses estimate, excluding accommodation, is TRY 8,000-15,000 monthly. Use either the rent-inclusive estimate or a separate total of basic expenses plus your actual rent. The same guidance quotes a student bus or metro pass at TRY 400-600 per month and identifies the campus shuttle as free. Istanbul accommodation and private dormitories can follow substantially different price patterns.

Scholarship coverage has defined conditions

Türkiye Scholarships combines university placement with financial support that can include tuition, accommodation, health insurance, a Turkish-language course and a stipend, subject to the programme's rules. University awards have different structures. Bilkent offers international applicants tuition waivers in 20-percentage-point increments from 20% to 100%; a limited number of full-waiver recipients may also receive accommodation support. Continuing the tuition award requires the prescribed course load and at least a 2.00 annual grade-point average on a four-point scale. Accommodation scholarships have a higher continuation threshold.

TÜRKIYE / ADMISSION

Entry tests and application notes

Check which assessments your programme requires; official websites are listed below.

TR-YÖS

International undergraduate admission at accepting universities

Examination for Foreign Students for Higher Education in Türkiye, administered nationally by ÖSYM. Check the receiving institution's accepted scores and submit its required application for a place.

www.osym.gov.tr/SinavGrubu/Index/13

TOEFL / PTE Academic

English-medium programmes that accept these tests

Test of English as a Foreign Language and Pearson Test of English Academic provide language evidence. Middle East Technical University applies its own equivalence rules; recent IELTS tests are not accepted there.

www.ets.org/toefl.html
www.pearsonpte.com/

SAT or accepted school examinations

Institution-specific alternative entry evidence

Middle East Technical University lists accepted international and national qualifications. Check the qualification-specific threshold and score validity before submitting the university application.

satsuite.collegeboard.org/sat

University English proficiency examination

Admitted students needing language clearance

Middle East Technical University offers its own examination before departmental study. Failure to meet the required standard leads to English preparation under its published rules.

iso.metu.edu.tr/en/english-proficiency

TYS Turkish proficiency examination

Turkish-language evidence where accepted

Türkçe Yeterlik Sınavı is administered by Yunus Emre Institute and awards B2 or C1 proficiency certification. University acceptance and the required level are programme-specific.

www.tys.yee.org.tr/

Institutions and qualifications

Türkiye's higher education system includes state universities and nonprofit foundation institutions. The Council of Higher Education, YÖK, coordinates the system and maintains the institutional directory. Universities may contain faculties, graduate institutes, vocational schools, conservatories and research centres. Associate degrees normally take two years; bachelor's degrees generally take four, with longer structures in several professional fields. Graduate institutes administer master's and doctoral education. The national qualifications framework distinguishes academic, vocational and artistic qualifications, linking degree levels to learning outcomes and student workload.

TÜRKIYE / SCHOLARSHIPS

Funding routes

Amounts and conditions refer to the intake shown. Check the current call and the cost left to fund.

Türkiye Scholarships: full-time programmes

Associate, bachelor's, master's and doctorate

Support. Placement, tuition, accommodation, health insurance, Turkish preparation and approved flights. Published monthly stipends: TL6,500 undergraduate, TL9,500 master's and TL13,000 doctorate.

Eligibility. Minimum achievement: 70% undergraduate, 75% graduate, 90% medicine/dentistry/pharmacy. Age limits: under 21 undergraduate, 30 master's and 35 doctorate.

Application. Online application through the Türkiye Scholarships Application System, including academic records and programme preferences.

Conditions. Competitive. Current/former Turkish citizens and students already enrolled in Türkiye at the same level are ineligible. Graduate health-science programmes are excluded.

Sabancı international undergraduate admission scholarships

Undergraduate

Support. Partial or full tuition waiver for four undergraduate years and one English-preparation year. Dormitory funding is a separate award.

Eligibility. International applicants assessed on grades, examination results, references, interviews and documented academic accomplishments. No fixed score guarantees a scholarship percentage.

Application. Automatic assessment during admission; the admission letter also communicates the scholarship decision.

Conditions. Competitive selection despite automatic assessment. The standard award covers tuition only; disciplinary penalties can change scholarship status.

Bilkent scholarships for international students

Undergraduate

Support. Tuition waivers of 20%, 40%, 60%, 80% or 100%; limited accommodation awards for full-waiver recipients. Maximum: four preparatory semesters and ten undergraduate semesters.

Eligibility. International applicants assessed on school grades, examination scores and programme choices. Current or former Turkish citizenship excludes eligibility.

Application. Financial-assistance request within the international admission application, with supporting academic evidence.

Conditions. Tuition renewal requires the minimum curriculum load and annual GPA 2.00/4.00; accommodation requires 2.50. Attendance and disciplinary conditions apply. Later Turkish citizenship ends eligibility.

Sabancı graduate full scholarships

Academic master's and doctoral programmes

Support. Published 2026/27 full package: tuition waiver, dormitory, insurance and monthly stipend of TL43,500 for ten master's months; TL67,500 for twelve doctoral months, rising to TL75,000 after qualification.

Eligibility. Graduate applicants selected on academic merit by the programme admission jury and relevant graduate-school board.

Application. Scholarship assessment forms part of the graduate application and admission evaluation.

Conditions. Competitive packages. Professional graduate programmes are excluded from this academic funding scheme; project and Distinguished Science and Technology awards use separate stipend scales.

TÜRKIYE / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

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Middle East Technical University (METU)

Ankara / Public university

Engineering; Architecture; Natural sciences; Economics

English-medium teaching is supported by a School of Foreign Languages, with preparatory language study available alongside its disciplinary undergraduate and postgraduate programmes.

Üniversiteler Mahallesi, Dumlupınar Bulvarı No:1, 06800 Çankaya, Ankara, Türkiye

www.metu.edu.tr

Istanbul Technical University

Istanbul / Public university

Engineering; Architecture; Computing; Maritime studies

Architecture, mechanical engineering and maritime education have distinct specialist campus settings, making the selected school central to the student's practical learning environment.

Ayazağa Campus, Rectorate Building, 34467 Maslak, Istanbul, Türkiye

www.itu.edu.tr

Boğaziçi University

Istanbul / Public university

Engineering; Economics; Education; Arts and sciences

The Kandilli observatory adds a specialist geophysical research setting to a university whose engineering, education and social-science faculties occupy separate campuses.

34342 Bebek, Istanbul, Türkiye

bogazici.edu.tr

Ankara University

Ankara / Public university

Law; Political science; Medicine; Agriculture

Mülkiye brings economics, public administration and international relations together, while Language, History and Geography supports archaeology, linguistics and specialised language study.

Rectorate, Dögol Caddesi, 06100 Beşevler, Ankara, Türkiye

www.ankara.edu.tr

Hacettepe University

Ankara / Public university

Medicine; Dentistry; Engineering; Social sciences

Health-related teaching is concentrated at Sıhhiye, while Beytepe groups engineering and sciences with arts, communication and technology-development infrastructure.

Hacettepe University Rectorate, Sıhhiye, Ankara, Türkiye

www.hacettepe.edu.tr

Istanbul University

Istanbul / Public university

Medicine; Law; Economics; Humanities

A state conservatory sits alongside medicine, law and economics, giving the university distinct performing-arts and professional study routes through separate faculties.

Rectorate, Beyazıt Campus, 34452 Beyazıt, Fatih, Istanbul, Türkiye

www.istanbul.edu.tr

Ege University

Izmir / Public university

Medicine; Engineering; Agriculture; Science

Specialist institutes in solar energy, nuclear sciences and international computing extend postgraduate options beyond its conventional engineering and science departments.

Rectorate, Gençlik Caddesi No:12, 35040 Bornova, Izmir, Türkiye

ege.edu.tr

Dokuz Eylül University

Izmir / Public university

Engineering; Business; Medicine; Fine arts

Marine sciences, oncology, and biomedicine and genomics have dedicated institutes, providing focused research settings alongside professional faculties and a state conservatory.

Rectorate, Cumhuriyet Bulvarı No:144, 35210 Alsancak, Izmir, Türkiye

www.deu.edu.tr

Anadolu University

Eskişehir / Public university

Communication; Fine arts; Business; Education

A separate Open Education Faculty delivers associate and bachelor's programmes through distance learning, alongside conventional campus-based degree and conservatory study.

Yunus Emre Campus, 26210 Tepebaşı, Eskişehir, Türkiye

www.anadolu.edu.tr

Atatürk University

Erzurum / Public university

Medicine; Agriculture; Engineering; Education

An Open and Distance Education Faculty offers an alternative study mode alongside campus programmes, including professional agriculture, veterinary and teacher-education routes.

Rectorate, 25240 Yakutiye, Erzurum, Türkiye

atauni.edu.tr

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Karadeniz Technical University

Trabzon / Public university

Engineering; Forestry; Architecture; Medicine

Sürmene's marine-science faculty and specialist graduate institutes support study in marine technology, forensic sciences and Black Sea research alongside engineering.

Karadeniz Technical University, 61080 Trabzon, Türkiye

www.ktu.edu.tr

Gazi University

Ankara / Public university

Education; Engineering; Medicine; Health sciences

Specialist graduate institutes address accident prevention and neuroscience, extending postgraduate choices beyond the university's engineering, education and health-profession faculties.

Rectorate, Emniyet Mahallesi, Bandırma Caddesi No:6/1, 06560 Yenimahalle, Ankara, Türkiye

gazi.edu.tr

Akdeniz University

Antalya / Public university

Medicine; Tourism; Engineering; Agriculture

Organ-transplantation research and Mediterranean civilisations have dedicated institutes, providing distinctive postgraduate settings alongside tourism, agriculture and the health sciences.

Pınarbaşı Mahallesi, Dumlupınar Boulevard, 07070 Campus, Konyaaltı, Antalya, Türkiye

www.akdeniz.edu.tr

Selçuk University

Konya / Public university

Agriculture; Veterinary medicine; Engineering; Business

Veterinary training is organised from basic and preclinical sciences through clinical practice, food hygiene and animal nutrition within a dedicated faculty.

Alaeddin Keykubat Campus, Akademi Mahallesi, Yeni İstanbul Caddesi No:369, 42130 Selçuklu, Konya, Türkiye

selcuk.edu.tr

Çukurova University

Adana / Public university

Agriculture; Engineering; Medicine; Business

Engineering and veterinary provision in Ceyhan and business in Kozan complement the central campus, giving programmes distinct regional teaching settings.

Balcali Campus, Rectorate, 01250 Sarıçam, Adana, Türkiye

www.cu.edu.tr

İhsan Doğramacı Bilkent University

Ankara / Foundation university

Engineering; Business; Economics; Art and design

Music and performing arts have a dedicated faculty, placing conservatory-style study alongside molecular biology, engineering and other academic departments.

Bilkent University, 06800 Bilkent, Ankara, Türkiye

w3.bilkent.edu.tr

Koç University

Istanbul / Foundation university

Engineering; Business; Social sciences; Medicine

Medical students begin with three years at Rumelifeneri before clinical study, while nursing has a separate Health Sciences Campus with university-hospital facilities.

Rumelifeneri Yolu, 34450 Sarıyer, Istanbul, Türkiye

www.ku.edu.tr

Sabancı University

Istanbul / Foundation university

Engineering; Natural sciences; Social sciences; Management

Undergraduates complete a shared core before declaring a major, with the Foundations Development Programme also providing English preparation where needed.

Orta Mahalle, Üniversite Caddesi No:27, Tuzla, 34956 Istanbul, Türkiye

www.sabanciuniv.edu

Özyeğin University

Istanbul / Foundation university

Business; Engineering; Architecture; Aviation

Aviation and aeronautical sciences have a dedicated faculty, offering specialised professional study alongside engineering, business, law and design programmes.

Çekmeköy Campus, Nişantepe District, Orman Street, 34794 Çekmeköy, Istanbul, Türkiye

www.ozyegin.edu.tr

Bahçeşehir University

Istanbul / Foundation university

Engineering; Architecture; Communication; Business

A conservatory complements its professional faculties, providing performing-arts study alongside health, engineering and communication within the university's wider academic structure.

Yıldız, Çırağan Street, 34349 Beşiktaş, Istanbul, Türkiye

bau.edu.tr

TÜRKIYE / ADDITIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Further study options

Additional institutions / location, institution type and official website

Afyon Kocatepe University
Afyonkarahisar / State university
www.aku.edu.tr

Atılım University
Ankara / Foundation university
www.atilim.edu.tr

Aydın Adnan Menderes University
Aydın / State university
www.adu.edu.tr

Balıkesir University
Balıkesir / State university
www.balikesir.edu.tr

Başkent University
Ankara / Foundation university
www.baskent.edu.tr/tr

Bolu Abant İzzet Baysal University
Bolu / State university
www.ibu.edu.tr

Bursa Uludağ University
Bursa / State university
uludag.edu.tr

Doğuş University
İstanbul / Foundation university
www.dogus.edu.tr

Erciyes University
Kayseri / State university
www.erciyes.edu.tr

Eskişehir Osmangazi University
Eskişehir / State university
www.ogu.edu.tr

Fırat University
Elazığ / State university
www.firat.edu.tr

Galatasaray University
İstanbul / State university
www.gsu.edu.tr

Gaziantep University
Gaziantep / State university
www.gantep.edu.tr

Gebze Technical University
Gebze / State university
www.gtu.edu.tr

Haliç University
İstanbul / Foundation university
www.halic.edu.tr

Harran University
Şanlıurfa / State university
harran.edu.tr

Hatay Mustafa Kemal University
Hatay / State university
www.mku.edu.tr

Istanbul Beykent University
İstanbul / Foundation university
www.beykent.edu.tr

Istanbul Bilgi University
İstanbul / Foundation university
www.bilgi.edu.tr

Istanbul Kültür University
İstanbul / Foundation university
www.iku.edu.tr

Istanbul Okan University
İstanbul / Foundation university
www.okan.edu.tr

Işık University
İstanbul / Foundation university
www.isikun.edu.tr

İnönü University
Malatya / State university
inonu.edu.tr

İzmir Institute of Technology
İzmir / State university
iyte.edu.tr

İzmir University of Economics
İzmir / Foundation university
www.ieu.edu.tr/tr

Kadir Has University
İstanbul / Foundation university
international.khas.edu.tr

Kafkas University
Kars / State university
www.kafkas.edu.tr

Kahramanmaraş Sütçü İmam University
Kahramanmaraş / State university
www.ksu.edu.tr

Kocaeli University
Kocaeli / State university
www.kocaeli.edu.tr

Kütahya Dumlupınar University
Kütahya / State university
www.dpu.edu.tr

Kırıkkale University
Kırıkkale / State university
www.kku.edu.tr

Maltepe University
İstanbul / Foundation university
www.maltepe.edu.tr

Manisa Celal Bayar University
Manisa / State university
mcbu.edu.tr

Marmara University
İstanbul / State university
www.marmara.edu.tr

Mersin University
Mersin / State university
www.mersin.edu.tr

Mimar Sinan Fine Arts University
İstanbul / State university
www.msgsu.edu.tr

Muğla Sıtkı Koçman University
Muğla / State university
www.mu.edu.tr

Niğde Ömer Halisdemir University
Niğde / State university
www.ohu.edu.tr

Ondokuz Mayıs University
Samsun / State university
www.omu.edu.tr

Pamukkale University
Denizli / State university
www.pau.edu.tr

Sakarya University
Sakarya / State university
www.sakarya.edu.tr

Sivas Cumhuriyet University
Sivas / State university
www.cumhuriyet.edu.tr

Süleyman Demirel University
Isparta / State university
w3.sdu.edu.tr

TOBB University of Economics and Technology
Ankara / Foundation university
www.etu.edu.tr/tr

Tokat Gaziosmanpaşa University
Tokat / State university
www.gop.edu.tr

Trakya University
Edirne / State university
www.trakya.edu.tr

Ufuk University
Ankara / Foundation university
www.ufuk.edu.tr

Van Yüzüncü Yıl University
Van / State university
www.yyu.edu.tr

Yaşar University
İzmir / Foundation university
www.yasar.edu.tr

Yeditepe University
İstanbul / Foundation university
www.yeditepe.edu.tr/en

Yıldız Technical University
İstanbul / State university
www.yildiz.edu.tr

Zonguldak Bülent Ecevit University
Zonguldak / State university
w3.beun.edu.tr

Çanakkale Onsekiz Mart University
Çanakkale / State university
www.comu.edu.tr

Çankaya University
Ankara / Foundation university
www.cankaya.edu.tr

Çağ University
Mersin / Foundation university
www.cag.edu.tr

QATAR / DESTINATION PERSPECTIVE

Qatar

A national university system alongside specialist international campuses.

CURRENCY	MAIN HUB	START HERE
Qatari riyal (QAR)	Doha / Education City	Campus and degree

Qatar combines national universities with specialist international campuses in Education City. The choice is often between different educational models: a broad university, applied technical study or a small campus focused on one discipline. Start with the Qatar campus's degree list, teaching model and entry requirements; branch campuses offer selected programmes from their parent institutions.

Broad and applied study

Qatar University offers a wide range of disciplines. UDST concentrates on applied programmes, while HBKU combines graduate study with selected undergraduate routes. Compare the curriculum and qualification level before comparing institution names.

Education City

International campuses offer a selected portfolio of degrees. Georgetown focuses on international affairs; Northwestern offers media and communication; Weill Cornell provides medical education. Check the Qatar campus's degree title, curriculum and available specialisations.

A campus-specific decision

Read the Qatar-campus programme page, entry rules and cost schedule. Ask who awards the degree and which student services are locally available. Exchange or cross-registration opportunities have their own conditions.

Who may find a fit

Start with a clear academic interest: technology and computing, international affairs, media, design, medicine or another confirmed programme. Build the shortlist around course content and the learning environment, then test affordability across the full degree.

Before choosing your destination

For each Qatar option, record the local campus, degree-awarding institution, compulsory modules and full fees. Compare national universities and Education City campuses where both offer your subject. Add housing and any funding-service obligations before choosing.

OFFICIAL REFERENCES

Qatar University | UDST | Qatar Foundation

QATAR / EDUCATION AND ENTRY

From shortlist to enrolment

Check admission, immigration and work conditions before committing funds.

1 Check the programme

Apply to the chosen institution. School-certificate attestation or equivalency, subject preparation, English evidence and tests are programme specific. QU asks eligible self-funded international applicants to submit the student-visa application within the admissions window; admission paperwork alone may be insufficient. UDST requires the relevant school-certificate equivalency and uses programme entry criteria and English/mathematics assessment.

2 Confirm your evidence

Prepare the school or university transcript, qualification certificate, passport and any required English evidence. Ask which documents need attestation, translation or equivalency. Keep the institution's written instructions with your application record.

3 Read the offer

Identify academic conditions, deposit deadlines, refund rules and any foundation requirement. Confirm whether the offer is conditional and what must happen before the institution can begin visa or residence processing.

4 Arrange immigration

Coordinate admission, financial evidence, health documents and residence sponsorship with the university. QU's student sponsorship applies to the student and does not itself permit sponsorship of family members.

5 Verify the award

For medicine and other regulated programmes, verify the degree, clinical-training structure and professional eligibility in the intended destination country before paying a deposit. Confirm these requirements with the relevant regulator.

6 Prepare for arrival

Obtain written housing details, an arrival contact and the registration timetable. Carry the final offer, payment records and required original documents. Use the university’s arrival checklist to complete academic registration and residence formalities.

Work while studying

University student-employment schemes are limited opportunities, not a general countrywide entitlement. QU's programme caps work at 20 hours per week. Obtain written advice from the university before accepting any outside job or placement.

After graduation

Plan any post-graduation employment through the appropriate employer and immigration approvals. Confirm the application route and your residence status before the student permit expires.

OFFICIAL REFERENCES

QU student visas | UDST admission questions

QATAR / FUNDING AND STUDENT LIFE

Build a complete study budget

Use the stated institution, applicant category and credit load when calculating tuition.

Public national universities

NONCLINICAL BACHELOR'S / 30 CREDITS PER YEAR

QAR 36,000–48,000 per year

Qatar University charges QAR 1,200–1,600/credit for new students from Fall 2026. UDST international university-sponsored bachelor's rates of QAR 1,463–1,478/credit give QAR 43,890–44,340 for 30 credits. These are two-provider benchmarks; additional fees and clinical degrees are separate.

Private US branch campuses

FULL-TIME BACHELOR'S TUITION / 2026–27 / BEFORE AID

US$71,802–74,520 per academic year

Two-campus benchmark: Northwestern Qatar US$71,802; Georgetown Qatar US$74,520. Compulsory fees, housing, meals and insurance can add to tuition. Other branch campuses set their own charges.

Read the funding terms

Funding applications have separate eligibility rules. Read Qatar Foundation aid terms for repayment or service conditions: not every aid award is a scholarship. Confirm the award amount, duration and renewal requirements in writing.

Monthly living budget

QAR 3,800–6,000/month. Planning model: housing QAR 2,500–3,800; food QAR 900–1,500; transport and personal costs QAR 400–700. This selected budget is not a national average. Campus contracts and meal arrangements can change the total.

Resident or international?

Fee categories can depend on residence status as well as nationality. UDST distinguishes residents from international students sponsored by the university. Obtain your category in writing before multiplying a published credit rate by your course load.

Health and personal support

Review medical insurance, counselling, disability support and the academic-advising service before arrival. Ask whom to contact for residence issues, lost documents, financial difficulty or a change in circumstances.

Compare the full degree and the first payment

Add tuition, housing, living costs, insurance, administration, travel and contingency. Keep currencies and conversion dates visible. Compare like periods: per credit, semester, year or full programme.

OFFICIAL REFERENCES

QU | UDST | Northwestern Qatar | Georgetown Qatar

QATAR / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

Universities and institutions

Location • fields • profile • official website • selected QS 2027 overall ranks

Qatar University

Doha / Public university / QS 2027: 109

Arts; sciences; business; engineering

Tuition is calculated by the category of each course, so the programme's credit mix matters when estimating the overall study budget.

University Street, P.O. Box 2713, Doha, Qatar

www.qu.edu.qa

Hamad Bin Khalifa University

Education City, Doha / Private non-profit university

Engineering; science; health; humanities

A graduate-research emphasis is complemented by selected undergraduate engineering routes, requiring applicants to distinguish carefully between first-degree and postgraduate entry.

Education City, P.O. Box 34110, Doha, Qatar

www.hbku.edu.qa/en

University of Doha for Science and Technology

Doha / Public applied university

Engineering technology; business; computing; health sciences

Applied diplomas, bachelor's and master's degrees provide several qualification levels, with progression and entry requirements defined separately for each programme.

Al Tarafa, Jelaiah Street, Duhail North, P.O. Box 24449, Doha, Qatar

www.udst.edu.qa

Carnegie Mellon University in Qatar

Education City, Doha / International university campus

Artificial intelligence; biological sciences; business; computer science

Selected Carnegie Mellon undergraduate degrees are delivered in Education City, with computing entrants following the campus's defined artificial-intelligence and computer-science structure.

Education City, P.O. Box 24866, Doha, Qatar

www.qatar.cmu.edu

Georgetown University in Qatar

Education City, Doha / International university campus

International economics; politics; history; culture

Its four-year Foreign Service degree combines an international-affairs core, language study and a choice of majors within a focused undergraduate curriculum.

Education City, P.O. Box 23689, Doha, Qatar

www.qatar.georgetown.edu

Northwestern University in Qatar

Education City, Doha / International university campus

Communication; journalism; strategic communication

Media and communication degrees combine practical production with liberal-arts study, giving students both creative training and a broader analytical academic foundation.

Education City, P.O. Box 34102, Doha, Qatar

www.qatar.northwestern.edu

Weill Cornell Medicine–Qatar

Education City, Doha / International medical campus

Pre-medical and medical education

The six-year medical pathway integrates premedical preparation with medical study and leads to Cornell's MD, providing entry directly after suitable school preparation.

Education City, P.O. Box 24144, Doha, Qatar

qatar-weill.cornell.edu

Virginia Commonwealth University School of the Arts in Qatar

Education City, Doha / International arts campus

Art; graphic and interior design; art history; graduate design

BFA study begins with a common Art Foundation year, building shared creative skills before students progress into their chosen design or arts discipline.

Canvus, Education City, Al Luqta, Qatar

qatar.vcu.edu

CYPRUS / DESTINATION PERSPECTIVE

Cyprus

Republic of Cyprus: compare language, accreditation and the exact campus.

CURRENCY	MAIN CITIES	START HERE
Euro (EUR)	**Nicosia · Limassol · Larnaca · Pafos**	**Programme language**

This chapter covers institutions and rules in the Republic of Cyprus. Check the exact campus and jurisdiction before applying: universities in the northern part of the island operate within a different administrative and recognition context. Use the CYQAA programme register to verify accreditation within the Republic of Cyprus.

Public university routes

Public institutions offer a substantial research and teaching environment, but many undergraduate options require Greek. An applicant seeking English-taught study should start with the programme page and its entry route, rather than using a countrywide shortlist.

Private university routes

Private universities offer a range of English-taught programmes. Compare the modules, assessment, class location and qualification title. Ask whether a proposed foundation year is a separate course and what progression conditions apply.

The campus matters

Confirm that the offer names the campus where teaching will take place. Where the institution operates in more than one country, use the correct tuition schedule and immigration process. Request a fee schedule naming the same campus and programme as the offer.

Professional study

Medicine, dentistry, nursing, law and other regulated fields need an additional licensing review. Ask where clinical or practical training takes place and how its duration and documentation meet the rules in the country where you intend to work.

Before choosing your destination

For each Cyprus option, record the campus, CYQAA accreditation, teaching language and any foundation requirement. Compare total fees after confirmed bursaries, clinical or practical training, and recognition in your intended country of work.

OFFICIAL REFERENCES

CYQAA programme register | Higher Education Department

CYPRUS / EDUCATION AND ENTRY

From shortlist to enrolment

Check admission, immigration and work conditions before committing funds.

1 Check the programme

Public and private institutions offer different language routes. Many public undergraduate programmes require Greek, while selected English-taught options are available across institutions and levels. Search by programme language, campus, degree and mode of study, then confirm the language of compulsory modules and practical training.

2 Confirm your evidence

Prepare the school or university transcript, qualification certificate, passport and any required English evidence. Ask which documents need attestation, translation or equivalency. Keep the institution's written instructions with your application record.

3 Read the offer

Identify academic conditions, deposit deadlines, refund rules and any foundation requirement. Confirm whether the offer is conditional and what must happen before the institution can begin visa or residence processing.

4 Arrange immigration

For third-country nationals, the institution submits the entry-permit application for an eligible full-time recognised higher-education programme. The migration authority states that a complete entry-permit application is examined within one month; allow time for documents and other requirements, and do not treat this as a guaranteed travel date.

5 Verify the award

Use the Cyprus Agency of Quality Assurance and Accreditation in Higher Education (CYQAA) lists to check the exact programme, teaching language and accreditation period. Check home-country recognition and professional licensing separately. A distance-learning programme should not be assumed to qualify for a student residence permit.

6 Prepare for arrival

Obtain written housing details, an arrival contact and the registration timetable. Carry the final offer, payment records and required original documents. Confirm with the institution when to complete enrolment and the remaining residence formalities.

Work while studying

The published Labour decree covers full-time third-country students already in Cyprus by 1 December 2024: up to 20 hours weekly during classes and 38 during breaks, in listed jobs with contract approval. New arrivals must obtain current written eligibility advice.

After graduation

After a master's degree (EQF 7) or higher, eligible graduates may apply for up to 12 months of job search or entrepreneurship. The route excludes bachelor's graduates.

OFFICIAL REFERENCES

Cyprus Migration: students | Labour: student employment

CYPRUS / FUNDING AND STUDENT LIFE

Build a complete study budget

Compare the applicant category, teaching language and tuition remaining after a confirmed bursary.

Public universities

NON-EU BACHELOR'S TUITION / PUBLISHED ANNUAL RATE

EUR 6,834 per academic year

The University of Cyprus and Cyprus University of Technology publish this non-EU undergraduate rate. Many bachelor's routes require Greek. Government-funded EU fee treatment does not apply to every international applicant.

Private universities

SELECTED NONCLINICAL BACHELOR'S / 60 ECTS / 2026–27

EUR 9,950–10,800 per academic year before aid

UCLan Cyprus: EUR 9,950 original fee; EUR 9,000 after its general bursary. University of Nicosia: business EUR 10,320; computing/engineering EUR 10,800. These are programme benchmarks, not a national average; architecture and clinical degrees can cost more.

Keep the bursary visible

Show the original tuition and the confirmed reduction as two separate figures. Ask whether the award renews automatically, depends on marks or applies only to the first year. Keep an undiscounted fallback budget until the written award is received.

Monthly living budget

EUR 900–1,400/month. Planning model: rent/utilities EUR 400–700, food and daily costs EUR 400–600, study/insurance allowance EUR 100. CUT publishes a lower EUR 800–1,000 guide; UCLan allows EUR 500 before housing. Obtain a current room quotation.

Fund the first year securely

Fund tuition before relying on student work. Immigration rules, approved work categories and the availability of suitable shifts may limit earnings. Confirm the evidence of maintenance funds required for your application.

Allow for the smaller bills

Include residence administration, insurance, medical checks, course materials, travel and a contingency. Ask which payments are refundable if admission, visa approval or personal circumstances change.

Calculate both annual costs and arrival payments

Add tuition, housing, living costs, insurance, administration, travel and contingency. Keep currencies and conversion dates visible. Compare like periods: per credit, semester, year or full programme.

OFFICIAL REFERENCES

UCY | CUT fees/living | UCLan Cyprus | University of Nicosia

CYPRUS / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

Universities and institutions

Location • fields • profile • official website • selected QS 2027 overall ranks

University of Cyprus
Nicosia / Public university / QS 2027: 525
Humanities; sciences; business; engineering
Greek is important for undergraduate entry, while selected postgraduate programmes use English, giving the two study levels substantially different language choices.
1 Panepistimiou Avenue, 2109 Aglantzia, Nicosia, Cyprus
www.ucy.ac.cy

Cyprus University of Technology
Limassol / Public university
Technology; applied sciences; health; business
An English-taught three-year Hospitality and Tourism Management advanced diploma offers a vocational route alongside the university's separate bachelor's and postgraduate programmes.
30 Archbishop Kyprianos Street, 3036 Limassol, Cyprus
www.cut.ac.cy

University of Nicosia
Nicosia / Private university
Business; computing; humanities; health
Campus-based and distance degrees offer different attendance models, with separate programme and fee arrangements for Nicosia, Athens and online study.
46 Makedonitissas Avenue, 2417 Nicosia, Cyprus
www.unic.ac.cy

European University Cyprus
Nicosia / Private university
Business; economics; computing; health
English-taught options include economics and finance, computer information systems and dentistry, providing both general academic and regulated professional study routes.
6 Diogenous Street, 2404 Engomi, Nicosia, Cyprus
euc.ac.cy

Frederick University
Nicosia and Limassol / Private university
Engineering; business; arts; education
Architectural Engineering follows a five-year integrated master's structure, culminating in an independent design thesis rather than a shorter general design degree.
7 Y. Frederickou Street, Pallouriotisa, 1036 Nicosia, Cyprus
frederick.ac.cy/en

Neapolis University Pafos
Pafos / Private university
Business; finance; computing; architecture
Business Administration is available in English or Greek, while campus-based and distance programmes provide different language and attendance combinations across the catalogue.
2 Danais Avenue, 8042 Pafos, Cyprus
www.nup.ac.cy

UCLan Cyprus
Pyla, Larnaca / Private university
Business; law; computing; engineering
The British–Cypriot model includes double-award arrangements, allowing students to compare programme-specific qualifications and requirements within a combined university framework.
12–14 University Avenue, Pyla, 7080 Larnaka, Cyprus
www.uclancyprus.ac.cy

University of Limassol
Limassol / Private university
Business; management; related graduate study
The BBA combines a general business foundation with thematic concentrations, requiring completion of four courses in the chosen area of specialisation.
92 Agias Fylaxeos, 3025 Limassol, Cyprus
www.uol.ac.cy/en

STUDY IN BRAZIL

Brazil

Broad research options with Portuguese at the centre.

Brazil has federal and state public universities alongside private institutions, often with several teaching campuses. Portuguese is central to many degree routes. The specific qualification and admission pathway distinguish undergraduate, research and specialist study.



Clock Tower and Rectory, University of São Paulo / Photograph by Mike Peel (www.mikepeel.net) / CC BY-SA 4.0 / cropped

Academic entry

Routes include the vestibular, Enem/Sisu, programme-level postgraduate selection and eligible international schemes. Foreign-document and Portuguese requirements belong to the selected admission route.

ANNUAL FEES / ROUTE COMPARISON

Public degree tuition: BRL 0

Public undergraduate and stricto sensu research tuition commonly costs zero. Private degrees and fee-charging specialisations have programme-specific tariffs; Portuguese-language preparation may be needed.

LIVING / MONTH

BRL 1,500–4,000

Approx. US$ 290–770

Full student-living planning band combining Sao Carlos guidance and Sao Paulo housing/daily-cost allowances. Includes rent, utilities, food and transport; it replaces the previous housing-only figure.

Typical degree length

Many bachelor's programmes take 4-6 years; master's commonly 2. Technology, teacher-education and specialised programmes differ.

Fields of study

Engineering; agriculture; environmental sciences; health; business; humanities.

Funding living costs

PEC-G, Brazil's international undergraduate cooperation programme, offers eligible students tuition-free places. Budget for housing, food, travel and insurance, then deduct only maintenance support confirmed under an applicable award.

BRAZIL / EDUCATION AND ENTRY

Qualifications and entry routes

Portuguese proficiency, the award type and the admission pathway determine the practical shortlist.

The undergraduate award matters

Brazilian undergraduate education includes bacharelado, licenciatura and higher-technology degrees. A bacharelado prepares students across an academic or professional field; a licenciatura is directed towards teacher education for basic education. Higher-technology programmes concentrate on specialised professional areas and are higher-education qualifications, not simply secondary vocational courses. Many bachelor's programmes last four to six years, depending on the field, while other structures differ. Confirm the exact qualification, workload and professional purpose. Compare the original Portuguese award title, curriculum and recognised purpose when evaluating similarly translated degrees.

Portuguese and language evidence

Portuguese preparation is important for lectures, assessment and daily administration. For study in English, confirm that the full degree's compulsory modules and assessments are available in that language. Celpe-Bras is the Brazilian government's Portuguese-proficiency certificate and assesses integrated communication through written and oral components. Whether it is required, and at what stage, depends on the admission route and programme. PEC-PLE provides a prescribed Portuguese-preparation pathway linked to eligible PEC-G selection. Check which certification and result must be obtained at the end of language preparation.

Choose the correct admission pathway

Universities use different routes for full-degree entry, including their own vestibular examinations, selection using Enem results and specific international programmes. Sisu allocates participating public institutions' places using Enem scores; it is a selection system rather than a separate examination. Its 2026 rules accept qualifying results from the preceding three Enem editions. International applicants should check documentary and examination eligibility directly with the institution. PEC-G is a separate cooperation route for eligible partner-country applicants. For an exchange, follow the home and host institutions' nomination process; for a full degree, use the applicable degree-admission route.

Research degrees and specialisations

Brazil distinguishes stricto sensu postgraduate degrees, including mestrado and doutorado, from lato sensu specialisations. A specialisation commonly marketed as an MBA leads to a certificate; it should not automatically be treated as equivalent to a research master's diploma. Research programmes publish their own selection notices, which may consider academic records, research interests, language evidence and a proposed supervisor. Compare the required first degree with the programme's research, language and selection criteria. Check recognised master's and doctoral programmes through CAPES's Sucupira system and read the individual programme's current notice.

BRAZIL / STUDENT LIFE AND PLANNING

Budget and academic planning

A tuition-free route still requires a funded move, the right teaching location and a workable study plan.

Tuition is only part of the cost

Public undergraduate and stricto sensu routes commonly operate without tuition, including for admitted international students. USP's computer-science graduate guidance, for example, states that its degrees are free of tuition for Brazilian and foreign students. This does not make every course at a public institution free: continuing-education specialisations can charge fees, and private universities have their own tuition schedules. Separate tuition from application charges, documents, travel, insurance, housing and living expenses. For a PEC-G place, identify the source of support for accommodation, meals and other living costs.

Budget for the actual teaching campus

Living costs vary considerably by city, neighbourhood and accommodation arrangement, so a national headline range can mislead. As one current example, FEA-USP's 2026 exchange fact sheet lists nearby residence accommodation at about BRL 2,150 monthly for shared housing and BRL 2,750 for a single option. These are São Paulo housing figures, not total living costs or national prices. Add food, transport, utilities where excluded, insurance and initial deposits. Ask the host office about current accommodation options and eligibility, then check the commute to the actual teaching campus before signing.

Attendance, assessment and course planning

Brazilian institutions publish their own grading, attendance and credit rules; a familiar numerical scale does not establish the same passing threshold everywhere. UFSC undergraduate guidance uses a zero-to-ten scale, with at least 6.0 and 75% attendance required to pass. FEA-USP's undergraduate guide instead specifies at least 5.0 and 70% attendance. Course registration can be capacity-limited, and research postgraduate work may involve substantial reading and writing beyond class time. Exchange students should agree credit recognition with their home institution and avoid assuming a universal conversion between Brazilian credits and ECTS.

Recognition and immigration checks

Use the official e-MEC database to check the institution and undergraduate course, including the location and applicable authorising acts. Master's and doctoral recognition is checked through CAPES and Sucupira. Professional practice can involve additional requirements, including formal handling of a prior foreign qualification through the relevant recognition process. Immigration is separate: establish the appropriate visa or residence route with the Brazilian authorities for your nationality and activity. Study-visa holders must complete the required Federal Police registration after arrival. Keep the academic offer, immigration documents and any professional-recognition requirements together in the application record.

BRAZIL / ADMISSION

Entry tests and application notes

Check which assessments your programme requires; official websites are listed below.

Enem and Sisu

Programmes using Enem scores, including places offered through Sisu.

Enem is the examination; Sisu is the selection system. For 2026, qualifying scores from Enem 2023, 2024 or 2025 can be used under the published rules. Check future notices rather than carrying the same calendar forward.

www.gov.br/mec/pt-br/acesso-a-informacao/perguntas-frequentes/sisu/notas-do-enem/quem-nao-fez-o-enem

Vestibular and institutional selection

Universities and programmes with their own admission procedures.

Institution-specific entrance examinations and selection notices can operate alongside national-score routes. Applicants must check the provider's current route, subjects, registration documents and any additional aptitude assessment.

www.fuvest.br/vestibular-da-usp/2/

Celpe-Bras

Applicants whose programme or cooperation route requires Portuguese certification.

Government Portuguese-proficiency examination with written and oral components. Required certification level, exemptions and submission timing depend on the receiving programme and selection route.

www.gov.br/inep/pt-br/acesso-a-informacao/perguntas-frequentes/celpe-bras

Exchange or full-degree study

An international cooperation agreement can support a temporary study period without creating a route to a complete Brazilian qualification. Exchange applicants normally work through their home institution and the host mobility office, while degree applicants follow the university or government programme's admission procedure. The office that issues an exchange acceptance letter may not decide full-degree admission. Establish the intended status before collecting documents, selecting modules or assuming tuition treatment, and ask how the resulting study will be recorded on a transcript.

Cash flow before a grant begins

Treat an expected grant as uncertain until the formal award and payment arrangements are confirmed. List the accommodation, food and arrival costs remaining after any confirmed grant. For a family-funded plan, identify who will cover travel, deposits, insurance and the first months while local administrative arrangements are completed. PROMISAES is a targeted contribution rather than a complete budget; PEC-PG has its own benefit package. Keep a contingency reserve and confirm the host institution's practical arrival instructions before committing to non-refundable travel.

BRAZIL / SCHOLARSHIPS

Funding routes

Amounts and conditions refer to the intake shown. Check the current call and the cost left to fund.

PEC-G tuition-free undergraduate places

Eligible full undergraduate programmes at participating Brazilian institutions

Support. A tuition-free degree place; living costs and travel need separate financing.

Eligibility. Partner-country citizens residing abroad who meet nationality, age, secondary-school and Portuguese conditions; Brazilian-nationality and family-nationality exclusions apply.

Application. Apply through the responsible Brazilian diplomatic post under the current PEC-G/PEC-PLE notice.

Conditions. Not an automatic maintenance scholarship. Financial-responsibility evidence is required. The scheme anticipates return home after graduation; verify the current call before assuming a 2027 place.

PEC-PG postgraduate scholarships

Full master's, full doctorate and doctoral research-mobility places under the relevant call

Support. The 2026-entry call pays BRL 2,100 monthly for master's or BRL 3,100 for doctorate, plus BRL 400 for health insurance and MRE-funded return travel.

Eligibility. Applicants from participating countries meeting the call's nationality, residence, academic and programme-selection requirements. Brazilian-nationality restrictions and host-programme acceptance conditions apply.

Application. Choose from the published participating places and complete the CAPES application and host-institution selection under the current notice.

Conditions. Competitive. Benefits are for 2026 entry; check the call for your intake. Language evidence, allowed funding combinations, duration and return obligations must be checked in the applicable call.

PROMISAES maintenance assistance

PEC-G undergraduates already enrolled at participating federal institutions

Support. Published support of BRL 622 per month, subject to the institution's call. A 2026 UFCG round confirms this rate for a defined six-month award period.

Eligibility. Eligible PEC-G students at participating federal institutions; academic performance, socioeconomic need, regular immigration status and local call conditions affect selection.

Application. Apply to the host federal university's PROMISAES selection process, supplying the evidence requested in its published notice.

Conditions. Limited maintenance assistance, not full living-cost coverage. Availability and duration are local and budget-dependent; the cited 2026 UFCG application round has closed. It is not an admission scholarship open to every international applicant.

BRAZIL / UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY

Universities and institutions

Location • fields • profile • official website • selected QS 2027 overall ranks

Universidade de São Paulo (USP)

São Paulo / multiple cities in São Paulo state / Public state university / QS 2027: 133

Engineering; Medicine; Humanities; Natural sciences

International support is shared between central and faculty offices, making the intended school the key contact for course selection and mobility arrangements.

Rua da Reitoria, 374, Cidade Universitária, São Paulo, SP 05508-220, Brazil

www.usp.br

Universidade Estadual de Campinas (Unicamp)

Campinas / Limeira / Piracicaba / Public state university

Engineering; Computing; Biomedical sciences; Humanities

Dentistry is based in Piracicaba and applied sciences and technology in Limeira, giving specialist students different teaching settings from the main Campinas campus.

International Office, Rua Josué de Castro, 120, Cidade Universitária, Campinas, SP 13083-861, Brazil

www.unicamp.br

Universidade Estadual Paulista (Unesp)

Multiple cities in São Paulo state / Public state university

Agriculture; Veterinary medicine; Engineering; Humanities

A distributed faculty model spreads specialist study across São Paulo state, including agricultural and veterinary centres separate from engineering and arts locations.

Rua Quirino de Andrade, 215, Centro, São Paulo, SP 01049-010, Brazil

www.unesp.br

Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro (UFRJ)

Rio de Janeiro / Macaé / Duque de Caxias / Public federal university

Engineering; Health sciences; Natural sciences; Humanities

A university hospital complex supports clinical disciplines, while distinct academic centres group technology, humanities and scientific study across several teaching locations.

Rua Antônio Barros de Castro, 119, Cidade Universitária, Rio de Janeiro, RJ 21941-853, Brazil

ufrj.br

Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais (UFMG)

Belo Horizonte / Montes Claros / Public federal university

Engineering; Health sciences; Humanities; Arts

International services include Portuguese-language and arrival support, while agricultural sciences has a separate Montes Claros setting from most Belo Horizonte programmes.

Avenida Antônio Carlos, 6627, Pampulha, Belo Horizonte, MG 31270-901, Brazil

www.ufmg.br

Universidade Federal de Santa Catarina (UFSC)

Florianópolis / four other Santa Catarina cities / Public federal university

Engineering; Health sciences; Humanities; Agriculture

Mobility engineering in Joinville and rural sciences in Curitibanos provide specialised regional routes alongside the broader academic portfolio in Florianópolis.

Campus Universitário Reitor João David Ferreira Lima, Trindade, Florianópolis, SC 88040-900, Brazil

ufsc.br

Universidade de Brasília (UnB)

Brasília and other Federal District locations / Public federal university

Engineering; Health sciences; International relations; Natural sciences

Selected engineering routes offer double-degree agreements with overseas institutions, including ENSICAEN, with study plans agreed between the participating academic programmes.

International Affairs Office, Campus Universitário Darcy Ribeiro, Reitoria, Asa Norte, Brasília, DF 70910-900, Brazil

www.unb.br

Universidade Federal do Paraná (UFPR)

Curitiba / multiple Paraná locations / Public federal university

Engineering; Law; Health sciences; Environmental sciences

International services include Portuguese-language support and reception for migrant students, complementing a faculty network spread across Curitiba and other Paraná locations.

International Relations Office, Rua Dr. Faivre, 405, 2nd floor, Curitiba, PR 80060-140, Brazil

ufpr.br

Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio de Janeiro (PUC-Rio)

Rio de Janeiro / Private Catholic university

Engineering; Economics; Computer science; Design

Additional Domains let undergraduates complete a defined group of electives in another field, adding a second area of study to their main degree.

Rua Marquês de São Vicente, 225, Gávea, Rio de Janeiro, RJ 22453-900, Brazil

www.puc-rio.br

Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio Grande do Sul (PUCRS)

Porto Alegre / Private non-profit community Catholic university

Business; Law; Technology; Health sciences

Research master's and doctoral routes sit alongside specialisation and MBA study, allowing postgraduate applicants to compare qualifications with different purposes and structures.

Avenida Ipiranga, 6681, Partenon, Porto Alegre, RS 90619-900, Brazil

portal.pucrs.br

BRAZIL / ADDITIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Further study options

Additional institutions / location, institution type and official website

Universidade Federal da Bahia
Salvador / Public federal university
ufba.br

Universidade Federal de Pernambuco
Recife / Public federal university
www.ufpe.br

Universidade Federal do Ceará
Fortaleza / Public federal university
www.ufc.br/pt

Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Norte
Natal / Public federal university
www.ufrn.br

Universidade Federal do Pará
Belém / Public federal university
ufpa.br

Universidade Federal do Amazonas
Manaus / Public federal university
ufam.edu.br

Universidade Federal do Espírito Santo
Vitória / Public federal university
www.ufes.br

Universidade Federal Fluminense
Niterói / Public federal university
www.uff.br

Universidade Federal de São Carlos
São Carlos / Public federal university
www.ufscar.br

Universidade Federal de Viçosa
Viçosa / Public federal university
www.ufv.br

Universidade Federal de Lavras
Lavras / Public federal university
ufla.br

Universidade Federal do ABC
Santo André / São Bernardo do Campo / Public federal university
www.ufabc.edu.br

Universidade Federal de Santa Maria
Santa Maria / Public federal university
www.ufsm.br

Universidade Federal de Pelotas
Pelotas / Public federal university
portal.ufpel.edu.br

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Goiânia / Public federal university
ufg.br

Universidade Federal de Uberlândia
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ufu.br

Universidade Federal de Juiz de Fora
Juiz de Fora / Public federal university
www2.ufjf.br/ufjf

Universidade Estadual de Londrina
Londrina / Public state university
portal.uel.br

Universidade Estadual de Maringá
Maringá / Public state university
www.uem.br

Universidade Federal de Campina Grande
Campina Grande / Public federal university
www.gov.br/ufcg/pt-br

MOBILITY REFERENCE 1 / 3

Study and work permissions

Selected applicant categories; checked 17 October 2026. Intakes are programme-specific and processing varies. Recheck the linked official sources before applying.

United States

Intakes: Course-specific; follow the start date on Form I-20.
Timing: Check consular appointment waits; additional processing may be needed.
Work: F-1: normally 20 hours weekly on campus in term; off-campus authorisation required.
Graduate route: OPT up to 12 months; qualifying STEM extension 24 months. September 2026 admission changes have transition rules: check I-94 and your school adviser.
Funds: Evidence must cover the I-20 amount; no single national maintenance figure.

Sources: travel.state.gov: student visa | ecfr.gov: F-1 rules

United Kingdom

Intakes: Follow course and CAS deadlines. Timing: Check visa processing times. Work: Eligible degree students may work 20 hours weekly in term; other categories differ. Graduate route: Eligible applications by 31 December 2026 receive two years; from 1 January 2027, 18 months.

Doctorates: three years.
Funds: GBP1,529/month in London or GBP1,171 elsewhere, up to nine months, plus unpaid fees; holding-period rules apply.

Sources: gov.uk: funds | work rules | graduate visa

Canada

Intakes: Programme-specific; use the institution's current admission calendar.
Timing: Use IRCC's current estimator for your application category and location.
Work: Eligible students: up to 24 hours weekly off campus in term; qualifying breaks differ.
Graduate route: PGWP up to three years; institution, programme, language and other eligibility rules apply. DLI status alone is insufficient.
Funds: From 1 September 2026: CAD23,448 for one applicant outside Quebec, excluding tuition and travel.

Sources: canada.ca: timing | work | PGWP | funds

Australia

Intakes: Course-specific; follow the Confirmation of Enrolment (CoE).
Timing: Use the Home Affairs estimator; check onshore/family restrictions introduced on 2 October 2026.
Work: Normally 48 hours per fortnight during study; research-degree exceptions and visa conditions apply.
Graduate route: Eligible subclass 485 graduates: generally two or three years; qualification, age and nationality can change eligibility/duration.
Funds: Use the current financial-capacity checklist for tuition, living costs, travel and any accompanying family.

Sources: immi.homeaffairs.gov.au: student | timing | October rules | 485

Build the full course budget separately; check work and graduate-route eligibility for your applicant category.

MOBILITY REFERENCE 2 / 3

Study and work permissions

Selected applicant categories; checked 17 October 2026. Intakes are programme-specific and processing varies. Recheck the linked official sources before applying.

Germany

Intakes: Course-specific; check programme and international-application deadlines.
Timing: Check the responsible mission; university/VPD assessment is separate from the visa decision.
Work: University students: up to 140 full or 280 half days yearly; alternative calculations may apply.
Graduate route: Eligible graduates of German institutions may seek skilled employment for up to 18 months.
Funds: Admitted-student benchmark: EUR11,904 in 2026; accepted alternatives exist. The university-place-seeker route has a different threshold.

Sources: make-it-in-germany.com: study and graduate routes

Italy

Intakes: University-specific; complete applicable Universitaly pre-enrolment.
Timing: Follow the competent Italian mission's appointment and document guidance.
Work: Study residence permit: up to 20 hours weekly and 1,040 hours annually.
Graduate route: Eligible Italian qualifications can support a 9-12-month job-search/business permit; apply under the relevant rules.
Funds: University-enrolment visas, 2026/27 and 2027/28: EUR10,179.85 for the first year. Other study categories differ.

Sources: esteri.it: study | integrazionemigranti.gov.it: graduate route

France

Intakes: Programme-specific; check the applicable admissions and visa procedure.
Timing: Use the responsible visa office's current guidance; allow for appointment and document checks.
Work: Relevant student permission: normally up to 964 hours yearly. Algerian and other exceptions apply.
Graduate route: Eligible French qualifications can support a one-year job-search/business permit; nationality and qualification rules apply.
Funds: EUR877.50/month for long-stay student applications from 1 August 2026; specific exceptions apply.

Sources: service-public.gouv.fr: student/funds | work | graduate route

Netherlands

Intakes: Institution-specific; an IND-recognised educational sponsor submits the application.
Timing: IND student decision period: 60 days, extendable; institution/MVV steps add time.
Work: Employer TWV required: choose 16 hours weekly OR full-time June-August employment.
Graduate route: Eligible graduates can apply within three years for a one-year orientation permit; it cannot be extended.
Funds: University/HBO study norm in 2026: EUR1,130.77 monthly, excluding tuition; normally prove 12 months.

Sources: ind.nl: student | funds | proof | orientation year

Ireland

Intakes: Provider-specific; verify the programme's immigration eligibility.
Timing: Where required, apply for the study visa up to three months before travel; check the local queue.
Work: Stamp 2: 20 hours weekly; 40 in June-September and 15 December-15 January.
Graduate route: Eligible Irish Level 8: 12 months; Level 9+: up to 24, subject to conditions and renewal.
Funds: For a full academic year, visa applicants need EUR10,000 living funds, plus fees and later-year funding.

Sources: irishimmigration.ie: study/work | visa | funds | graduates

Build the full course budget separately; check work and graduate-route eligibility for your applicant category.

MOBILITY REFERENCE 3 / 3

Study and work permissions

Selected applicant categories; checked 17 October 2026. Intakes are programme-specific and processing varies. Recheck the linked official sources before applying.

New Zealand

Intakes: Provider-specific; follow the confirmed offer of place.
Timing: Use the live INZ estimator; INZ recommends applying three months before travel.
Work: Eligible visas: up to 25 hours weekly; older 20-hour conditions require an approved change.
Graduate route: Post Study Work Visa: up to three years, once only. Additional graduate-diploma eligibility starts 16 November 2026.
Funds: Tertiary: NZD20,000/year, plus tuition and outward travel. Short-course rates differ.

Sources: immigration.govt.nz: student | work conditions | graduate | November change

Malaysia

Intakes: Institution-specific; confirm the intake and visa-submission deadline. **Timing:** Check EMGS/institution processing; allow separately for entry, medical and endorsement steps. **Work:** Up to 20h/week only during breaks over seven days; approved sectors and prior Immigration approval.
Graduate route: 12-month Graduate Pass for eligible nationalities and bachelor's-or-higher graduates. India/China access ends 31 December 2026; recheck.
Funds: Ask the institution for funding and bond requirements; no universal maintenance balance stated.

Sources: educationmalaysia.gov.my: FAQ | Graduate Pass | documents

India

Intakes: Institution-specific; use the current course calendar and offer.
Timing: Obtain the required Study in India ID; follow the mission's applicable visa process.
Work: Ordinary employment is prohibited; confirm permission before any curricular internship.
Graduate route: No automatic graduate work entitlement; qualify separately for employment permission.
Funds: Use the mission's admission, fee and bank/sponsor checklist; no generic national balance.

Sources: studyinindia.gov.in: FAQ | indiaingreece.gov.in: work | indemb-oman.gov.in: funds

United Arab Emirates

Intakes: Institution-specific; confirm the available semester and application deadline.
Timing: The institution/sponsor coordinates residence steps with ICP or GDRFA, as applicable.
Work: Student residence alone does not permit employment; separate authorisation is required.
Graduate route: Eligible jobseeker/Golden Residence routes are separate from permission to work.
Funds: Use the sponsor's tuition, deposit and funding checklist; no universal maintenance balance stated.

Sources: gdrfad.gov.ae: students | jobseeker | u.ae: work | icp.gov.ae: graduates

Oman

Intakes: Institution-specific; obtain the current semester and admission schedule.
Timing: The licensed institution sponsors the ROP application; request its current processing update.
Work: Study permission is not employment permission; confirm any work or placement before starting.
Graduate route: Seek employer sponsorship and labour approval; no open graduate route verified.
Funds: Confirm tuition and funding evidence with the sponsor; the ROP checklist gives no flat balance.

Sources: rop.gov.om: student visa | gov.om: work visa

Build the full course budget separately; check work and graduate-route eligibility for your applicant category.

DECISION CHECKPOINT

Before you pay a deposit

Before committing, confirm the exact award, professional recognition, total cost and refund terms.

01 / Confirm exactly what is being offered

Save the programme title, award level, teaching campus, attendance mode, language and start date. Check whether the letter is conditional. Record every outstanding grade, test, document or interview requirement and its deadline. A preparatory offer is not automatically a place on the intended degree.

02 / Confirm recognition where you plan to work

Identify both the teaching provider and the awarding body. Check the programme and campus in the relevant official register. For regulated professions, ask the regulator in the intended country of practice about the specific route, clinical or practical training, licensing examinations and language requirements. Keep the written response.

03 / Read the payment and refund terms

Match the payee and bank details to the institution’s official payment channel. Record tuition, mandatory fees, deposit treatment, housing charges and refund deductions. Read what happens after visa refusal, a missed condition, a deferred intake or a course withdrawal. Do not transfer to an account merely because it appears in a forwarded message.

04 / Budget using confirmed funding

Treat an expected scholarship, a possible part-time job or a future graduate salary as uncertain. Check the award letter for covered costs, duration, renewal grades, instalment dates and restrictions. Verify whether an advertised housing benefit is a room, an allowance or only application support. Fund the first payments before any stipend begins.

05 / Give the student control of the file

The student should know the application ID, account email, passwords, offer conditions and next deadline. Use a private, backed-up document folder. Keep official receipts and correspondence. Share personal records only with people who need them; obtain consent for school or counsellor reporting.

Decision rule: if the campus, award, cost, refund condition or professional route is unclear, resolve that point in writing before committing.

PLANNING WORKSHEET

Put every cost on a date

Annual affordability and cash available before departure are different calculations. Build both.

Academic	Tuition, compulsory fees, laboratory or studio charges, placement costs, examination and graduation charges.
Living	Rent for all required months, utilities, food, transport, insurance, phone and personal spending.
Before departure	Applications, tests, certified documents, visa or residence charges, flights, housing deposits and setup.
Funding	Confirmed tuition support and cash awards, with exact payment dates, duration and renewal conditions.
Uncertainty	Exchange-rate movement, price increases, repeat study, a longer placement or a delayed award payment.

The whole-course calculation

Add recurring costs for every year, one-time costs once, and an explicit contingency. Subtract only confirmed funding for the years and costs it actually covers. Keep each currency visible until you apply a dated conversion assumption.

Avoid double counting

A blocked account is a way to hold living funds. Do not add its full balance again on top of the same living expenses. A tuition deposit usually forms part of tuition; refundable housing deposits still require upfront cash.

Record next: amount due • currency • deadline • payer • payment channel • refund condition • source document.

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PLAIN-LANGUAGE GLOSSARY

Know the terms in the offer

A short reference for the language used in applications, funding and study planning.

APS

Academic Evaluation Centre. For relevant applicants to Germany, it verifies academic documents; an APS certificate does not itself grant university admission.

VPD

Vorprüfungsdokumentation: uni-assist's preliminary qualification review. Submit it to the participating university with your application.

ECTS

European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System. Credits describe study workload; a full-time academic year commonly carries 60 ECTS.

Foundation / Studienkolleg

Studienkolleg prepares students for the Feststellungsprüfung; subjects and results determine degree eligibility.

Conditional offer

An offer that requires specified conditions to be met, such as final grades, language scores or verified documents.

CAS

Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies. A UK student sponsor issues this reference for an eligible Student visa application.

Cost of attendance

A university's estimate of tuition, fees and living-related costs for a stated period. Check what is included and whether it covers the full year.

Proof of funds

Evidence that required financial resources are available. A blocked account is one particular arrangement, not a universal requirement.

Merit / need-based aid

Merit awards assess achievement or other stated criteria. Need-based aid considers financial circumstances under the provider's rules.

Tuition waiver / stipend

A waiver reduces fees. A stipend pays specified costs. Compare amounts, uses and payment dates.

Apostille / legalisation

Ways to authenticate specified public documents for use abroad. The required process depends on the issuing and receiving authorities.

Professional registration

Permission from the relevant regulator to practise a regulated profession. It can require more than completing an academic qualification.

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Exact title, level, campus, mode, language and duration.

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Annual and whole-course totals; first payment; deposit; scholarship value and timing.

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