Nomination and application procedures

NOMINATION PERIOD
Nomination instructions are sent to the students’ home university shortly before the nomination period.

Autumn and academic year: 15–31 March
Spring: 15–30 September

APPLICATION PERIOD
Once the nominations have been submitted students receive an email with the log in details that are required for the online application.

Autumn semester: 1–25 April
Spring semester: 1–25 October

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS
All supporting documents need to be uploaded in the application; no hard copies are to be sent to Lund University.

• Official Transcript of Records including all courses and degrees taken as well as ongoing courses.
• CV
• Statement of Purpose (describing your motivation to study at Lund University as well as your academic interests)
• Portfolio required for studies in Industrial Design, Architecture, Arts and Music
• Swedish language certificate, level 3, is required if the student intends to study Swedish-taught courses.

APPLICATION PROCESS FOR EXCHANGE STUDIES
1. Nomination completed by student’s home university.
2. Email with application log in details sent to student by Lund University.
3. Submit application including supporting documents.
4. Apply for housing via LU Accommodation.
5. Letter of Acceptance sent via email to the student by Lund University, along with the “Result of your application” showing the current status of course admission.

Read more about exchange application and acceptance: www.lunduniversity.lu.se/exchange-application
Courses and Study Requirements

LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION
English and Swedish

COURSE LOAD
Exchange students are expected to study full-time, 30 credits/semester (usually 4 courses of 7.5 credits each). Note that full-time studies is a condition for getting a residence permit from the Swedish Migration Agency.

COURSES FOR EXCHANGE STUDENTS
700 courses suitable for exchange students are offered across a wide range of subjects.

• Find courses in English per Faculty: www.lunduniversity.lu.se/exchange-courses
• Special Area Studies (SAS) in English: Scandinavian studies, European studies and Global issues are specially designed for exchange students. www.lunduniversity.lu.se/sas
• Swedish Language Courses for exchange students (SVE): www.lunduniversity.lu.se/exchange-swedish (not available for Danish and Norwegian students). Swedish Language Courses can be counted within or in addition to a full-time study load.
• Introductory Swedish Course (SUSA) for exchange students during the Orientation Weeks: www.lunduniversity.lu.se/exchange-swedish

STUDYING IN SWEDISH
Students with a background in Scandinavian studies or who have studied in a Nordic school system may be able to apply for courses with Swedish as the language of instruction. Find courses: www.lu.se/lubas/subjects
Please note! If you find a course on a webpage stating “Kan bara sökas inom utbildningsprogram” – the course is not available.

LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS
It is recommended that the student’s level of English language proficiency is equivalent to IELTS 6.5/ TOEFL 90.

The Swedish language requirement for exchange students wishing to study Swedish-taught courses is “Svenska 3” or equivalent.

SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS
The admission requirements (prerequisites) for each course can be found on the website of the relevant department. Many courses require at least 1 year of full-time studies within the subject area.

• Faculty of Law requires 2 years of prior studies in the subject.
• School of Architecture requires 3 years of prior studies in the subject. Portfolio required to apply.
• Courses at the School of Industrial Design at Lund University are only open to students enrolled at an Industrial Design program at their home university. Portfolio required to apply.
Read more about specific department requirements: www.lunduniversity.lu.se/exchange-requirements

RESTRICTIONS AND LIMITATIONS
• There is a limited availability of courses at the Lund University School of Economics and Management (LUSEM). Students applying through a university-wide agreement can at most be accepted to 15 credits at LUSEM per semester.
• The Faculty of Performing Arts, the Malmö Art Academy and the Faculty of Medicine mainly admit students within specific faculty/department agreements.
• Courses in Journalism are not available.
• Note, not all courses in English are open to exchange students.

ACADEMIC CALENDAR
www.lunduniversity.lu.se/academic-calendar

COORDINATORS AT LUND
FOR UNIVERSITY-WIDE AGREEMENTS
www.lunduniversity.lu.se/student-mobility-contacts
Student Accommodation

There are several housing providers, LU Accommodation is one of them. An active search approach is encouraged since there is a shortage of housing at the beginning of each semester. It is recommended to apply for accommodation through several different agencies.

www.lunduniversity.lu.se/student-life/housing

LU ACCOMMODATION
Read about accommodation options and apply via LU Accommodation: www.luaccommodation.lu.se
It is strongly recommended that students apply as soon as the application period opens.

Application periods for LU Accommodation:
Autumn semester: 1–25 April
Spring semester: 1–25 October

Degrees and credits

NUMBER OF CREDITS PER SEMESTER
AND GRADING SYSTEM
Undergraduate and graduate: 30 ECTS/semester, 60 ECTS/year
Bachelor’s degrees: 3 years, 180 ECTS
Masters’ degrees: 1 year, 60 ECTS, 2 years, 120 ECTS

www.lunduniversity.lu.se/degrees-credits

Preparing to come

ARRIVAL AND ORIENTATION WEEKS
The orientation weeks for international students include a variety of activities that aim to help students settle in smoothly at the University and in student life.

Taking part in the Orientation Weeks is not mandatory, but something that is strongly recommended in order to get a good introduction to student life at Lund University.
Read more about Arrival Day and Orientation Weeks: www.lunduniversity.lu.se/arrival-and-introduction

FIND PRE-ARRIVAL GUIDE
www.lunduniversity.lu.se/student-life/preparing-to-come

INSURANCE
All exchange and Study Abroad students are covered by the Swedish State’s Insurance for Foreign Students. Find Terms and Conditions:
www.lunduniversity.lu.se/insurance

LEARNING SUPPORT STUDENTS
WITH DISABILITIES
www.lunduniversity.lu.se/disabilities

MONEY AND LIVING COSTS
www.lunduniversity.lu.se/living-costs

RESIDENCE PERMIT
www.lunduniversity.lu.se/residence-permit
Lund University in Social Media

www.facebook.com/lunduniversity

www.facebook.com/internationaldesk
(events & updates for international students at Lund University)

www.youtube.com/LundUniversity
(Lund University International YouTube channel)

https://twitter.com/lunduniversity

www.instagram.com/lunduniversity