



# **Study Abroad@Science**

# The Science International Office



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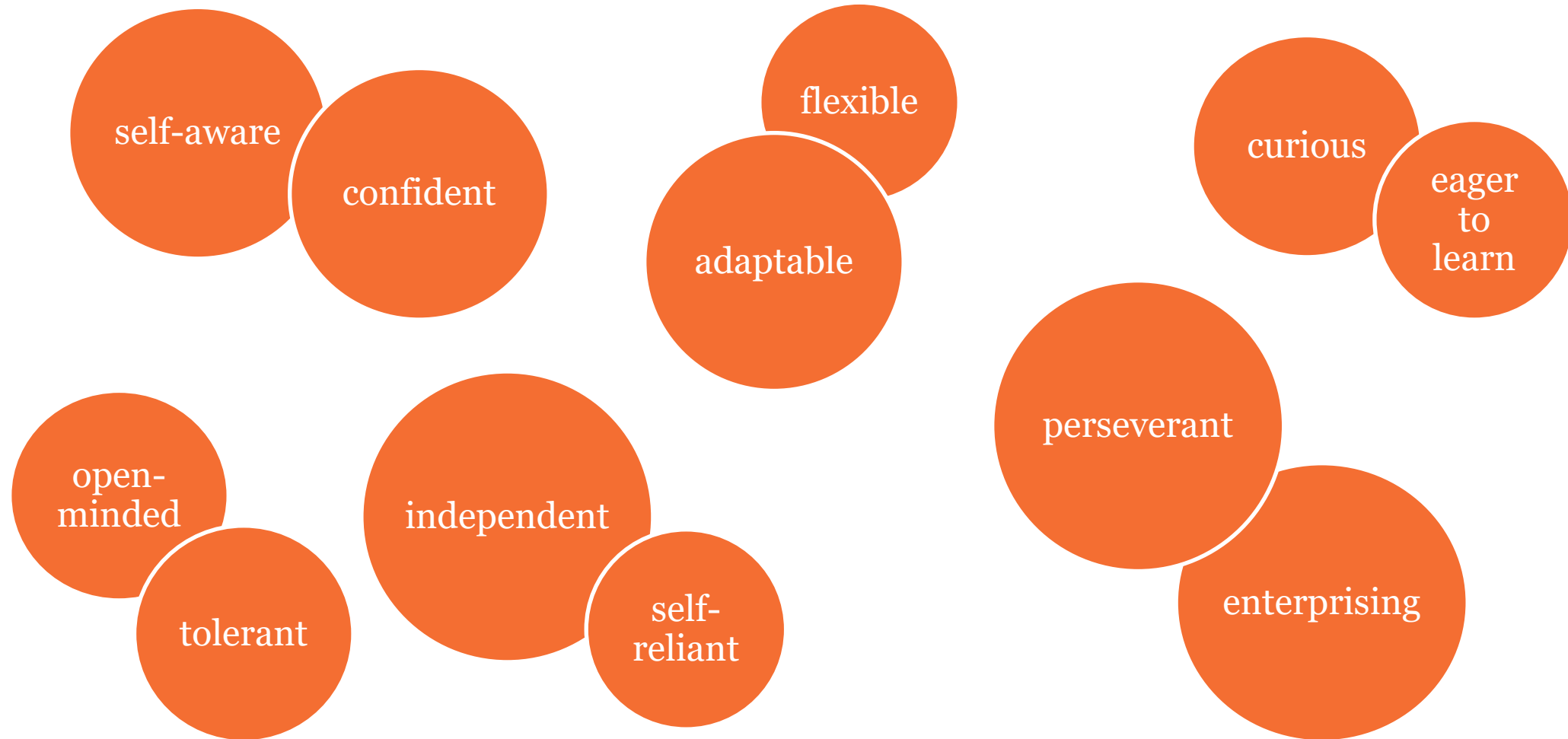
# Why Go Abroad?



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# Personal Development



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# Academic Benefits



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# Career Skills



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# Study Abroad Options



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# Study Abroad Options

## Exchange

- take courses at a partner university
- pay Leiden tuition fees
- eligible for grants
- find an overview of partners on the world map on the website
- *can be university-wide or faculty!*

## Free mover

- take courses at any university, without an agreement and/or selection
- you pay Leiden tuition fees and host university tuition fees
- not all universities accept free movers!

## Internship/ Research Project

- not limited to partner universities
- no application deadlines
- you arrange the internship yourself
- eligible for grants

## Summer/Winter School

- short term program
- not limited to partner universities
- not always for ECTS

# University-wide versus Faculty Exchange

## University-wide Exchange

- deadline is **December 1<sup>st</sup> (2024)**
- outside the EU, with partners in North and South America, Asia, Africa and Oceania
- Open to *all* Leiden University students
- Selection done by International Relations Office
- Selection based on a draw
- Highly competitive

Information via [studyabroad@sea.leidenuniv.nl](mailto:studyabroad@sea.leidenuniv.nl)

## Faculty Exchange

- deadline is **February 1<sup>st</sup> (2025)**
- mostly inside the EU, with a few non-EU partners such as China, Singapore and Japan
- Open to *only* Faculty of Science students
- Selection done by Science International Office
- Selection based on letter, GPA and course choice
- Less competitive

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# Resources



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# Where Can I Find Information?

- 'Exchange' pages on University Website
- List of Partners
- World Map
- Agreement Details
- Student Report Database
- Previously Approved Courses

**Note: click  
on the image  
or scan the  
QR-code  
for more info!**

# Website

Student website > Extra study activities > Studying abroad > Exchange > What and why?

## What and why?

General **Science**

### What is an Exchange?

Going on exchange means taking courses at a partner university as part of your study programme. As an exchange student, you have the advantage that you will not have to pay the tuition fees of the partner university abroad and can use the credits for your curriculum in Leiden. This exchange is facilitated by an 'exchange agreement' between Leiden University and the partner university. If this contract is open to all Leiden University students, it's called a University-wide exchange. If this contract is open to students at the Faculty of Science, it's called a faculty exchange. The different exchange programmes have a:

1. different offer of partner universities
2. different deadline and application procedure
3. different contact person at Leiden University
4. different scope of agreement (i.e. in which area of study can students

Click on the 'Science' tabs for faculty-specific information!

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# Website – List of Partners

Find this on the  
'Where' page.

First, select the Faculty of Science in the world map. Science partners are only intended for Science students, just as Humanities partners are only intended for Humanities students, etc. You can then filter partner universities on the basis of country, exchange programme type, level, language and more. Please consult our [world map instructions](#) for more information.

Once you have found an interesting destination, check the details carefully. Use the points listed below as a guideline to determine whether this destination is right for you.

## What Should I Keep in Mind?

When considering which partner university is right for you, it is good to take note of the following points:

1. **Intended for students from:** the world map indicates the study programme for which the agreement is intended. For example, an agreement in the field of Biology is intended for Biology students. It is possible for a non-Biology student to choose this agreement, as long as they take courses in this field at the partner university. However, Biology students have priority to go on exchange via this agreement over students from other study programmes. For an easy overview of partner universities available per study programme, check our [list of partners](#).

Click this link  
to download  
the overview!

# List of Partners


See how popular our partners are.

Country	Partner University	Places available for:	BSc/ MSc	Demand (● = a lot, ● = few)	Additional Information
Austria	Karl-Franzens-Universität Graz	Industrial Ecology, Governance of Sustainability	MSc	●	
	Universität Wien	Mathematics	BSc and MSc	●	
Belgium	Katholieke Universiteit Leuven	Science faculty students	BSc and MSc	●	
	Universiteit Gent	Bio-informatics	MSc	●	Click on: Erasmus-B GENT01-SCI-BIOINFORMA
	Universiteit Gent	Biology, LST, MST	BSc and MSc	●	Click on: Erasmus-B GENT01-SCI-BIOL_BIOCHE
	Universiteit van Antwerpen	Physics, Astronomy	BSc and MSc	●	Click on: Erasmus-B ANTWERP01-SCI-PHYSICS
	Universiteit van Antwerpen	Biology, LST	MSc	●	Click on: Erasmus-B ANTWERP01-SCI-BIOLOGY
China	Xiamen University	Chemistry	MSc	●	
Czech Republic	Ceské vysoké učení technické v Praze	Physics, Astronomy and Mathematics	MSc	●	
	Masarykova Univerzita	Mathematics, Statistical Sciences	BSc and MSc	●	
	Univerzita Karlova (Charles University)	Biology, LST, Industrial Ecology	BSc and MSc	●	
Denmark	Aarhus Universitet	Biology, LST	BSc and MSc	●	
	Technical University of Denmark	Science faculty students	BSc and MSc	●	
	University of Copenhagen	Bio-Pharmaceutical Sciences	BSc and MSc	●	
	University of Southern Denmark	Science faculty students	BSc and MSc	●	
	University of Eastern Finland	Bio-Pharmaceutical Sciences	BSc and MSc	●	
Finland	University of Helsinki	Bio-Pharmaceutical Sciences	BSc and MSc	●	Click on: Erasmus-SF HELSINK01-SCI-PHARMAC
	University of Helsinki	Biology, Industrial Ecology, Governance of Sustainability	BSc and MSc	●	Click on: Erasmus-SF HELSINK01-SCI-BIOL_EVS
	University of Helsinki	Biology, Industrial Ecology, Governance of Sustainability	BSc and MSc	●	Click on: Erasmus-SF HELSINK01-SCI-BIOL_EVS
France	Université de Lyon	Computer Science	BSc and MSc	●	Click on: Erasmus-F LYON18-SCI-COMPUTERSCI
	Université de Lyon	Physics, Astronomy	BSc and MSc	●	Click on: Erasmus-F LYON18-SCI-PHYS
	Université de Lyon	Mathematics, Statistical Science	MSc	●	
	Université de Lyon	Mathematics	BSc	●	Click on: Erasmus-FPARIS468-SCI-MATH
	Université de Lyon	Chemistry	BSc	●	Click on: Erasmus-FPARIS468-SCI-CHEM
	Université de Lyon	Biology	BSc	●	Click on: Erasmus-FPARIS468-SCI-BIOLOGY
	Université de Lyon	Physics	BSc and MSc	●	Click on: Erasmus-FPARIS468-SCI-PHYSICS
	Université de Lyon	Biology, LST	BSc and MSc	●	
	Université de Lyon	Biology, LST	BSc and MSc	●	Click on: Erasmus-F STRASBO48-SCI-BIOLOGY
	Université de Lyon	Chemistry	MSc	●	Click on: Erasmus-F STRASBO48-SCI-CHEMISTRY

Easily filter our partner universities by study area and level!



# World Map


 Universiteit Leiden Study Abroad World Map [Apply Now ?](#)

Before starting your search, click on the ? (top right of screen) for instructions on how to search for suitable destinations.

**Faculty:** Faculty of Science  **Level:**


**Exchange Programme:** Faculty exchange programme  **Language of Instruction:**

**Country:**  **Partner University:**



**Select your exchange programme: uni-wide or faculty**

**Click on the dot for more information (Agreement Details)**



# World Map - Agreement Details

The screenshot displays the 'Study Abroad World Map' interface. On the left, a list of partner universities is visible, including Aarhus Universitet, Bangor University (University of Wales, Bangor), Carl V. Ossietzky Universität Oldenburg, České vysoké učení technické v Praze, Chalmers University of Technology, Ecole Normale Supérieure de Lyon, Ecole nationale de la statistique et de l'analyse, Freie Universität Berlin, Friedrich-Alexander-Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen, Imperial College (of Science, Technology and Medic), and Karl-Franzens-Universität Graz. The main content area is titled 'Agreement Details' and provides information for Bangor University (University of Wales, Bangor) in the United Kingdom. The details include the partner website, agreement name (Erasmus-UK BANGOR01-SCI-BIOLOGY), exchange programme (Faculty of Science), level (Bachelor/Master), semester (Fall or spring), and LU application deadline (1 February). A callout bubble highlights the 'Intended for students from' section, which lists the Faculty of Science and notes that the agreement is open for the following programmes: Biology, LST. The 'Fields of Study' section mentions the School of Biology and provides instructions for international exchange/Erasmus+ students, along with a link to the Bangor website for module selection. The 'Academic Calendar' section lists the first (fall) semester from end of September to mid January, and the second (spring) semester from end of January to beginning of June. The interface also features a search bar, a map of Europe, and an 'Apply Now' button with a help icon.

**Agreement Details**

**Bangor University (University of Wales, Bangor)**  
Bangor, United Kingdom

[Partner website](#)

Agreement Name Erasmus-UK BANGOR01-SCI-BIOLOGY

Exchange Programme Faculty of Science

Level Bachelor/Master

Semester Fall or spring

LU Application Deadline 1 February

▼ **Intended for students from**

- Faculty of Science

*Open for the following programmes*

Biology, LST

▼ **Fields of Study**

School of Biology

As an International Exchange/Erasmus+ student, you should take the majority of your credits from the host academic school you've chosen here in Bangor. You are eligible to take modules from all levels of study. Modules can be found online at: [www.bangor.ac.uk/courses/undergraduatemodules](http://www.bangor.ac.uk/courses/undergraduatemodules)

▼ **Academic Calendar**


First (fall) semester: end of September - mid January  
Second (spring) semester: end of January - beginning of June

Find partner-specific information in the Agreement Details

# Student Reports Database

What are you looking for

**Regions of the World**



United Kingdom ▾

**Faculty**

- University-wide
- Archaeology
- Governance and Global Affairs
- Humanities
- Law
- Medicine/LUMC
- Science
- Social and Behavioural Sciences

**Report type**

- Clinical clerkship
- Conference

Found reports (128)


**Bangor University** United Kingdom  
2021 | Exchange | Social and Behavioural Sciences | Psychology | 1

**Bangor University** United Kingdom  
2019 | Exchange | Social and Behavioural Sciences | Psychology | 1

**Bangor University** United Kingdom  
2019 | Exchange | Social and Behavioural Sciences | Psychology | 1

**Bangor University** United Kingdom  
2019 | Exchange | Social and Behavioural Sciences | Psychology | 2

Filter by location, faculty, and report type (exchange, internship, etc)



# Website – Previously Approved Courses

Find this on the  
'Where' page.

Once you have found an interesting destination, check the details carefully. Use the points listed below as a guideline to determine whether this destination is right for you.

## What Should I Keep in Mind?

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2. **Course offer:** take a look at the [overview of previously approved courses](#) to get an idea of course options at the partner university. Please note you are not limited to these courses, but it gives you a general idea of what is available at the partner university. This overview offers no guarantee for the availability or approval of these courses.

Click this link  
to download  
the overview!

# Previously Approved Courses

Dept. at Home Uni	Host Count	Host Uni	Via Uni	Course name	Course code	ECTS	Approved by Host Uni	Approved by Leiden Univ	Academic Year	BSc or MSc	Period	Re
Biology	Sweden	Uppsala	Leiden	Basic Swedish	5PU028	7.5	yes	yes	2023-2024	BSc	Fall	
Biology	Sweden	Uppsala	Leiden	Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources	IBG204	15	yes	yes	2023-2024	BSc	Fall	
Biology	Sweden	Uppsala	Leiden	Limnology	IBG227	15	yes	yes	2023-2024	BSc	Fall	
Biology	Norway	Uni of Tromso	Leiden	Introduction to fish biology	BIO-3009	10		yes	2023-2024	BSc	Fall	
Biology	Finland	Helsinki	Leiden	Introduction to Sustainable Science	ECGS-001	5		yes	2023-2024	BSc	Fall	
Biology	Finland	Helsinki	Leiden	Perspectives on Sustainable Consumption	ECGS-201	5		yes	2023-2024	BSc	Fall	
Biology	Finland	Helsinki	Leiden	Philosophical and Methodological Foundations of	FILM-338	5		yes	2023-2024	BSc	Fall	
Biology	Finland	Helsinki	Leiden	Advanced Immunobiology	PROV-407	5		yes	2023-2024	BSc	Fall	
Biology	Finland	Helsinki	Leiden	Theoretical and Methodological Approaches in Re	HNFB-231	5		yes	2023-2024	BSc	Fall	
Biology	Finland	Helsinki	Leiden	Nutrition and Society	HNFB-221	5						
Biology	Finland	Helsinki	Leiden	Topical Issues in Urban Research	ENV-381	5						
Biology	Italy	Milano	Leiden	Editing di geni e genomi	F0802Q078	6						
Biology	Italy	Milano	Leiden	Proteomica	F0802Q056	6						
Biology	Italy	Milano	Leiden	Genetic mechanisms of human disease	F0601Q092	6						
Biology	Italy	Milano	Leiden	Patologie del metabolismo	F0601Q061	6						
Biology	Italy	Milano	Leiden	Inglese per il turismo	E1501N088	8						
Biology	Italy	Milano	Leiden	Philosophy of social science	E4001N095	6						
Biology	Norway	Uni of Tromso - Arctic Uni of Nor	Leiden	Arctic Marine Pollution	BIO-3009	10						
Biology	Norway	Uni of Tromso - Arctic Uni of Nor	Leiden	Arctic Marine System Ecology and Climate Chang	BIO-3015	10						
Biology	Norway	Uni of Tromso - Arctic Uni of Nor	Leiden	Food-Webs and Fisheries	BIO-3516	10						
Biology		Aarhus University	Leiden	Biogeography and Macroecology	515142U001	10						
Biol		University	Leiden	Molecular Nutrition	230172U001	10						
		University	Leiden	Security	515152U010	10						
			Leiden	Limnology	1BG227	15						
			Leiden	Animal Structure and Function	1BG203	15						
			Leiden	Microbial Genetics	1BG201	15						
			Leiden	Evolutionary Genetics	1BG205	15						
Biology		Uppsala	Leiden	The Baltic Sea Environment	1BG405	10						
Biology	Sweden	Uppsala	Leiden	Basic Swedish 1	5PU028	7,5						

Note: This overview is subject to change! Always check the partner university (exchange) website for the latest overview of courses.

What courses you can take during your exchange depends on:

- Partner's entry requirements
- Our Exchange agreement
- Leiden's Board of Examiners

Easily filter our partner universities by study area!

# Application Process



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# Exchange Requirements

- You are a registered Leiden University student before and during the exchange
- Your study programme agrees with your plans to study abroad
  - **Who?** For your application: your study advisor.  
Later officially via Board of Examiners.
  - **When?** BSc 3<sup>rd</sup> year minor or MSc 2<sup>nd</sup> year (MSc Mathematics MSc 1<sup>st</sup> year 2<sup>nd</sup> term).  
Discuss other options with your study advisor!
- You have passed all first-year courses (*propedeuse*)
- You are a nominal student
  - No study delay
- You (preferably) have a GPA of 7.0 or higher

**Faculty only:** If you do not meet these requirements, you can still apply. However, your application will be discussed with the study advisor and not all partner universities will be an option.



# Application - Documents

Click here  
for more  
info!

## University-wide Exchange

- Your top 5-10 partner universities
  - The program is highly competitive, so more selected partners are required!
- Motivation letter for your top 3 choices
  - Submit *one* letter
  - Template can be found [online](#)
- LST students: your TU Delft Transcript of Records
  - We cannot see your grades in uSis!

Information via [studyabroad@sea.leidenuniv.nl](mailto:studyabroad@sea.leidenuniv.nl)

## Faculty Exchange

- Your top 3 partner universities
  - Fewer or more choices allowed; we will contact you if we cannot place you in your top 3.
- Motivation letter for your top 1-3 choices
  - Submit *one* letter
  - No template, standard motivation letter format
- Prospective course overview for your top 3 choices
- LST students: your TU Delft Transcript of Records
  - We cannot see your grades in uSis!

Information via [outgoing@science.leidenuniv.nl](mailto:outgoing@science.leidenuniv.nl)

Not  
binding!



# Application - uSis

## How:

1. Log in to uSis and select the '*Study Abroad*' tile
2. Select '*Study at a partner university via an exchange programme*'
3. Click on '*Create*' to start your application



\*Academic year during exchange

2025-2026



➔ **Academic year:** Select the academic year of your exchange (25-26), not the current academic year!

\*Start semester

Fall



\*Duration

1 semester



➔ **Duration:** Select 1 semester.

\*Exchange Programme

Faculty and/or study programme



➔ **Exchange Programme:** Submit one application per exchange programme - it is not possible to select both uni-wide and faculty partners in one application. Please have only one active application at a time (wait for uni-wide results to apply for faculty exchange)!

\*Your faculty at Leiden University

Faculty of Science



# Application - Deadlines

University-wide Exchange

**23:59 on 1 December 2024**

*Late applications will not be considered*

Faculty Exchange

**23:59 on 1 February 2025**

*Late applications will only be considered when the selection is completed and places are left*

*Do not wait until the last minute – apply on time!*



# Next Steps

1. The International Office **selects** student to Study Abroad
2. Student gets one week to **accept** offered place
3. The International Office **nominates** student to partner university
4. Partner university invites student to **apply**
5. Student applies for available **scholarship(s)**
6. Student gets **approval** for selected courses by Board of Examiners
7. Student completes **Learning Agreement** (EU destinations)

# Research / Internship Abroad



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# Website

Student website > Extra study activities > Studying abroad > Internships, research, fieldwork, summer schools and more

- > Your study programme
- > Support and well-being
- > Facilities
- ∨ Extra study activities
  - ∨ Studying abroad
    - > Exchange
    - > Studying abroad independently
      - Entire masters programme
      - Health and safety
      - Financial matters
      - Internships, research, fieldwork, summer schools and more**
      - International Exchange Coordinators
    - Honours education
    - Summer & winter schools
    - Extra online courses

## Internships, research, fieldwork, summer schools and more

There are many other types of activity you can do abroad to enrich your studies and gain international experience. Find out about the options available to you.

General

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As a student at the Faculty of Science, there are a range of activities you can do abroad during your studies. On this page you can find out about the options available to you, how to request approval, and how to register your activity after gaining approval.

### Approval and Registration

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Click on the 'Science' tabs for faculty-specific information!



# Registration - uSis

Registration,  
not  
application!

Please look at the [website](#) for more detailed information about finding a research project abroad. After being invited by a university or company, you can register in uSis.

## How:

1. Log in to Usis and select the '*Study Abroad*' tile
2. Select '*Register another type of study-related activity abroad*'.
3. Enter the requested data, upload any required documents then click on submit.
4. If you have the necessary faculty approval and your destination is safe, the university will approve your registration. You may then depart for your activity abroad. Remember to check the travel advice before departure in case the safety situation changes.
5. As soon as possible, enter your contact details abroad in the Study Abroad portal - in the '*During your stay*' section. Remember to keep your contact details updated whilst abroad so we can reach you in case of emergency!



# Scholarships



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## Financial matters

What are the costs involved in studying abroad and how can you finance your stay? Avoid unexpected expenses by researching financial matters thoroughly in advance.

General

Science

### Budget

Make an overview of anticipated expenses and sources of income, to make sure you have sufficient funds for your studies abroad. Consider the following:

- Tuition fees
- Travel expenses (to/from your destination and during your stay)
- Rent
- Other living expenses (food & drink, clothing, etc.)
- Visas and residence permits

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### International exchange coordinators (e)



Jeroen van der Heide



# Scholarships

**EU Destinations**



**Erasmus Grant  
for Studies**  
(exchange at a partner university)

**Erasmus Grant  
for Traineeships**  
(projects/internships)

**Non-EU  
Destinations**



**NL Scholarship**  
(annual deadline April 1,  
selection by draw)

**LUSTRA Scholarship**

**Switzerland only:  
SEMP Scholarship**  
(via Host University)

**All Destinations  
(Dutch Citizens)**



**OV-vergoeding**

**DUO  
uitwonendenbeurs**

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the tiles  
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info!**

# Questions



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# Science International Office

## What **Can** We Help You With?

- General exchange or internship-related questions  
(we are your first point of contact for this!)
- Information about your options abroad
- Questions on the Faculty exchange procedure
- Help with the registration of your project/internship abroad
- Information on scholarships and signing scholarship applications
- Contact with previous Science exchange students

## What **Can't** We Help You With?

- Visa and work permit questions
  - Contact your Host University or Host Organization
- Questions specific to University-wide partners
  - Contact the University-wide coordinators via [studyabroad@sea.leidenuniv.nl](mailto:studyabroad@sea.leidenuniv.nl)
- Questions specific to the Scholarship procedure
  - Contact Team Scholarships via [outbound@sea.leidenuniv.nl](mailto:outbound@sea.leidenuniv.nl)
- Questions about the exchange as part of your study program/course plan
  - Contact your Study Advisor

# Q & A



# Contact the Science International Office

*Still have questions?*

Check the information on our [website!](#)  
Google: Leiden University + Exchange  
Check the 'Science' tabs

Send us an **e-mail** via  
[outgoing@science.leidenuniv.nl](mailto:outgoing@science.leidenuniv.nl)

Make an **appointment** via  
[MS Bookings](#) for our open office  
hours, online or on location  
(Gorlaeus building, room CE.0.11)



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