

Fact Sheet 2019-20



Incoming Study Exchange Student Information

Loughborough University

School of Social Sciences

Study Areas: Communications & Media, Social & Policy Studies, Geography & Environment and Politics & International Studies



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University Calendar

Semester Dates

Semester One – Autumn 2019

Semester starts: 30 September 2019

Semester ends: 31 January 2020

Semester Two – Spring 2020

Semester starts: 3 February 2020

Semester ends: 17 June 2020

Term Dates

Autumn Term: 30 September 2019 - 13 December 2019

Spring Term: 6 January 2020 - 27 March 2020

Summer Term: 27 April 2020 - 17 June 2020

Application Deadline

Semester One and Year-long Exchanges Application Deadline – 15th June 2019

Semester Two Exchanges Application Deadline – 15th November 2019

The Online Application will shortly be made available here - <https://www.lboro.ac.uk/study/overseas-exchange/incoming/applying/how-to-apply/>. We will email incoming students to confirm when to start applying.

Application documents to be submitted by the above deadlines:

- Application checklist
- Application form
- Learning agreement
- Photocopy of passport personal details page or National ID card
- Certified and official transcript from home institution
- Non-EU/Non-Swiss Exchange students only- Certified evidence of English language competency (if English is not your first language)

Module Catalogue

A list of modules for incoming students will be available here shortly-

<http://www.lboro.ac.uk/international/erasmus/incoming-student-erasmus/module-choice/>

Students are expected to participate in full credit-bearing modules totalling 60 credits per semester (30 ECTS credits per semester).

Accommodation

All applications for accommodation in University Halls of Residence are submitted online. Once the incoming student's application to study has been approved, they will receive an email from the Student Accommodation Centre explaining how to apply for accommodation.

Please note that **on-campus accommodation is extremely limited**. Rooms are allocated on a first-come, first-served basis until the maximum capacity has been reached. This means that there is no guarantee that incoming exchange students will be allocated rooms in Halls of Residence, therefore exchange students must be prepared to live off-campus if required.

Further information about on-campus accommodation can be found here-

<http://www.lboro.ac.uk/services/campus-living/accommodation/halls/>

The Student Accommodation Centre can support exchange students with finding off-campus, further information can be found here- <http://www.lboro.ac.uk/services/campus-living/accommodation/halls/>

For **Semester 1 and year-long exchanges** commencing in September 2019, rooms can be reserved online from 1 June to 31 July 2019. From 1 August 2019, the room reservation option will close, and any applications received after this date will only be considered subject to availability.

For **Semester 2 exchanges** commencing in February 2020, applications for accommodation can be made from November 2019 onwards. Accommodation offers will be sent out by email in December 2019/January 2020.

Healthcare

EEA nationals

EEA nationals can use the NHS in the same way as UK residents, however students **MUST** apply for a European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) in their own country and bring it with them.

International students (exchange period less than six months)

If a student is staying in the UK for less than six months, they are not eligible for free healthcare under the NHS and will have to pay the full cost of medical treatment.

International students (exchange period more than six months)

If a student enters the country on a Tier 4 visa and plans to study in the UK for more than six months, they will have either paid the Immigration Health Surcharge (IHS) already or will be covered for healthcare because they applied for a visa before the introduction of the IHS. This entitles the student to use NHS services, such as General Practice (GP) and hospitals, most of which will be free at the point of use. However, students will have to pay for some services, such as prescriptions, dental treatment and optical treatment.

Travel Insurance

Incoming exchange students are advised to take out travel insurance to cover their stay, including cover for medical expenses and personal possessions.

Induction

Semester 1 and Year-long Exchanges

Incoming exchange students will be invited to an induction at the start of the semester. We will email students in advance of their arrival to confirm the date and time of the induction.

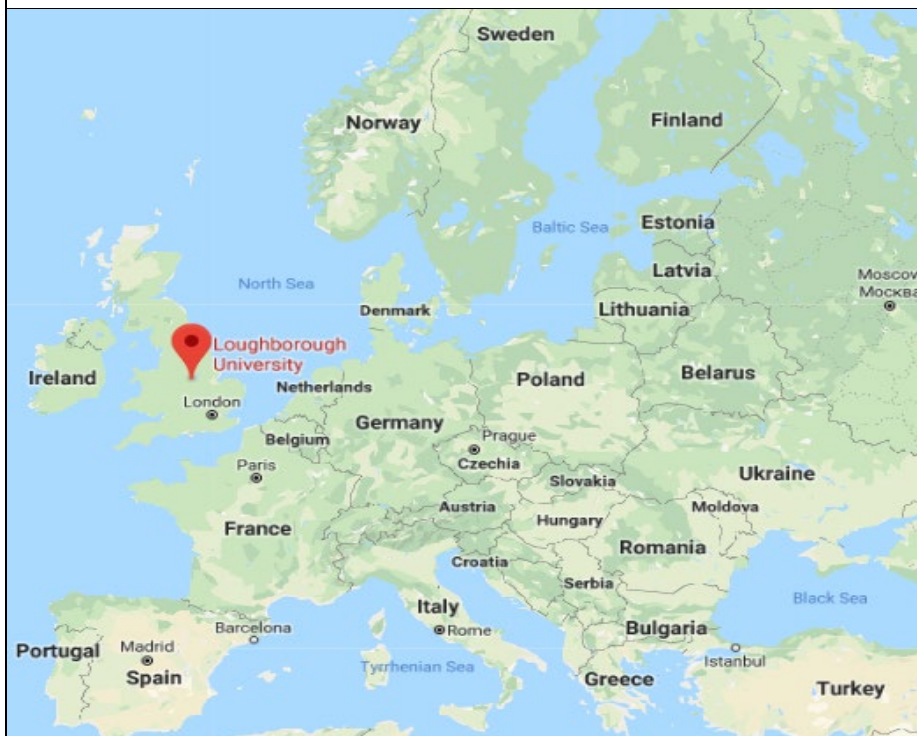
Our Central Exchanges team will run an induction on the 30th September 2019 to welcome students to the University and to give them the opportunity to meet exchange students from every School within the University. Exchange students will also be introduced to their peer mentor for their exchange. The time and location of the induction will be confirmed by email before students arrive.

Semester 2

Incoming exchange students will be invited to a School induction and a University-wide induction in the week commencing 3rd February 2020. Further information will be sent to exchange students before their arrival at Loughborough University.

Peer Mentor Scheme

All incoming exchange students coming to Loughborough University are assigned a peer mentor. At the start of the academic year exchange students are invited to meet with their peer mentors. Following the introductory meeting the peer mentors check in with their mentees at regular intervals to see if they are OK and to give them the opportunity to contact them about any issues.



We look forward to welcoming you to the School of Social Sciences at Loughborough University for a study exchange in 2019/20!