

**Information for incoming exchange students at the University of Cambridge  
2026-27**

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Guide for International Students	<a href="https://www.internationalstudents.cam.ac.uk/files/international_student_guide.pdf">https://www.internationalstudents.cam.ac.uk/files/international_student_guide.pdf</a>

**Other Information**

Academic calendar	<a href="http://www.cam.ac.uk/about-the-university/term-dates-and-calendars">http://www.cam.ac.uk/about-the-university/term-dates-and-calendars</a>
Duration of classes	Classes run for the duration of the academic year.  Students wishing to take undergraduate/taught courses plus exams should come for the whole academic year.
Exam period	Easter Term (May-June)
Nominations	Nominations should be made via the <a href="#">University of Cambridge 26/27 Mobility Exchange nomination form/</a> . Nominations must be made by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>31 March</b> for the Michaelmas Term (October) entry</li> <li>• <b>31 August</b> for Lent Term (January) entry (Postgrad research only)</li> <li>• <b>30 September</b> for Easter Term (April) entry (Postgrad research only)</li> </ul>
Language requirement	All students who are non-native speakers of English are required to sit an online English assessment as part of the application process, before the application deadline. Once the nomination has been received, an account will be set up for each student. Please note that the details will only be sent to the student's Coordinator or nominated tutor/supervisor who will need to supervise the assessment.  Students are exempt from taking the assessment if they already have one of the following qualifications taken within two years of the proposed start date at Cambridge:

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>IELTS Academic:</b> a minimum overall grade of 7.5, with 7.0 in each element</li> <li>2. <b>Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency in English (C2 Proficiency)</b> with a minimum overall score of 200, with no element lower than 185.</li> <li>3. <b>Cambridge C2 Proficiency at</b> grade A or B</li> <li>4. An <b>undergraduate degree</b> from an institution in a <b>majority English-speaking country</b> of at least 2 years in duration and completed no more than 24 months prior to the start date of the mobility.</li> <li>5. A letter from the <b>National University of Singapore</b> confirming that the primary language of tertiary education is English and that your current degree course is conducted through the meium of English.</li> </ol>
Deadline for completed applications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>30 April</b> for Michaelmas Term (October) entry</li> <li>• <b>30 September</b> for Lent Term (January) entry (Masters/PhD research only)</li> <li>• <b>30 October</b> for Easter Term (April) entry (Master/PhD research only)</li> </ul>
Application Procedure	<p>Once students have been nominated, they will be invited to attend an application webinar. After attending, they will be sent a link to apply online.</p> <p>During the application they will need to upload the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Learning Agreement</li> <li>2. Letter of recommendation from a supervisor, tutor etc</li> <li>3. University transcript, detailing all exams taken in higher education</li> <li>4. Curriculum Vitae</li> </ol> <p>The relevant Department and College consider the application and we will let the applicant know whether the application has been accepted.</p> <p>Successful applicants will need to provide:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A copy of their current, valid passport</li> <li>2. Copies of any previous UK student visas</li> </ol>
Additional information can be found at	<a href="https://www.internationalstudents.cam.ac.uk/incoming-exchange-students">https://www.internationalstudents.cam.ac.uk/incoming-exchange-students</a>
Welcome Orientation Programmme	Colleges organise their own induction events for International Students in the week preceding Michaelmas Term.
Information on Language Courses	<p>All students must be proficient in English before arrival. English for academic purposes courses are organised by the Language Centre. <a href="http://www.langcen.cam.ac.uk/">http://www.langcen.cam.ac.uk/</a></p> <p>The Language Centre may recommend that a student attend the ADTIS in-session course following their Language Assessment.</p>
Disability support	The University welcomes applications from disabled students, those with a specific learning difficulty, long-term health condition or mental health condition.

	<p>The Accessibility and Disability Resource Centre (ADRC) offers guidance, information and support to students with any impairment/disability or health condition.</p> <p><a href="https://www.disability.admin.cam.ac.uk/">https://www.disability.admin.cam.ac.uk/</a></p>														
Course Catalogue (Website)	<p>Incoming students may only take courses listed in the specific Framework for the subject area in which they have been nominated.</p> <p>Frameworks are published on our webpage annually in February, although the courses for the next academic year are not finalised until June.</p> <p><a href="https://www.internationalstudents.cam.ac.uk/incoming-exchange-students">https://www.internationalstudents.cam.ac.uk/incoming-exchange-students</a></p> <p><b>Exchange students are not eligible to receive a Cambridge degree for the period of study in Cambridge.</b></p>														
Language used in courses	<p>English.</p> <p><i>N.B. Some courses in the Faculty of Modern &amp; Medieval languages are taught in the target language. Students should check course listings for details.</i></p>														
Grading system	<p>The classification of undergraduate examinations used at the University of Cambridge is given below.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Class</th> <th>Mark range</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>First</td> <td>70-100%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2.i</td> <td>60-69.9%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2 undivided</td> <td>50-69.9%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2.ii</td> <td>50-59.9%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Third</td> <td>40-49.9%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Fail</td> <td>39.9% and under</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>The University of Cambridge does not operate the ECTS credits system, however the University considers each term of full-time undergraduate study to be equivalent to 20 ECTS credits.</p> <p>All Exchange students receive a transcript at the end of their stay confirming the ECTS equivalencies.</p>	Class	Mark range	First	70-100%	2.i	60-69.9%	2 undivided	50-69.9%	2.ii	50-59.9%	Third	40-49.9%	Fail	39.9% and under
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College membership and accommodation	<p>The University of Cambridge is a collegiate university, which means that all incoming students will be a member of a College membership. In most cases, incoming mobility students are offered accommodation by their College.</p> <p>Colleges are much more than halls of residence; accepted students will be living, eating, studying and socialising in a College. The College also provides pastoral, non-academic support. For information on the Colleges, please see <a href="https://www.undergraduate.study.cam.ac.uk/colleges">https://www.undergraduate.study.cam.ac.uk/colleges</a></p> <p>The process of securing College membership can be lengthy and admission to the University cannot be confirmed until a student has been allocated a College place. All decisions will usually be made by 31 August (for Michaelmas term). Please note that it is not possible for students to</p>														

	<p>choose their College and due to extremely limited places it is unlikely that they will be offered a second choice.</p> <p>If it is not possible to find College accommodation, or a student prefers to find their own place to live, the University's Accommodation Service can be used. <a href="http://www.accommodation.cam.ac.uk/">http://www.accommodation.cam.ac.uk/</a></p>
Estimated costs of living (housing, food, transportation, etc.)	<p>Cambridge is an expensive place to live and students should expect living costs for the 26/27 academic year to be around <b>£11,745 as a minimum</b> based on a <b>9 month stay</b> (£1,305 per month).</p> <p>Further information on living costs is available here: <a href="https://www.undergraduate.study.cam.ac.uk/fees-and-finance/living-costs">https://www.undergraduate.study.cam.ac.uk/fees-and-finance/living-costs</a></p> <p>Students should have sufficient finances for the duration of their stay at Cambridge prior to the start of their visit. Please note that students may be asked for financial guarantees to cover accommodation costs. It is not possible for students to undertake paid work during their study or to claim College or University financial aid, including hardship funding.</p>
Visas	<p>Nationals of a country other than the UK or Republic of Ireland are likely to require a Student Visa to study inside the UK.</p> <p>The <a href="#">International Student Office</a> can provide you with the documentation required for the visa as well as immigration advice.</p> <p>Students will be provided with further information about the immigration requirements as part of the application process, however you may also find the following pages of our website helpful in terms of finding out information on the visa application process and the associated costs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">EU/EEA and Swiss nationals</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Non-EU/EEA nationals</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Costs associated with a student visa application</a></li> </ul>
Healthcare	<p>Information for international students is provided on the following page: <a href="https://www.internationalstudents.cam.ac.uk/arriving/healthcare-uk">https://www.internationalstudents.cam.ac.uk/arriving/healthcare-uk</a></p> <p>Those applying for a student visa and coming to the UK for 6 months or longer will be required to pay an immigration health surcharge of £776 per year that must be paid as part of their visa application fee.</p> <p>Students from the EU and Switzerland may be eligible for a full or partial refund of the immigration health surcharge if they have a valid <a href="#">European Health Insurance Card (EHIC)</a> issued in an EU country or Switzerland.</p> <p>Guidance about the immigration health surcharge reimbursement scheme is provided on the <a href="#">UK government website</a>.</p>