

Erasmus Exchange Fact Sheet 2020/21

Newcastle University Global Opportunities

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Academic Calendar 2020/21

International Welcome Week	21 September 2020	25 September 2020
Semester 1	28 September 2020	29 January 2021
Winter Break	18 December 2020	11 January 2021
Semester 2	1 February 2021	18 June 2021
Spring Break	26 March 2021	26 April 2021

Faculty Overview

Humanities and Social Sciences (HaSS)

- Architecture, Planning & Landscape
- Arts and Cultures
- Business School
- Education, Communication and Language Sciences
- English Literature, Language and Linguistics
- Geography, Politics and Sociology
- History, Classics and Archaeology
- Law School
- Modern Languages
- Philosophical Studies & Combined Honours

Science, Agriculture and Engineering (SAGe)

- Computing
- Engineering
- Mathematics, Statistics and Physics
- Natural and Environmental Sciences

Faculty of Medical Sciences (FMS)

- Biomedical, Nutritional & Sports Sciences
- Psychology
- Pre-Med

How to apply

Applications for the Erasmus Exchange Programme must be made via our secure application portal. The Online Application Portal can be found at : <https://apps.ncl.ac.uk/intex>.

Your password for the 2020/21 intake is: **Partner42**

Full-year and Semester 1 applications should be submitted by 30 April 2020. Semester 2 applications should be submitted by 31 October 2020. Late applications will be considered.

The *Application Guidelines* document sent alongside this fact sheet details the application process, including the English language requirements and Visa Regulations.

For any questions about eligibility criteria and English language requirements, please visit <https://www.ncl.ac.uk/mobility/experience-newcastle/studyabroad> or email erasmus@ncl.ac.uk.

Credits and Grading

Credits

1 ECTS credit = 2 Newcastle credits

Degree Mark Classification (UK vs. US GPA)

70+ (First)	3.67+
60 - 69 (Upper Second)	3.33 - 3.67
50 - 59 (Lower Second)	3.00 - 3.32
40 - 49 (Third)	2.50 - 2.99
0 - 39 (Fail)	0.00 - 2.49

Acceptance and Arrival

We will process applications as soon as possible. If your application is successful, we will send out an email confirmation with the acceptance documents attached. From there, the following steps should be taken:

Accepting or declining the offer The Confirmation of Place (COP) should be returned to us with a signature. Once received, we will send you any required visa letters and grant access to the accommodation application portal (if applicable).

Applying for accommodation Students have the option of applying for accommodation in university residences. Students studying for the **full year** are *guaranteed* university accommodation, as long as they apply by the deadline of **30 June 2020**. For an overview of the University's accommodation sites, please refer to the following link:

ncl.ac.uk/accommodation/

Once your application has been approved, you can apply using your 9-digit student number by following the link below:

accommodation.ncl.ac.uk/apply/

Due to high demand we are unable to guarantee first choices, but will endeavour to meet needs where appropriate. **If a student has a disability which informs their accommodation choice, it MUST be disclosed.** If you do not disclose a disability and later ask to change room it may not be possible to accommodate your request.

Private sector accommodation If you are applying for private accommodation (due to an unsuccessful application or preference), more information can be found at the link below:

ncl.ac.uk/accommodation/private/

Applying for a visa Once you have received our visa letter, you can apply for a visa. Visas are effective for the specified time period from the date issued, so applications must be made at the following times:

- **Semester 1 entry:** mid-August 2020 onwards.
- **Semester 2 entry:** mid-December 2020 onwards.

Students studying for a full year exchange must apply for a **Tier 4 visa**, and can be applied for 3 months prior to start of the programme. Students studying for Fall Semester 2020/21 must apply for a **Short-term study visa**. Unless you have British or EU citizenship, there are no exceptions to this requirement.

The visa application must be made from your home country. If you have any queries regarding the application process, please contact our visa team at visa@ncl.ac.uk.

Module registration Module ("course" or "class") registration is completed on arrival in Newcastle. Your module choices as specified on your application are taken into consideration, but we cannot to guarantee your choices and will suggest suitable alternatives if necessary. The date and time of the module registration session will be provided before you arrive.

International Welcome We host a welcome programme before the start of classes to help students settle into life in Newcastle. This includes a free airport pickup service, information sessions and social activities. You can find more information about our International Welcome Programme here: ncl.ac.uk/pre-arrival/international/.

The University



Study at a top UK university

Newcastle University is proud to be a world-class, research-intensive institution (141st in the QS World University Rankings 2019, and 16th in Research Power in the UK). You will be taught by world-leading academics whose innovation in their subject areas is considered inspirational. Newcastle University is one of the 12 universities in the world to be awarded 5+ QS Stars for teaching excellence, and boasts top-class facilities to support your learning.



Our City-Centre Campus

Our campus lies in the very heart of a safe, affordable and student-friendly city: one in six people in Newcastle is a student! We are also proud to be a 'green university', having been awarded the DEFRA Green Flag Award for being one of the best green spaces in the country. We also have a '1st Class' rating for Sustainability.



High Student Satisfaction

Student life at Newcastle is about so much more than receiving a fantastic education. You can discover new passions and pursue old hobbies by joining a society through our award-winning Students' Union. Newcastle University has a 93% overall satisfaction rate for international students.

A Cultural City

Newcastle offers a diverse cultural scene, architectural beauty, history and world-famous nightlife. The city has excellent transport links with an international airport, and London is only a 3 hour journey away by train. From the city centre it is only a short bus or train ride to the countryside, where you can explore the area's breathtaking scenery and coastline.



A Sporting City

The city is not only home to Newcastle United Football Club and St. James' Park, but also the Falcons and Eagles; top-tier rugby and basketball teams respectively. Newcastle University is also one of the UK's top universities for sport, offering fantastic facilities and a range of athletics clubs.



A Student City

Newcastle is ranked as one of the UK's top student cities, offering a breadth of culture and entertainment. The city has been ranked 3rd for social life in the UK (The Times Higher Education Student Experience Survey 2017).



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