Student Exchange Factsheet 2018-19

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University name:	University of the West of England (UWE B						UK BRISTOL02	
Location:		Bristol, United Kingdom Students: 25,000 (including 3,000 EU and Overseas studen				·		
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Term dates 2018-19 for	Welcome Week Semester 1	17 Sept 2018 24 Sept 2018	·		rogramme		confirmed uary 2019 - 24 May 2019	
Undergraduate programmes:		17 Dec 2018 - 7 Jan 2019 - 1					rch 2019- 5 April 2019 il 2019 - 24 May 2019	
Application deadline	May for Semester 1 and full year study commencing in September. October for Semester 2 commencing in January.							
Application Process	Erasmus Students and non-Erasmus exchange Students: Following nomination by home Institution, students will be sent instructions to complete an online application form: All exchange students should be formally proposed/nominated by their home University before making an application to UWE. All students intending to study in the School of Art and Design (SAD) and Film and Journalism (SFJ) should send an electronic portfolio prior to their arrival at UWE to ensure they are placed in the correct subject area, along with X2 Passport photos with names clearly written on the back, for administration purposes. Following application, all official University communication with incoming students will be via the student Welcome Website. Students will be sent a login ID and a password via email once their application has been processed. All information about joining the University, airport pick ups, registration and the International Student Orientation will be provided here.							

	Depends on subject area.
Exchange duration	Full academic year (September to June) for most subjects; Autumn Semester (limited range of subjects): September – January* Spring Semester: January to June (SAD and SFJ programmes only accept in the Spring Semester) *Autumn semester students who wish to return to their home institution with UWE credit must ensure they are present for the January examination period. All students will be expected to return for January examinations. The only exceptions will be where the student's home University's term commences prior to the end of UWE's examination period. These students will be identified on arrival and alternative examination arrangements will be made.
Taught language	English – students are expected to arrive with a sufficient level of English in order to be able to follow classes and submit all assessments in English. Proof of English language may be required for entry to the programme or for visa purposes. The English Language and Academic Skills Unit provide Study support workshops, seminars and drop-in sessions to support Frenchay and Glenside students with their studies. Students at the City Campus can be supported in workshops and one-to-one appointments are provided by the ACE study support team.
Campuses	Frenchay Campus: Main Campus (Faculty of Business and Law; Faculty of Environment and Technology; Department of Applied Sciences, Department of Health & Social Sciences) Glenside Campus: Faculty of Health and Applied Sciences (Nursing and Midwifery programmes, Allied Health Professions,) City Campus: School of Art & design, School of Film & Journalism
Location and getting to UWE	UWE's main campus at Frenchay is set approximately 4 miles north of Bristol city centre. Bristol itself is just 120 miles from London. All campuses are well served by buses, including services which run to Bristol Airport. For further information, see http://www1.uwe.ac.uk/comingtouwe/campusesmapsandtravel
Airport Pickup	UWE offers an airport pick up service for new students, operating from Heathrow Airport on prearranged dates, subject to minimum numbers. Information and registration will be supplied to students via the Welcome Website. A schedule is also available online

Living in University accommodation is a great way to meet new friends and gain independence. University accommodation may be available if you are a year-long student; apply for accommodation by 8 June; reply to an offer of accommodation and pay the deposit by the deadline.

Accommodation contracts run alongside our <u>term dates</u>. This means that accommodation contract dates are not flexible; instead they follow the structure of our 3-term academic year, with most contracts running until the end of June or Mid-July.

University Accommodation

<u>UWE accommodation</u> includes the cost of Gas and electricity; UWE bus travel; Contents insurance for personal possessions (excludes bicycles); Internet Connection (with the exception of University houses) and costs between £4,095.00 and £7,520.04 for a 40 - 45 week contract.

Click here to view the UWE accommodation videos

Please note: If you are studying with us for less than an academic year, <u>Accommodation Services</u> will do their best to help you find suitable accommodation, but this is not guaranteed.

After students have successfully submitted their application, they will receive an email with instructions on how to make an online application for University accommodation. Students are advised to apply early to avoid disappointment.

Accommodation Services can be contacted on: +44 (0) 117 32 83601 or accommodation@uwe.ac.uk. Please include your UWE welcome ID in all communications.

If students wish to find their own accommodation, they can do so. If they wish to stay in Bristol while doing this, the following hostels are available:

The Full Moon Backpackers Hostel

1 North Street
Stokes Croft
Bristol BS1 3PR
http://www.fmbristol.co.uk/
http://www.hostelbookers.com/hostels/e

http://www.hostelbookers.com/hostels/england/bristol/17835/

Youth Hostel

Hayman House 14 Narrow Quay Bristol BS1 4QA Tel: +44 (0)117 922 1659

Fax: + 44 (0)117 927 3789 E-mail: <u>bristol@yha.org.uk</u>

Web: https://www.yha.org.uk/find-accommodation/south-west

accommodation/south-westengland/hostels/Bristol/index.aspx

Bristol Backpackers

17 Saint Stephen's Street Old City

Bristol BS1 1EQ Tel: +44 117 925 7900

E-mail: info@bristolbackpackers.co.uk http://www.bristolbackpackers.co.uk/

Rock n' Bowl Hostel

22 Nelson St. Bristol BS1 2LA

Tel: +44 (0) 117 325 1980

E-mail: bookings@rocknbowlmotel.com

Web:

http://www.thelanesbristol.co.uk/hostel/

Student support

Private

Accommodation

The <u>Study Abroad team</u> work closely with students' home institutions and academic departments to ensure the smooth running of study exchanges and are happy to answer queries from incoming exchange students. The team should be the first contact point for all queries:

studyabroad@uwe.ac.uk

UWE's <u>Global Student Support</u> team coordinate International Student Orientation. All exchange and study abroad students are recommended to participate in orientation events and activities – designed for you to meet people, have fun and to get to know UWE, Bristol and each other! A programme will be available online.

Our <u>Student advisors</u> can provide students with information on a wide range of University matters, including module choices, academic regulations and extenuating circumstances.

Students can also discuss academic issues with their departmental exchange coordinators or with their module leaders.

Global PALs (existing UWE students) offer support and guidance and will help you find your way around Bristol and the campus as well as providing information about UWE's services and facilities.

The Student Advice and Welfare Service (SAWS) can give guidance on <u>managing money</u> as well as Visas, <u>Immigration and the UK's PBS</u> (Points based system).

Our Wellbeing Service provides support for students experiencing personal issues.

Our <u>Faith and Spirituality</u> service provides facilities and information for prayer, worship, meditation and reflection, opportunities to meet others and advice on spiritual and ethical concerns.

UWE's Students' Union (UWESU) has over 30,000 members and works to promote, defend and extend the rights of students, to initiate change and to enhance the student experience. <a href="https://www.uwesu.gov/uwesu.gov

EU citizens visiting under the Erasmus programme or who come as fee paying study abroad students **do not** require a visa.

Visa nationals studying for longer than 6 months, or visa nationals who intend to combine study with work may require a Tier 4 visa

Visa nationals studying for less than 6 months may require a Short Term Study Visa.

Visa Information

The Study Abroad team will provide the appropriate documentation to support students in their visa application.

The UK Visas and Immigration (UKVI) website provides guidance: https://www.gov.uk/check-uk-visa

If a student requires a visa to study in the UK it is their responsibility to ensure that they comply with the requirements of the visa that is issued.

Access to health care and Health insurance

The University's <u>Health Centre</u> based on the Frenchay campus treats students for minor injuries and illnesses. All non-UK students can register with a Doctor free of charge. Before arrival, EU/EEA students should contact the health authorities in their own country to complete Form E128 or bring their European Health Insurance Card with them. The UK's National Health Service (NHS) provides free hospital treatment, free access to doctors, fixed charges for medicines and fixed charges for dentistry and opticians. Most EU, UK and International students studying for longer than six months can register for a HC1 certificate which allows them to reclaim the costs of paid-for services.

Visa nationals studying in the UK on a course less than six months long will need to arrange their own health insurance.

	For exchange students from partner institutions studying for a full year, tuition is free for up to 120 UWE credits (60 ECTS).					
	For exchange students from partner institutions studying for a single semester, tuition is free for up to 60 UWE credits (30 ECTS). Other exchanges may vary.					
Costs of exchange	Students are responsible for all personal expenses, including accommodation costs. For a 9-month course, students should expect their living costs (including accommodation) to be approximately £7,200 – this will vary according to personal habits. UWE accommodation costs between £3778.82 and £7,520.04 for a 40 - 45 week contract and includes most bills, whereas Private accommodation costs upwards of £3,500 a year, excluding bills.					
Study Options	Please note that cross-faculty study is not permissible. You will only be able to study subject areas noted in the exchange agreement between institutions (or from one programme of study if a fee-paying student). This means that English language courses may charge a fee if you are not a language student. For more information about this, please visit http://www1.uwe.ac.uk/students/feesandfunding.aspx					