

Exchange Programme 2021/22 Application Guidelines and Information

The Exchange programme at Newcastle University is now open for applications from 2021/22 applicants!

You have been issued with the secure link to our online application portal and the password required to gain access. Please read this document before starting the application. If you have any questions, we can be contacted at global.opportunities@ncl.ac.uk. We look forward to receiving your application.

Newcastle University reserves the right to refuse admission.



2021/22 Application Submission Deadlines

Semester 1—September 2021 Entry

30 April

Semester 2—January 2022 Entry

31 October

Important Notice

Late applications will not be accepted

Contact Details

global.opportunities@ncl.ac.uk

Current English Language Requirements (subject to change)

If English is not your native language, you will need to satisfy our English langue entry requirements and there are differences based on your country of origin and education. Please note that our language entry requirements are subject to review and change.

Unless you fit into one of the exceptions below, non-native English students must submit a valid English language certificate with a score of IELTS 6.5, PTE 62 or TOEFL iBT 90 (Overall Score). Additionally, if you need a Student Visa, you must have the following minimum score in each subsection which is equivalent to level B2 on the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR):

IELTS: 5.5 in all four components of the test

PTE: 51 in all four components of the test

TOEFL iBT: Reading: 18; Writing: 17; Listening: 17; Speaking: 20

The English test must have been taken within 2 years of the course start date. If a student has taken or is planning to take an English language test that does not appear on our list, you can contact global.opportunities@ncl.ac.uk to check if we will accept it.

Exceptions

The follow exceptions apply:

Norwegian nationals may apply with Norwegian High School English Level 4.

National University of Singapore students do not need to take an additional English language test for admission to a Newcastle University Exchange Programme, including students requiring a Student Visa.

Students from Hong Kong do not need to take an additional English language test for admission to a Newcastle University Exchange Programme, including students requiring a Student Visa.

Students from Japanese exchange partners can apply with an IELTS of 6.0



Visa Regulations

The Global Opportunities Team will issue students with the necessary documents required to enter the UK as a student, but it is your responsibility to check if you need to apply for a visa before you travel.

If you are coming to Newcastle to study for one semester only, you may need to apply for a <u>Standard Visitor Visa</u> before you travel to the UK. Please check <u>here</u> to see if you need a visa. You should carefully check what you need and research the cost, requirements and timescales.

Most international students coming to Newcastle to study for one academic year will require a <u>Student Visa</u>. Please check <u>here</u> to see if you need a visa. You should carefully check what you need and research the cost, requirements and timescales.

If your application to study with us is successful, the Global Opportunities Team will send you an acceptance letter that you will use to apply for a visa.

You may or may not have the right to work in the UK as a student and this will depend on your immigration status. If you need additional guidance on UK immigration, please see:

www.ncl.ac.uk/international/visa

www.ukcisa.org.uk/Information--Advice

Special Requirements

Newcastle University welcomes applications from all students and our Wellbeing Service is able to offer support to students who may require specialist assistance to help them during their studies at Newcastle. Certain specialist requirements (e.g. accessible accommodation etc.) may need to be organised and we would appreciate advanced notice so we have a suitable timeframe to assess and arrange the requirements.

Arrival

The coronavirus situation continues to have a serious impact on international and domestic travel. Although we are planning to welcome students as normal in 2021/22, it is possible there will be changes to our academic calendar and arrival arrangements. Please consider the information below subject to change.

Students starting in Semester 1 should plan to arrive before Wednesday 15 September 2021 to take part in our international welcome programme. Teaching will start on Monday 27 September. Students starting in Semester 2 should plan to arrive before Thursday 27 January 2022 to take part in our international welcome week. Teaching will start on Monday 31 January 2022. Full details for the International Welcome Programme and information sessions will be available to download later in the year.



Application Guidance

Applicants will require a link to the online application portal and a password to
access the portal, which should have been provided in the email that this document
was attached to. Applicants must complete all sections of the online application
form.

Completion of Online Application

- Applications which are not fully complete cannot be submitted the portal software will prevent this.
- The applicant will receive an automated email if the online application has been submitted successfully.
- We aim to process applications on a rolling basis

Applications must be accompanied by all of the supporting documents requested on the form:

Supporting Documentation

- Transcript(s) of studies
- English Language Certificate
- Personal Statement (minimum of 500 words portal software will not allow less)
- Module Choices
- Colour scan or copy of Passport (page containing personal details).

It is important that applicants read the Module Catalogue Guidance Notes before using the catalogue as it explains the terminology and indicates exclusions.

www.ncl.ac.uk/mobility/experience-newcastle/module-catalogue/

Module Choices

Exchange students are free to choose modules within faculties included within the exchange agreement between Newcastle University and their home institution, subject to timetabling clashes and module leader approval. The list of modules available to exchange students can be viewed above.

Period of Study

Applicants must state their requested study period on the application form.

Semester One: Monday 27 September 2021 —Friday 28 January 2022

Full Year: Monday 27 September 2021 —Friday 17 June 2022

Semester Two: Monday 31 January 2022—Friday 17 June 2022

Academic Assessment

Applicants must be aware that they must undertake all the academic assessments required by the modules which they study.

Acceptance

Applicants will be informed if they have been accepted to study at Newcastle University and receive the relevant documentation on a rolling basis after application submission

Applicants who wish to apply for University accommodation can apply online but only after they have been offered a place of study at Newcastle University.

Accommodation

Please be aware that semester only accommodation is extremely limited and we cannot guarantee that students will be housed in University accommodation. Semester only students who are offered a place in University accommodation will be informed of their offer in early September.

If you are not allocated a place in University accommodation, the Accommodation Team will provide information and guidance on how to look for accommodation in the private sector.