UQ ABROAD
Student Exchange Program

THE UNIVERSITY
OF QUEENSLAND
AUSTRALIA
UQ’s Student Exchange Program, UQ Abroad, offers you the opportunity to study at a partner institution overseas for a semester or a year and gain credit towards your UQ degree. While on exchange, tuition fees at the host institution are waived and you continue to be enrolled at and pay fees to UQ.

With almost 200 exchange partners in 41 countries, UQ Abroad is the ideal way to combine study and travel and have the experience of a lifetime.
Why go on exchange?

- Broaden your degree and gain a new perspective on your studies
- Challenge yourself and become more independent
- Discover new career and academic opportunities
- Make new friends from around the world
- Improve your foreign language skills
- Experience a different culture
- Enhance your employability
- Explore the world

Asia is dynamic, full-throttle and exciting, and Hong Kong is brilliantly located at the centre of it all. As an International Business student at UQ, I chose to come to Hong Kong to try and understand this booming part of the world, with the hope of tapping some of its potential in the future.

Oliver, Chinese University of Hong Kong

Cover image: Jack, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, USA
WHERE CAN I GO?
You can choose from almost 200 universities in 41 countries around the world. Some of the agreements are university-wide, while others are restricted to specific disciplines. For a list of UQ’s exchange partners, see Partner Universities on pages 12-15 or visit our website www.uq.edu.au/uqabroad.

CAN I STUDY IN ENGLISH?
Yes. Many of our partner universities in non-English speaking countries offer a wide range of courses taught in English. However, your exchange semester is also a great time to improve your foreign language skills or learn a new language.

HOW MUCH WILL IT COST?
Under the exchange program, tuition fees at the host university are waived. You remain enrolled at and pay fees to UQ, and are responsible for your own airfares, accommodation and living costs. It is recommended that you budget AUD $10,000-$12,000 for your semester overseas.

IS THERE ANY FUNDING AVAILABLE?
Yes. UQ has a generous scholarship program for students going on exchange. It may be possible for you to receive a government loan (OS-HELP) or Centrelink payments while you are overseas (see Scholarships and Financial Help on page 8).

There’s really nothing quite like waking up and reminding yourself that you’re living in Paris. Studying in Paris means you will never be bored, you have easy and usually free access to some of the world’s greatest monuments and museums and you have a base for your never-ending bucket list of destinations. Sciences Po offers a unique opportunity to mix both with locals, as well as introduce you to a truly international circle of friends.

Kate, Sciences Po, Paris
WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

*UQ Abroad is a great travel and study experience and also provides opportunities to further develop your career.*

**The social, interactive nature of the exchange pushed me to be more outgoing and communicative. Both of those traits are essential to my current job. I think the scientists I met in Canada, along with the different perspectives from my teachers there, helped me to better understand the field.**

Carl, University of British Columbia, 2009; Multiplatform Science and Technology Reporter, ABC Canberra

I gained so much academically and professionally by going on exchange. I made connections with professors and maths students. I would have never considered doing my PhD in mathematics in the United States if I had not gone on exchange.

Shishi, UCLA, Sem 2, 2005 & Sem 1, 2006; Post-doctoral Scholar Division of Computer Science and Department of Statistics, UC Berkeley

**WHEN CAN I APPLY?**

**31 May**
(for exchange in Semester 1 of the following year)

**31 October**
(for exchange in Semester 2 of the following year)
First, check the UQ Abroad website to ensure that the degree you are enrolled in allows you to go on exchange.

Next, to be eligible to participate in the Student Exchange Program you need to meet the following requirements by the end of the semester in which you apply to UQ Abroad:

1. Be enrolled and taking classes in a degree program at UQ in the semester of application.
2. Have successfully completed at least 16 units (undergraduates) or 8 units (postgraduates) in your current UQ degree program at a UQ campus.
3. Have a minimum cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of 4.5 in your current program.
4. Meet specific program requirements set by your School and/or Faculty (see your Faculty website).
5. Prepare a study plan equivalent to a standard full-time study load at the host university, to be approved by your Faculty.
6. Have sufficient time left in your degree to study a standard full-time load (8 units) while on exchange. Students may take the equivalent of 6 units while on exchange if going in the last semester of their degree and have only 6 units left to complete.

For more information on eligibility requirements see www.uq.edu.au/uqabroad

During my time at UPenn I lived in on-campus student accommodation. My little apartment – which I shared with three American students – provided me with everything I needed and was a great way to meet people!

Monique, University of Pennsylvania
I WANT TO GO ON EXCHANGE! WHAT ARE THE STEPS?

1. RESEARCH YOUR EXCHANGE
   - Start planning at least 9-12 months before you want the exchange to commence
   - Attend a UQ Abroad Information Session and check out the resources online
   - Check your eligibility and complete a graduation check
   - Research courses offered by your host university

2. COMPLETE YOUR APPLICATION & STUDY PLAN
   - Download the application from the UQ Abroad website
   - Submit your UQ Abroad application and your study plan by the deadline:
     - 31 May (for exchange in semester 1 the following year)
     - 31 October (for exchange in semester 2 the following year)

3. UQ ABROAD SELECTION PROCESS
   - While you wait, attend a UQ Abroad Next Steps Session
   - You will be notified about the outcome of your application 6-8 weeks after the deadline (excluding applicants with incomplete assessment, deferred or supplementary exams)

4. COMPLETE HOST UNIVERSITY APPLICATION
   - If accepted into UQ Abroad, you will receive instructions on how to apply at least 3 months before your exchange commences
   - While you wait, attend a UQ Abroad Meet & Greet Session with other outgoing and returned students

5. PREPARE FOR DEPARTURE
   - Attend a mandatory pre-departure session
   - Await notification and documentation from the host university
   - Research visa requirements for your host country

6. DEPART TO ENJOY THE EXPERIENCE OF A LIFETIME!
FUNDING

Wondering how you will finance your exchange? Check out these options.

OS-HELP LOAN SCHEME
The Australian Government provides loans to assist students wishing to study overseas and gain credit towards their Australian degree.

In 2015, eligible students going to Asia may borrow up to $7635 per 6-month study period, plus a supplementary amount of up to $1018 for preparatory Asian language study. For non-Asian destinations, the maximum loan is $6362. The load is subject to the same repayment arrangement as HECS-HELP.

For a full list of eligibility requirements, guidelines and the application, please see www.uq.edu.au/uqabroad/financial-assistance

UQ SCHOLARSHIPS
UQ offers a number of scholarships to students on the basis of academic merit and attendance at strategic partner institutions. All students who submit their UQ Abroad application by the relevant deadline and meet the eligibility criteria are automatically considered for a scholarship.

There are also scholarships available from some of UQ’s Schools and Faculties. Check your Faculty website for more information.

AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT GRANTS
Country-specific grants available through Government schemes such as the New Colombo Plan (www.dfat.gov.au/new-colombo-plan/about.html), are provided to subsidise the cost of participating in semester-based or short-term study. Awardees must be Australian citizens enrolled in an undergraduate degree at UQ.

PARTNER UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS
A number of partner institutions offer scholarships to UQ exchange students. This funding varies from free or subsidised accommodation to a monthly stipend.

For more information on funding options see www.uq.edu.au/uqabroad/financial-assistance

The best part of my exchange was exploring new places with new friends. This was made possible through budgeting and the generous OS-HELP loan.

Meredith, University of Nottingham
MORE THAN JUST STUDY

Get involved in activities outside the classroom. Take advantage of research programs, student clubs, internships and volunteering positions.

I joined an indoor hockey team and this was a great decision! I made some fantastic friends, and had so much fun. Sport was such a good way to get people to open up to you and become one of the group. Lyon 2 has a good range of clubs to get involved in, so I would definitely recommend getting involved!

Sophie, Université Lumière Lyon 2, France

The student life in Nottingham is brilliant. I immersed myself in their vast range of excellently organised clubs and societies – there’s something for everyone, although the outdoor clubs were the ones that appealed to me; they had a gliding club, and even a skydiving club!

Aaron, University of Nottingham

Personally, I found the experience absolutely fantastic. I made sure that I got involved in university activities, by joining the speech and debate team, the rugby team and generally making friends everywhere. I travelled to multiple states and got to compete in the National Debate Championships and play Rugby Sevens in the Big Ten Championship.

Michael, Purdue University
University Sport Club
If a full semester of exchange is not for you, there are many opportunities to study overseas during the semester breaks.

The Sommerhochschule is unique in offering a comprehensive academic, sporting and cultural experience. The academic courses are taught by world-renowned professors and lawyers from some of the top law firms in the world. The experience is highly valued by leading employers in Europe and provides the opportunity to spend the Australian winter break in the European summer sun!

Kane, Summer Law School, University of Vienna, Austria

Find out more: www.uq.edu.au/uqadvantage/short-term-programs

I travelled to Kathmandu and taught for four weeks at a local, government school. The first three weeks involved seven lessons a day of teaching a variety of subjects and I was teaching 50 students! Through teaching a variety of subjects I learned a great deal about the way of life and gained greater respect for the Nepalese culture. The professional growth I experienced in four weeks was enormous.

Danielle, Antipodeans Abroad Teaching Program, Nepal
The UQ Advantage Award encourages you to undertake activities outside the classroom during your degree. You will participate in a range of activities and symposia which will help you to gain a better understanding of the world and develop key competencies that employers value. It is a great way to gain recognition for your involvement in co-curricular experiences such as undergraduate research, student exchange and leadership programs.

Who can participate?
The program is available to undergraduate students, including honours, from all disciplines at no cost.

Program elements
To receive the Award, you will participate in a range of co-curricular activities across three core categories:

- Global and Cultural Engagement
- Research and Entrepreneurship
- Social Responsibility and Leadership

A list of approved activities can be found online in the UQ Advantage Award Activities Guide.

You will also attend at least six professional development training activities, offered as part of the Symposium Series.

If you complete the program requirements, you will receive a formal statement of attainment upon graduation that attests to your enhanced student experience and your employability.

For more information and to register, visit www.uq.edu.au/advantage-award

Global and Cultural Engagement
Activities include:
- UQ Abroad
- International short term program
- U21 Student Experience programs

Research and Entrepreneurship
Activities include:
- UQ Summer and Winter Research program
- UQ Undergraduate Research Conference
- Competitions and award schemes

Social Responsibility and Leadership
Activities include:
- UQ student group or sporting club executive
- UQ Student Leader Programs
- GIVE: Get Into Volunteering Experiences

Symposium Series
These sessions are designed to help you make the most of your UQ experience and accelerate your professional development. Symposia are delivered by UQ researchers, visiting scholars, alumni, industry contacts, and current students.

"All the activities I did as a part of the UQ Advantage Award were enriching and worth doing for the learning experience. I launched TedX at UQ, undertook summer research and presented at the Undergraduate Research Conference. The diverse requirements for the Award pushed me to participate in things that were outside of my comfort zone, and as a result made me more well-rounded."
PARTNER UNIVERSITIES

Here’s a list of the universities you can go to on exchange:

Austria
University of Graz
University of Vienna

Belgium
Université Libre de Bruxelles
(Biology and Ecology only)

Brazil
Pontificia Universidade Católica do Rio de Janeiro

Canada
HEC-Montreal (Business and related fields)
McGill University
Queen’s University
University of Alberta
University of British Columbia
University of Calgary
University of Saskatchewan
(Human Movement Studies only)

Chile
Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile

Colombia
Pontificia Universidad Javeriana

Czech Republic
Universitas Carolina (Charles University)
University of Economics, Prague

Denmark
Technical University of Denmark
University of Copenhagen
Copenhagen Business School

Finland
Aalto University School of Business

France
Ecoles Centrales (5 institutions)
Ecole Nationale Supérieure d’Architecture de Strasbourg
Ecole Supérieure des Sciences Commerciales d’Angers (ESSCA)
ESSEC Business School
IEP de Rennes
Sciences Po
Université Catholique de Lille
Université Lumière Lyon 2

Germany
Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg
Bucerius Law School
Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen
Humboldt University of Berlin
Johann Wolfgang Goethe Universität
Justus Liebig Universität Giessen
Leuphana Universität Lüneburg

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- Harbin Institute of Technology
- Nanjing University
- Northeastern University
- Peking University
- Shandong University
- Shanghai Jiao Tong University
- Sun Yat-Sen University
- Tianjin University
- Tsinghua University
- University of Nottingham Ningbo
- University of Science and Technology China
- Zhejiang University

### Republic of Korea
- Korea Advanced Institute of Science & Technology (KAIST)
- Korea University
- Seoul National University
- Yonsei University

### Russia
- Lomonosov Moscow State University
  (Russian Language Study only)

### Singapore
- Nanyang Technological University
- National University of Singapore

### South Africa
- Stellenbosch University
- University of Cape Town

### Spain
- Universidad Pablo de Olavide
- Universidad Pontificia Comillas Madrid
- Universitat Pompeu Fabra
- University of Salamanca

### Sweden
- KTH Royal Institute of Technology
- Lund University
- Stockholm University
- University of Gothenburg
- Uppsala Universität

### Switzerland
- University of Lausanne
- University of St Gallen
- University of Zurich

### Taiwan
- National Chengchi University
- National Taiwan University

### Thailand
- Chulalongkorn University
- Thammasat University

### Turkey
- Bogazici University
- Koç University

### United Kingdom
- City University London
  (Law, Arts, Social Sciences only)
- Imperial College London
  (Chemical and Civil Engineering only)
- Loughborough University
- Queen’s University Belfast (Engineering only)
- Royal Holloway, University of London
- University College London
- University of Bath
  (School of Business Management only)
- University of Birmingham
- University of Edinburgh
- University of Exeter

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University of Glasgow
University of Leeds
University of Manchester
University of Nottingham
University of Sheffield
University of Surrey (Business, Economics, Tourism Management and Law only)
University of Sussex

United States of America
American University
Arizona State University
Boston College
California State University (28 campuses)
Georgia Institute of Technology
Kansas State University
Northeastern University
Purdue University
Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey
State University of New York (Stony Brook)
Texas A&M University (College of Agriculture & Life Sciences only)
The Ohio State University
The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (Journalism and Communication only)
Tulane University (Business only)
University of Arizona
University of California (9 campuses)
University of Connecticut
University of Florida (College of Liberal Arts & Sciences Only)
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
University of Maryland

University of Massachusetts at Amherst
University of Michigan (Human Movement Studies only)
University of Pennsylvania (Nursing only)
University of Richmond
University of South Carolina

University of Texas at Austin
University of Virginia
University of Washington
University of Wisconsin-Madison
University of Wyoming
Washington University (School of Law only)

Some courses taught in English
Language proficiency required
Universitas 21 member
Nahila,  
Lund University, Sweden

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