



# **FACTSHEET 2021/22** International (non-European) Exchange Partners

# **INTRODUCTION**

Founded in 1948, Strathclyde Business School (SBS) is an enterprising, pioneering institution of global standing. It is a tripleaccredited business school, holding accreditation from the international bodies AACSB, EQUIS and AMBA and is proud to be among only 1% of business schools in the world to have achieved this recognition. Alongside our sister Faculties of Science, Engineering, and Humanities & Social Sciences, SBS is also delighted to share in the University of Strathclyde's success as The Times Higher Education UK University of the Year 2019, the only UK institution to have receive this coveted award twice.

SBS is located in the heart of Glasgow, one of the UK's largest and most vibrant cities. Voted the "friendliest city in the world" by Timeout and Rough Guide, Glasgow has a reputation as a must-visit destination and one of the world's top cities. We welcome students from over 100 exchange and study abroad partners around the world every year, and with something for everyone within easy reach of the city centre campus, it makes SBS a dynamic and cosmopolitan place to study.

### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

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#### **SBS EXCHANGE TEAM** sbs-exchange@strath.ac.uk

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### **ACADEMIC CALENDAR**

Please note that dates are provisional as at 3 March 2021 and may be subject to change

Semester 1 (Fall) Semester dates (inc revision and exams) 13 September - 17 December 2021

11 September 2021

13 September 2021

Not applicable

13-17 September 2021

Student housing open

**Exchange Orientation & Induction Week** 

**Exchange Welcome Meetings** 

Teaching Period (11 weeks of teaching)

**Spring Break** 

**Revision and Exam Period** 6-17 December 2021

Semester 2 (Spring)

10 January - 20 May 2022

9 January 2022 10-14 January 2022 10 January 2022

17 January - 1 April 2022

4-15 April 2022

18 April – 20 May 2022

We would strongly recommend that students arrive at the start of Orientation week in order to attend essential information sessions and welcome events and allow sufficient time to finalise their curriculum before teaching starts the following week.

20 September – 3 December 2021

Early/alternative assessment is not offered at SBS, exchange students are expected to remain at the University until the end of their examinations. We advise students not to book their flight home until they know the date of their final exam.

#### APPLICATION PROCEDURE – UNDERGRADUATE NON-GRADUATING STUDENTS

#### **Nomination**

Nominations and applications must be made online via the University's central application portal, Mobility Online. Partners should nominate their students online using the login instructions provided by the University's Recruitment & International Office. Assistance with Mobility Online, including login details, can be obtained by emailing international.exchange@strath.ac.uk.

Further information on how to apply can be found at International exchange | University of <u>Strathclyde</u>

#### **Application**

Students must first be nominated online by the exchange coordinator at their home institution. Once a nomination is approved, students will receive an email inviting them to register with Mobility Online to enable them to submit a full exchange application.

**Nomination Deadline** 

Semester 1 (September entry) Semester 2 (January entry)

1 October 1 May

**Application Deadline** 

<u>Semester 1</u> (September entry) Semester 2 (January entry)

15 October 15 Mav

**Application** 

Current academic transcript **Documents required** 

Academic reference

Copy of the student's passport information page.

#### **Class Selection**

Students registered in the Business faculty must take at least 50% of their credits within this faculty. It may be possible for students to take one class in another faculty, subject to approval by the relevant department.

Students should submit a list of provisional classes in order of priority as part of their online application and these will be assessed to ensure students meet the relevant prerequisites. Students will receive provisional approval for the classes listed in their application prior to arrival, however curriculum amendment may be necessary on arrival to take account of timetable clashes, changes in scheduling or high demand for popular subjects. It is important for applicants to be flexible and are encouraged to identify some reserve classes which can be substituted as necessary. Students can request curriculum changes during the first two weeks of teaching.

Details of classes offered in the Business School can be found in the SBS Class Catalogue at the following link. Guidance is also provided on choosing classes at Selecting your Curriculum <u>University of Strathclyde</u>

# **Classes Open to Exchange Students**

Classes at Levels 1, 2 and 3 are open to exchange students. Level 1 classes are generally at an introductory level. Level 2 classes are likely to require some previous background in the subject. Level 3 classes are likely to require intermediate knowledge of the subject. Students and partners are encouraged to check course descriptions for details of prerequisite knowledge.

#### **Restricted Classes**

Level 4 classes at SBS are final year (Honours) classes and are not generally open to exchange students unless substantial knowledge of the subject can be demonstrated and all prerequisites for the class can be met. Class sizes are small and places cannot be guaranteed. Academic approval at departmental level will be required.

1. Some Level 4 classes taught in semester 1 are only examined in the May diet Note:

2. Resits are not offered at Level 4

Enrolment in Accounting classes at all levels will require approval by the Department of Accounting & Finance. Any partners who intend nominating Accounting students should contact the SBS Exchange Team to discuss potential restrictions.

# **Credits**

A regular full-time workload at Strathclyde University is 60 credits (30 ECTS) per semester. This normally equates to 3 classes per semester. Students attending for a full academic year would normally register for 120 credits (60 ECTS). Students are not usually permitted to exceed the maximum workload of 60 credits (30 ECTS) per semester.

Please note, the SBS Exchange Team is able to provide advice on recommended workload and the content of the classes taught in the Business School, however it is the student's responsibility to ensure they are taking the appropriate number of credits to meet the requirements of their home institution. We expect all students to check their provisional curriculum on Pegasus carefully on arrival and raise any discrepancies with us before teaching commences.

#### **Acceptance**

Students will receive an email via Mobility Online once classes have been approved and should accept this as confirmation that their exchange has been approved. Students will subsequently receive an official acceptance email from the University's central Admissions Office which can be used for immigration purposes as required. Students should ensure that the email address provided in their application has sufficient capacity to receive large files.

#### **Academic Transcripts**

On completion of studies and validation of results by the Board of Examiners, **students** will be able to download their transcript directly from their workflow on Mobility Online. Students attending for Semester 1 will normally be able to download a transcript by the end of February. Students attending for Semester 2 or for the Full Year will normally be able to download a transcript by the end of July. Interim transcripts are not usually provided for full year exchange students.

**Partners** will be able to view and download a PDF copy of their student's transcript directly from Mobility Online (via My Mobility Online/My Applications).

Note, students must ensure that all outstanding charges are cleared before leaving the University otherwise their academic transcript may be withheld until their account is cleared.

#### **UG Grading Scale**

<u>Mark</u>	<b>General Comment</b>	Equivalent Grade
70+	Excellent or Outstanding	Α
60-69	Comprehensively Good	В
50-59	Generally Good	С
45-49	Satisfactory	D
40-44	Satisfactory	E
<40	Weak - Fail	FX/F

#### **Language Proficiency**

Non-native English speakers attending University of Strathclyde for **less than 6 months** will not normally require to provide evidence of their English language proficiency unless they require a Student Visa. Otherwise, partner universities are relied upon to select students with a good level of English equivalent to B2 and above (CEFR) or IELTS 6.5 (with no individual test score below 5.5).

Students planning to attend for **more than 6 months** will require to provide evidence of English language proficiency as part of the application process to obtain a UK visa. Details of language requirements can be found at English language requirements | University of Strathclyde.

#### **Student Housing**

University of Strathclyde has limited campus housing. Full details including prices are available <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a>. In order to reduce the pressure on housing, it would be helpful if partner universities could divide their allocations over both semesters.

Students can apply for campus housing as an integrated part of the online application process, deadlines as noted above. International exchange students will **normally** be guaranteed campus housing provided they apply by the deadline, unless there are any extenuating circumstances in which case alternative arrangements will be put in place and partner institutions (and applicants) will be notified.

The Housing Office will email all applicants in July/August (for applicants commencing studies in September) and in December (for applicants commencing studies in January) with the outcome of their housing application. Unsuccessful applicants will be informed about alternative housing options in the private sector around the campus. Note, students renting privately through a landlord may require to pay <a href="Council Tax">Council Tax</a>.

### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

# Coronavirus (COVID-19)

University of Strathclyde is hopeful that exchange programmes will proceed as normal for the next academic year, however this is subject to developments in the spread of Coronavirus and associated travel restrictions imposed by the Scottish and UK Governments.

University of Strathclyde guidance can be found at <u>Coronavirus | University of Strathclyde</u> and Coronavirus - Information for Students | University of Strathclyde.

#### **BREXIT and Erasmus+**

We are pleased to confirm our continued participation in the current Erasmus+ Programme beyond the UK's exit from the EU. We are committed to our existing Erasmus+ Agreements and have extended our current KA103 project for 36 months, allowing our staff and students to continue accessing Erasmus funding until 31 May 2023.

The EC has published <u>FAQs on Erasmus+ and Brexit</u> which hopefully provides reassurance of the UK's full participating in the Erasmus+ Programme (2014-2020) beyond Brexit.

We are awaiting details of the proposed Turing Scheme from the UK Government and will be in touch with partners as soon as we have further information. In the meantime, should you have any queries please feel free to contact SBS Exchange Team at <a href="mailto:sbs-exchange@strath.ac.uk">sbs-exchange@strath.ac.uk</a> or the University's Erasmus Coordinator, Kate Kenyon, at <a href="mailto:kenyon@strath.ac.uk">kenyon@strath.ac.uk</a>.

#### **Visa Requirements**

New Student Visa requirements came into effect on 5 October 2020, replacing previous Tier 4 regulations. This is applicable to all students planning to attend University of Strathclyde for **more than 6 months**, including nationals from the EU, Switzerland, Norway, Iceland and Liechtenstein. Further information is available at <u>Visas & immigration</u> | <u>University of Strathclyde</u>

Students planning to come to the UK for **less than 6 months** may not require a visa and should use the *Check if I Need a Visa* tool at <u>Check if you need a UK visa - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)</u>

# Preparing to come to Strathclyde

For more information on coming to the University of Strathclyde and the city of Glasgow, our Welcome arrangements, cost of living, health matters and pre-arrival advice please visit <u>Before you arrive | University of Strathclyde</u> and <u>While you're here | University of Strathclyde</u>. This information will be updated on an ongoing basis prior to your arrival.

#### **Information and Advice**

For more information, please visit International Student Support Team | University of Strathclyde

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