The University of Leeds and surrounding area

At the heart of the city of Leeds, West Yorkshire, the University was founded in 1904. It’s now home to over 33,000 students, including more than 7,000 international students.

Globally renowned for the quality of our teaching and research, we are in the top 100 universities for academic reputation (QS World University Rankings, 2018) and are part of the Russell Group of UK research-intensive universities. Our students rate us too – in the National Student Survey 2017 we had an ‘overall satisfaction’ score of 89%. Find out more about the University www.leeds.ac.uk/about

Leeds is a lively, multicultural city, surrounded by beautiful, accessible countryside. It’s just two hours by train from London and three hours from Edinburgh. The city centre has over 1,000 shops, over 300 bars and restaurants, 16 galleries and museums and four major theatres. Find out more about the city www.leeds.ac.uk/citylife

Incoming study abroad, exchange and Erasmus+

Through the study abroad and exchange programmes students are able to spend one or two semesters studying at the University of Leeds, and can transfer the credits earned back to their home universities. All exchange and study abroad students are taught with home and international students who are taking a full degree programme. There are a wide variety of modules (courses) available across eight faculties and there are pre-sessional and in-sessional English courses to help students develop their English language skills.

studyabroad@leeds.ac.uk
www.leeds.ac.uk/incomingstudyabroad

Leeds International Summer School (LISS)

Leeds International Summer School offers students the opportunity to study at the University of Leeds and immerse themselves in British culture as part of an exciting four-week programme each July. Taking advantage of the vibrant, student-friendly city of Leeds, and the history, culture and natural beauty of the area, the summer school combines world-class tuition with local knowledge, academic-related field trips, and a wide variety of social activities.

summer@leeds.ac.uk
www.leeds.ac.uk/summer
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| Minimum GPA requirements | 60 average (University of Leeds system)  
3.0 (US system)  
5.5 (Australian system – on the 7.0 scale) | 56 average (University of Leeds system)  
2.8 (US system)  
5.0 (Australian system – on the 7.0 scale) |
| If a student has not met the grade requirement and there were factors that negatively affected their grades, please contact the Study Abroad Office as we can take mitigating circumstances into account and review such requests on a case-by-case basis. |
| Minimum language requirements | IELTS 6.0 overall with no component lower than 5.5.  
Erasmus+ students should be at B2 level on the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR). Please note: 1) We must base decisions on the language level shown on the last certificate the student submits. 2) Some teaching schools have a higher requirement than our standard minimum: www.leeds.ac.uk/incominglanguages | IELTS 5.5 overall with no component lower than 5.0. Please note: We must base decisions on the language level shown on the last certificate the student submits. |
| Course load per semester | 60 Leeds credits per semester/120 credits for the full academic year. Students may take 50 credits per semester and still be considered a full-time student, but must have this agreed with their home university.  
10 Leeds credits (5 ECTS) is equivalent to 100 hours of study, including lectures, seminars and independent learning. | 20 Leeds credits for the four-week summer period. |
| Module (course) information | Many teaching schools have specific guidance for incoming study abroad and exchange students: www.leeds.ac.uk/incomingstudy  
The following schools are in high demand with incoming study abroad and exchange students, so we recommend early application:  
• Business  
• Communication Studies  
• English  
• History  
• Law  
• Politics  
• Sociology and Social Policy  
• Foreign Language Teaching Unit. | Students should choose one 10-credit module from block one of LISS and one 10-credit module from block two. Students must attend for both blocks of LISS. Read more at: www.leeds.ac.uk/summerstudy |
| Module (course) duration | Some modules take two semesters (the full academic year) to complete. These modules are listed as ‘Semester 1 and 2’ in the module catalogue. Students cannot study a ‘Semester 1 and 2’ module if they are coming to Leeds for one semester only.  
Most modules in these schools are ‘Semester 1 and 2’ modules:  
• Chemical and Process Engineering (CAPE)  
• Design (Fashion Design and Fashion Marketing modules)  
• Electronic and Electrical Engineering (ELEC)  
• Healthcare (HECS)  
• Languages Cultures and Societies (ARAB, FREN, GERM, ITAL, SPPO)  
• Law (LAW)  
• Mechanical Engineering (MECH and PDES)  
Therefore, students coming to Leeds for one semester only, would need to choose modules in other disciplines or schools to make up their necessary total credits. They will need to consider carefully if their intended programme of study meets the requirements of their home University. | All LISS modules comprise two weeks of intensive study  
• block one module – two weeks  
• block two module – two weeks. |
| Module (course) restrictions | Students can request to take any undergraduate module listed in the module catalogue as being ‘suitable for incoming study abroad (isa)’. Postgraduate modules are only available with the agreement of the academic school.  
Medicine and Dentistry modules cannot be studied unless students are applying via a specific exchange agreement with these disciplines. | N/A |
| Nomination from partner institution | Nomination instructions will be sent to partners and agents in February and September. | N/A |
| Application form | Nominated applicants apply online at: www.leeds.ac.uk/incomingapply  
Students choose modules during their online application. | Students can apply directly to LISS online at: www.leeds.ac.uk/summerapply  
Students choose modules during their online application. |
Student support and services

Arrival and orientation
Before they arrive, students will receive information about the Facebook buddy group and their orientation programme, which includes compulsory welcome talks and social events. Read more about the welcome programme [www.leeds.ac.uk/incomingprepare](http://www.leeds.ac.uk/incomingprepare).

Students can also talk to current students about their experiences and to ask questions about what it's like to study in Leeds through our Link to Leeds Ambassador Scheme. Find out more at [www.leeds.ac.uk/linktoleeds](http://www.leeds.ac.uk/linktoleeds).

Accommodation
University of Leeds accommodation is guaranteed to all new international students who apply by the application deadline. There is a wide range of accommodation available – on and off campus, catered and self-catered and en-suite or standard (not en-suite). [accommodation.leeds.ac.uk](http://accommodation.leeds.ac.uk)

Pre-sessional language courses
If students do not meet our standard minimum entry requirements, the Language Centre offers a range of pre-sessional courses starting in April, July, August and October. The language requirements and fees information for these courses are at [www.leeds.ac.uk/incominglanguages](http://www.leeds.ac.uk/incominglanguages).

Student support services
We have a range of services to support our students:

- The Study Abroad Office is always a point of contact for your students during their time at Leeds. [www.leeds.ac.uk/incomingstudyabroad](http://www.leeds.ac.uk/incomingstudyabroad)
- Each full-year or single-semester student is allocated to a parent school, which becomes the main point of contact for your students after they have arrived. Parent schools monitor attendance and provide students with a personal tutor.
- The study abroad coordinator (for full-year or single-semester students) is an academic point of contact for your students.
- The International Student Office can offer advice about immigration and living in the UK. [students.leeds.ac.uk/internationalstudents](http://students.leeds.ac.uk/internationalstudents)

- The Global Community team connects students, with events such as the weekly Global Café. [www.leeds.ac.uk/globalcommunity](http://www.leeds.ac.uk/globalcommunity)
- Skills@library offers lots of services to students to support their academic studies. These include one-to-one appointments and workshops on structuring essays, critical thinking and more. There are also Flying Start resources, aimed at all students new to the University of Leeds. [library.leeds.ac.uk/skills](http://library.leeds.ac.uk/skills)
- The Disability Services team helps students with physical disabilities, learning difficulties or mental health conditions throughout their time at Leeds. [students.leeds.ac.uk/disabledstudents](http://students.leeds.ac.uk/disabledstudents)
- The Student Counselling and Wellbeing Service provides free professional and confidential counselling, wellbeing and mental health support through one-to-one appointments, workshops, groups and web-based self-help. [students.leeds.ac.uk/supportandwellbeing](http://students.leeds.ac.uk/supportandwellbeing)

Student opportunities

Leeds for Life
This service supports personal and professional development and helps students get the most out of their time at the University of Leeds. [www.leeds.ac.uk/leedsforlife](http://www.leeds.ac.uk/leedsforlife)

Leeds University Union (LUU)
Independent of the University, the students’ union (Leeds University Union) represents the student community. The students’ union building is at the centre of campus, with a range of facilities and services for students, including Student Advice. LUU runs over 300 student-led clubs and societies, offering students leadership responsibilities and the chance to meet people who share their interests. [www.luu.org.uk](http://www.luu.org.uk)

The Careers Centre
All students and alumni have access to Careers Centre services. The Careers Centre can help students prepare for job applications and interviews, as well as hosting events on campus that bring together students and employers. [careerweb.leeds.ac.uk](http://careerweb.leeds.ac.uk)
Examinations

There are two exam periods at the University of Leeds: one in January and one in May/June.

If Semester 1 students find that teaching at their home university clashes with the January exam period, they can apply to take exams at their home university. They will pay a fee for this.

If students need to re-sit all or part of a module, the re-sit period is in August. These resits may be taken overseas if appropriate. This will involve a fee.

LISS modules are assessed by other means, such as coursework, presentations, practical assignments in class.

Transcripts

All undergraduate official transcript of records will be released in mid-July after the results are officially released. Semester 1 only students will receive an electronic provisional transcript in late February. Please note that these marks remain provisional, and are therefore subject to change, until they are officially released in July.

Postgraduate marks are officially released in November, so official transcripts for students who have taken postgraduate modules may not be available until this time.

LISS students will receive their transcripts in September.

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