How to select courses as an exchange student at Örebro University

In this guide you will find information about how to plan your courses when applying to Örebro University as an exchange student. You might find that the way the studies are organized differ from the way you are used to. Please read this information carefully and make sure that you consider:

- In which study period a course is given. Taking more than one full-time course during the same study period is not possible as it will result in a too heavy workload.
- The course load, which should be full-time (30 ECTS) per semester.
- The prerequisites. Please make sure you fulfill them for all selected courses.

Study periods and study pace

The semester is divided into four study periods of five weeks each. The study periods are defined by the weeks they occur, e.g., week 36-40 (September/October). Most of the courses are full-time courses, given during one study period (7,5 credits), but there are also shorter and longer courses with different study pace and/or credits. Full-time courses are usually taken one after the other (consecutive scheduling) alternately, if the courses are part-time, two courses may be taken during the same period (parallel scheduling). Also, taking one full-time course and one part-time course during the same study period is accepted. However, please note that two full-time courses may not be taken during the same study period as it will result in schedule and exam clashes.

Course load

As an exchange student at Örebro University you are expected to study full-time, approximately 30 ECTS credits/semester. You may enroll in a maximum of 45 credits/semester. Do not select more courses than you intend to study.

Please observe! Non-EU/EEA citizens must be admitted to full-time studies, in order to obtain a residence permit for studies in Sweden by the Swedish Migration Agency (Migrationsverket).

Course registration necessary for insurance and housing

Incoming exchange students are covered by a basic insurance provided by the government agency Kammarkollegiet. However, this insurance only applies when you are registered on a course at Örebro University. Also, the course registration is necessary for access to student housing. Course registration opens two weeks before the course begins (exception for the first course of the semester), i.e. it is not possible to register on a course starting in study period 2-4 at arrival. For these reasons it is of vital importance that you select a course that starts in the beginning of the semester and that you are registered throughout the whole semester.

Applying for courses

The course selection is part of the application form. Courses are added in the course selection part of the application. Information about prerequisites, course syllabus, etc can be found in the course catalogue.

When selecting courses, you need to take notice of the following:

- Make sure you select courses for which you meet the prerequisites. No early opinion is given by the departments, so pay attention to the prerequisites in the course catalogue.
- Select courses evenly spread out over the semester. Please observe: It is essential to select a course in the first study period as this is necessary for your status as a student at Örebro University, which includes insurance, housing, access to the student portal, access card to the university buildings, etc.
- Do not select courses that exceeds a study load of 150%.
- The total credits selected should be approximately 30 ECTS per semester. A maximum of 45 credits is accepted. Do not select more courses than you intend to study.

**Examples of course planning**

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**A guide to selecting courses in the course catalogue**

All courses open to exchange students can be found in the course catalogue for exchange students: [www.oru.se/english/study/exchange-students/courses/course-catalogue-for-exchange-students/](http://www.oru.se/english/study/exchange-students/courses/course-catalogue-for-exchange-students/).

Use Advanced search and filters to find suitable courses.

Here you can filter courses starting in the first (study period 1 and 2) or second part of the semester (study period 3 and 4).
Course list

Environmental Science
Film Studies
Gender Studies
History
Human Geography
First cycle
Courses requiring no previous university studies
The Geography of Sweden, 7.5 Credits (Autumn semester 2021)

Information about study period, study pace and language.

Click on the plus-sign to see available courses under each subject in the search result to expand the information as below.

Click on the plus-sign to find out about prerequisites, course syllabus, etc.

The Geography of Sweden, 7.5 Credits
The course enables students to develop a basic understanding of the development of historical, social, economic and demographic features of Swedish society from a geographical perspective. The course covers contemporary issues in population change, mobility and migration, housing segregation, economic geography and business development, and planning in a Swedish context.

ECTS Credits
7.5 Credits

Level of education
First cycle, the level of specialised study for general qualification cannot be classified (GOX)

School
School of Humanities, Education and Social Sciences

When is the course offered?
Autumn semester 2021 week 45 (2021) - 49 (2021)
Full Time, Day-time  The language of instruction is English.  Örebro

Prerequisites:
General entry requirements.

Selection:
Average grade/national university aptitude test/university points

Additional Information: Teaching Methods
The course can be made up of lectures, laboratory work, seminars, field studies, exercises, placement studies, web-based discussions and/or workshops.

Assessment
The course can be assessed through written examination, take-home examination, compulsory course components, paper, essay and/or oral examination.

Course syllabus

Application code: X1208