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Credit transfers & learning agreements?

All learning agreements must be approved by the relevant Stellenbosch University academic/lecturer in order for the modules successfully completed at the host institution to be recognised for credit transfer to your SU record.



Financial costs for going on a semester exchange?

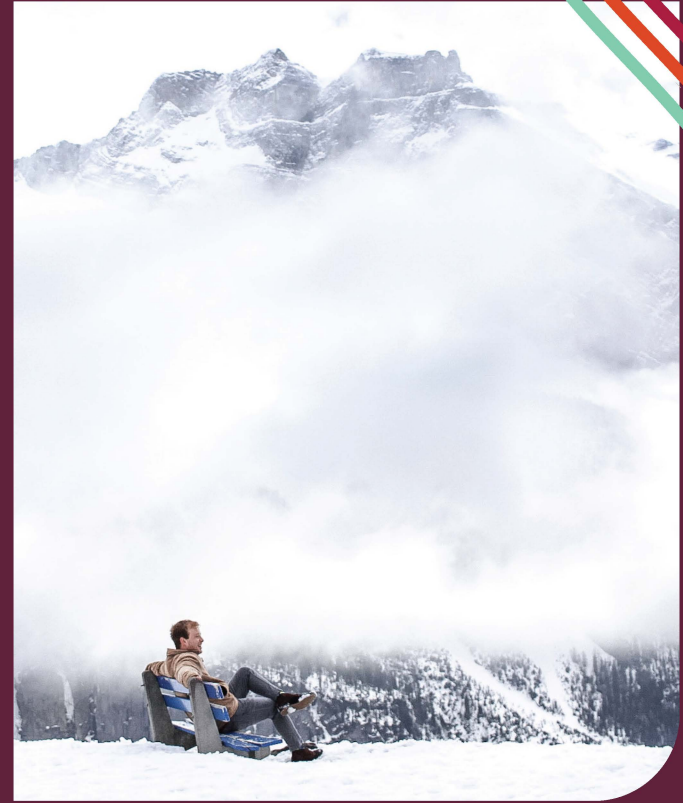
Stellenbosch University and its partner universities are committed to limiting the financial costs incurred by students who participate in exchanges. For this reason, travel bursaries, tuition waivers and other benefits (where applicable and possible) are provided and negotiated. It is however important to note that students will also need to make a financial contribution towards their own respective study. In many cases it is only to cover living expenses, extra travel expenses, administrative costs and to comply with visa requirements.

Financial instruments that you can use:

- Exchange Bursary, to help cover travel expenses.
- Tuition waiver at Partner University
- Third component funding, which is depended on the Partner University Housing Scholarship or Monthly Stipend Erasmus + Scholarship with certain Bilateral Agreements Government Scholarships (For example, Belgium Priority Programme Scholarship).



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opportunities for SU Students

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Stellenbosch University (SU) is transforming the educational journeys of its students by providing a genuinely global experience through an extensive network of partner institutions spanning six continents.

As a student at Stellenbosch University, you have the opportunity to enrich your academic path by applying for a semester exchange programme at one of our esteemed partner universities.



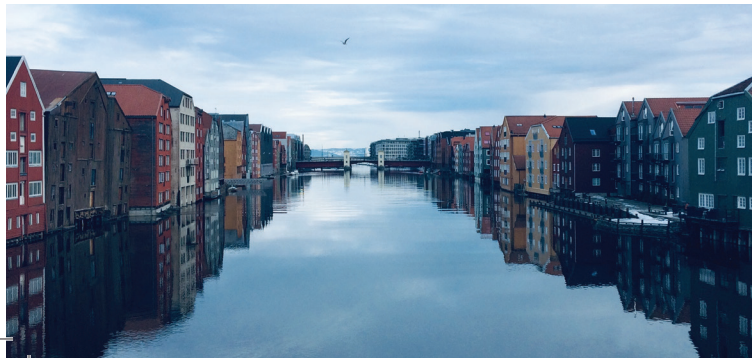
Who can apply



The target group for semester exchanges are undergraduate and postgraduate students, excluding PhD students.

PhD students are not included in this programme because partner universities typically do not classify them as exchange students; instead, they are often regarded as visiting scholars.

To read more about the past experiences of students who have been on a semester exchange please visit our Education Abroad Blog at <https://t.ly/OThwJ>



Learning outcomes for a semester exchange:

Cultural Immersion: Immerse yourself in an entirely new culture, opening the door to transformative experiences. Explore and embrace diverse customs, traditions, and ways of life that will leave a lasting impact.

Personal Development: Embrace the challenges of living in a foreign land, fostering personal growth. You'll emerge from this journey more self-reliant, adaptable, and open-minded, equipped to navigate diverse situations and broaden your horizons.

Academic Enrichment: Unlock exceptional academic opportunities through going on an exchange programme, including access to specialised courses, research initiatives, and unique study subjects not available at your home institution. Elevate your academic and career potential.

Global Perspective: Embrace life in a different part of the world to broaden your worldview. Gain a deeper understanding of global issues, politics, and cultures, enriching both your personal and professional life.

Lasting Memories and Lifelong Bonds: Embark on a semester exchange, and you're sure to craft indelible memories and form lifelong friendships. These experiences will shape your perspective on life and fill it with enduring joy.



How do I qualify

Three aspects must be met when deciding to go on a semester exchange namely:

To select the appropriate partner university, it is important that there is an alignment between three factors: Academics, Personal interest, and financial obligations.



Academic requirements: You can't go to a university where suitable course equivalents is not on offer, specifically if you need to transfer credits back to Stellenbosch University. The same principle applies for students doing research. Going on a semester exchange can be a valuable and enriching experience for several reasons.



Personal preference: If you prefer to go to a certain country, then start looking at institutions from that country. Sometimes, however, it is important to question these preferences and try to move outside your "comfort zone".



Financial obligations: All semester exchanges work on a co funding basis, with support from Stellenbosch University, the Partner University and funding from your side.

Where can I go on exchange?

SU International facilitates student exchanges with over 100 prestigious institutions worldwide. Our partnerships extend from institutions like SciencePo and Leipzig to West Virginia and Nagoya University, providing our students with diverse and enriching opportunities for global academic experiences.

You can apply to study on exchange at any of the partner university below for one semester:



Application life cycle

Applying for a semester exchange program involves several steps, and the application cycle can vary depending on the specific programme and university. However, here is a general overview of the application process and its lifecycle:

- Complete the Stellenbosch University International application by visiting the following link: <https://t.ly/OGvvU>
- The application will be reviewed by the Outgoing Selection panel.
- Should you be selected, the following steps will follow:

