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## FACT SHEET for the Academic year of 2020/21

University of Gothenburg, International Centre		
Website	<a href="http://www.gu.se/english">www.gu.se/english</a>	
Website for exchange students	<a href="http://utbildning.gu.se/education/application/exchange-student">http://utbildning.gu.se/education/application/exchange-student</a>	
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Application procedure	
<b>Step 1 – Nomination</b>  <b>Nomination deadlines</b>	<p>Exchange students must be officially nominated by their home university. Nominations for 2020/2021 will be made via a separate nomination sheet which will be sent to all partner coordinators via email in February.</p> <p>Fall semester or academic year: <b>April 1<sup>st</sup></b>            Spring semester: <b>October 1<sup>st</sup></b></p>
<b>Step 2 – Online application &amp; Required documents</b>	<p>All incoming exchange students apply online via our application portal and submit digital documentation. No hard-copies of needed. Nominated students will receive application instructions via email. Information about the application can also be found <a href="#">here</a>.</p> <p>The following documents are required for all students:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Transcript of records (in English)</li> <li>2. Letter of motivation /Personal Letter</li> <li>3. Copy of Passport</li> </ol> <p><i>Please note that students applying for the Faculty of Fine, Applied and Performing Arts will receive separate application instructions upon nomination, and will need to submit portfolio work.</i></p>
<b>Application deadlines</b>  <i>Please note separate nomination deadlines and application procedures for the Faculty of Fine, Applied and Performing Arts below.</i>	<p><b>Fall semester/Full academic year: May 15<sup>th</sup></b>            Online application portal open April 1<sup>st</sup> – May 15<sup>th</sup></p> <p><b>Spring semester: November 15<sup>th</sup></b>            Online application portal open September 1<sup>st</sup> – November 15<sup>th</sup></p> <p>Please note: due to current waiting lines for visa/residence permit in Sweden, <b>all students in need of a visa are advised to apply before October 15<sup>th</sup>/May 1<sup>st</sup>, or as early as possible.</b> Applications are processed regularly while the online application portal is open.</p>
<b>Application deadlines for the Faculty of Fine, Applied, and Performing Arts</b>	<p><b>Fall semester/Full academic year:</b>            April 1<sup>st</sup></p> <p><b>Spring semester</b>            HDK Academy of Design and Crafts: October 15<sup>th</sup>            Valand Academy – Film, Fine Art, Photo: October 1<sup>st</sup>            Academy of Music and Drama:</p> <p>Please note that admission to the The Faculty of Fine, Applied and Performing Arts programmes is highly competitive and dependent largely on portfolio work. Students who are accepted are required to follow a set track for the term/academic year. More information</p>

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<b>Step 3 – Housing application</b>	<p>Students who wish to apply for housing via GU need to tick the housing-box in the online application. Instructions on how to apply for housing will be sent out via email <u>after</u> the online application deadline has passed. In this email each student will receive a personal code to be used in the housing application.</p> <p>More information on housing and application here: <a href="https://utbildning.gu.se/education/studenthousing/exchangestudents">https://utbildning.gu.se/education/studenthousing/exchangestudents</a></p>
<b>Step 4 – Course application</b>	<p>Students will need to indicate the courses they wish to take in the online application. In addition to this, students will need to fill out and send in a separate course application sheet which they will receive via email along with the application instructions by the latest May 15<sup>th</sup> for fall/academic year, and November 15<sup>th</sup> for spring. Available courses for exchange students are found <a href="#">here</a>.</p> <p>Please note that the possibility of changing courses after the course application deadline has passed is very limited. GU <u>does not have</u> an add/drop week. Students therefore need to choose courses carefully from the beginning.</p>
<b>Step 5 – Screening procedure</b>	Applications are screened regularly as they are sent in. Course applications are sent for evaluation to the respective departments after the deadlines for fall/spring.
<b>Step 6 – Acceptance Letter</b>	<p>Acceptance letters are sent out regularly during the application period, and by the latest one week after the application deadline.</p> <p>Acceptance letters will only be sent as digital copies by email to the student and the international coordinator. No original hardcopies will be sent since the digital copy is enough for the visa application.</p>

## Visa information

<b>Studying shorter than three months?</b>	Please visit <a href="http://www.migrationsverket.se/info/4578_en.html">http://www.migrationsverket.se/info/4578_en.html</a> for visa requirements.
<b>Studying for three months or longer?</b>	Students must have a valid residence permit for studies included in their passport before they travel to Sweden. Information about residence permits and related matters <a href="#">here</a> . Students should start their application for the Residence Permit as soon as they receive the acceptance letter via email.



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## Academic information

<b>Full time studies, grading and course load</b>	A normal workload (full time studies) for one semester is 30 credits, for full academic year: 60 credits. Courses usually consist of 7.5 credits, 15 credits, or 30 credits each. Courses are taken in a modular system which means students generally take one course at a time with a final exam at the end of each course. More information here: <a href="https://utbildning.gu.se/education/courses-and-programmes/degrees-and-credits">https://utbildning.gu.se/education/courses-and-programmes/degrees-and-credits</a>
<b>Language of instruction</b>	English (for courses open to exchange students) Students coming to GU from other Nordic countries are eligible for courses taught in Swedish as well.
<b>Academic Calendar 2020/2021</b>	Spring 2020: January 20 <sup>th</sup> – June 7 <sup>th</sup> Fall 2020: August 31 <sup>st</sup> – January 17 <sup>th</sup> Spring 2021: will be updated during spring 2020
<b>Courses for exchange students</b>	Information and courses available for exchange students are found <a href="#">here</a> .

## Arrival information, Housing, Health care and Insurance

<b>Arrival day and orientation/welcome week</b>	Pick-up service available on arrival days. Information and Welcome programme: <a href="https://utbildning.gu.se/education/incoming-student/welcomeprogramme">https://utbildning.gu.se/education/incoming-student/welcomeprogramme</a>
<b>Housing contact and webpage</b>	<a href="mailto:studenthousing@gu.se">studenthousing@gu.se</a> <a href="https://utbildning.gu.se/education/studenthousing">https://utbildning.gu.se/education/studenthousing</a>
<b>Living expenses</b>	<a href="https://utbildning.gu.se/education/studentlife/living-expenses-funding">https://utbildning.gu.se/education/studentlife/living-expenses-funding</a>
<b>Medical services</b>	Foreign students who are not entitled to public health care in Sweden can have certain medical care at the <a href="#">Student Health Center</a> . This concerns students from countries outside the European Union and students with a residence permit for less than one year.
<b>Insurance</b>	All incoming exchange students are covered by the Swedish State Insurance for Foreign Students in Sweden, STUDENT IN. <a href="https://www.kammarkollegiet.se/engelska/start/all-services/insurance-for-foreign-visitors/student-insurance/exchange-students-in-sweden">https://www.kammarkollegiet.se/engelska/start/all-services/insurance-for-foreign-visitors/student-insurance/exchange-students-in-sweden</a>