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Welcome



At the University of Liverpool, we believe in offering students from around the world the opportunity to become international graduates through interactions with global cultures and peoples. Incoming Students participating in the Study Abroad programme are important to us in creating a truly diverse and global student body on-campus.

As such, we're delighted that you are considering the University of Liverpool as your Study Abroad choice. We hope that this guide will give you all the information you need to know about our world-shaping University and our historic yet, innovative city and that helps you to make one of the most exciting decisions of your academic career.

We look forward to welcoming you as part of our vibrant Liverpool community.

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The University of Liverpool

Our History

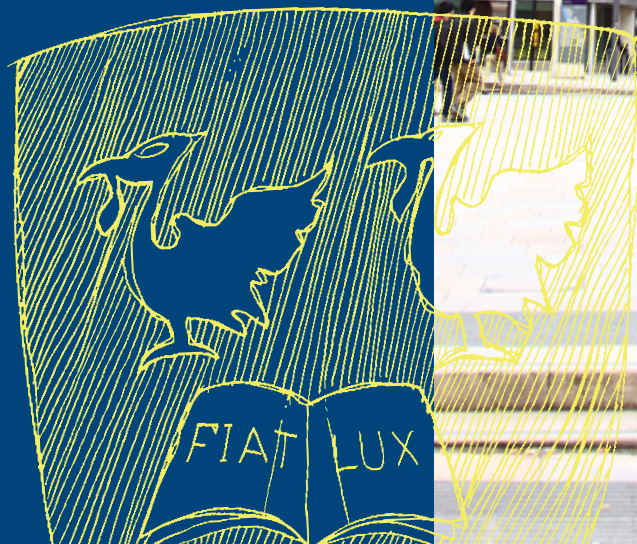
The University of Liverpool was founded in 1881 as University College Liverpool and it is the original 'redbrick' University (a term used to describe the older civic Universities in the UK). In 1994, it was one of the founding members of the Russell Group, which is a collective organisation representing the top 24 research universities in the UK and we are consistently recognised as being in the top 1% of Universities worldwide. We have a distinguished and proud history and are certain that with us, you will have a top-class academic experience.

Our Facilities

The University has two major libraries, the Sydney Jones and the Harold Cohen, which between them, contain over 2 million books and 40,000 online journals. The libraries are open 24hrs on week days and remain open until late at the weekends. Our award-winning Central Teaching Laboratories offer cutting-edge learning opportunities for students who take classes in Environmental Sciences, Physical Sciences and Archaeology. There are over 2000 computers located on campus as well as high speed Wi-Fi for connecting laptops, tablets and smart phones.

Our Expertise

The University of Liverpool is a world-class player in many areas of academia, guaranteeing you a fantastic academic experience. In Science and Engineering, we were a key partner in the discoveries at the CERN reactor in Switzerland and some of the world leaders in Chemistry are based at our University. In the Humanities subjects, we are home to one of the UK's top Departments of Archaeology, Classics and Egyptology, the only Institute of Irish Studies outside of Ireland and an AACSB accredited Management School. In Health and Life Sciences our expertise in Forensic Psychology attracts members of London's Metropolitan Police to study with us.



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The City of Liverpool

The City of Liverpool is the perfect setting for any student to spend a period of study abroad. With history, dynamism, diversity, modernity and creativity influencing every part of the city, there is something to suit everyone's tastes. Built on an illustrious heritage that stretches back 800 years, Liverpool has a global reputation for sport, music, architecture and a wealth of culture for students to explore.





Sport

As an attraction for sports fans this city is hard to beat. Home to two globally recognised football teams, Liverpool F.C. and Everton F.C.; Aintree Racecourse the venue for one of the most important horse races in history, the Grand National, as well as two of England's premier golf clubs: Royal Birkdale and the Royal Liverpool Golf Club in Hoylake (Wirral) which will be hosting The Open in 2014, the city's sporting prowess is world-renowned. Unsurprisingly, this prestigious sporting background means local teams, covering a wide-variety of sports, from handball to cricket to rugby, are to be found right across the city.

Creative

Liverpool's famous sons, The Beatles are often the first thing that people learn about the city, but our creativity goes much further than that. Home to more galleries and museums than any other UK city outside of London, Liverpool's dedication to the arts is clear to see. FACT cinema offers you the chance to see art installations, independent cinema, as well as the latest blockbuster films. With festivals such as the International Music Festival, Africa Oyé, Liverpool Sound City, Creamfields, Light Night, Brazilica Brazilian Festival and Liverpool Biennial, cutting edge music and arts are still a crucial part of the energy and identity of this unique city.



Shopping

The fantastic Liverpool One retail and leisure complex includes 160 shops from Zara to Hollister; more than 20 bars and restaurants; a brilliant 14 screen multiplex cinema and a five acre park. In addition to the high street names that you would expect to find in this major city, Liverpool also offers a variety of different shopping outlets. Bold Street at the heart of the student district has many independent shops and boutiques, offering a range of styles, with numerous coffee shops and bars nearby for you to take a break and check out your purchases.

Exciting

You'll never be short of things to do whilst living in Liverpool. You can catch a concert or performance at one of the many music venues in the city; ranging from the smaller, intimate settings such as Barfly and the Shipping Forecast to the 10,000 seat Liverpool Echo Arena, which has hosted acts as diverse as Lady Gaga, Muse and Dolly Parton! From the smaller independently run bars, such as Heebie Jeebies on Seel Street to the more glamorous venues in the Albert Dock and the stunning Alma de Cuba and Palm Sugar, Liverpool's nightlife is vibrant and rivals that of any other UK city.

Nature

When you want to get away from the hustle and bustle of city life, Liverpool, with more green space than any other city outside of London, offering a wealth of beautiful city parks and a real sense of space, has something for you. You could visit the beautiful Sefton Park with its famous glass palm house or perhaps venture further afield to Calderstones Park or Woolton Woods. Liverpool is also a port city, so alternatively you can visit Liverpool's impressive waterfront which is a UNESCO World Heritage site or the nature reserves up the coast at Formby. At Crosby beach you can see the stunning public art work Another Place, featuring 100 cast iron, life size sculptures of artist Antony Gormley, standing staring out to sea. Easily accessible from Liverpool is the breath-taking Lake District, home to England's highest mountain, Scafell Pike, as well as the beautiful scenery of North Wales' Snowdonia National Park (where students can take advantage of our Activity Base offering subsidised accommodation to students).

Explore the UK and beyond

Our location and transportation facilities mean that whilst you're studying with us, you'll also have the opportunity to explore the rest of the UK and Europe. From Liverpool Lime Street station a number of major cities, including London, are a short, direct, train ride away. Check the map at the end of this guide to see the distance from Liverpool to a number of key UK cities. Liverpool John Lennon Airport has direct flights to many major European cities through low-cost airlines, including direct flights to the Republic of Ireland, Spain, Portugal, France, Germany and the Netherlands.

For more information on our fantastic city, see www.liv.ac.uk/study/about-us/city and www.itsliverpool.com



I am in love! With the splendid Victoria Gallery and Museum in the campus, the Cavern Club where the Beatles used to play, the magnificent Liverpool Cathedral whose 101-meter-high tower gives you breath-taking views of Liverpool and more. It's already exciting to study and live abroad, but the most exciting part is exploring the country's different cities, understanding its history, culture and natural attractions with the new friends you've made.

Tengjie Wei
Chinese University of Hong Kong



Student Life at Liverpool



We know that you expect an exciting Student Life when you choose your Study Abroad destination. Here at the University of Liverpool, we're confident that the experiences you have with us will be unrivalled.



Liverpool Guild of Students

Liverpool Guild of Students (LGoS), as our student union is known, is one of the largest in the UK and it has recently undergone a £14.25 million renovation, creating an amazing space for our students to enjoy. At LGoS you can eat, drink, get help with your studies and meet our Student Representatives. More than that, LGoS will help you to get more involved with student life and really make the most of your University experience. With over 150 student societies to choose from, volunteering opportunities and amazing social events, LGoS will make you feel a part of the community here.



LGoS also runs the fantastic 'Give It A Go' campaign. 'Give It A Go' incorporates events and trips organised by LGoS to other UK cities, some of the UK's top theme parks and events such as theatre performances, all at massively reduced prices, to give all our students the opportunity to explore and understand everything that Liverpool and the UK has to offer. See www.lgos.org for more information.

My time as an Exchange Student at the University of Liverpool will be unforgettable! It was a year full of knowledge, friendships and adventure. I took eye-opening modules that allowed me to partake in field studies, enhanced my skills through the Guild of Students photography society, PhotoSoc and even travelled to places I had only dreamt of. I felt instantly at home and my experience can only be summed up with one word: Spectacular.

Flora Manata
University of Toronto



Sport Liverpool

The Sports and Fitness Centre at the heart of campus offers a wide variety of facilities and services including a 25 metre swimming pool, 2 sports halls, 4 squash courts, dance and spinning studios and a Bouldering wall.

Add these to a comprehensive fitness suite and weight training rooms, and we have some of the best sports facilities and services university life can offer, all at competitive rates too. In addition to full membership, the Sports and Fitness Centre offers organised sign-up/drop-in classes and courses and a 5-a-side football league. Classes are available to suit all levels of ability, providing individuals and groups with the opportunity to participate in a range of recreational exercise, dance and sporting activities. See www.liv.ac.uk/sports for more information.

Orientation and Events

Of course, you'll also have the opportunity to get involved with activities arranged by the Study Abroad Team. When you arrive in Liverpool, you'll attend Orientation, during which you will meet your fellow Study Abroad students. At Orientation, you will also learn all you need to know about studying in Liverpool and what you need to do in your first few weeks, as well as meet the Study Abroad Team in person. We'll answer any of those initial questions you might have, and introduce you to the city of Liverpool and British culture. Throughout the year we also hold events like our classic 'Afternoon Tea' and our twice yearly get-togethers, which will give you the chance to meet current Liverpool students who might be going to study at your Home University the following academic year.

Study Abroad

Opportunities at the University of Liverpool

We're proud to be part of a global network of Universities facilitating the exchange of hundreds of students every year. We participate in the European Union-wide Erasmus+ scheme, as well as holding many Exchange agreements with individual universities across the globe.

The opportunities available to you to study at the University of Liverpool depend on what type of partnership your University have with us:

- If your University is in Europe and has a partnership with us, then you can study here as an **Erasmus+ Exchange Student**;
- If your University is outside of Europe but has an exchange agreement with us, you can study here as an **International Exchange Student**.
- If your University doesn't have an exchange agreement with us, you can study here as an **Visiting Study Abroad Student**.

To help you understand what you can study with us, here are some useful explanations of common words you may see or hear:

- At the University of Liverpool a class/unit of study is known as a 'module'
- A School is a group of subject areas (e.g. School of the Arts is made up of Architecture, Philosophy, English and Music)
- Level refers to the year of study in which a UK student would normally take the module (e.g. Level 1 usually means 1st Year). In general, Level 1 (i.e. first year) modules aren't open to Exchange or Visiting students.

Erasmus+ Exchange Students

Students from Erasmus+ Partner Universities can study modules in the subject area or subject areas that are listed on the bilateral agreement between the University of Liverpool and your Home University. Check with your International Office which subject areas are covered by our agreement. Access to modules outside the listed subject area(s) is not guaranteed and is always at the discretion of the Academic Department offering the module.

International Exchange Students

As an International Exchange Student, you'll generally have a free choice in the subject areas that you study, as long as you have the appropriate background for your chosen module(s). We recommend that you select modules from one School and at one level in order to reduce the likelihood of timetable clashes. Students who wish to apply for modules from the Faculty of Humanities and Social Science (HSS) only, can apply for modules in any Department/School, as long as the modules are all of the same level.



Visiting Study Abroad Students

If your University doesn't have an agreement with us (see above) then you can still apply to study here as a Visiting Study Abroad student. Visiting Study Abroad students pay tuition fees to the University of Liverpool which covers the cost of tuition and registration at the University (please note that some classes which involve field trips may incur extra costs). For the Academic Year 2014/15 the tuition fees are:

Semester-only: £6,000

Full Academic Year: £11,000

Students who want to study as a Visiting Study Abroad Student also have the option of applying through one of our approved Overseas Representatives (agents), who will be able to provide you with tailored advice and support. To find our Overseas Representatives in your country see <http://www.liv.ac.uk/study/international/countries/>.

Visiting Study Abroad students generally have a free choice in the subject areas and levels that they study, as long as they have the appropriate background for any modules they choose. We recommend that you choose modules from one School and one level in order to reduce the likelihood of timetable clashes. Students who wish to apply for modules from the Faculty of Humanities and Social Science (HSS) only, can apply for modules in any Department/School, as long as the modules are all of the same level.



Student Support



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Choosing to spend time on Study Abroad is a big decision and we know that having the proper support in place is important to you.

The Study Abroad Team

Throughout your Study Abroad adventure with us, you'll be supported by our dedicated Study Abroad Team. We will be your main central University contact throughout your experience, from your application to returning home. We'll be happy to help with any questions, queries or problems you may have. Before you arrive at the University, we run webinars to help you prepare for the start of your studies with us, then when you actually arrive on campus our Orientation and Welcome Events will help to ensure you make the very most of this 'experience of a lifetime' (see page xxx). If you'd like to get in touch with us, see the Contact Us page at the end of this publication.

Study Abroad Buddies

When you apply to the University of Liverpool, you can indicate if you would like us to pair you with a Study Abroad Buddy. Our buddies are made up of University of Liverpool students who have returned from Study Abroad programmes and have volunteered to help our Incoming Students settle in to life here in Liverpool. We'll introduce you to your Buddy via email, before you arrive in Liverpool, so that you can ask them any questions you might have and then you'll meet your Buddy once you are actually here. We always do our best to match you to a Buddy who has studied at your Home University or in your Home Country.

Academic Study Abroad Co-ordinators/ Student Experience Teams

Every subject area at the University has an Academic Study Abroad Co-ordinator who will be your first contact to discuss any academic queries you may have, such as whether a particular class is suitable for you. Every School (a grouping of subject areas, e.g. School of the Arts consists of Architecture, Communications and Media, English, Music and Philosophy) also has a Student Experience Team who can help with any administrative queries, from exam timetables to coursework submission.

Counselling Service

We understand that student life can sometimes be stressful and it can help to talk to a professional. Whilst you're with us, you'll have full access to our Counselling Service who can offer professional and confidential support, either face-to-face or via email. See www.liverpool.ac.uk/counserv for more information.

International Support Team

If you have any queries about your visa status, whether you can work during your studies, or anything else related to being an international student at Liverpool, you can speak to our friendly International Support Team: www.liverpool.ac.uk/studentsupport/ist.



The campus is extremely student friendly with signboards and helpers everywhere in the initial few days of the academic year, which really helps new students to settle in. There are special teams dedicated to helping with practically any problem a student faces, be it academic, emotional, physical or mental.

Ria Ratna,
International Student from India

Accommodation

For 2014/15, the prices are:

Hall	Bed type	Cost per Week	Cost for Semester 1	Cost for Semester 2
Tudor Close	Single	£115.85	£2,184.60	£2,283.90
Tudor Close	Double	£121.45	£2,290.20	£2,394.30
Melville Grove (Size A Small)	Single	£115.85	£2,184.60	£2,283.90
Melville Grove (Size B Large)	Single	£121.45	£2,290.20	£2,394.30

For more information, check out our Accommodation website at:
www.liv.ac.uk/accommodation



Living in University accommodation gives you the chance to meet incredible and friendly people. Liverpool is a great city to live in.

Amanda Geber
 Federal University of Mato Grosso do Sul



Students coming to our University through Study Abroad from one of our Partner Universities or as a Visiting Study Abroad Student will be offered preference to apply for a room in our new Study Abroad Village.

The Study Abroad Village is located in some of our newly refurbished and upgraded, on-campus, self-catered Halls of Residence. The Village will house Incoming Exchange and Study Abroad students and University of Liverpool students who have returned from their exchange experiences, creating a truly exciting international atmosphere. Every Hall will have access to a residential advisor, as well as student-led events and committees.

Contract lengths at the Study Abroad Village are available for both semester-only and Full Academic Year. The price of your room includes all bills and a high-speed internet connection (both Wi-Fi and cabled). For 2014/15, see the prices on page 14.



Matters Money

Despite Liverpool being the 4th largest city in the UK, and consistently punching above its weight in terms of economic growth, the city offers good value for money, without compromising on quality. Our undergraduate exchange students, living in on-campus Halls of Residence estimate their monthly costs as:

Expenditure	Cost
Accommodation	£463-£486
Food	£140
Mobile Phone	£12
Leisure/Entertainment	£60
Study Costs (books/photocopying)	£10
Laundry	£20
Gym Membership	£15
Total Monthly Costs	£720-£743



I have experienced a quality of student life that for me is perfection. The city of Liverpool is so charming, I enjoy its rich culture, history, pace of life and architectural beauty, there is never a dull moment. Even with all these wonderful things Liverpool is a really affordable place to live.

Jonathan Cheong
International Student from Singapore

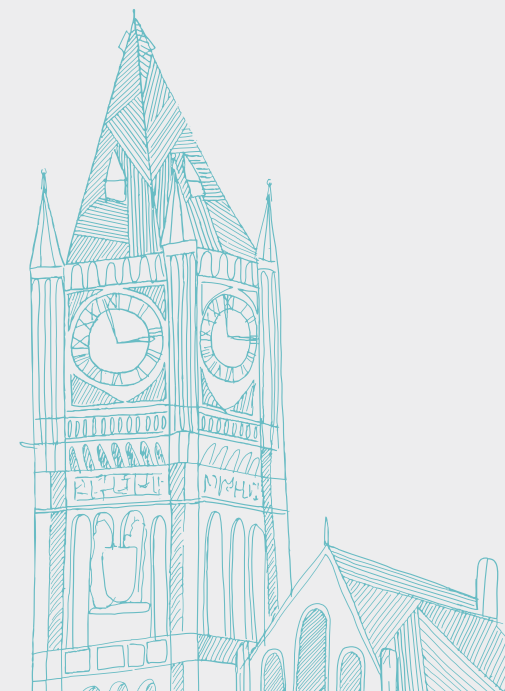
Term Dates



Academic Year 2014/15

Welcome Week		Monday 22 September to Friday 26 September
Semester 1	Wk 1-12	Monday 29 September to Friday 19 December
	Christmas Break	Monday 22 December to Friday 9 January
	Wk 13 (Revision)	Monday 12 January to Friday 16 January
	Exams	Monday 19 January to Friday 30 January
Semester 2	Wks 1-8	Monday 2 February to Friday 27 March
	Easter Break	Monday 30 March to Friday 17 April
	Wks 9-12	Monday 20 April to Friday 15 May
	Wk 13 (Revision)	Monday 18 May to Friday 22 May
	Exams	Monday 25 May to Friday 5 June

Please note that, due to the start dates, students from Partner Universities in the USA, Canada and Hong Kong are able to sit Semester 1 Liverpool exams at their Home University. All other students (and all students taking Semester 2 exams) must be present at the University of Liverpool.



How to Apply



For the latest application information, please visit our website: www.liv.ac.uk/study/international/incomingexchange/incoming-applying/

Students from partner universities should speak to the International/Study Abroad office at their Home University in order to be nominated to the University of Liverpool.

The deadlines for applications are as follows:

- Semester 1 only and Full Year applications: 1st May
- Semester 2 only applications: 1st November

If your first language is not English you will also need to show that you have an appropriate English language qualification. For the full list of acceptable qualifications please see: www.liv.ac.uk/study/international/countries/english-language

EU Nationality students only: If you hold EU nationality you can provide a letter from your Home University stating that your English level is equivalent to C1 on the Common European Framework.



Summer School



If you'd like to get a taste of Liverpool before apply for study abroad or perhaps you just want a shorter study abroad experience, then you can apply for our International Summer School.

The Summer School has a choice of a 3- or 6-week option during the summer vacation, with a huge variety of courses to choose, from Business to Architecture to History! Students whose first language is not English can also choose to take weekly English classes.

The International Summer School also includes trips to other UK cities and other social events and activities, from barbecues to fish and chip suppers.

To find out more about the International Summer School and to make an application, please visit www.liv.ac.uk/internationalsummerschool/. Students from exchange partner universities may be able to apply for tuition-free places on an exchange basis, check directly with your International Office to see if this applies you.



Contact



We hope that this guide has answered any initial questions you might have about the University and City of Liverpool and our Study Abroad opportunities, but if you have any queries, please don't hesitate to contact us:

E: saenq@liverpool.ac.uk

T: +44-794-6729

www.liverpool.ac.uk/incomingexchange

We can't wait to welcome you to Liverpool!



I would be delighted to welcome you to the University of Liverpool as part of the Study Abroad Programme! During your time abroad in Liverpool I will do my very best to help you. My Team call me the Study Abroad “mum”, because of how much I enjoy looking after our students.

Christina da Silva
Study Abroad Co-ordinator
for Incoming Students



Map of the UK

	Distance from Liverpool	
	Miles	Kilometers
Manchester	32	50
Leeds	65	105
Birmingham	80	126
York	95	140
Newcastle	125	200
Cardiff	135	215
Bristol	137	220
Edinburgh	175	280
Glasgow	177	285
London	180	290
Plymouth	220	350
Belfast	???	???

