

Going abroad as part of your studies

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Agenda

- Considerations
- Student's perspective
- Options
 - Focus on exchange
- Application
- Nice to know about self-arranged stays
- Traineeships
- Who can help?

Considerations

Why, when, where, and how much?

Considerations: Why go?

Academic benefits

- Another approach to studying
- Add to your academic profile
- Your résumé
- Language skills
- Intercultural skills

Social benefits

- International network – new friends
- Personal development
- Independence and courage

Considerations: When to go?

Which semester(s) of your bachelor's?

(Again) during your master's?

Considerations: Where to go?

- How far away from home?
- Academic matters
- Conditions for studying
- Special interests
- Language qualifications
- Financial matters

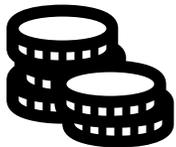
Considerations: Financial matters

Expenses

- (Tuition fee)
- Books and study material
- Travel costs
- Insurance
- Rent
- Food
- Fun and trips

Income

- SU + SU loan
- Travel grant (exchange) **or** Udlandsstipendium/State Grant (tuition payment)
- Own savings
- Private grants
 - Search for relevant grants
 - Be aware of deadlines
 - Focus your application
 - Don't wait until you have been accepted



Student's perspective

Frederikke

University of Vic, spring 2020

Options

Exchange vs. self-arranged

Study abroad: Two ways of doing it

Exchange (SDU International helps you)

- Erasmus+: the EU
- Nordplus: Scandinavia + Baltic states
- Overseas: the rest of the world

Self-arranged (you help yourself)

Project-oriented placement (traineeships/internships)

Let's focus on exchange
(for now)

SDU Exchange places

European exchange

- Specific subject area
- Many places available
- Big chance of getting a spot if you're flexible



Overseas exchange

- Faculty wide agreements
- More applicants than places
- Important to have alternatives

Application deadlines:

1 October 2020:

European places for the spring 2021

1 November 2020:

All places for the academic year 2021/2022

New deadline

1 March 2021:

Remaining places for academic year 2021/2022

Application for an exchange spot

Step One

- Check your study programme: Which types of courses do you need?

Step Two

Look for spots announced for:

- Undergraduate/graduate (Bachelor/Master)
- Your study programme
- Broad agreements for Humanities (HUM)

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MySDU – For students at SDU

Study Abroad

SDU International can help you if you are interested in learning more about your possibilities for going abroad as part of your studies. Browse these pages for more information about studies or internships abroad.

- Study Abroad
- International semester
- Why travel abroad
- Opportunities to go abroad
- How to do it
- Practicalities
- Grants and Scholarships
- Contact and guidance

Why travel abroad?

Where to go?

How to do it

Information meetings

Please watch the tutorials
on our webpage

How to read the guide:

University name – remember to check their website for further information! If a department or institute is listed, then you can only choose courses from these.

Special requirements and considerations to take into account for this particular exchange agreement. 'Not yet confirmed' means you can still apply but we do not have the exact number of places yet.

Country	Partner university	Agreement ID	Host Faculty	Number of exchange places	Level of study Undergraduate=BA Graduate = Master	Area of study	Comments
Australien	Deakin University	2416		1	undergraduate / graduate	Engineering (TEK), Humanities (HUM), Science (NAT), Business and Social Sciences (SAMF), Health Sciences (SUND)	Min. grade point average 8.0. / Previous years given to students with a grade point average of 9 - 12 Trimesters: July - Oct / Nov - Feb / Mar - June; Unit/Course search: http://www.deakin.edu.au/current-students/courses/unit-search.php Language confirmation from SDU International sufficient - test not required.

Number of exchange places on the exchange agreement, as well as academic level.

Studies covered by the exchange agreement.

Step Three

- Check the websites of host universities
- Check "Credits to ECTS" table for conversion of credits to ECTS (if relevant)

Step Four

- Fill in the online application
- More than one agreement at the same university? Always prioritise a spot with an Erasmus+ grant over a spot with a Nordplus grant
- Make sure your priorities reflect your wishes; you can't change them after submitting



Timeline: Preparation for your exchange stay for the academic year of 2021/2022

Now:

Clarification and research on courses

Ultimo December:

Decisions are sent out from SDU International

1 November:
Application deadline

Later:
Application to host university, pre-approval, etc.

Allocation of exchange places

- **Grade point average**
- **Minimum requirements**
 - You must have passed at least 30 ECTS at university level
 - You must have a grade point average of min. 2.0 (U/absence from an exam counts as -3)
- **Other factors**
 - Needed ECTS load (minimum 25 ECTS) in exchange semester
 - Previous exchanges

Erasmus+: Students with special needs for support

Who

- Students with physical, mental, or health-related conditions with special needs for support

How

- Apply for extra financial support. Contact SDU International (students who are already qualified by SPS at SDU are eligible for extra financial support)
- Benefit from local support services at the host university

**If you want to organize a
self-arranged stay**

Self-arranged

- Payment of tuition fees
(possibility of Udlandsstipendium/State Grant)
- No geographical restrictions
- No direct competition with other SDU students
- You organise everything
- Less support from SDU International
 - Three partners offer discount for self arranged:
 - James Cook University, Australia
 - Swinburne University of Technology, Australia
 - University of British Columbia, Canada
 - California State University, Bakersfield, USA

Self-arranged: Application for funding

www.mitsdu.dk/en/study_abroad

Where to go

- choose "Self-Arranged Stay"
- choose "Apply here"
- choose "Self-arranged"

Submit via www.sdu.dk/SPOC

- Pre-approval from Study Board
- Documentation of admission
- If applying for Udlandsstipendium/State grant: also documentation of tuition fee and course descriptions

So... to sum up:

Study abroad – overview

Exchange

- No tuition fees
- Support from SDU International
- SDU cooperation with host university
- Automatic grant (Erasmus+, SDU Internationalisation Fund, or Nordplus)
- You can also apply for private grants

Self-arranged

- Tuition fees
- You organise everything
- No geographical limitations
- Applications for grants (if you receive SU: Udlandsstipendium/State Grant. If not: SDU Internationalisation Fund)
- You can also apply for private grants

Traineeship (Project Oriented Placement)

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How to find a Traineeship place?

- You must find the place yourself
- You can amongst others get help here:
jobbank.sdu.dk
- SDU RIO (mysdu – job and career)

Traineeship (Project Oriented Placement)

Internship

- Mandatory part of the study programme (journalists and engineering students (BEng))
- Paid (and no SU) or unpaid (with SU)

Project oriented placement

- No salary
 - Unless in countries with legal requirement of this (e.g. Germany). In that case it is allowed but you will not be able to receive SU at the same time.
- Possible to get a gratuity (erkendtighed) max. 3000 DKK – must not be agreed upon in advance
- Possible to get actual expenses covered e.g. rent, internet

Traineeship (Project Oriented Placement)

Erasmus+ Traineeship

- 2-12 months
- EU+ associated countries
- Must apply minimum 1 month before leaving Denmark
- Pre-approval by Study Board
- Training agreement
- Language assessment before and after exchange
- Erasmus+ evaluation after



Other types of traineeships

- No geographical restrictions
- Apply for SDU Internationalisation Fund
- Pre-approval by Study Board and contract with company/organisation

Traineeship (Project Oriented Placement)

How to apply for a grant?

Application online:

www.sdu.dk/en/studyabroad - choose "opportunities to go abroad" – "internship" – "apply here"

- The green "sticks" are open for application – choose "self arranged"
- Login to the application form with your SDU login

To be sent later:

- Approval from study / study board
- Contract for traineeship
- If Erasmus+: Learning Agreement for Traineeships

I'm confused... Who can help me?
Glad you asked!

Who can help?

SDU International

- Exchange places
- Application process
- Admission to host university
- Finances
- Contact to partner universities

Host university

- Application form
- Acceptance letter
- Courses / type of work
- Housing
- Introduction

Study Board/Academic Student Advisor

- All questions related to courses and your study programme at SDU
- Pre-approval of courses
- Final credit transfer



Where can I find SDU International?

www.sdu.dk/SPOC

or

+45 6550 2264 (weekdays 10 – 14)

www.mitsdu.dk/en/study_abroad

www.facebook.com/SDUInternational/