

Study Abroad Factsheet 2026–27



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Term dates

Semester A

Orientation Week, 21–28 September.

Teaching, 28 September – 28 January.

17 weeks, including exam period and integral Christmas vacation three weeks.

Semester B

Teaching, 25 January – 16 May.

16 weeks, including exam period and integral Easter vacation two weeks.

There will be examinations from 21 June – 5 July for referred/deferred assessments from Semesters A and B.

[Click to view the academic calendar here.](#)

Nomination and application instructions

Nomination

Complete the nomination form sent by the Study Abroad Team via email.

Application instructions

Instructions will be sent directly to students after we have received their nomination. Further instructions will be sent to the students following the application deadline.

Documents required for application

For students studying with us for just one semester:

- learning agreement - 60 (30 ECTS) credits per semester
- official transcript of grades
- valid copy of passport
- English Language certificate - IELTS 6.0 or equivalent for Standard Visitor VISA.

For students studying with us for just one semester:

- learning agreement - 60 (30 ECTS) credits per semester
- official transcript of grades - signed and stamped
- valid copy of passport
- English Language certificate - IELTS 6.0 or equivalent for Standard Visitor VISA.

Course catalogues

You can find the modules available to exchange students [here](#).

English language information

- language of instruction: English
- language requirements (one semester): English B2 (CERF)
- VISA requirements (two semesters): IELTS 6/0 or equivalent.

Find more information on our accepted English language certificates [here](#).

Nomination/application deadlines

Semester A

Nomination deadline, 30 March.

Application deadline, 15 April.

Semester B

Nomination deadline, 30 September.

Application deadline, 15 October.

For Semester B nominations, please submit the completed nomination form nearer the time, after summer break.

Visa information

To find out what VISA you will need for your exchange please click [here](#).

Studying in the UK for more than six months?

You will need a [Student Visa](#).

Studying in the UK for less than six months?

You might need a [Standard Visitor VISA](#) depending on your nationality.

Check if you will need a [Standard Visitor VISA](#).

Electronic travel authorisation (ETA) now required to study in the UK for up to six months.

Want to work in the UK whilst studying?

You will need a [Student VISA](#) to undertake paid or unpaid work during your exchange.

Please inform the Study Abroad Team if you wish to work alongside your studies.

Hold a valid passport?

No entry clearance required; show your UK passport on entry.

Medical cover

Is the purchase of university or state health insurance required?

For students studying with us for just one semester:

No health insurance provided. We strongly recommend students to purchase their own health insurance prior to arriving at Herts.

For students studying with us for a full year:

You will have access to the NHS (National Health Service). If a student stays for over six months, there is a health service charge in the VISA process.

The NHS Surcharge will grant the VISA holder access to free health services in the UK. See link [here](#) for more information.

Accommodation

How to apply for accommodation

Students will be able to apply for on-campus accommodation once they receive their Offer Letter containing their Herts Student ID number and instructions on how to apply for accommodation. Find out more information [here](#).

Move in dates

Semester A, 26–27 September 2026.

Semester B, 23–24 January 2027.

For more information on accommodation, email the team [here](#).

Support services

Support for students with disabilities

Find more information [here](#).

Herts Student Union

Find more information [here](#).

UKCISA - advice and guidance for international students

Find more information [here](#).

Guidance on the cost of living

Find more information [here](#).

Covid-19

There are no Covid-19 restrictions in the UK. You do not need to take a test of quarantine when you arrive in the UK.

Grading system

Find more information on our grading system.

Grade awarded				Interpretation of grade		
100-point numeric grade	Grade point	19-point numeric grade	10-point numeric grade	Grade descriptor	Indicative classification descriptor	
90–100	4.50	95	95	Outstanding	1st Class Honours/ Distinction	
80–89		85	85	Excellent		
75–79		77	75	Very good		
70–74		72				
67–69	3.75	68	65	Good	Upper 2nd Class Honours/ Commendation	
64–66	3.50	65				
60–63	3.25	62				
57–59	3.00	58	55	Clear pass	Lower 2nd Class Honours/ Pass	
54–56	2.75	55				
50–53	2.50	52				
47–49	2.25	48	45	Marginal pass	3rd Class Honours/Pass	
44–46	2.00	45				
40–43	1.75	42				
37–39	1.00	38	35	Marginal fail	Not applicable	
34–36	0.75	35				
30–33	0.50	32				
20–29	0.25	25	25	Clear fail		
0–19	0.00	10	10	Little or nothing of merit		
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