

**University of Aberdeen
 Erasmus Factsheet 2020/21**

Name of Institution	University of Aberdeen		
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USEFUL INFORMATION			
Accommodation	www.abdn.ac.uk/accommodation		
Course Catalogue	www.abdn.ac.uk/registry/courses/		
Grading System	www.abdn.ac.uk/infohub/study/CAS.php		
Insurance	www.abdn.ac.uk/staffnet/working-here/insurance-367.php		
Student Support (Disability Adviser)	https://www.abdn.ac.uk/students/support/		
Visa Information	www.abdn.ac.uk/study/international/visa-information.php		
APPLICATION DEADLINES			
Semester 1/Full Year	15th May		
Semester 2	15th October		
SEMESTER DATES 2020/21			
First Half-Session		Second Half-Session	
Term opens	Monday 7 September	Term opens	Monday 11 January
Teaching commences	Monday 14 September	Teaching commences	Monday 18 January
Exam diet commences	Saturday 5 December	Spring break commences	Friday 2 April
Term closes	Friday 18 December	Spring break ends	Monday 26 April
		Exam diet commences	Saturday 1 May
		Term closes	Friday 21 May

Nominations

All applicants must be nominated to the University of Aberdeen by their home university. An email should be sent to erasmus@abdn.ac.uk detailing the applicant's name, email address, proposed length of stay and subject area. Nominated students will be sent full application information.

Application Procedure

A link to the online application form will be sent to all nominated students via email, one month prior to the application deadline. Applications will only be accepted from students who have been officially nominated by their home universities. Applications which are late or incomplete will NOT be accepted.

As part of the online application, applicants are required to upload the following documents:

1. ECTS Learning Agreement, signed by the home institution
2. Official Transcript of Records, detailing results of previous university study (in English)
3. Statement of Language Level, confirming B2 or above (official certificates not required unless student requires Tier 4 UK visa)

We do not require any application documents by post. Applications generally take four weeks to be processed.

Final deadlines for complete applications are 15th May/15th October

Course Catalogue

The Course Catalogue is available at <http://www.abdn.ac.uk/registry/courses> Further information can be found here <https://www.abdn.ac.uk/study/undergraduate/erasmus-study-3062.php>.

Erasmus students may apply to take courses at undergraduate level. All course choices are subject to timetabling and previous study experience. Advice will be given by the relevant Academic Erasmus Tutor where appropriate. Students wishing to take courses in English Literature and Linguistics at Level 3 must sit a Diagnostic Test on arrival in Aberdeen. Other course restrictions can be found at the link above.

Erasmus students must select at least 50% of their courses from the subject area given in the bilateral agreement between their home university and the University of Aberdeen.

ECTS Credits

Aberdeen credits should be halved to find the equivalent rate in ECTS credits, for example 20 Aberdeen credits is equal to 10 ECTS. The normal workload for Aberdeen students is 120 credits (60 ECTS credits) per year; 60 credits (30 ECTS credits) per semester. This is the workload that is expected of Erasmus students.

English Language Courses

Applicants MUST have a good level of English prior to their arrival – we require a minimum of B2 on the CEFR scale. The Language School offers English language courses during the semester but these courses do not carry credits.

Accommodation

All incoming Erasmus students are guaranteed a place in University-managed accommodation provided they have submitted their application by the stated deadline. The online application for accommodation cannot be completed until students have received a Letter of Acceptance from the Erasmus Unit which will contain the information required to apply. Letters of Acceptance will not be sent until students' applications have been approved by the academic department concerned.

Extensions

Students accepted at the University of Aberdeen for one semester only may NOT apply to extend their period of study. We can only accept students for a full-year if this is requested at nomination (and if there are sufficient places on the inter-institutional agreement).

Attendance

Please note that we will only sign arrival and departure paperwork for dates within the semester, ie if a student arrives a week early or stays a week late, this will not be noted on the certificate of attendance.

Transcripts

A Transcript of Records will be issued no later than 5 working weeks after the assessment period has finished. An electronic version will be sent to the student's email address, and therefore the home institution should request a copy from the student. If an original version is required, this can be requested by return email once the electronic version has been received..