



Goldsmiths, University of London Fact Sheet 2021/22

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Introduction

Study Abroad at Goldsmiths for the opportunity to live, learn and socialise in London for half or a full academic year. We offer courses spanning the arts and creative industries through to the humanities, social sciences, business, psychology and computing, all on our friendly, accessible, single-site campus.

Goldsmiths is a creative powerhouse with a rich academic heritage that stretches back to 1891. Today we have a close-knit community, with students and staff from around the world who are inventive, imaginative and original.

At just a 10-minute train ride from London Bridge, it's easy to access all central London has to offer, while being based in a vibrant and diverse local area.

Our world-renowned academics will stimulate you intellectually, while our onsite Global Opportunities, Wellbeing, Disability and Student Support teams do all they can to make you feel safe and happy on campus. We offer tailored support for students of all identities, and pride ourselves on being a space where all students feel welcome to be their true selves.

Future Erasmus participation update

Following lengthy Brexit discussions, it has been confirmed that the UK will not participate in the next generation Erasmus programme. This does not affect our participation in the current Erasmus programme and we are working with our partners to continue to exchange students and staff until the end of our current projects.

We appreciate that this news creates uncertainty around how we might work together in the future. We would like to reiterate Goldsmiths commitment to international partnerships and to the exchange of students and staff. The UK Government have confirmed that they will create a new UK programme, called the Turing Scheme to enable students to still gain experience abroad. We are awaiting final details but will share more information with partners once we have more it and discuss future collaboration further.

General Information

Full name of institution:

Goldsmiths, University of London
New Cross
London SE14 6NW
<https://www.gold.ac.uk/find-us/>

Erasmus code: UKLONDON012

Website: <https://www.gold.ac.uk/international-exchange-programmes/>

Contact details:

Incoming students - studyabroad@gold.ac.uk
+44 (0)20 7919 7260 (currently not available due to home working)

Outgoing students - goabroad@gold.ac.uk
+44 (0)20 7919 7003 (currently not available due to home working)

Caroline Graveson Building, 1-4 Culloden House, Batavia Road, SE14 6BJ (team currently homeworking)

Global Opportunities team:

Eduardo Lees – Global Opportunities Manager (Erasmus+ and Study Abroad programme management and International Mobility partnerships)

Jack Selby – Global Opportunities Officer (Outgoing Erasmus+ student and staff mobility and Erasmus+ International Credit Mobility exchanges)

Shannon Stowers – Global Opportunities Coordinator (Incoming Study Abroad and Erasmus students)

Nomination Procedure

The nomination deadlines are as follows:

- For the Autumn term and full year, the deadline is 1 July 2021
- For the Spring/Summer term, the deadline is 15 October 2021.

Please nominate students by submitting the nomination form here:

<https://app.geckoform.com/public/#/modern/FOEU027dXNWMHy8Z>

Application Procedure

Once nominated, Goldsmiths will email the students directly with a link to the application form. The application deadlines are as follows:

- For the Autumn term and full year, the deadline is 30 July 2020
- For the Spring/Summer term, the deadline is 1 November 2020.

Academic Information

Term dates 2021/22

Autumn term

Welcome Week: 24 September – 1 October 2021

Term: 27 September – 10 December 2021

Spring/Summer term

Welcome Week: 10 January – 16 January 2022 (tbc)

Term: 17 January – 24 June 2022

Teaching finishes at the end of the spring term on 1 April 2022. There is then a break for Easter, and the summer term begins on 3 May 2022 and runs until 24 June 2022. If students take modules that are assessed by exams, then they are required to be on campus in the summer term to sit these. If students choose modules that are assessed by essays/coursework, then this can usually be submitted online remotely so students can leave campus at the end of teaching in March.

Full year

Welcome Week: 24 September – 1 October 2021

Term: 27 September 2021 – 24 June 2022

Modules

The module options available to incoming exchange students at Goldsmiths can be found here: <https://www.gold.ac.uk/studyabroad/module-options/>. Please note that these options are subject to change.

Students can only select modules from within their host department, and at their level of study.

Module selection takes place via an online form, which is sent to autumn and full year students in July and to spring/summer students in November. Students are required to complete this form to select their modules. It is the student's responsibility to complete their Learning Agreement.

Undergraduate students generally study 4 modules per term. This equates to 60 Goldsmiths credits (30 ECTS).

Grading system

All courses and programmes at Goldsmiths are validated on the basis of one Goldsmiths' credit being equivalent to 0.5 ECTS. This will be the case at both undergraduate and postgraduate level in line with the recommendations in the *2009 ECTS User Guide* published by the European Commission: http://ec.europa.eu/education/lifelong-learning-policy/doc/ects/guide_en.pdf

A 15 credit Goldsmiths module will therefore be worth 7.5 ECTS.

European Credit Transfer Scheme (ECTS)

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A 30 credit Goldsmiths' course will therefore be worth 15 ECTS.

Undergraduate grading scale

Goldsmiths Grading%	Goldsmiths Undergraduate Classification	Average % of successful candidates normally achieving the UG grade	ECTS Grade
70-100	1st	25%	A
65-69	2:1	55%	B
60-64	2:1		C
50-59	2:2	18%	D
40-49	3	2%	E
35-39	Fail		FX
0-34	Fail		F

Postgraduate grading scale

Goldsmiths Postgraduate Classification	Goldsmiths Grading%
Distinction	70-100
Merit	65-69
Merit	60-64
Pass	50-59
Fail (0-49)	0-49

Grades received by Goldsmiths students at a partner institution will be converted using Goldsmiths approved country grade conversion tables.

Language requirements

Our English Language requirement is higher grades at CEFR Level B2, or IELTS 6.0 for Undergraduates with 6.0 in writing and no element lower than 5.5 and IELTS 6.5 for Postgraduates with 6.5 in writing and no element lower than 6.0.

If students don't reach these requirements we offer pre-sessional English programmes to help you improve your English language skills. Find out more about our [Pre-sessional courses](#).

We accept a wide range of English Language certificates as well as IELTS. For a full list of acceptable alternative English Language qualifications please visit our [Alternative English Requirements](#) Page page.

Student Support Information

Arrival, Induction and Support

Goldsmiths will host an induction at the start of the autumn and spring terms to welcome new students and to give them the information required to support them during their stay. The Global Opportunities team and the departmental International Liaison Officer will support students during their time at Goldsmiths. They will also be able to access all students services including the Wellbeing team: <https://www.gold.ac.uk/students/wellbeing/>

Further information can be found here: <https://www.gold.ac.uk/study-abroad-support/>

Accommodation

All incoming exchange students are eligible to apply for Goldsmiths accommodation. More information can be found here: <http://www.gold.ac.uk/accommodation/study-abroad/>.

Goldsmiths accommodation is guaranteed for incoming exchange students who apply before the accommodation deadline.

For students who'd like to live in non-university accommodation, there is a useful guide at <http://housing.london.ac.uk/housing-guide/private-housing-guide>.

Disability support

Goldsmiths Disability Advisers are available to advise student about any aspect of disability. They can also help put in place any equipment or support students need to study effectively at Goldsmiths.

It is strongly recommended that all students with a disability register with the Disability Support Team as soon as possible so that reasonable adjustments and support needs can be identified.

<http://www.gold.ac.uk/disability/>
disability@gold.ac.uk
0207 717 2292

Further details on disability support and campus accessibility can be found on the following website:
<https://mapped.eu/goldsmiths-university-london>

Diversity support

Goldsmiths is proud of its diverse student community. We have extra support and resources for students who identify as LGBTQ+, students with disabilities, BME students, and students of different religious identities. Find lots of information on our website here:

<https://www.gold.ac.uk/studyabroad/diversity/>

Students' Union

The Student Union at Goldsmiths represent and support all students through sports, societies, campaigns, entertainment, advice, and supplies: <https://www.goldsmithssu.org>

A list of societies at the Student Union can be found here:
<https://www.goldsmithssu.org/activities/societies/list/>

Living costs and guide to the local area

Information on living costs in London can be found here: <https://www.gold.ac.uk/programme-costs/>

Guidance on life in the local area can be found here: <https://www.gold.ac.uk/local/>

Immigration support

Students joining Goldsmiths for the autumn term or the spring/summer term are likely to need a [Standard Visitor Visa](#) to study in the UK. [Visa nationals](#) must apply for this before coming to the UK. Non-visa nationals can usually obtain entry at the border by providing a letter that can be requested from our Immigration Advisory Service. Please check the latest guidance on what activity is allowed under a Standard Visitor visa.

Students joining Goldsmiths for the full year are likely to need a Student visa to study in the UK. More information is available here: <https://www.gold.ac.uk/immigration/student-visa/>.

For any immigration related queries please contact our Immigration Advisory Service at immigration@gold.ac.uk.

Insurance

More information on Goldsmiths insurance can be found here:

<https://www.gold.ac.uk/governance/public-information/employersandpublicliabilityinsurance/>

Contact for insurance issues

insurance@gold.ac.uk

0207 896 2716

Student Centre contact details

The Student Centre is the central point of contact at the university for all areas of support. It can be found in RHB 117, Richard Hoggart Building. Students can all get in touch by email or phone:

studentcentre@gold.ac.uk

020 7919 7050