

European Partner Fact Sheet

General Information

Name of institution	Queen Mary University of London (Queen Mary)		
Contact details	Global Opportunities Team, Mile End Road, London, E1 4NS, United Kingdom Contact for incoming student queries:		
	study-abroad@qmul.ac.uk		
	Contact for bilateral agreements:		
	Wiebke Leugers, Global Student Mobility Manager		
	w.leugers@qmul.ac.uk		
	Finding us on campus: https://www.qmul.ac.uk/international/global-opportunities/incoming-		
	students/study	<u>-abroad-programme/contacts/</u>	
Directory of modules	http://www.qmul.ac.uk/modules		
	The directory is usually updated around mid-May for the following year.		
	Students coming into our School of Languages, Linguistics and Film or our		
	School of Law will be provided with separate directories via email.		
Website and	http://www.qmul.ac.uk		
social media	https://www.qmul.ac.uk/international/global-opportunities/incoming-students/study-abroad-		
	programme/		
	Facebook	https://www.facebook.com/QMULStudyAbroad	
	Twitter	https://twitter.com/qmulstudyabroad	
	Youtube	https://www.youtube.com/QMULOfficial	
	Bloggers	QMUL Global Bloggers	
	Instagram	<u>qmulgo</u>	

Immigration

The UK has left the EU and nationals of the EU, EEA and Switzerland (but **not** Republic of Ireland nationals) moving to the UK will now need to have immigration permission in the same way as students from the rest of the world. Check if you need a visa.

Students can enter the UK as <u>a Visitor</u> to study for up to six months. The current requirements are explained <u>here.</u> As long as students have a biometric symbol on the cover of their passport, they will be able to <u>enter the UK through the e-gates</u> and will not need to meet a Border Force Officer.

Alternatively, students can apply for <u>Student immigration permission</u>. There are additional requirements than the Visitor route, including applying for a CAS (Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies) from Queen Mary. This option is more expensive than Standard Visitor but it has some advantages for example allowing you to work up to 20 hours per week during term-time.

All full year students have to apply for <u>Student immigration permission</u>. Students coming for one semester only can come to the UK as <u>Visitor or</u> with <u>Student immigration permission</u>.

The Global Opportunities team cannot advise on or answer any immigration queries. Please contact:

Contact details	Advice and Counselling Service; http://www.welfare.qmul.ac.uk/contact
Website for information	https://www.welfare.qmul.ac.uk/international



Calendar & Orientation

The Queen Mary academic year is divided into two twelve-week semesters: autumn and spring.

Students coming to study with us for the autumn only are generally able to finish all assessments before Christmas. Students coming for the full year will have their autumn module exams in January and their spring and full-year module exams in May/June. Students coming for the spring only will also have their exams taking place throughout May/June.

The academic calendar is available here: http://www.gmul.ac.uk/about/calendar.

Key dates are available here: https://www.qmul.ac.uk/international/global-opportunities/incoming-students/study-abroad-programme/key-dates/

Orientation takes place the week before teaching starts.

Full arrival details and the Orientation schedule are available on our incoming student pages under "Pre-arrival information" during the weeks before the semester starts at. Our pre-departure Countdown Newsletter provides all incoming associate students with useful information about module selection, arrival, orientation and your time with us in London.

Module Selection & Learning Agreements

Only after submitting an application, students will be asked to pre-register for modules (late-May/mid-June). Students at Queen Mary will be expected to take at least half of their modules within the School/Department owning the interinstitutional agreement. The other modules may be take from within the wider Faculty. (You can find an overview here.)

Undergraduate level students cannot take postgraduate level modules and vice versa (due to different marking schemes). Students can only take modules from the level they have been nominated for (Bachelor or Master).

Finalising module selection: students will be able to add/drop modules in the first two weeks of the start of each semester.

For students with the exception of the below category: the Directory of Modules and guidelines can be found here: http://www.gmul.ac.uk/modules;

For students following modules within the School of Languages, Linguistics and Film: these students submit
their module pre-selection via MySIS, however, they receive a separate module information directory via email (late-May/mid-June) and should only submit module pre-selection requests for modules listed in the appropriate
directory;

Credit load

Students coming through the Visitor Route are allowed to take less than 60 Queen Mary credits (30 ECTS), with the permission from their home university. Students coming through the Student Immigration Route have to take a full course load (60 Queen Mary credits / 30 ECTS per semester).

Learning Agreement (LA)

Students can only send their LA their module pre-selection has been confirmed. The completed LA should be send to study-abroad@qmul.ac.uk. During busy periods please allow up to 14 days to receive a signed copy back



Grading System & Credits

Information on the Queen Mary **undergraduate** and **postgraduate** grading system are available here: http://www.arcs.qmul.ac.uk/students/graduation/understanding-your-transcript

Queen Mary does not award ECTS credits. In our credit system, 15 Queen Mary credits are equal to 7.5 ECTS. Students would be requested to register for 60 Queen Mary credits (30 ECTS) per semester. A module is typically worth 15 credits, however there are some 30 credits modules. All modules are assessed. You can find more academic information online.

English Language Requirements

Please refer to the English Language Requirements page, which outlines the requirements for each Queen Mary department https://www.qmul.ac.uk/international-students/englishlanguagerequirements You must meet the minimum requirements in order to participate in Queen Mary's exchange programme. If you are planning to take modules from another department than the one you are coming to study in, you need to meet the English language requirements of that department.

Queen Mary also accepts alternative English language qualifications for entry, you can find these here: https://www.qmul.ac.uk/international-students/englishlanguagerequirements/alternative-qualifications Kindly note that we cannot accept anything that is not listed on the website, e.g. a letter from your home university or a test not listed are not acceptable.

Application

Students should only submit an application to Queen Mary after their home university has confirmed that they have been nominated to study at Queen Mary for an exchange. Students who apply for the programme with no nomination record will automatically be classed as fee-paying Study Abroad students and will be billed for their period of study.

The undergraduate/Bachelor level exchange application forms are available on our 'Apply' webpage here.

Students should click on 'Undergraduate programmes' and then: 'Undergraduate Associate (Autumn Semester Only)' or 'Undergraduate Associate (Full Year)' depending on if you will be studying with us for one semester or one academic year. Students should click "Register" in the New Applicant window on the right to start their application.

Students who are coming to Queen Mary as postgraduate/Master level exchange students will receive the application links direct from the Global Opportunities team.

All applicants will have to fill out an online application form and upload the following supporting documents:

- Official transcript(s) in English (or official transcript[s] + certified English translation[s]) Applicants must upload their up-to-date, official academic transcript(s) of records in English) for all years of higher education, completed and current. As all transcripts must be in English, applicants must provide both official transcript[s] and certified English translation[s] if the relevant institution/s of higher education do/es not deliver in English.
- Proof of English language qualifications
- Valid passport (photo page) (required validity: at least 6 months after the end of the exchange)

Note: you do not need to upload a letter of academic reference. Please upload a blank page that says "Not needed for European exchange students."

Deadlines

September start	31 May
January start	24 October



The Global Opportunities team processes complete applications within 1-2 weeks' time (sometimes longer) and students will receive an offer letter if accepted as an associate student at Queen Mary.

A Transcript of Records will be issued after exam boards have met. Transcripts will be issued around the end of February for autumn students and around mid-July for full year/spring students.

Health Care and Insurance

Website for information	https://www.studenthealth.qmul.ac.uk/	
	https://www.studenthealth.qmul.ac.uk/accessing-healthcare/accessing-healthcare-	
	students-outside-uk	
	https://www.qmul.ac.uk/newstudents/faqs/health	
	https://www.qmul.ac.uk/international/global-opportunities/incoming-students/study-	
	abroad-programme/health-and-safety	
Other resources	Please also consult the section "Staying Safe and Healthy" in the latest version of the Arrivals	
	Guide for Associate Students available for download from the Pre-Arrival page:	
	https://www.qmul.ac.uk/international/global-opportunities/incoming-students/study-	
	abroad-programme/pre-arrival-information	

Medical treatment

The National Health Service (NHS) is the UK's state healthcare system providing a wide range of health care services including appointments with a doctor, hospital treatment and dental care.

Students coming for less than 6 months (either as Visitor or with Student Immigration Permission) are advised to take out medical insurance and will be liable for NHS charges for the treatment they receive in the UK (except for in a medical emergency). Some countries have a reciprocal agreement with the UK which may entitle students to some free healthcare on the NHS but students should seek advice from the health authorities in their home country about what treatment will be covered. EEA nationals should obtain a European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) and also seek advice from the health authorities in their home country.

Students coming for the full year will be required to pay an immigration health surcharge (IHS) as part of their Student Immigration Permission application fee. This will entitle students to access NHS care in the UK at no additional cost. You may need to pay for dental and optical treatment as well as medicine prescribed by the doctor and collected from a pharmacy.

University Public Liability

Incoming exchange students are covered by Queen Mary's Public Liability Policy after their arrival and <u>only while on Queen Mary campuses</u> or whilst engaged in Queen Mary business/activities and only for the duration of the exchange.

Travel insurance

It is the responsibility of each student to arrange for insurance that covers return travel (the return journey to and from Queen Mary from the home country), repatriation, any additional activities, non-UK travel or leisure pursuits to be undertaken.

Housing

Students from European partners are generally not eligible for Queen Mary campus accommodation. Queen Mary's Residential Services and Support Team will provide guidance to participants in finding alternative accommodation. Information and assistance can be provided by the following persons and information sources:



Additional Information

Incoming students will be treated as full members of Queen Mary and will be granted the same access as home students to Queen Mary facilities. Queen Mary will make every effort to integrate incoming students into British student life by placing them in classes and small group tutorials with home students.

Students have access to the **Disability and Dyslexia Service** (DDS) (http://www.dds.qmul.ac.uk), which offers support for all students at Queen Mary with disabilities, specific learning difficulties and mental health issues. Queen Mary is committed to ensuring that all of its facilities are fully accessible. (http://www.disabledgo.com/organisations/queen-mary-university-of-london).

Queen Mary is committed to **equality and diversity** in its student and staff bodies and welcomes participants without discrimination to ethnic background, religious affiliation or lack thereof, sexual orientation, gender, or disadvantage (http://www.hr.qmul.ac.uk/equality).

The **Advice and Counselling Service** at Queen Mary provides specialist, professional and confidential services to support students with financial, welfare, legal, emotional and psychological issues. All their services are open to incoming students and more information can be found on their website: https://www.welfare.qmul.ac.uk.

We offer a range of **in-sessional modules** which can help students to maximise their performance at Queen Mary and improve the quality of their academic assignments: English language and Study Skills modules. Find out more here:

https://www.gmul.ac.uk/sllf/language-centre/in-sessionals/

Students also have access to **QMentoring**. QMentoring will pair you with a mentor with whom you can explore your career ideas, or if you are looking to acquire experience can help you gain a deeper understanding of a particular career or industry: https://www.qmul.ac.uk/careers/gain-experience/qmentoring/

All associate students will be invited to become a Queen Mary Alumni: https://www.gmul.ac.uk/alumni/