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Term Dates

Autumn 2025

Spring 2026

International Orientation Welcome Week Teaching Christmas Break

International Orientation Teaching Easter Break Assessment Period 10th September 2025 - 12th September 2025 TBC 15th September 2025 - 19th September 2025 22nd September 2025 - 12th December 2025 13th December 2025 - 11th January 2026

TBC 26th January 2026 - 15th May 2026 21st March 2026 - 19th April 2026 18th May 2026 - 12th June 2026

Nomination and Application

Exchange partners should nominate students by filling in an online form. This is circulated in Partner Newsletters and in other communications. Once nominated, students will be emailed with instruction on how to apply. Application information can be found <u>here</u>. Students should apply by our deadlines to ensure they can apply for accommodation and their visa on time.

Nomination Deadlines

Autumn (September start): 1st May 2025 Spring (January start): 15th October 2025 Application Deadlines Autumn (September start): 15th May 2025

Spring (January start): 31st October 2025



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Academic Information

Undergraduate modules are available to visiting students to the Faculties of Arts and Humanities, Sciences, and Social Sciences. Available module options are listed <u>online</u>. Some Schools of Study will have limits on module availability and single semester options, or additional entry requirements, such as in Literature, Drama and Creative Writing, Pharmacy and Physics.

Level 4 modules = first year Level 5 modules = second year Level 6 modules = third year

Students need to select appropriate options for full-time academic enrolment: 120 UCU (60 ECTS) per academic year or 60 UCU (30 ECTS) per single semester. This is both an academic and visa requirement. Students are expected to study the majority of their modules from one academic area. All students are assigned an Academic Adviser in their primary area of study at UEA.

Entry Requirements

Academic:

Students must have completed two semesters of higher education by the time they study abroad at UEA and be in good academic standing. Please contact us if you would like clarification on what GPA/grade we can accept.

English Language:

Citizens of majority English-speaking countries and students currently studying in the US are not required to provide proof of English language proficiency. All other applicants must demonstrate the necessary level of English as stated below. Applicants with IELTS 6.0, with a minimum of 6.0 in Writing and Speaking and 5.5 in Reading and Listening, may take any module in Economics, and Language and Communication Studies. Applicants with these scores may also take first year modules (Level 4) in the majority of schools.

For access to all modules, applicants must receive an IELTS score of at least 6.5 overall, with at least 6.0 in each category.

Accepted English tests can be found <u>here</u>.

If a student's proof of English language qualification is not in English, they are required to provide a translation as part of their application. If you require any clarification about language testing or accepted level of English entry scores, please email <u>visiting.uea@uea.ac.uk.</u>

If students are studying a degree taught exclusively in English at their home university, they plan to come to UEA for a semester only, and they will obtain the Visitor visa (rather than the Student visa), then they may qualify for an English language qualification waiver. This means that they can submit a letter from the home university that confirms they have at least IELTS 6.5 / high B2 level English, and that they are studying a degree taught exclusively in English.

Students with lower English levels may apply on a fee-basis to our partner INTO for short English programmes, including <u>Pre-</u><u>Sessional Programmes</u> and <u>Study Abroad With English</u>.

Fee-payers / Direct Enrol

Fee-paying visiting students from a partner university should be nominated on our online form. A link to this form is circulated in our Partner Newsletter and communications. On the portal, a student's fee-paying status can be indicated.

Independent fee-paying visiting students (students from non-partner institutions) should fill in the online <u>application form</u>. They will require an academic reference.

Tuition fees information for visiting fee-paying students can be found <u>here</u>.

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Visa & Immigration

Visiting students coming to the UK are required to obtain the correct visa. There are two visas which will allow students to come to the UK for study: the Visitor visa, and the Student visa.

The primary differences between these are price (Student visa is more expensive), length of stay (Visitor visa is for a maximum of six months, and the Student visa can go longer), and eligibility to work (only the Student visa will permit students to work or volunteer whilst in the UK).

Visitor Visa

Most students who are coming here for a single semester will only require a Visitor visa, but they have the option of applying for a Student visa if they desire.

Visitor visas can sometimes be obtained at the border on arrival in the UK. Whether a student needs to apply for the visa before arriving depends on nationality.

Student Visa

For students staying for a full year or single semester students who would like a Student visa, they will require documentation from UEA to apply. The Student visa must be pre-applied for.

For up-to-date information please visit <u>www.gov.uk</u>.

Travel and Health Insurance

Students studying abroad at UEA are recommended to obtain appropriate travel and medical insurance for the duration of their time abroad.

Full year students with a Student visa will pay an Immigration Health Surcharge as part of their visa application which provides access to some of the National Health Service (NHS). Students studying at UEA for less than 6 months will need to purchase adequate health cover.

Accommodation

UEA has a wide range of on-campus accommodation available. UEA guarantees accommodation for students who apply before the accommodation deadline in most circumstances. Information about accommodation can be found <u>here</u>, including links to the prices.

Students also have the option to stay in UEA accommodation or can live off-campus in private accommodation if they prefer. Some homestay options are available. Information and resources about this are on the webpage above.



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Getting here

Norwich is just over 100 miles from London and very well connected. When flying to the UK, most flights go in to one of the London airports - Norwich Airport is also a smaller, local option. If flying into Heathrow Airport, students can catch the Elizabeth Line train to Liverpool Street station and then get a National Rail train service to Norwich. Trains between London Liverpool Street and Norwich run every 30 minutes and can get you there in less than two hours.

From the London airports, students can take a National Express coach to Norwich Bus Station/UEA campus. Additionally, in September UEA arranges coach pickups from Heathrow Airport – information about these services is emailed to students.



Students wishing to travel from Europe to the UK by train can take the Eurostar which has a stop at St. Pancras International station, conveniently located in central London and connecting to Underground trains, National Rail and bus services.

We encourage students to study abroad sustainably. For tips on travelling sustainably and green tips for living in Norwich please consult our <u>webpage</u>.



Norwich - City of Stories

UEA is located in Norwich, known as the City of Stories. Norwich is England's most complete medieval city and its first UNESCO City of Literature. In the east of England, the city boasts historic cobbled streets and charming buildings dating back to the Tudor period. Alongside the historic sites is a lively city with great shopping centres, buzzing clubs and bars, and enough restaurants to eat your way around the world. The centre of the city is home to Norwich Castle, a well-preserved Norman castle (now a museum) and Norwich Cathedral, which is over 900 years old! The city comes alive with many arts and literary festivals throughout the year. We are also proud to be known as a safe city and one of the best places in the UK to be vegan.

Just 23 miles outside Norwich you reach the sandy beaches of the North Sea coastline. There are plenty of beaches to explore and students can hop on the train to several of them, such as Cromer and Sheringham.

