

EXCHANGE PROGRAMME FACT SHEET ACADEMIC YEAR 2022-23

i. CONTACT INFORMATION

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ii. ACADEMIC INFORMATION -

https://msuclanac.sharepoint.com/sites/StudentHub/SitePages/Academic-dates.aspx

MANDATORY WELCOME WEEK	12 th September 2022 – 16 th September 2022
SEMESTER 1	12 September 2022 – 13 January 2023
SEMESTER 2	16 January 2023 – 19 May 2023
FULL YEAR	12 September 2022 – 19 May 2023
STUDY OVERSEAS PROGRAMME	Minimum English Language Level: IELTS 5.0 equivalent (B2 CEFR level)
GENERAL ENGLISH PROGRAMME	Minimum English Language Level: IELTS 4.0 equivalent (B1 CEFR level)

Incoming exchange students must attend Welcome Week and are required to arrive at UCLan no later than Sunday 11th September (to be confirmed. Students MUST NOT purchase plane tickets / travel until placement has been confirmed by all parties and dates have been confirmed.

iii. ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

APPLICATION DEADLINES	Semester 1 (Autumn) / Full Year – Nomination deadline 30 th March. Application deadline 30 April Semester 2 (Spring) – Nomination deadline 30 th September. Application
	deadline 31 October

*ENGLISH LANGUAGE	ELTS Standard Academic – minimum score 6.0 with minimum 5.5 across
PROFICIENCY REQUIREMENT	subcomponents (reading, writing, speaking, listening).
	For <i>General English</i> , IELTS Standard Academic – minimum overall score 4.0.
	IELTS UKVI Academic would only be required if a student were not to
	meet the required English Language requirement for undergraduate
	study and were to apply for a joint CAS number to allow them to enrol
	onto an intensive Pre-Sessional English programme after which they
	would enrol directly onto a degree level programme. This would mean
	that after finishing the intensive English language programme the student
	would not need to return home to apply for a Tier 4 General Student Visa
	TOEFL IBT – minimum score 80 with minimum 20 across subcategories.
OTHER ELIGIBILITY	Minimum one-year study at home institution at Undergraduate
REQUIREMENTS	level education for all degree level programmes *
	For International Business Communication – minimum two years' study.
	*available modules may depend on previous study
	Incoming Application Form
	Valid Passport
REQUIRED DOCUMENTS	Official University Academic Transcript
REQUIRED DOCOMENTS	Proof of English Language Proficiency (if native language isn't English)
	Following the UK's Departure from the EU, European Students are now
FUDODE AN CTUDENTS	considered as International Students and are required to apply for a
EUROPEAN STUDENTS	student visa. European Students will also be required to demonstrate
	evidence of their English Language in accordance with the UKVI
	regulations which should be B2 level or above and should be evidenced
	by IELTS or iBT TOEFL as per the English Language Proficiency
	Requirement above* We are no longer allowed to accept letters from
	your English Language Departments or ERASMUS OLS Results

CREDITS	Students must take a maximum of 60 credits per semester (30 ECTS) and 120 credits (60 ECTS) per academic year.
MODULES / COURSES	Modules must be pre-approved BEFORE an application is submitted by your academic course leader and International Office. Module approval from UCLAN will be assessed on previous academic study.
	The Study Abroad Team will send students a list of modules for students to choose from. Once students have enrolled, they must check their timetables. Once teaching starts students will no longer be able to make changes to their timetables. The Study Abroad Team will provide a final date by which students will be able to make changes for both Full Year/Sem 1 and Sem 2 – changes will only be possible if there is a clash between modules.
	Semester 1 students must check if they have exams in January as they will need to stay in the UK to take these or arrange to take them remotely if possible.
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION	Unfortunately, UCLan cannot guarantee in advance that students will be eligible for courses indicated in their application. In addition, we cannot guarantee that courses will be running after the student has enrolled. Students must check their timetable upon enrolment to ensure there are no timetable clashes

iv. FEES AND OTHER EXPENSES

	o their home institution but not to UCLAN.
Or	n campus accommodation prices start from
(**a	as of 2021 subject to change):
ACCOMMODATION	Semester 1 - £1496.38 Semester 2 - £2010.57 Full Year - £3437.01
E	ach hall is self-catering, and prices include all fuel and water bills.
<u>h</u>	ttps://www.uclan.ac.uk/accommodation/
a n yo	rivate accommodation is available off campus with the average cost of shared house £67.50 per student per week and contract lengths ormally vary from 38 to 52 weeks. These details are only a guide and ou should check the cost and contract length with your landlord. or more information contact privateaccommodation@uclan.ac.uk
	you upgrade your accommodation you will be responsible for these osts direct to our accommodation office.
le fi	here are around 2200 accommodation places in University owned and eased halls of residence. On campus accommodation is allocated on a rst-come, first-served basis. n-suite options are available to full year students only.
A o a	Ilthough we do not recommend this, it is possible for students to live ff campus. Students wishing to live off campus in private ccommodation are responsible for making their own arrangements with the Landlord.
ir ir	ncoming exchange students must provide their own personal and travel as urance. International Exchange students may need private medical assurance for emergency care – this is their responsibility to check with assurers.
a	Il students can register with our Student Health Centre. It is free to see doctor, but students must pay for medication. Prescription charges pply to all at the current price of £9.15 per item (as of Sept 2020).
	he approximate cost of living per month (including rent) is £1023. This only an estimate according to the UK Home Office.
Ap	s all accommodation is self-catering you will find very reasonably criced shops and food outlets on or close to the campus such as sldi/Lidl and Tesco.
VISA APPLICATION D Si <u>h</u> Si	tudent Visa - £348+ £470 Health Surcharge Fee (as of December 2021) tandard Visitor Visa - £95.00 (up to six months) ttps://www.gov.uk/standard-visitor-visa hort Term Study (STSV) visa - £186.00 (up to 11 months for English anguage courses only)
a ir	rices are approximate and will depend on the country from which the pplication is being made. Check UKVI Website for up-to-date nformation: https://www.gov.uk/browse/visas-immigration/student-isas
OTHER FEES C	class materials / books – depending on the course.

v. ARRIVAL & ORIENTATION

ACCESSIBILITY	Accessibility - we will make reasonable adjustments to make our services and accommodation accessible to all. The Universities facilities for students with disabilities are constantly improving. UCLan has several specially adapted rooms on campus and you will be given extra consideration if you have a disability or medical condition that requires you to live on Campus.
APPLICATION	For accommodation applications: http://www.uclan.ac.uk/accommodation/how-to-apply.php
	General accommodation enquiries: studentaccommodation@uclan.ac.uk
AIRPORT COLLECTION	The airport transfer service from Manchester Airport is free of charge for all international students and will run from 6am to 6pm daily on: (Dates to be confirmed) Wednesday 7 th September Thursday 8 th September Friday 9th September Saturday 10th September To book a place on the collection you will need to complete the booking form: http://www.uclan.ac.uk/international/airport-pickup-form.php dates to be confirmed August 2022
	*Semester 2 dates will be confirmed in October 2022
WELCOME WEEK	During your first few weeks we will be running a Welcome Week programme to help all students settle into life at the University of Central Lancashire and in the UK. UCLan Welcome is a festival of activities and information sessions designed to help you get used to life at UCLan as well as life in the UK; along with a calendar of social events where you can meet other new students.
	Students will be issued with the International Arrival Guide before August, as well as a link to the Freshers' Week Programme of Events.
	Welcome Week is <u>mandatory</u> for all international students.
	The Study Abroad Team also hold a free getting to know you, welcome event in early October and early February, in which exchange students meet the team and other exchange students. We also arrange one UK based trip per semester for exchange students *small contribution required from exchange students to participate. **subject to COVID-19 Regulations
DOCUMENTS REQUIRED ON ARRIVAL	All students should provide their passport for proof of ID. Passports and visas will be checked during enrolment. Students are also advised to bring copies of their offer letter/CAS Letter and original academic transcript.

<u>Tier 4 (T4) visa</u> - if you are coming to the UK to study here on a full-time programme of study for more than 6 months.

You must apply for a Tier 4 visa in your home country; you cannot apply for a Tier 4 visa when you arrive in the UK. It is very important that you prepare carefully before you apply for a Tier 4 visa.

Standard Visitor visa - if you are coming to the UK to study here for 6 months or less; for example, if you are an exchange student coming to study for a semester. You can also apply for a Standard Visitor visa if you are coming to the UK to study an English language programme, which lasts up to 11 months.

VISA REQUIREMENTS

If you only apply for semester 1 and wish to extend for a full year then you will have to return home to apply for a visa even if you are on a Tier 4 Visa.

You should apply for either type of visa before you leave your home country; doing this is called 'entry clearance'.

For more information on visa requirements and documents required to support your application: http://www.uclan.ac.uk/international/visa-advice.php

Government Guidance:

Tier 4 - https://www.gov.uk/tier-4-general-visa/apply
Short Term Study Visa - https://www.gov.uk/standard-visitor/visit-to-study

eGATES

eGates

eGates present a new, quicker and easier way of crossing the border and entering the UK. There are over 250 eGates in place at 15 air and rail ports in the UK to enable quicker travel into the UK. Please take a look at the The Gov.UK webpage <u>Guide to faster travel through the UK border</u> which features a video showing how to use the eGates.

Entering the UK via an eGate (Tier 4 Students)

If you are a tier 4 student from one of the following countries: **Australia, Canada, Japan, New Zealand, Singapore, South Korea, USA**, then you can enter the UK via an eGate but this means that your visa will not be endorsed with an entry stamp by a member of the Border Force staff. If you chose to use an eGate it is very important that you keep evidence of your travel to the UK. This could be a boarding card, ticket or booking confirmation. You will be required to present your evidence of travel upon enrolment at UCLan in place of an entry stamp. This will provide evidence of your arrival in the UK.

Entering the UK via an eGate (Short Term Study Visa Students)

If you are entering the UK as a short-term student and you are from one of the following countries: Australia, Canada, Japan, New Zealand,

Singapore, South Korea, USA, then you must NOT use the E-Gates at the airport as you will not receive a stamp in your passport. Instead, you should follow the sign for 'see an officer' so you can speak to a border force official and obtain your short-term student visa stamp. The UKVI have produced a document which you can print out and show on arrival to the UK to ensure that you are not directed to the eGates.

vii. OTHER INFORMATION

TRANSCRIPTS	Transcripts will be sent directly to the home institution following Assessment Boards in April (Sem 1) and August (Sem 2 / full year).
STUDENT SUPPORT	Wiser provides academic support to all students and can help with adapting your study skills to a UK university
	https://www.uclan.ac.uk/students/support/wiser/index.php
	Student health and wellbeing is very important to UCLan. We have various teams to support you during your time here, including a Counselling, Mental health and Wellbeing service and a medical centre.
	https://www.uclan.ac.uk/students/support/wellbeing.php
WORLDWISE LANGUAGE SUPPORT	UCLan's Worldwise Learning Centre at the <u>School of Humanities</u> , <u>Language and Global Studies</u> is dedicated to offering support, training and professional development opportunities to UCLan students, members of staff, the public and the business community of England's North West.
	Paid Worldwise Internships Worldwise recruit Language Assistants in various languages including Arabic, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Russian and Spanish.
	The language assistants facilitate the Conversation classes, which support degree students as well as other language learners to practice their speaking skills.
	These paid, part-time internships are ideal for international students who want to gain valuable work experience before graduation.
	Language Exchange Scheme via MSTeams We have a virtual language exchange programme hosted in our public MSTeams.
	What is it? It is a great opportunity to meet other students from around the world and learn about their language and culture in exchange for sharing yours.
	Worldwise Languages with Rosetta Stone The Worldwise Languages programme enables all UCLan students to learn a language for free. Workshops run weekly and more information can be found on the Student Support portal here. Languages on offer include Arabic, Chinese (Mandarin), French, German, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Spanish and many more! Contact us to find out how we can help you to get on track with learning a new language or brush up on your existing language skills. https://www.uclan.ac.uk/worldwise/index.php

UNIVERSITY LOCATION	Situated in the heart of the North West of England, the Guild City of Preston is vibrant, cultural and friendly with plenty of activities and events to keep you entertained. 30,000 students live in Preston, making the city a lively, diverse and contemporary place to study. Located a short distance from the coastline, the Lake District, and the larger cities of Manchester and Liverpool, both of which have international airports; Preston is also one of the most networked cities in the country. The railway station is just a 10-minute walk away from campus.
SOCIAL MEDIA	Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/studyabroaduclan/ Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/InternationalOfficeUCLan/