Incoming Study Abroad Fact Sheet

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Academic Timetable 2021/2022*

*The 2021-2022 dates are still to be confirmed

Autumn Semester

**Application Deadline 17th May 2021**

International Welcome Early September 2021
Induction Week Early-Mid September 2021
Teaching Starts Early-Mid September 2021
Exams End Mid December – Early January 2022

Spring Semester

**Application Deadline 18th October 2021**

International Welcome Early January 2022
Teaching Starts Early January 2022
Exams End Mid- May 2021
Application documents

Abertay University will receive a nomination from your home university.

Abertay’s Erasmus+/Study Abroad Team will contact you with a link to the online application form and a welcome email.

To complete the online application form, you will need:

- A copy of your transcript of your current studies to date – This is required to be in English. If your classes/course are named Project 1, etc, please provide an explanation of the subjects covered
- Details of any current classes/courses you are taking which don’t appear on your transcript
- A copy of your passport (the photo page only)

Timeline

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<th>Stage</th>
<th>Submit your online application and requested documents</th>
<th>The Erasmus/Study Abroad team will process your application. You will receive an offer letter, ID number and login to OASIS</th>
<th>Accommodation applications open. You can apply through OASIS, once you have accepted your offer</th>
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<td>Semester 1 &amp; Full Year Applicants</td>
<td>Mid May</td>
<td>Late May/Early June</td>
<td>Late Spring</td>
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<td>Semester 2 Applicants</td>
<td>Mid October</td>
<td>Late October/Early November</td>
<td>As soon as you have accepted your offer</td>
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Academics

As an incoming student, you can choose modules from this list of subject pathways.

If you require more information about a module please use the module code, rather than just the name. The codes are important for us to be able to distinguish each module.

The graphic (left) details what the module codes mean. The middle number is most important. Please refrain from asking to take modules that are 2 years different from your current academic year (for example a Second year asking to take a 4th year module and a Fourth year asking to take a 1st year module, both will probably be turned down.) You are also not permitted to take any 500 level classes e.g., CMP506 as these are 5th year Masters classes.

If your home university requires you to take a module that is different from those mentioned in the pathways, please contact us and we will look into the possibilities. However, due to scheduling, we cannot guarantee modules that are not a direct copy of the pathways listed in the link above, although we will investigate and try to offer alternative modules if we can. Our schedules are published a few weeks before the semester starts.

A full semester at Abertay is 60 SCQF Credits, which is three modules. You are not permitted to take any more than 3 modules per semester.

60 SCQF credits = 30 ECTS = 12-16 US/Canadian Credits

Language

All courses are taught solely in English. We require students to be at least equivalent to a B2 CEFR / IELTS 6.0 level. If you have evidence of your English language proficiency, then please include details in the relevant section on the online application form. If not, we will confirm with your home university that you meet the required level of English. If English is your native language we require no formal proof.
Visas

From 1 January 2021, students from EU/EEA countries or Switzerland will now require a visa to study in the UK for longer than 6 months. This means any students wishing to study for a full year will need to apply for a Student visa. They will require additional documents from Abertay before applying, will need to pay the visa application fee and NHS health surcharge (approx. £800-850), and will be required to hold an approved English language qualification. Please make sure any nominated students are aware of this. EU/EEA/Swiss nationals, as well as students from many other countries, do not require a visa for study in the UK that is less than 6 months (i.e. for one semester).

Students from North America do not require a visa for study that is less than 6 months, however, must provide a valid passport and travel documents to a border agent upon arrival in the UK.

- Students must not arrive in the UK via an airport e-Gate
- It is not recommended that any student arrive in the UK via Ireland, either Northern Ireland or the Republic of Ireland, more information can be found here.
- Students can check if they need a UK visa here by answering 3 short questions.

Accommodation

https://www.abertay.ac.uk/accommodation/

The International Team at Abertay has a limited number of 1 semester spaces in our campus accommodation. To access these spaces please apply as soon as you are able. To apply you will need to have accepted the offer sent to you by the Erasmus+/Study Abroad Team and once you have access to your OASIS (online portal) account, you apply via OASIS. This link gives more details about the accommodation application and how to apply.

The website only shows accommodation offers for the whole academic year, do not worry, you can apply for 1 semester. The International Team sends the list of incoming students to our Residences Team and from this list they know who to accept for 1 semester only. The prices detailed on the Accommodation Website are also halved if you are only staying in accommodation for 1 semester.

The accommodation at Abertay is detailed as on-campus accommodation this is not strictly true. As we are a city centre campus, the accommodations are all walkable distances between 2 and 20 minutes away.
There are accommodations to suit all budgets and personalities, you can see some of our students talking about their rooms here (including Meredith one of our past Study Abroad students talking about Meadowside Halls.)

If you do not get a space in the limited on campus accommodation, there are various other student-friendly options around the city.

Renting a Private Room/Flat

Private Student Housing – Kingsway Apartments

Getting to Dundee

Flying to Edinburgh – this is the recommended route, as it is the closest airport to Dundee (approximately 1-2 hours away)

• Take the direct X90 bus from the airport to Dundee (schedule and booking details are here.)
• Get a bus/tram to the city, then the train to Dundee (see the schedule on ScotRail or Trainline.)
• If you are travelling in a group, get a taxi (Centre Travel.)

Flying to Glasgow – also an airport close to Dundee. You will need to get a bus into the city first

• Take a train from Glasgow Queen Street to Dundee (see the schedule on ScotRail or Trainline.)
• Get a bus from Glasgow Buchanan Bus Station to Dundee Seagate Bus Station.

Flying to London

• Fly to Edinburgh Airport
• Fly to Dundee Airport – Dundee Airport is a small municipal airport, therefore the flight might be expensive
• Get the train to Dundee –(advanced tickets are highly recommended from National Rail or Trainline)
• Get a bus from London to Dundee (MegaBus or NationalExpress.)
Getting to your accommodation

- Taxi – there is a taxi rank by the train station (if you arrive by X90 bus or train) and by the bus station.

Life in Dundee

Dundee is a brilliant place to live, it is lively, friendly, small city. It is the UKs first and only UNESCO City of Design. Is the sunniest city in Scotland, has the most gamers per capita and sits in the edge of the River Tay making for some amazing views.

Living in Dundee

Why Abertay

Sport at Abertay

Student Services and Support

Even BuzzFeed agrees that Dundee is a brilliant place to live!

Please email international@abertay.ac.uk if you have any questions or queries regarding any of the above information.

We look forward to welcoming you to Abertay University and Scotland!

Evie Jackson – Erasmus+ & Study Abroad Team

Abertay University