

Incoming Study Abroad Fact Sheet

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Academic Timetable 2021/2022

Autumn Semester

Application Deadline 17th May 2021

International/Online Quarantine Welcome 1st -10th September 2021

Induction Week 13th September 2021

Teaching Starts 20th September 2021

Exams End 21st January 2022

Spring Semester

Application Deadline 18th October 2021

International Welcome Mid-January 2022

Teaching Starts 31st January 2022

Exams End 27th May 2021

Application documents

Abertay University will receive a nomination from your home university.

Abertay's Study Abroad Team will contact you with a link to the online application form and a welcome email.

To complete the online application form, you will need:

- A copy of your transcript of your current studies to date This is required to be in English. If
 your classes/course are named Project 1, etc, please provide an explanation of the subjects
 covered
- Details of any current classes/courses you are taking which don't appear on your transcript
- A copy of your passport (the photo page only), if you do not have a passport it is recommended that you begin the process to apply for one

Timeline

Stage	Submit your online	The Study Abroad team will	
	application and	process your application. You	
	requested	will receive an offer letter, ID	
	documents	number and login to OASIS	
Semester 1 & Full	Mid May	Late May/Early June	
Year Applicants	iviid ividy		
Semester 2	Mid October	Late October/Early November	
Applicants	Wild October		

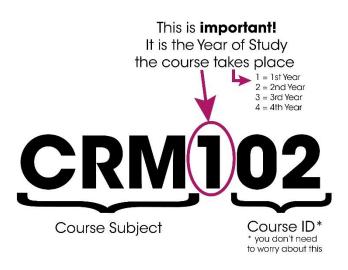
Language

All courses are taught solely in English. We require students to be at least equivalent to a B2 CEFR / IELTS 6.0 level. If you have evidence of your English language proficiency, then please include details in the relevant section on the online application form. If not, we will confirm with your home university that you meet the required level of English. If English is your native language we require no formal proof. If you require a visa you need to meet and show proof of one of these English Language Certificates.

Academics

As an incoming student, you can choose modules from this list of subject pathways.

If you require more information about a module please use the module code, rather than just the name. The codes are important for us to be able to distinguish each module.



The graphic (left) details what the module codes mean. The middle number is most important. Please refrain from asking to take modules that are 2 years different from your current academic year (for example a Second year asking to take a 4th year module and a Fourth year asking to take a 1st year module, both will probably be turned down.) You are also not permitted to take any 500 level classes e.g., CMP506 as

these are 5th year Masters classes.

If your home university requires you to take a module that is different from those mentioned in the pathways, please contact us and we will look into the possibilities. However, due to scheduling, we cannot guarantee modules that are not a direct copy of the pathways listed in the link above, although we will investigate and try to offer alternative modules if we can. Our schedules are published a few weeks before the semester starts, therefore no guarantees can be made until then.

A full semester at Abertay is 60 SCQF Credits, which is three modules. You are not permitted to take any more than 3 modules per semester.

60 SCQF credits = 30 ECTS = 12-16 US/Canadian Credits

Visas

From 1 January 2021, students from EU/EEA countries or Switzerland will now require a visa to study in the UK for longer than 6 months. This means any students wishing to study for a full year will need to apply for a Student visa. They will require additional documents from Abertay before applying, will need to pay the visa application fee and NHS health surcharge (approx. £800-850), and will be required to hold an approved English language qualification. Please make sure any nominated

students are aware of this. EU/EEA/Swiss nationals, as well as students from many other countries, do not require a visa for study in the UK that is less than 6 months (i.e. for one semester).

Students from North America do not require a visa for study that is less than 6 months, however, must provide a valid passport and travel documents to a border agent upon arrival in the UK.

- It is not recommended that <u>any</u> student arrive in the UK via Ireland, either Northern Ireland or the Republic of Ireland, more information can be found <u>here</u>.
- Students can check if they need a UK visa here by answering 3 short questions.

Accommodation

https://www.abertay.ac.uk/accommodation/

Unfortunately, due to Covid restrictions and social distancing there aren't any one semester rooms available in the residences owned by Abertay University for the Spring Semester 21/22.



However, please do not worry as Dundee is home to two universities there are a lot of student-friendly landlords and other accommodations around the city. There is a list below of alternative options, this list is not exhaustive so please do your own research also.

- You may need to special request/ask about a short term, 1 semester stay, especially in Private Student accommodation
- Scotland has a great rental policy for flats and houses that you can find here:
 https://scotland.shelter.org.uk/housing advice/renting rights
- Some accommodations may be outside of walking distance, although Dundee is a relatively
 easy city to navigate by foot, however, bus companies offer a student ticket, some weekly
 for £10 and others a 13 week semester ticket for around £90.
- For those not used to getting public transport such as buses Google Maps gives details of the buses available and which company runs them, if you want to do more research into the ticket options.

Private Student Accommodations:

Kingsway Apartments (20 minute bus ride to Abertay) - https://www.kingswayapartments.co.uk/

Merry Halls (4 minute walk to Abertay) - https://www.merryhalls.co.uk/

Parker House IQ Student Accommodation – limited short-stay options (7 minute walk to Abertay) - https://www.iqstudentaccommodation.com/semester-stays

Private Landlords:

https://www.dundeestudenthomes.co.uk/Accommodation

https://www.rightmove.co.uk/student-accommodation.html

https://www.gumtree.com/flats-houses/dundee

Getting to Dundee

Flying to Edinburgh – this is the recommended route, as it is the closest airport to Dundee (approximately 1-2 hours away)

- Take the direct X90 bus from the airport to Dundee (schedule and booking details are here.)
- Get a bus/tram to the city, then the train to Dundee (see the schedule on ScotRail or Trainline.)
- If you are travelling in a group, get a taxi (<u>Centre</u> Travel.)



Flying to Glasgow – also an airport close to Dundee. You will need to get a bus into the city first

- Take a train from Glasgow Queen Street to Dundee (see the schedule on ScotRail or Trainline.)
- Get a bus from Glasgow Buchanan Bus Station to Dundee Seagate Bus Station.

Flying to London

- Fly to Edinburgh Airport
- Fly to Dundee Airport Dundee Airport is a small municipal airport, therefore the flight might be expensive

- Get the train to Dundee –(advanced tickets are highly recommended from <u>National Rail</u> or <u>Trainline</u>)
- Get a bus from London to Dundee (MegaBus or National Express.)

Getting to your accommodation

• Taxi – there is a taxi rank by the train station (if you arrive by X90 bus or train) and by the bus station.

Life in Dundee

Dundee is a brilliant place to live, it is lively, friendly, small city. It is the UKs first and only UNESCO City of Design. Is the sunniest city in Scotland, has the most gamers per capita and sits in the edge of the River Tay making for some amazing views.



Why Abertay

Sport at Abertay

Student Services and Support

Even **Buzzfeed** agrees that Dundee is a brilliant place to live!

Please email <u>international@abertay.ac.uk</u> if you have any questions or queries regarding any of the above information.

We look forward to welcoming you to Abertay University and Scotland!

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