



COURSE APPLICATION FOR EXCHANGE STUDENTS ON UNIVERSITY-WIDE AGREEMENTS

Exchange students on university-wide agreements can choose and combine courses from several different faculties and departments. It is important however to note that each faculty, department and course have their own regulations and entry requirements. Read the information below carefully before selecting courses in order to make sure that your selection is done correctly.

SELECTING AND CHANGING COURSES

Use attached excel-sheet and fill out your preferred courses. Return the excel-sheet to your international coordinator by email by **deadline November 15**.

You will find information about courses open to exchange students by visiting each faculty website through the links found on the following webpage: [Courses for exchange students](#)

IMPORTANT: There is **NO** add-and-drop period at the University of Gothenburg. Changing courses after the course application has been submitted or in the beginning of the semester is usually **NOT** possible. Please think carefully before you submit your course selection and make sure that you are eligible for the courses that you apply for and that they have been approved by your home university.

BASIC INFORMATION ON COURSE AND CREDIT SYSTEM

30 credits / semester = full time studies.

All exchange students are required to register for 30 credits in order to be eligible for residence permit to Sweden. We will not register students for more than 30 credits unless that is specifically required by the home University. Taking more than 30 credits/semester is very heavy and classes will be difficult to combine time wise.

The number of courses you should take depends on how many credits they are. Most commonly courses are either 7,5 or 15 credits.

Study level & prerequisites

Different faculties have different ways of describing the study level of the course:

Bachelor level	Master Level
Undergraduate First cycle	Graduate Second cycle

Basic Introductory Intermediate (final year)	In-depth Advanced
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Bachelor students usually cannot enroll for master level courses.

Carefully note if there are any specific prerequisites. For example if the entry requirements says that you need at least 60 credits of mathematics/statistics in order to take the course, then you would need 1 full year of previous studies within that specific subject in order to enroll. Other qualifications, for example studies within a different subject, does not count.

COURSE MAPPING – PARALLEL COURSES AND STUDY PACE

In many countries it is common that you take several courses parallel for the entire semester. At the University of Gothenburg it is most common to take courses sequentially, that is, one course after the other, not parallel.

The semester is divided into 4 periods (or quarters). On some occasions, when courses are taught with less than 100% study pace, they can be combined with other courses during the same period.

50% pace = the course can be combined with other 50% pace courses

100% pace = the course should not be combined with other courses taught in the same period.

A 7,5 credit course that is given with 100% study pace will be taught full time during 5 weeks. Such course is very difficult to combine with other courses taught in the same period. If the course instead is 50% study pace it can be combined with one additional 7,5 credits course also taught in 50% pace during the same period. That is, the course load should never exceed 100% during the same period.

Acceptable example 1:

7,5 credits + EXAM	7,5 credits + EXAM	7,5 credits + EXAM	7,5 credits + EXAM
Semester start			Semester end

Acceptable example 2:

15 credits + EXAM	15 credits + EXAM	
Semester start		Semester end

Acceptable example 3:

7,5 credits + EXAM	7,5 credits + EXAM	7,5 credits + EXAM (50 % study pace)
		7,5 credits + EXAM (50 % study pace)
Semester start		Semester end

Acceptable example 4

15 credits + EXAM (50 % study pace)	
15 credits + EXAM (50 % study pace)	
Semester start end	Semester

NOT Acceptable:

7,5 credits + EXAM (100% pace)		7,5 credits + EXAM	7,5 credits + EXAM
7,5 credits + EXAM (100% pace)			
Semester start end			Semester

Taking two 100% pace courses at the same time will result in a study load of 200% in the first period (quarter). It will be too heavy and the schedule will clash.