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# Incoming Exchange Factsheet 2023/24

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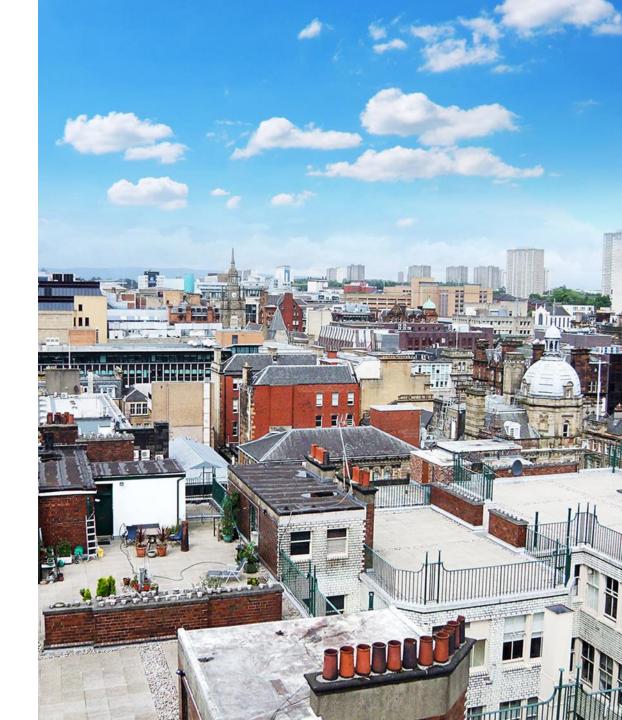
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### **About us**

The University of Strathclyde is a leading international technological university based in the centre of Glasgow. Inspired by our founding principle as 'a place of useful learning', our mission is to make a positive difference to the lives of our students, to society and to the world.

Strathclyde students benefit from an innovative and practical educational experience enhanced by its integration with our research capabilities, high-quality academic resources and an unparalleled industry engagement programme. The excellence of our research is evidenced by the growth in range and scale of our research collaborations and by our performance in the Research Excellence Framework 2021 where almost 90% was rated 'world-leading' or 'internationally-excellent'.

We have redefined how we collaborate and work with industry, government and the third sector to ensure innovation and knowledge exchange are fundamental activities that deliver tangible impact.





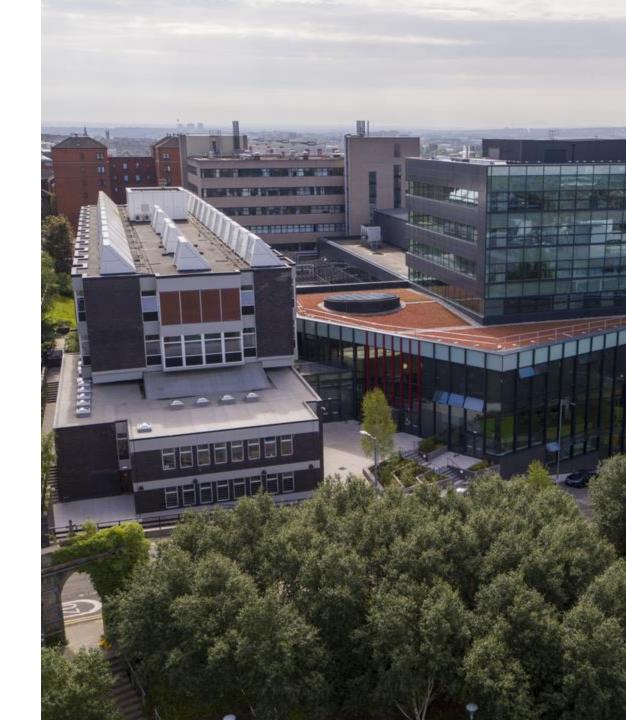
### The Exchange Team

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### FIND US HERE!

In the heart of the city, our campus is a short walk from two mainline railway stations, bus station and the subway to help you get around the city and to visit the rest of the UK.

You can find **The Exchange Team** at the following address:

Recruitment & International Office Level 7, Room 701 Learning and Teaching Building 48 North Portland Street Glasgow G1 1XN



### Nomination/ Application Deadlines

For students applying to commence their study in **September**, nominations open on the 1st of March, the **nomination deadline is 1 May.** 

For students applying to commence their study in January, nominations open on the 1st of September, the nomination deadline is 1 October

Once a student's nomination has been approved by the appropriate department, the applicant will receive an automatic email directing them to the application process.

Applicants will have two weeks to complete their Exchange Application from the date their nomination is approved.



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### **Provisional Key Dates for Session 23/24**

### Semester 1

- Campus housing opens: 9 September 2023 Exchange
   Team Welcome meeting: Monday 11 September
   2023
- Welcome Week: 11 15 September 2023 Classes: 18
   September 3 December 2023 (11 week teaching period)
- Exam Period : 4 15 December 2023 (2 weeks)
- 15 December Final day of term. Vacation: 18
   December 5 January 2024

### Semester 2

- Campus housing opens: 8 January 2023
- Exchange Team Welcome meeting: Monday 8
   January 2024
- Welcome Week: 8 14 January 2024
- Classes: 15 January 31 March 2024 (11 week teaching period)
- Spring Break Vacation: 1 12 April 2024 (inclusive)
- Exams Period : 15 April 17 May 2024 (5 weeks)
- 17 May Final day of term.

### **Check link for changes.**

https://www.strath.ac.uk/keydates/2023-24/

### Classes at Strathclyde

Exchange students will normally select classes from levels 1 to 3.

#### **Guide to Class Levels**

Level 1 - introductory level and limited previous knowledge or study in the subject required.

Level 2 & 3 – requires some previous study in the subject.

Level 4 - Not usually available to exchange students unless they have significant background in the subject and meet all the relevant prerequisites for the class.

Please refer to the "Classes available to Exchange students" section of the **Guide to choosing classes** for further details of details of the classes available in each department/school.

#### **Credits**

60 Strathclyde Credits (30 ECTS) is a regular full-time load per semester. (something about min/max number of credits)

This could be between 3 - 6 classes depending on the host department.



### How to select your classes

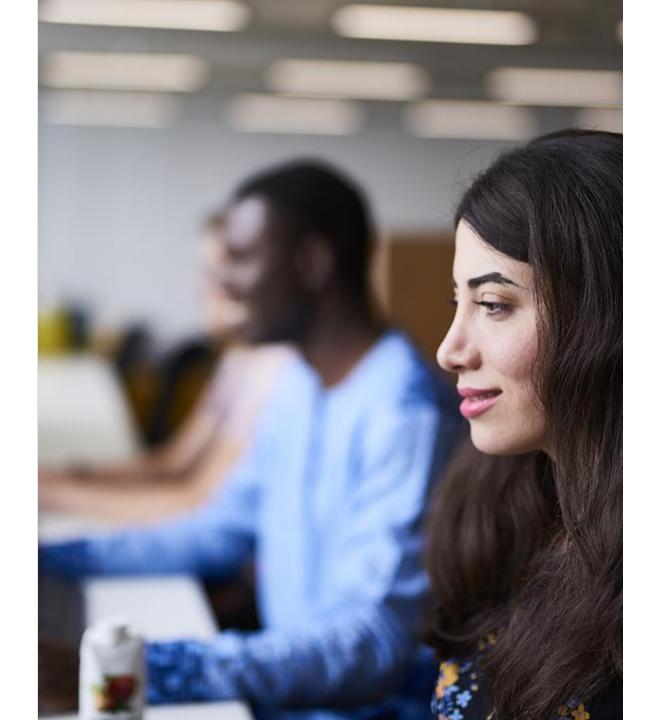
Applicants should list their classes in order of preference (no more than 6 per semester). For timetabling reasons, applicants can only choose from <a href="two">two</a> departments.

Minimum of 60% of classes in **Primary Department.** One or two classes can be selected from a **Secondary department.** (applicant must meet the prerequisites and have approval from the secondary department)

Applicants will receive provisional approval for the classes listed in their application **prior to arrival.** In some cases, it may not be possible to confirm an applicant's secondary classes until they arrive.

Applicants should have some <u>flexibility</u> and have some reserve classes identified which can be substituted as necessary if they need to review their curriculum when they reach Glasgow.





### **Acceptance Documents**

Applicants will receive an email from the system once their classes have been approved. This is confirmation of their exchange place.

Students planning to attend Strathclyde for **one semester** will subsequently receive an official acceptance from Strathclyde's central Admissions Office which they can show to immigration when entering the country if required.

Students planning to attend Strathclyde for **two semesters** will receive an offer of study which they will need to accept to secure their place. The offer will list any outstanding documents which may still be required to receive a CAS to apply for a visa.

Please ensure the email address provided in your online application has sufficient capacity to receive large files.

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### **Visa Information**

The **Student visa** came into effect on 5 October 2020. This is applicable to all I students planning to attend Strathclyde for **more than 6 months**, including those from the EU, Switzerland, Norway, Iceland and Liechtenstein. Click here for more information.

In order to apply for a **Student visa**, applicants will require to obtain a **CAS** from Strathclyde. In order to obtain a CAS applicants will require to submit the following supporting documents to Strathclyde:-

- Evidence of acceptable English Language Proficiency (refer to section below on English language requirements.)
- Official transcript (original and 2nd version translated into English. See note on the following slide.)
- Confirmation of no previous UK study on a Student visa. Valid passport

Students planning to attend Strathclyde for **less than 6 months may** not require a visa (if you are a visa national), however we would recommend that all applicants check using the 'Check if I need a visa' tool at the link below. https://www.gov.uk/check-uk-visa

### Visa Information (2)

### **Note regarding transcript:**

This must be a fully certified translation from a professional translator or translation company that can be independently verified by the Home Office. The translation must include all of the following information:

- confirmation that it is an accurate translation of the document
- the date of translation
- the full name and signature of the translator or an official from the translation company
- the translator or translation company's contact details

If you are <u>EU/EEA/Swiss student and have pre-settled or settled status you may not require a student visa,</u> the university will still require evidence of this as part of the application to ensure you are given the correct offer conditions. Please upload a screenshot of your Share Code to your application so that the university can <u>verify your status here</u>.

For further information please see <a href="https://www.gov.uk/view-prove-immigration-status">https://www.gov.uk/view-prove-immigration-status</a>

### English Language Requirements – Applicants applying for a student visa.

Applicants applying for a <u>Student visa</u> to come to the UK must provide evidence of their English language proficiency that meets the requirements of the course. This is a UKVI requirement as part of the visa application process. Normally IELTS 6.0 or 6.5 overall with nothing less than 5.5 in each component or equivalent test depending on the course. IELTS expires two years after the date on the certificate and still needs to be valid at the time of the visa application.

You can find more information about the accepted tests at the links below. Refer to section entitled 'For entry on to main degree'.

https://www.strath.ac.uk/studywithus/englishlanguagerequirements/
https://www.strath.ac.uk/studywithus/englishlanguagerequirements/rec
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### English Language Requirements – Applicants applying for one semester (less than 6 months without a visa)

If you are coming to the UK for one semester (less than 6 months without a visa), the declaration from your home institution which confirms you have a good level of English (equivalent to B2 or above) in the Common European Framework of Reference for language (CEFR) is sufficient.

Partners are asked to confirm this on behalf of each applicant when they are nominating them. Strathclyde is pleased to continue to offer 2 hours per week of free English language support to non- English speaking exchange students during semesters 1 and 2.





### **Academic Transcript**

Transcripts can be downloaded directly from Mobility Online.

#### Student guidance:

- Semester 1 students transcripts will normally be available to download by the end of
   February.
- Semester 2/Full year students transcripts will normally be available to download by the end of July.

(Interim transcripts will not usually be provided at the end of semester 1 for full year exchange students).

#### Partner guidance:

Log in to Mobility Online

- 1. Click on 'My Mobility Online' and then 'my applications' and a list of your students will appear.
- 2. Click on the student's name and you will be taken to their individual record.
- 3. Scroll down to the bottom and you will see this icon. ( ) Click on it.
- 4. A new screen will appear, and you will see the uploaded transcript. Tick the box, and click on either of these icons to download your student's transcript.



### **Information and Advice**

For more information, including details of Strathclyde's orientation and welcome activities including airport pick-up service, living costs, health matters, the city of Glasgow and much more, please go to <a href="http://www.strath.ac.uk/sees/infoint/">http://www.strath.ac.uk/sees/infoint/</a>

This information will continue to be updated on an ongoing basis.





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