

Study Abroad in UK, USA, Ireland, Australia

Department of English and American Studies

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Overview

- Welcome and Introduction
- **Australia** (Hartmut Stöckl and Julia Hartinger)
- **UK and Republic of Ireland** (Christopher Herzog with Valentina Aistleitner & Cora Bräuer)
- **USA** (Benjamin Wright with Michael Harrer)
- **Q&A** / Time for Questions



Study Abroad: Australia

University of New South Wales, Sydney

Victoria University, Melbourne

University of Melbourne



University of New South Wales (UNSW)

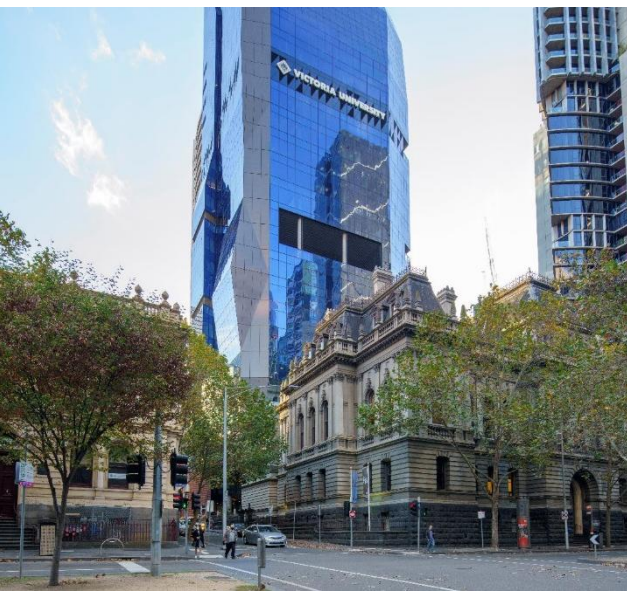
- Start in Jan/Feb or Aug/Sept
- Minimum duration 1 Term (Feb–mid-May or Sept–mid-Dec)
- Maximum duration 1 year (e.g. Feb–mid-Dec)
- Course selection largely not restricted
- Exemption from tuition fees under bilateral agreement



Victoria University Melbourne (VU)



- Semester 1: Feb–June
- Semester 2: Jul–Nov
- Duration: 1–2 Semester (1+2 or 2+1)
- Course selection largely not restricted
- Exemption from tuition fees under bilateral agreement





University of Melbourne

- Semester 1: Feb–Jul
- Semester 2: Jul–Dec
- Duration: 1–2 Semester (1+2 or 2+1)
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- Exemption from tuition fees under bilateral agreement

Basic prerequisites

- Successful completion of at least 2 semesters at PLUS
- Very good English language skills
- Ability to apply for a student visa for Australia, including proof of financial resources

Weekly living expenses in Sydney for international students 2023

As of October 2023 using the Australian Government's MoneySmart website.

	On Campus Accommodation (Catered)	On Campus Accommodation (Self-catered)	Shared House/Unit	1 Bedroom Unit
Weekly Rent	\$391 - \$580	\$349 - \$624	\$240 - \$285	\$575 - \$700
Groceries and eating out	\$30 - \$155	\$100 - \$275	\$100 - \$275	\$100 - \$275
Utilities (gas, electricity)	---	---	\$40	\$40
Phone and internet	\$7-\$15	\$7-\$15	\$25 - \$35	\$25 - \$35
Public transport	---	---	\$50	\$50
Lifestyle spending	\$50	\$50	\$50	\$50
Weekly total	\$478 - \$800	\$506 - \$964	\$505 - \$735	\$840 - \$1,150
Total estimate (one academic year = 44 weeks)	\$21,032 - \$35,200	\$22,264 - \$42,416	\$22,220 - \$32,340	\$36,960 - \$50,600



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Weekly total
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Cost of Living

- Student visa applicants must show they have the financial capacity to cover the living costs of at least \$29,710 AUD per year
- Cost of Living Calculator:
<https://costofliving.studyaustralia.gov.au>

Application documents

- CV
- Letter of motivation (in English)
- 2 Letters of recommendation from PLUS lecturers
- Transcript of Records
- Proof of English language proficiency

Proof of English language proficiency

- Accepted tests include e.g. TOEFL, IELTS, Cambridge Certificate, Pearson Test, etc.
- Test results must not be older than two years
- Please check websites for more information: [UNSW](#) / [VU](#) / [UoM](#)

Nomination and application deadlines

- First-stage application deadline at PLUS:
Usually at the end of the winter semester and the end of the summer semester – depending on the availability of places
- UNSW: Oct + Mar/Apr; VU: Jan + June; UoM: Nov/Dec + Apr/May

Financial support: PLUS Study Abroad Grant

- Grant to help with living and travel expenses, not a full scholarship
- Issued by our university, International Relations Office
- Duration: at least one term, max. one academic year
- Prerequisites: successful completion of at least two semesters at PLUS; main place of residence must be Austria
- Submission deadlines: 15 November, 1 February, 1 April, 1 June
- Visit International Relations Office for more info: [Study Abroad Grant](#)

Financial support:

Auslandsbeihilfe der Stipendienstelle

- Study grant recipients can apply for a study abroad grant from the Scholarship Office in addition to the study grant
- Duration: 1-20 months
- Study grant recipients can also apply for the PLUS Study Abroad Grant

<https://www.stipendium.at/stipendien/studieren-im-ausland>

Questions?

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Study Abroad in the UK & Ireland

[ERASMUS | Study Abroad UK - Universität Salzburg](#)

[Partner Universities - Universität Salzburg](#)

United Kingdom (UK) – University-Wide Partnerships

- **Open to all PLUS students** – flexible subject choice.
- **Funding:** Study Abroad Grants (not Erasmus+).
- **Partners:** 9 universities (8 bilateral + **CIVIS: University of Glasgow**).
- **Duration:** 1 semester or full year (apply for 2 semesters for a year).
- **Restrictions:** Some specialised subjects (e.g., **Architecture, Dentistry, Law**) may not be available.
- **Tip:** Check host university **websites and factsheets** + confirm **credit transfer** with your department.
- Replaces former **Erasmus+ exchanges** with the UK.



Partner Universities in the UK (Study Abroad)

- **Aberystwyth University** – Aberystwyth, Wales
- **Bath Spa University** – Bath, England
- **University of East Anglia** – Norwich, England
- **University of Glasgow (CIVIS)** – Glasgow, Scotland
- **University of Leeds** – Leeds, England
- **University of Leicester** – Leicester, England
- **University of Liverpool** – Liverpool, England
- **University of Ulster** – Coleraine, Belfast, Northern Ireland
- **University of Warwick** – Coventry, England



Republic of Ireland – Erasmus+ Partnerships



- Managed under **Erasmus+**, mainly for English & American Studies.
- **Partners:** 3 universities
 - Trinity College Dublin
 - TU Dublin (City Campus)
 - University of Limerick
- **Duration:** 1 semester or full year.
- **Eligibility:** Erasmus+ is **department-specific** – primarily for English Studies students; others should check departmental agreements.
- Global Opportunities Advisor and Departmental Coordinator: Dr. Christopher Herzog

Additional Erasmus+ Options Across Europe for English & American Studies

- A list of partnerships (with English departments) in the EU can be found [here](#).

Trinity College Dublin

TU Dublin (City Campus)

University of Limerick

Aristotle University of Thessaloniki

Universitatea Ovidius Constanta

Mid Sweden University (Sundsvall)

Universitat de les Illes Balears, Palma

University of Tartu

University of Gdansk

Uniwersytet Jagiellonski,

Universitatea Babes-Bolyai Cluj Napoca

University of Ostrava

Eskisehir Osmangazi University

Universität Paderborn

University of Groningen

Internal Application Procedure and Deadlines

Semester 1 / Full Academic Year:

- [Application](#) to coordinator
- Deadline: **End of February** of the preceding academic year (e.g., 28 Feb 2026 for 2026/27)
- **Late applications** considered on a **rolling basis**, subject to availability

Semester 2

- Deadline: **End of June** of the preceding summer semester (e.g., 30 June 2026 for summer 2027)
- **Later applications** for summer term **possible**, but availability **NOT guaranteed**
- **Only remaining places** allocated; availability not guaranteed
- **Recommended:** Also use Full Academic Year deadline to maximise chances or ensure smooth nomination

Deadlines of the Partner Universities

Nomination deadlines for the partner universities range from

→ **30 March to 31 May** for the full academic year/winter semester, and from

→ **30 September to 1 November** for the spring semester.

Application deadlines for the partner universities range from

→ **14 May to 31 May** for the full academic year/winter semester, and from

→ **15 September to 30 November** for the spring semester.

Deadlines of the International Office at the PLUS (mobility status, financial support)

Erasmus+

- **15 June** (Semester 1 & Full Academic Year)
- **15 November** (Semester 2)

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Study Abroad

- **1 February** (Semester 1 & Full Academic Year)
- **1 April** (Semester 1 & Full Academic Year)
- **1 June** (Semester 1 & Full Academic Year)
- **15 November** (Semester 2)

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What do I need to apply?

Eligibility & Academic Standing

- Registered PLUS student
 - BA: 2 semesters completed
 - MA: Apply from semester 1
- Centre of vital interests in Austria
- Good academic progress
- Some partners require minimum GPA

Documents Needed for Internal Application

- Transcript of Records (English)
- Motivation letter (250–300 words, English)
- Check English language requirements of host university
- Submit [form](#) + transcript + motivation letter
- List 3 preferences

English language requirements

United Kingdom (Study Abroad)

- Most universities require **official English certificates** (minimum **B2**; e.g. IELTS 6.0–6.5, TOEFL)
- Certificates must be **recent** and **within the valid date range**
- Always **check the partner university's website** for exact requirements

Republic of Ireland (Erasmus+)

- English & American Studies students usually do *not* need to provide English language certificates
- Requirement may **vary by partner university**
- Can **change annually** – always check the **partner university's website**

Financial Support – Study Abroad & Erasmus+ Overview

- Financial support differs by programme.
- Both Study Abroad and Erasmus+ grants are **grants only**, not full scholarships.
- Grants **cover parts** of living and **travel expenses**.

Financial Support – Types of Grant

Study Abroad (UK)

- [Study Abroad Grant](#)
 - Duration: minimum one term, maximum one academic year
 - Monthly allowance for the UK: ≈ €487
 - One-time travel subsidy: €161
 - No legal entitlement; funds are limited
- => zero grant possible

Erasmus+ (Republic of Ireland)

- [Erasmus+ Grant](#)
- Based on the Erasmus+ budget available to PLUS
- Funding usually covers **4.5 months**; extra months become Zero Grant
- Monthly allowance for Ireland (Region 14):
€ 520
- One-time travel subsidy: consult International Office
- Must apply for **each semester separately**; no extensions possible
- Optional top-ups for students with **children, disabilities, or fewer opportunities**

Zero Grant Option

- Occurs if grant funds are exhausted or your stay exceeds funded period
- You **remain a full exchange student**
- Tuition fees at the host university are **waived**
- You must **earn at least 3 ECTS per month** to maintain funding and mobility recognition

Contacts for Funding

Study Abroad Grant

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Erasmus+ Grant

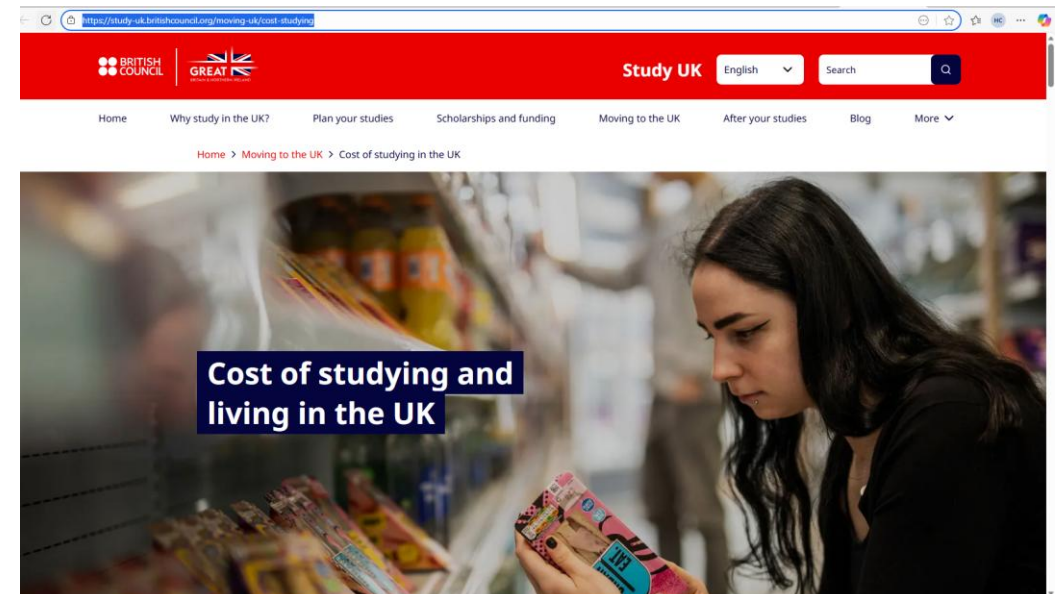
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Living Costs

Cost of studying in the UK | Study UK

- On average, you'll need around **£1,300–£1,400** per month in London, or **£900–£1,300** elsewhere in the UK, to cover accommodation, utilities, food, and general living costs.
 - Student halls (usually includes bills)
 - Private accommodation (typically excludes bills)
 - Household bills
 - Groceries
 - Socialising
 - Public transport
 - Mobile phone bill
 - Student gym membership

<https://study-uk.britishcouncil.org/moving-uk/cost-studying>



Standard Visitor Visa

- Students who will be studying in the UK for **6 months or less** will enter the UK on a **Visitor Visa**.
- Some students can be issued with this visa free of charge at the border, others will need to apply in advance – see the UK Government Visa Checker for more information:
- <https://www.gov.uk/check-uk-visa>

Student Visa

- All students who will study in the UK for a **Full Academic Year** will require a **Student Visa**.
- <https://www.gov.uk/student-visa>



https://www.gov.uk/check-uk-visa/visit/study

GOV.UK

Check if you need a UK visa
How long are you planning to study in the UK for?

☒ 6 months or less
☐ longer than 6 months

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https://www.gov.uk/check-uk-visa/visit/study/previous_response/visit_months_or_less

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Electronic Travel Authorisation (ETA)

Purpose:

- Essentially an **online pre-clearance** for short visits to the UK.
- Intended for **travellers who do not need a visa** to enter the UK.

Key points:

- Mandatory from **2025 onwards** for EU/EEA citizens, including Austrians and Germans.
- Valid for **short stays (up to 6 months)** for tourism, short-term study, or business.
- Simple online process, usually approved within minutes to a few days.
- [United Kingdom ETA | United Kingdom ETA Official Application](#)

Accreditation

- Students need to select appropriate options for **full-time academic enrolment: 60 ECTS** (= 120 British credits) **per academic year** or **30 ECTS** (= 60 British credits) **per single semester**.
- This is both an academic and visa requirement.
- All students are assigned an Academic Adviser in their primary area of study at the partner university.
- At least **3 ECTS per month of stay** must be recognised at the home university.
- Recognition at the PLUS must be signed by the CuKo chairperson or responsible Global Opportunities Advisor.
 - ⇒ [STUDY ABROAD \(UK\)](#)
 - ⇒ [Erasmus+](#)
- Recognition for students of English and American Studies: Dr. Christopher Herzog

Contacts

- Visit us at:
 - [Studieren im Ausland - Universität Salzburg](#)
 - [Study Abroad - Universität Salzburg](#)
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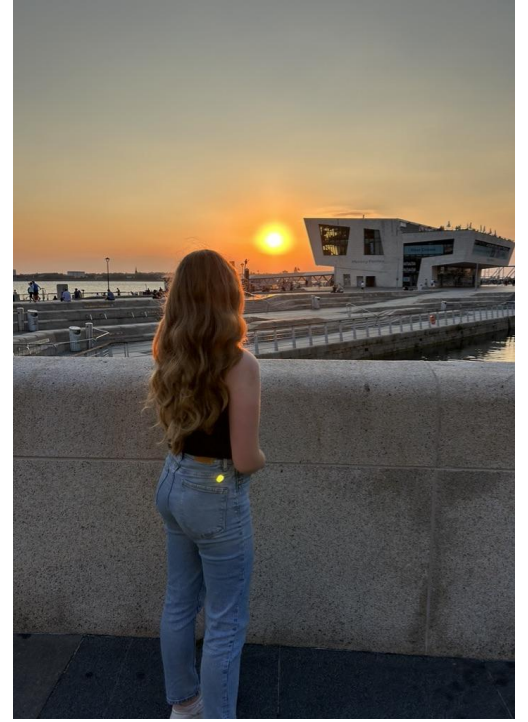




Academic Life

- language and literature modules
- weekly lectures and tutorials
- in-depth material; high workload (1-2 books per week)
- student accommodation on campus
- extremely high living expenses







Events and Trips

- excellent support from Global OppSoc
- 'Orientation' and 'Culture Calendar'
- social events (Big Pub Quizzes, Sunday Roast, Prom)

Exploring the UK & Beyond

- great connections to other cities
- ferry to Isle of Man, Dublin, Belfast



Final Tip: Join a Society!

- to build a social circle
- to meet people beyond the university campus





Study Abroad in Nottingham

Valentina Aistleitner

ISEP – NOTTINGHAM TRENT UNIVERSITY

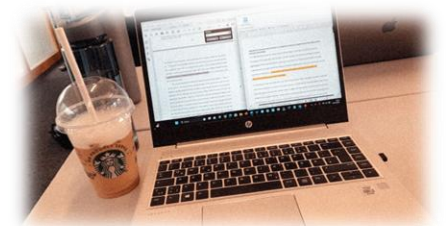


university campus



library

- costs: placement fee + 800€ /month
→ 4.000 € in total
- accommodation & meals (partially)
included





Academic Life

- different grading system
- more independent study
- importance of attending orientation

- **two** literature classes and **one** linguistic class
- exams/ papers/ reading (1-2 books / week)

MEMORIES



Study-abroad friends from
all over the world



London

Scotland –Fort
William – Harry
Potter Steam
Train



Isle of Man



Highlights:

- traveling & field trips
- attending the Coronation in London
- Pub Quizzes
- Karaoke Night
- going out and spending time with friends
- visiting museums and theatres (musicals, cinema, ...)



Study Abroad with ISEP

150 universities in the US and many more throughout the world

<https://www.isepstudyabroad.org/>

ISEP (Intl. Student Exchange Program)

- Monthly participation fee 800 EUR (5x/semester, 9x/year)
 - covers room and board
- Online application, Prof. Poole nominates for U of Salzburg
- List 9 schools, paying attention to “chance of placement”
- After nomination: Application (100 USD), Placement Fee (425 USD)
- [Deadline](#) 15 Jan. (fall / full year), 15 Sept. (spring)
- [“Study Abroad Stipendium”](#) from U of Sbg for USA: 487 EUR/mo,
 one-time travel grant: 460 EUR (also for BGSU)



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Partner Universities

- Florida State University (FSU)
Tallahassee, FL
- University of Portland (UP)
Portland, OR
- California State University Long Beach
Long Beach, CA – **waiting list only**
- State University of New York
at Stony Brook
Stony Brook, Long Island, NY

Coordinator:
Mag. Benjamin Gauss, International Office



Ohio University Athens, OH

- Limited to one graduate language / teacher training student per year
- Placement comes with a paid position as a teaching assistant for German

Coordinator:
Dr. Joshua Parker,
Dept. of English and American Studies





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Bowling Green State University Bowling Green, OH

- Longest-standing partner university (since 1968)
- 8 slots/year (for 1 semester or full year)
- Semesters begin in August or January
- Excellent chance of placement
- All courses open to Salzburg students

Coordinator:
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In Wall Street Journal rankings, BGSU is Ohio's top university for student experience, remains the No. 1 university in the Midwest and beyond that students would choose again

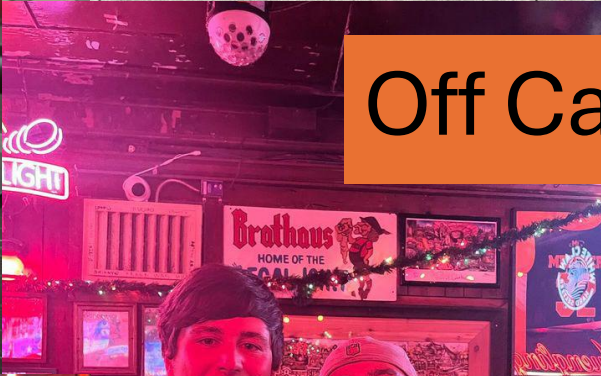
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On Campus



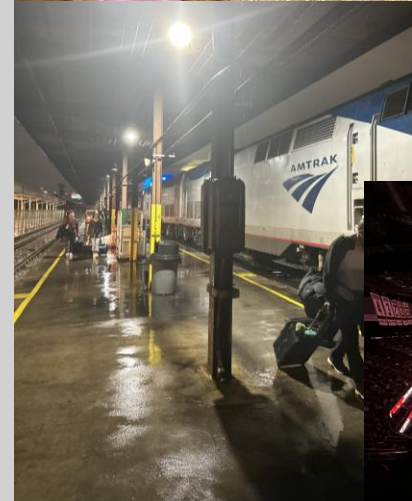


Off Campus



Student Organizations





Visa, est. costs, housing stipend

J-1 student Visa

- Proof of sufficient means (approx. \$15,500 year or \$ 7,750 semester)

Costs vary according to choices, e.g.:

- campus dorm/off-campus apt.
- health insurance
- meal plan

Housing stipend

- Up to \$ 1,500 for 10hrs of volunteer work per semester



Application Requirements

Letter of motivation
(in English)

CV (in English)

Letters of
recommendation from
two U of Sbg. Instructors
(in English)

Official transcript
(*Studienerfolgsnachweis*)
(in English)

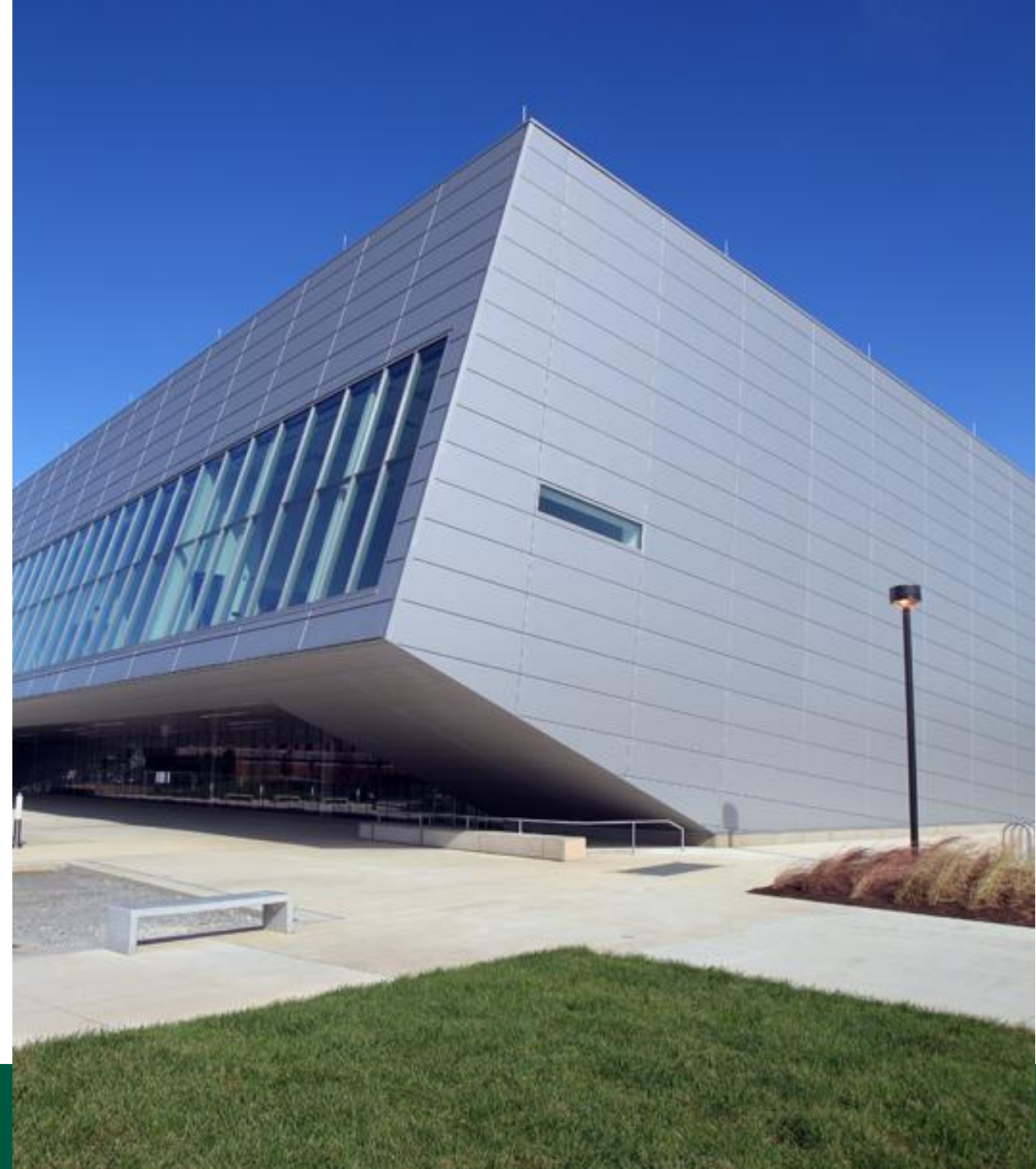
English scores:
71 TOEFL IBT, 6 IELTS,
100 DET

Course selection form
(Word document)

Deadlines:

For fall 2026/full year 2026-27 → Jan. 15, 2026

For spring 2027 → Jun. 15, 2027



Time for questions