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## FACT SHEET for the Academic year 2023/24

University of Gothenburg, International Centre		
<b>COVID-19 INFORMATION</b> (updated regularly)	<a href="https://studentportal.gu.se/english/coronavirus">https://studentportal.gu.se/english/coronavirus</a>	
<b>Website</b>	<a href="http://www.gu.se/en">www.gu.se/en</a>	
<b>Website for exchange students</b>	<a href="https://www.gu.se/en/study-in-göteborg/exchange-student">https://www.gu.se/en/study-in-göteborg/exchange-student</a>	
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### Application procedure

<b>Step 1 – Nomination</b>	Exchange students must be officially nominated by their home university. Nominations are accepted via nomination sheet which will be emailed separately at start of nomination period.
<b>Nomination deadlines</b>	Fall semester or academic year: <b>1 April</b> Spring semester: <b>1 October</b>
<b>Step 2 – Online application &amp; Required documents</b>	All incoming exchange students apply online. Nominated students will receive application instructions via e-mail in the beginning of the application period. Information about the application can also be found <a href="#">here</a> .  The following documents are required for all students (digitally, no hard copies): <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Official Transcript of Records (in English) showing all completed semesters</li> <li>2. Certificate of Registration showing currently enrolled courses</li> <li>3. Copy of passport</li> </ol> <i>Please note that students applying for HDK-Valand Academy of Arts and Design will receive separate application instructions upon nomination and will need to submit portfolio work.</i>
<b>Application deadlines</b>  <i>Please note separate nomination deadlines and application procedures for the</i>	<b>Fall semester/Full academic year: 15 May</b> Online application portal open 1 March–15 May  <b>Spring semester: 15 November</b> Online application portal open 1 September–15 November



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<p><i>Faculty of Fine, Applied and Performing Arts below.</i></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 1 November or as early as possible.</b> Applications are processed regularly as they come in.</p>
<p><b>Application deadlines for the Faculty of Fine, Applied and Performing Arts</b></p>	<p><b>Fall semester/Full academic year:</b> 1 April</p> <p><b>Spring semester</b> 15 October (HDK-Valand Academy of Arts and Design) 15 November (Academy of Music and Drama)</p> <p>Please note that admission to HDK-Valand Academy of Arts and Design programmes is highly competitive and depends largely on portfolio work. Students who are accepted are required to follow a set track for the term/academic year. More information and contacts here:</p> <p><a href="#">HDK-Valand Academy of Arts and Design</a> <a href="#">Academy of Music and Drama</a></p>
<p><b>General requirements</b></p>	<p><b>Language:</b> Students should meet a B2 proficiency level in English, official test results are not required. <b>Please note:</b> Courses might have other language requirements.</p> <p>Incoming students on bachelor/BA-level/first cycle need to have completed one full year of studies at home university when starting their exchange at GU. Incoming students on master-level need to have completed one semester of studies at home university.</p>
<p><b>Step 3 – Housing application</b></p>	<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 e-mail <u>after</u> the online application deadline has passed. In this e-mail 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://www.gu.se/en/study-in-gothenburg/when-you-are-here/student-housing">https://www.gu.se/en/study-in-gothenburg/when-you-are-here/student-housing</a></p>



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<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 should upload a separate course application sheet which they will receive via email along with the application instructions by the latest 15 May for fall semester/academic year and 15 November for spring semester.</p> <p>Available courses for exchange students can be found here: <a href="https://www.gu.se/en/study-in-gothenburg/exchange-student/courses-for-exchange-students">https://www.gu.se/en/study-in-gothenburg/exchange-student/courses-for-exchange-students</a></p> <p>Please note that there is <b>no possibility of changing courses</b> after the course application deadline has passed. GU <u>does not have</u> an add/drop week. Students therefore need to choose courses carefully before submitting the course application sheet.</p>
<b>Step 5 – Screening procedure</b>	<p>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.</p>
<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 e-mail to the student and the International Coordinator. No original hard copies will be sent since the digital copy is enough for the visa application.</p>

<b>Visa information</b>	
<b>In case of questions regarding the Residence Permit Application</b>	<p><b>Always</b> contact the Swedish Migration Agency in case of any questions regarding the Residence Permit Application: <a href="https://www.migrationsverket.se/English/Contact-us.html">https://www.migrationsverket.se/English/Contact-us.html</a></p>
<b>Important: From 1 November 2022, applicants for a permit to study or conduct research in Sweden must personally show their passport before the Swedish Migration Agency can make a decision.</b>	<p>Please visit <a href="https://www.migrationsverket.se/English/Private-individuals/Studying-and-researching-in-Sweden/Nyhetsarkiv/2022-10-10-The-Swedish-Migration-Agency-is-introducing-new-rules-for-better-passport-check.html">https://www.migrationsverket.se/English/Private-individuals/Studying-and-researching-in-Sweden/Nyhetsarkiv/2022-10-10-The-Swedish-Migration-Agency-is-introducing-new-rules-for-better-passport-check.html</a> for more information.</p>
<b>Studying shorter than three months?</b>	<p>Please visit <a href="http://www.migrationsverket.se/info/4578_en.html">http://www.migrationsverket.se/info/4578_en.html</a> for information on visa requirements.</p>



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<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 can be found <a href="#">here</a> . Students should start their application for the residence permit as soon as they receive the acceptance letter via e-mail.
<b>Academic information</b>	
<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://www.gu.se/en/study-in-gothenburg/exchange-student/courses-for-exchange-students/avoid-time-table-clashes">https://www.gu.se/en/study-in-gothenburg/exchange-student/courses-for-exchange-students/avoid-time-table-clashes</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 2023/2024</b>	Fall 2023: 28 August - 14 January Spring 2024: 15 January - 2 June <a href="https://www.gu.se/en/study-in-gothenburg/when-you-are-here/academic-calendar">https://www.gu.se/en/study-in-gothenburg/when-you-are-here/academic-calendar</a>
<b>Courses for exchange students</b>	Information and courses available for exchange students can be found here: <a href="https://www.gu.se/en/study-in-gothenburg/exchange-student/courses-for-exchange-students">https://www.gu.se/en/study-in-gothenburg/exchange-student/courses-for-exchange-students</a>



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## 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://www.gu.se/en/study-in-gothenburg/when-you-are-here/student-housing">https://www.gu.se/en/study-in-gothenburg/when-you-are-here/student-housing</a>
<b>Living expenses</b>	<a href="https://www.gu.se/en/about-the-university/welcome-services/cost-of-living">https://www.gu.se/en/about-the-university/welcome-services/cost-of-living</a>
<b>Medical services</b>	Foreign students who are not entitled to public health care in Sweden can receive support from the University's provider of student health services. Read more: <a href="https://studentportal.gu.se/english/study-environment-and-rules/student-healthcare">https://studentportal.gu.se/english/study-environment-and-rules/student-healthcare</a> . This concerns students from countries outside the European Union and students with a residence permit for less than one year.
<b>Study Support</b>	To the extent possible, international students with a permanent and documented disability can be offered <b>study support</b> to facilitate their studies at the University of Gothenburg. <a href="https://www.gu.se/en/study-in-gothenburg/when-you-are-here/student-services-and-support/studying-with-a-disability">https://www.gu.se/en/study-in-gothenburg/when-you-are-here/student-services-and-support/studying-with-a-disability</a>
<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>