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## FACT SHEET for the Academic year 2023/24

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| <b>COVID-19 INFORMATION</b><br>(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-gothenburg/exchange-student">https://www.gu.se/en/study-in-gothenburg/exchange-student</a>   |  |
| <b>Postal Address</b>                              | University of Gothenburg<br>International Centre<br>Box 100<br>SE-40530 Gothenburg<br>Sweden  |  |
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| Application procedure   |   |
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| <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><br>Spring semester: <b>1 October</b>   |
| <b>Step 2 – Online application &amp; Required documents</b>     | <p>All incoming exchange students apply online via our application portal and submit digital documentation. No hard copies are required. 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>.</p> <p>The following documents are required for all students:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Official Transcript of Records in English showing all completed semesters together with a Certificate of Registration showing all currently enrolled courses (please both in one PDF-file)</li> <li>2. Copy of Passport</li> </ol> <p><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></p> |
| <b>Application deadlines</b><br><br><i>Please note separate</i> | <b>Fall semester/Full academic year: 15 May</b><br>Online application portal open 1 March–15 May  |



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| <i>nomination deadlines and application procedures for the Faculty of Fine, Applied and Performing Arts below.</i> | <b>Spring semester: 15 November</b><br>Online application portal open<br>1 September–15 November<br>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.   |
| <b>Application deadlines for the Faculty of Fine, Applied and Performing Arts</b>                                  | <b>Fall semester/Full academic year:</b><br>1 April<br><br><b>Spring semester</b><br>15 October (HDK-Valand Academy of Arts and Design)<br>15 November (Academy of Music and Drama)<br><br>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:<br><br><a href="#">HDK–Valand Academy of Arts and Design</a><br><a href="#">Academy of Music and Drama</a> |
| <b>General requirements</b>  | <b>Language:</b> Students should meet a B2 proficiency level in English, official test results are not required.<br><br>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.<br><br>Incoming students on master-level need to have completed one semester of studies at home university.  |
| <b>Step 3 – Housing application</b>  | 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.<br><br>More information on housing and application here:<br><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>            |



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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 Wish List” (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 need therefore to choose courses carefully before submitting the “Course Wish List”.</p> |
| <b>Step 5 – Screening procedure</b> | <p>Applications will be screened after 1 May/1 November. 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 after 1 May/1 November.</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>  |   |
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| <b>In case of questions regarding the Residence Permit Application</b>   | <p><b><u>Always</u></b> contact the Swedish Migration Agency in case of any questions regarding the Residence Permit Application:<br/><a href="https://www.migrationsverket.se/English/Contact-us.html">https://www.migrationsverket.se/English/Contact-us.html</a></p>   |
| <b><u>Important:</u> 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-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-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)<br>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<br>Spring 2024: 15 January - 2 June<br><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

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| <b>Arrival Day and Orientation/<br/>Welcome Week</b> | Pick-up service available on arrival days. Information and Welcome programme:<br><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><br><br><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:<br><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.<br><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.<br><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>   |