



Partner profile

Linköping University – Faculty of Arts & Sciences

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Semester dates and arrival information

The academic year is divided in 2 semesters:

- Autumn semester: August – December/January
- Spring semester: January – June

Detailed information about the semester dates can be found in the following website:

<http://www.liu.se/en/education/exchange/year?l=en>

Each semester begins with Arrival Days and an Orientation Programme. For more information about the date of the arrival days and the orientation programme please visit the following website: <http://www.liu.se/en/education/exchange/admitted/arrival?l=en>



Courses

Exchange students are offered a variety of single-subject courses as well as course modules, which are part of study programs.

You can choose between following subject areas:

Arts, Culture and Media

Business Studies

Communication

Environmental Studies

Ethics

Gender Studies

History

Child Studies, Health and Society

Language Studies and Literature

Political Science

Psychology

Religion

Society and Culture

Sociology, Leadership and Personnel Work

Statistics

Under each subject area courses are divided into undergraduate and advanced level. **Course catalogue – Courses in English:** <http://www.liu.se/en/education/exchange/arts?l=en>

Exchange students are welcome to apply for one of the Swedish language courses. Fill in your choice on the application form for exchange studies. Swedish language Courses: <http://www.liu.se/en/education/exchange/courses/arts/swedish?l=en>

If you already speak Swedish there is a possibility to choose courses in Swedish. Courses catalogue – Courses in Swedish: <http://www.liu.se/utbildning/kurs?l=sv>

You can also learn other languages at Linköping University. Language courses include English, French, German, and Spanish. They are designed for Swedish speaking students therefore it's only possible to join if you already have proper basics. For more information please contact us at international@ffk.liu.se.

Credits and grades are awarded according to the ECTS-scale.

Application procedure

Exchange students apply to study at Linköping University through their home universities. Once selected by a home university, the application procedure will be as follows:

- Search for courses (see link above).
- Check the specific requirements for each course that you want to study and make sure that you are eligible for all courses that you select.
- Fill in the online application form (http://kdb-3.liu.se/isis/in/filfak/appl_art.lasso)



- When applying for a study period at Linköping University you can also apply for accommodation, and a beginner's course in Swedish that is offered by the University
- Submit the form
- Print out the completed application form
- Make sure you have your coordinator's signature on the print-out
- Send the signed print-out to LiU and enclose a printed transcript of your records and proof of English
- Make sure your application is sent in before the application deadline

Decisions on admission will be taken during 3 to 5 weeks after the application deadline. After that, letters of admission with all additional information will be sent out.

Applications deadline is April 15th for students wishing to begin studies in August (fall semester) and October 15th for students wishing to begin studies in January (spring semester).

Accommodation

Linköping University does not guarantee accommodation for all their incoming exchange students¹. We do, however, have a limited number of rooms that we offer exchange students on a first come, first served basis. You apply for these rooms by using the same application form as for your courses. Application deadline is 15th of October (for the spring semester) or 15th of April (for the autumn semester) but the earlier you apply, the bigger the chance that you will get a room; early applications are recommended. The rooms are located in student corridors, with shared kitchens, furnished and within walking/biking distance from the University. They are furnished and have a monthly rent of approximately 3,000 SEK (~ €300).

If you are not offered a room from the University, you will get a lot of helpful information about how to search for accommodation on your own.

Student life

▪ **Orientation Program**

The Orientation Program is a compulsory day that will provide exchange students with useful information to give them the best possible exchange period in Sweden. The students will be given information on study-related topics, practical issues as well as general information about living in Sweden. The Orientation Program is held in the beginning of each semester, a few days before the official semester starts.

¹ In a number of exchange agreements Linköping University agrees to guarantee accommodation to incoming students.



▪ **Peer Student**

All exchange students who wish to have a peer student can sign up for one at the ESN website. The peer student is a Swedish student that can introduce arriving students to the Swedish culture and student life at LiU. The main purpose of the Peer Student Program is to create a greater integration between exchange students and Swedish students.

▪ **Social activities**

Linköping University takes great care of their exchange students. There are two Exchange Students Coordinators at Linköping University, working with helping exchange students with practical matters and answering all their questions. This way, exchange students are never left on their own; there is always someone there to give a helping hand.

Linköping is known for a great student life and exchange students will find a lot of different things to do in Linköping apart from their studies. The Exchange Students Coordinators organize social events during the welcome period, where exchange students get to know more about Sweden and Swedish traditions as well as they get to know each other. There are also a number of student associations that organizes all kinds of events to participate in. The biggest association for exchange students is ESN, which arrange a number of different activities during the semester, including cultural activities, parties and trips.

For more information about the student life in Linköping, please visit the LiU website for admitted students: <http://www.liu.se/en/education/exchange/admitted?l=en>.

Living costs

To give you some idea of the cost of living in Sweden, below is an average monthly budget in Swedish kronor (SEK):

Accommodation	2600 – 3500 sek
Food	2000 – 2400 sek
Local travel:	350 – 500 sek
Course literature	500 – 1000 sek
Telephone/internet	300 sek
Insurance, medical care and hygiene	500 – 700 sek
Clothing, hobby/leisure, other	750 – 1000 sek
Total:	7000 – 9400 sek

Though most students live on a tight budget, there are ways of making your money go further. You can, for example, use your student card for discounts. Many students bring their own food that they can heat in microwave ovens on-campus.

Read more about cost of living and currency at www.liu.se



Semester workload

Full-time study load is 30 ECTS credits per semester and 60 ECTS credits per academic year. The maximum recommended study load per semester is 45 ECTS.

Academic transcripts

Linköping University does not automatically supply transcripts of records for its students. When students have all their grades they need to apply for transcript of records through the LiU Student Portal. Information about this procedure is given to the student prior departure.

Residence permit and health insurance

For EU/EEA citizens: No preparations need to be done prior to the student's arrival in Sweden. Citizens of the EU/ESS area need to register for the right of residence in Sweden if their study period is longer than 3 months. This needs to be done within three months of arriving in Sweden.

If you come from an EU/EEA country, you are entitled to use the public medical services on the same basis as Swedish citizens for urgent medical care. In order to be eligible, you must be registered at a social insurance office in your home country and have a valid European Health Insurance Card, which will be issued upon request by your national social security authority.

For non-EU/EEA citizens: A person who wishes to study in Sweden for longer than three months (and is not EU/EEA citizen) must have a residence permit. The permit must be complete and be entered in your passport before you enter Sweden. More information about the application procedure for residence permit can be found in the Migration Office Board's website.

Migration Office Board: http://www.migrationsverket.se/info/153_en.html

If you are not an EU/EEA citizen you will need to show that you have comprehensive health insurance valid in Sweden while applying for residence permit.