Northumbria University
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EXCHANGE INCOMING FACTSHEET 2025/26

EXCHANGE & STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMME

About Northumbria

Located in Newcastle upon Tyne.

Modern and innovative institution with roots tracing back to 1880.

By the year 2000 Northumbria University was the largest university in the Northeast of England.

Student population of around 37,000	**12,400 International students**
Attracts students from 146 countries	**Based in a cosmopolitan city with a vibrant student community**

Named UK University of the Year 2022 by Times Higher Education

Modern University of the Year 2025 by The Times and The Sunday Times

Ranked in the UK's top 25 for research power and graduate employment

Exchange Incoming Programme

- Gives an unmissable opportunity to spend an unforgettable semester or two in England.

- Programme is open to students who wish to follow a credit-based programme.

- Wide range of courses in various disciplines.

- Nominated by a partner university to study through the Erasmus+ or Bilateral exchange programme.

- Contact us at bc.exchangeapplicantservices@northumbria.ac.uk

Exchange Incoming Students Journey

Pre-Application

1. Discuss plans with the home institution

- Selection Criteria, University Agreements and Fee-free or fee-paying exchange.

- Choose one year/one semester.

- Check the Academic and English Language Requirements

- Check the constructing your programme and ensure they align with your academic goals.
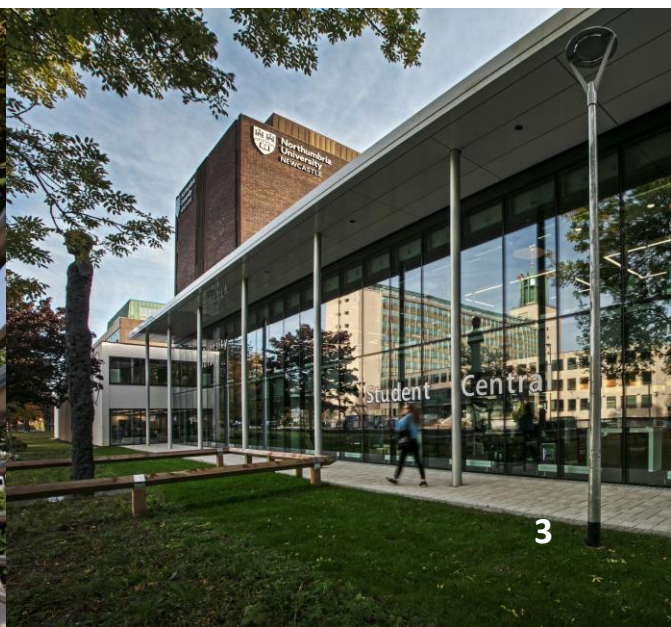
2. Nomination Process

- Home University to provide nominated students details: name, email, start month, duration, subject area & level of study while at NU.

3. Students to receive instructions on how to apply online

- For useful tips check out the Exchange Application Completion Guidance

- Students to apply using the information given by the NU.

Students will receive an Unconditional or Conditional offer based on the academic and language requirements (Please note that some courses may require a portfolio)

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1. Read Terms and Conditions

- Information can be found on our Terms and Conditions

2. Accept offer

- If you have received an Offer (Conditional or Unconditional) and wish to accept it, you can do so by using the Respond to Offer button on the applicant portal.

3. Choose Modules

- Module request email will be sent to you separately.

4. Choose Accommodation

- You can apply for accommodation only after you have firmly accepted your offer.

5. Check if you need a visa

- **One year** applicants to request a CAS letter via applicant portal

- **One semester** applicants to check if they need a Standard Visitor visa using Check if you need a UK visa

6. Apply for your visa

- **One year applicants:** Once you receive your CAS you can apply for your Student Route VISA (if applicable). It is important to prepare your visa application in good time so you can arrive in time for your Induction.

7. Enrolment email

- Students will receive an enrolment email with all the information on getting started at Northumbria.

- Information include how to enrol, pre- registration, email account, smartcard, access to blackboard, Student Portal and Right to Cancel.

- Before you arrive in the UK, you should complete pre -registration online.

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Arrival

1. Learning Agreements & Arrival Forms

- **Learning Agreement:** Send to admissions team to sign bc.exchangeapplicant services@northumbri a.ac.uk

- **Arrival Forms:** send to ask4help to sign.

2. Arrive

- Details of our airport transfer service for new students – Meet and Greet service

3. Enrolment

- Fully enrol and collect your smartcard

- Please see our **Enrolment Guide for International Students** for further information.

- Once you have arrived at Northumbria, you will need to have your visa verified (if applicable).

4. Induction Week

- Timetables will be available on the 2nd day to view on the Student Portal after you fully enrol.

Post Completion of Study

1. Receive unofficial transcript

- Semester one students to receive unofficial transcripts in March.

2. Receive official transcript

- All students receive official transcript in July.

3. Departure forms

- Send to ask4help to sign.

4. Signing of Final Learning Agreements

- Send to admissions team to sign.

Academic Calendar

Semester One
(September 2025/6)
Monday 22 September 2025 to Friday 23 January 2026

Induction Week: Monday 22 September 2025 to Friday 26 September 2025
Teaching Weeks: Monday 29 September 2025 to Friday 19 December 2025
Winter Break: Monday 22 December 2025 to Friday 9 January 2026
Assessment Weeks: Monday 12 January 2026 to Friday 23 January 2026

Semester Two
(January 2025/6)
Monday 19 January 2026 to Friday 29 May 2026

Induction Week: Monday 19 January 2026 to Friday 23 January 2026
Teaching Weeks: Monday 26 January 2026 to Friday 8 May 2026
Spring Break: Monday 30 March 2026 to Friday 17 April 2026
Assessment Weeks: Monday 11 May 2026 to Friday 29 May 2026

- **Re-Assessment Period for both Sem One & Sem Two (resits):** Monday 17 August 2026 to Friday 21 August 2026

Application Procedure Information

- **Partner institution to send nomination details by email (name, email, start month, duration, subject area & level of study while at NU) to bc.exchangeapplicantservices@northumbria.ac.uk**

- **Each nominated student will receive individual email instructions on how to apply online and partner institution will be copied into the email.**

- **Students to complete online application and submit all supporting documents (i.e.: passport, English qualification, recent academic transcript and if required, a portfolio).**

Nomination Deadlines	**Application Deadlines**
Semester one (September): Tuesday 1 April 2025	Semester one (September): Tuesday 15 April 2025
Semester two (January): Wednesday 1 October 2025	Semester two (January): Wednesday 15 October 2025

Further information

ENGLISH LANGUAGE:

General English Language requirements for courses at Northumbria University:
English Language Requirements

Find out about recognise English tests, any acceptable country specific qualifications and relevant exceptions:
Acceptable English Qualifications

PORTFOLIO GUIDELINES:

Some courses require students to submit a portfolio. Find out more information regarding portfolios:
Portfolio information for Undergraduate courses
Portfolio information for Postgraduate courses

MODULES:

Please note that the module webpage is constantly updated and should be used for guide purposes only.
Certain courses may only offer set modules; this means that it is not possible to request modules from another department.

No modules can ever be guaranteed and students wishing to study at Northumbria University on Exchange programme will need to be flexible in their choices.

Modules are agreed prior to enrolment and no changes are permitted after enrolment.

COURSE CHANGES:

Please note we cannot make certain courses changes after enrolment due to module and timetabling constraints. If you do wish to switch courses, this must be agreed with your home institution as soon as possible.

ASSESSMENT / GRADING:

Studying at an Exchange programme means that you will need to follow the institution's policies and procedures; this includes the assessment processes.

This may include how to submit, find your grades and understand the grading systems.
Please familiarise yourself with the above – more information can be found here:

Student Exchange Framework
General guidance for students
Assessment – Grades and Feedback
Assessment Regulations and Policies

OTHER USEFUL LINKS

NU's webpage for incoming mobility students:
Incoming students

Detailed explanation of the application procedure:
How to Apply

Information about applying for visas:
Immigration

Find out if you need a visa depending on your nationality:
Check if you need a UK visa

Lists of modules:
Constructing Your Programme

Useful information for exchange and study abroad students (accommodation, meet & greet, student support & wellbeing):
Useful information

Insight for students about the region:
Life in Newcastle

CONTACT DETAILS

bc.exchangeapplicantservices@northumbria.ac.uk

Admissions related queries: application process, nominations, modules and learning agreements

er.study-abroad@northumbria.ac.uk

Partner agreements, NU outgoing students and partnership-related queries