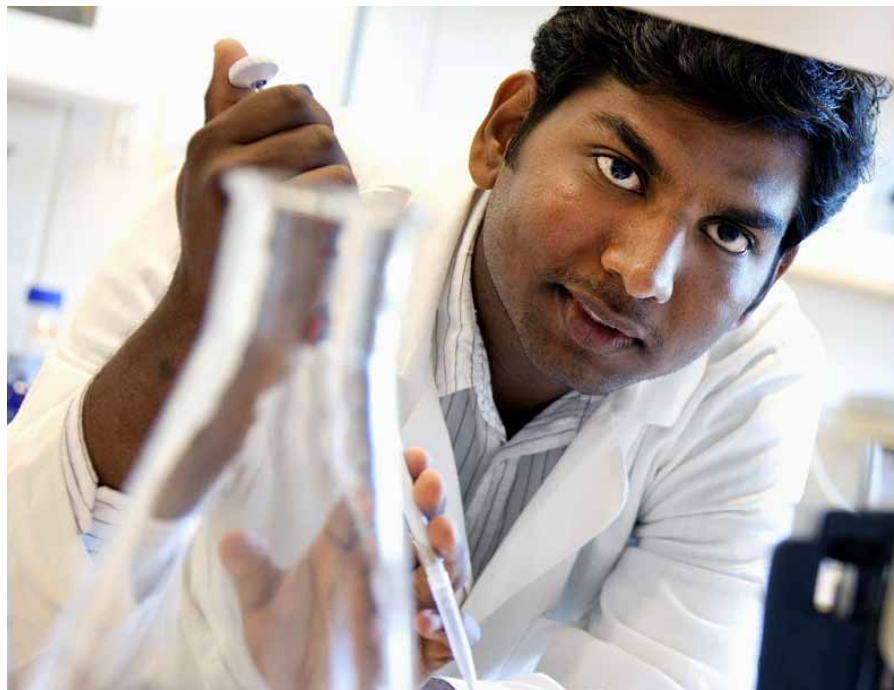


Partner Information Sheet, Academic year 2013/2014

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Lund University and the Faculty of Science

LUND UNIVERSITY

Lund University seeks to be a world-class university that works to understand, explain and improve our world and the human condition. The University is ranked as one of the top 100 in the world. We tackle complex problems and global challenges and work to ensure that knowledge and innovations benefit society. We provide education and research in engineering, science, law, social sciences, economics and management, medicine, humanities, theology, fine art, music and drama. Our 47 000 students and 6 800 employees are based at our campuses in Lund, Malmö and Helsingborg. The University has a turnover of around EUR 700 million (or USD 900 million), of which two thirds is in research and one third in education.

We are an international university with global recruitment. We cooperate with 680 partner universities in over 50 countries and are the only Swedish university to be a member of the strong international networks LERU (the League of European Research Universities) and Universitas 21.

Two major facilities for materials research are currently under construction in Lund: the MAX IV Laboratory, which will be a world-leading synchrotron radiation laboratory and ESS, a European facility that will be home to the world's most powerful neutron source. These will be of decisive importance for materials and life sciences and for industrial development. In Lund, Medicon Village has also been established and will offer a unique environment for life sciences; integrating research, innovation and enterprise creates the conditions for improved health and quality of life.

www.lunduniversity.lu.se

THE FACULTY OF SCIENCE

Science at Lund University is characterised by first-class research within a variety of areas, from molecular to ecological systems and from biosphere studies to astronomy and high-energy particle physics. Our research and education are carried out within all major research areas: astronomy, biology, chemistry, earth sciences, environmental sciences, physics and mathematics. The wide spectrum of research, with several world-leading research groups, serves as a platform for outstanding higher education and much of the teaching is carried out in the laboratories connected to the research front line. Our teachers are all recruited from among the active researchers, thus our students are particularly well trained in scientific method.

If you want to contribute to a sound and sustainable future development, science education at Lund University is the right choice. An education in science is also a gateway to a great number of R&D companies and science parks within the surrounding Öresund region – a hub for high-tech companies and research organisations especially within pharmaceuticals/biotechnology, IT/telecommunication, food and environment. The Öresund region is at the forefront in Europe within these areas.

The Faculty of Science is highly ranked both in Sweden and internationally for its research and education quality. The faculty is organised into nine departments, gathered in the north campus area in Lund. There are 800 employees and 1 700 students at the Faculty of Science.

www.science.lu.se

Top reasons to study at Lund University

- Consistently ranked as one of the world's top **100** universities and Scandinavian's top-ranked, full-scale university.
- A non-profit, public university.
- Home to **30** world-leading research and innovation environments and a member of international research-intensive university networks LERU and U21.
- Founded in **1666** – one of the oldest and broadest universities in northern Europe.
- An international environment where **89%** of Swedes speak English.
- Lund is considered the best student city in Sweden with the unique combination of traditional student nations (social clubs), an academic society and student unions organising events and activities year round.
- The **#1** choice for international students studying in Sweden.
- Student exchange **#1** choice in Sweden.
- Sweden is the most creative* and one of the safest countries in the world. It has also been ranked as one of the best countries to live in.
- Sweden is ranked as **2nd** best country in the world when it comes to providing higher education**.
- Over **90** Master's programmes, **5** Bachelor's programmes, **500** free-standing courses, exchange studies, Study Abroad programmes and PhD studies taught in English.

* According to the Global Creativity Index (by Martin Prosperity Institute)

** According to the Universitas 21 ranking 2012



Welcome to Lund

Lund is a safe city with the healthiest and youngest population in the country. It is also where Lund University's main campus is located. There are 130 nationalities in Lund, making it a truly international city in which to study.

Lund is located in southern Sweden. As one of the oldest cities in Sweden, dating back to 990, Lund is a city of contrasts where 1 000 years of history blend with modern knowledge and ideas. The combination of business, students and researchers from around the world has given birth to Lund's unique character as a city of strong research-based global industries. The city itself is compact and charming, with picturesque old houses, romantic cobbled streets and beautiful green surroundings. Student cafés, nightlife, a vibrant and intellectually stimulating atmosphere, rich culture and a wide assortment of leisure activities all contribute to making your stay a memorable experience.

The University lies in the heart of the city. In Lund everything is close at hand, within reach on foot or by bicycle, which adds to its appeal. In addition, there is a comprehensive public

transport system including buses and trains to transport you in and around Lund, Sweden and nearby Copenhagen.

The nearest airports are Sturup Malmö Airport and Kastrup Airport in Copenhagen, Denmark.

MORE INFORMATION

Pre-arrival

www.lunduniversity.lu.se/arrival



Housing and living expenses

Lund is a small city with a limited but good range of housing to suit different budgets. Students live either in residence halls or studio flats.

LU Accommodation at Lund University administers some of the student housing available in Lund. Whilst LU Accommodation cannot provide housing for all students, the following accommodation descriptions relate to housing for which exchange, Bachelor's and Master's students can apply.

STUDENT HALLS OF RESIDENCE

These rooms are along a corridor with other students. Most corridors have 10 to 12 rooms. The rooms usually have an en suite toilet but share a common kitchen area, living room space and in some cases bathrooms. All the shared areas are well equipped to cater for the students on the corridor, so kitchens have several fridges and cookers and the living rooms have televisions. Internet connection is offered in most corridor rooms but it may attract an additional charge. The corridor room may be situated in a 'Swedish' corridor, where there are predominantly Swedish students, or specially designated 'international' corridors, where students have a variety of backgrounds.

STUDIO FLATS

These are self-contained rooms that combine a living room, bedroom, bathroom and kitchenette into one single unit. The bathroom has a toilet, shower and wash basin. No areas are shared with other students except the laundry room.

FURNISHINGS

Rooms and flats are usually furnished with a bed, mattress, desk, chair, bookshelf and basic lighting fixtures.

LIVING EXPENSES

The Swedish currency is the krona, abbreviated as SEK. A typical Swedish student budget is SEK 7 800/month (approximately USD 1120 or EUR 850) covering food, housing, clothing, books/materials and leisure time. If you rent accommodation from LU Accommodation you can expect typical rents to range from SEK 2 700 – 4 500 per month, depending on the specific accommodation you are offered.

MORE INFORMATION

Housing

www.lunduniversity.lu.se/housing

Cost estimates per month

www.lunduniversity.lu.se/o.o.i.s/24804

Health insurance and residence permit

HEALTH INSURANCE FOR EXCHANGE STUDENTS

Health insurance is free for our incoming students. The coverage is restricted to the period of time that the students are in Sweden, as specified in the student's Letter of Acceptance and extends only to health claims arising while the student is physically present in Sweden. Students from EU/EEA should bring their European Health Insurance Card. All students may bring additional health insurance if they want to.

RESIDENCE PERMIT

In general, all students from countries outside the EU/EEA need to have a residence permit to study in Sweden. Students who need a residence permit are advised to apply as soon as you receive your admission results/notification of selection results, or your letter of acceptance if you are an exchange student. The permit must be valid and you need to bring it with you when you travel to Sweden. Applications for residence permits are processed by the Swedish Migration Board, and NOT the University.

MORE INFORMATION

Health Insurance for exchange students

www.kammarkollegiet.se/sites/default/files/villkor_engelska_student_in.pdf

Swedish Migration Board

www.migrationsverket.se/info/start_en.html

Exchange studies at the Faculty of Science

APPLYING FOR COURSES AND ACCOMMODATION

Student exchange and course selection

The student fill out an online registration form. This is the application for the exchange, but also for the Swedish Language and Orientation Program, as well as for the student mentor.

The online application is found at:

http://interbas.intsek.lu.se/apply/onlineereg_n.html

The application form is then printed, signed by both the student and the student coordinator, scanned, and attached in a PDF containing the following documents:

- Official academic transcript
- List of ongoing courses
- Statement of Purpose
- Explanation of the home university's grading system

The student coordinator submits the application PDF to:

exchange@science.lu.se

Note:

- Make sure that the application is submitted as one file
- We do not require any paper documents
- Remember to submit the application before the deadline

We encourage the applying students not to apply for too many courses (or credits), and to make sure to state the correct course code (not to be mistaken for the application code). Also note that some courses are given at the same time, and might cause conflicting overlaps – this is important when prioritizing the selected courses.

Student accommodation

New for 2013 is that accommodation is applied for separately. The accommodation application opens one month after the exchange application, and it is up to the student and the student coordinator to remember to apply for accommodation in time. We can not guarantee housing for our incoming students, but we do what we can to help out.

The accommodation application is found at:

<http://interbas.intsek.lu.se/apply/housing.html>

Relevant dates

APPLICATION PERIODS

Student exchange and course selection

Academic Year	March 1 – April 25
Autumn	March 1 – April 25
Spring	September 1 – October 25

Accommodation for exchange students

Academic Year	April 1 – April 25
Autumn	April 1 – April 25
Spring	To be determined

Accommodation for Master's students

Academic Year	April 1 – June 15
Autumn	April 1 – June 15
Spring	To be determined

SEMESTER PERIODS

Autumn:	September 2 – January 19
Arrival day	August 20
Spring	January 20 – June 8
Arrival day	To be determined

More relevant dates are available at:

www.lunduniversity.lu.se/academic-calendar

COURSES FOR EXCHANGE STUDENTS

Courses offered at the Faculty of Science

Many of our courses are offered in English. Currently, three of our Bachelor's Programmes, and all of our Master's Programmes are held entirely in English. The Master's courses are available to undergraduate students as long as they fulfil the prerequisites.

The student should carefully read the prerequisites for the presumptive courses and make sure that they will receive credits at the home university for each specific course.

Courses given at the Faculty of Science can be combined as long as the prerequisites are met. This is also possible for courses offered at other faculties; however, we suggest that the student contact the specific science subjects' departmental coordinator to discuss the presumptive course (generally, it is not always possible to take courses given at the School of Economics, the Faculty of Medicine or the Faculty of Engineering).

Our science courses:

www.science.lu.se/education

Special Area Studies courses (SAS)

Lund University offers exchange students the opportunity to take additional courses outside their chosen studies in a wide range of subjects, including Swedish culture and society and also European and global issues. All courses are worth 7.5 credits.

More information about the SAS courses:

www.lunduniversity.lu.se/o.o.i.s/24827

Swedish language courses

Lund University offer free preparatory Swedish courses to all exchange students.

Swedish is offered within the Swedish Language and Orientation Programme (SUSA). It's a short 3 credit introductory to the Swedish language, and is given to all our exchange students before the regular courses start. The course also consists of a short introduction to Swedish culture and society.

The Swedish Language Courses for Exchange Students (SVEE) are open to all students within exchange agreements (i.e. not to Master's students or free movers). The SVEE courses are applied for separately.

More information about language courses:

www.sol.lu.se/sfs/exchange

QUESTIONS ABOUT COURSES?

Questions concerning courses are kindly addressed to the subject's departmental coordinator (contact information is found at page 8).

STUDY STRUCTURE, GRADING SYSTEM AND LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

Full time course load per semester

30 credits per semester are equal to a full course load. Exchange students are required to follow a full-time semester study plan of 30 credits per semester. Examination is usually conducted at the end of each course.

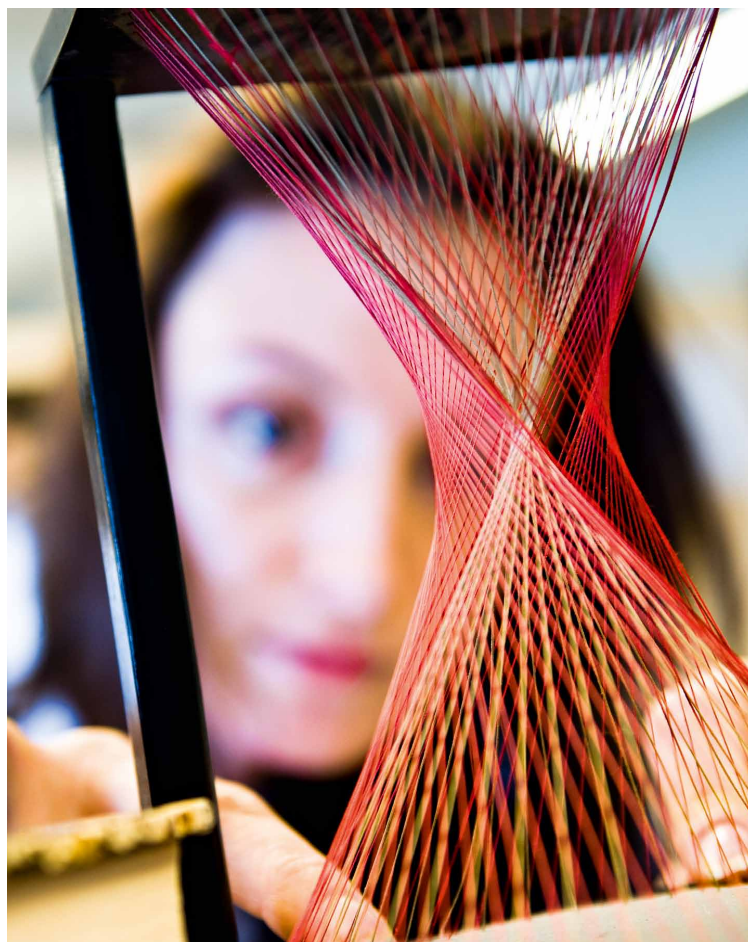
Grading system

As of 2012 Lund University will no longer be using the ECTS Grading Scale. Transcripts will contain a grading table stating the percentage of the students having been awarded each of the grades. Incoming students taking courses at the Faculty of Science will be graded according to one of our two scales (it varies between courses):

- U – G – VG (Fail – Pass – Pass with distinction)
- U – G (Fail – Pass)

Language requirements

We require proficiency in English or Swedish, depending on the language of the presumptive course. We trust the sending universities to judge that the English proficiency of their students is of a satisfactory level for academic studies. Please note that it is of great importance, and in the students' interest, that the language skills are at a satisfactory level.



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Please note:

Questions regarding Erasmus should be directed to the departmental coordinators.



STARS (Study Abroad System)

We would appreciate your support in informing your students about our evaluation system STARS. The information provided is written by former exchange students of Lund University from all over the world. Please have a look, you might find valuable information. Exchange students are required to fill in STARS while in Lund.

Find out more about STARS:
www.stars.liu.se/inbound/index.html



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