

Essex Abroad - Study Abroad Summary

Incoming students: Students from universities abroad that come to Essex for a term or full academic year. They can choose modules from all departments and don't 'belong' to any particular department. The DSAO needs to ensure that the students meet the prerequisites for the modules they choose and that the modules are at the right level for the student. Questions re incoming students: incomingexchange@essex.ac.uk.

Outgoing students: Students going abroad for a term (limited subjects) or year after Y2. These students need to have a minimum 50% average Y1 mark. Maximum of 30 non-core credit fails in Y1 and Y2. No serious academic or disciplinary offences in Y1 or Y2. Questions re outgoing students: essexabroad@essex.ac.uk. Students can add a year or term abroad to their degree by the end of Autumn term in their second year!

Two ways of applying to study abroad:

- 1) Through Essex Abroad: student selects up to 5 universities from the Exchange Finder.
- 2) Through [ISEP](#) (International Study Exchange Program): US-based organisation that offers access to a wider network of universities. They charge accommodation and food in advance and this is non-refundable. Students would still apply through the Essex Abroad online portal but select ISEP Exchange as their first and only choice and then apply to up to 10 universities of their choice via the ISEP website.

The student and DSAO need to ensure that the selected Universities have a sufficient number of subject-related modules at the right level and taught in English.

Costs: Students who spend a full year abroad pay 15% of their tuition fees to Essex. Students who only study a term abroad will pay full tuition fees to Essex. In both cases students do not pay fees to the host university.

YUFE (Young Universities for the Future of Europe): Undergraduate and postgraduate students can undertake additional study (either in person or online) alongside their University of Essex degree by compiling their own curriculum from courses offered across the YUFE universities this can be intra-curricular (replacing Essex modules) or extracurricular. There are also opportunities to volunteer, do internships, or undertake language or professional training. The [YUFE website](#) gives information about what's on offer. Upon completion, students receive certificates listing all achievements relating to the YUFE opportunities they've participated in. Questions regarding YUFE: yufestudentmobility@essex.ac.uk.

Short term programs: There are several opportunities for research, internships, volunteering, or summer school activities students can participate in. See here for more information about [opportunities](#) and [funding](#).

Funding

Turing scheme: this scheme provides funding for UK-based students applying to study abroad (minimum stay 28 days, minimum amount £335 a month). Students don't need to apply but will be automatically considered if they are eligible (priority given to students who meet widening participation criteria, for a full list see [here](#)). Turing Scheme funding is not guaranteed and is subject to an annual funding request.

Essex Abroad bursary: up to £500 in total based on 1st year mark, no need to apply, eligible students are automatically considered.

ISEP: ISEP [scholarships](#) are available for students who have shown a financial need (underrepresented students are particularly encouraged to apply).

Fundraising: students can use the Click [crowdfunding platform](#) to fund their short-term international experience abroad.

International Experience bursary: up to £1000 to support students from lower income backgrounds fund their short-term international experience abroad. Students need to apply.

Summer Travel Grants: a range of grants from £250-£1000 to help fund student travel for a short-term international experience. Students need to apply.