

General Information

Your name:	Mrs. Maria Eriksson
The name of you program/university:	Linnaeus University
Please provide the name and email of primary point of contact students may send questions to regarding your program:	Head of Incoming Exchange Mrs. Maria Eriksson maria.eriksson@lnu.se inexchange@lnu.se

Housing

What housing options are international students presented with?	<p>All exchange students are guaranteed accommodation on the condition that the accommodation section of the online exchange application is completed prior to the relevant deadline.</p> <p>Rooms and apartments are distributed on a first-come, first-served basis. This means that those students who submit their complete applications early will be placed first.</p> <p>On request from both Swedish and international students, we strive to mix students as much as possible. This means nationality, gender and age are taken into consideration when distributing rooms.</p> <p>By requesting help from Linnaeus University students certify that if they cancel their studies in Växjö later than four (4) weeks prior to the arrival, they are still required to pay three months' rent.</p>
International students:	Have the option of living alone or with a roommate
Is there an option for students to participate in a homestay?	No, there is no option for homestay
Is the housing only for international students?	Yes

Classes

Please provide the link to your program's complete course list:	http://lnu.se/education/exchange-students/courses?l=en
Please provide the link to your program's list of courses offered in English:	http://lnu.se/education/exchange-students/courses?l=en
How many credit or courses constitute a full course load at your University?	As an exchange student at Linnaeus University, students can choose to apply for full-semester 30-credit course or combine

several freestanding courses. The duration and extent of courses and programmes are expressed through the credit system used. One semester (20 weeks) of full-time studies correspond to 30 credits/ 30 ECTS/ approximately 15 US semester credits. Freestanding courses are generally 7.5 or 15 credits each and usually run for five or ten weeks.

Full-time studies requires 40 hours of studies, including lectures, seminar, group work and independent studies. All exchange students are required to be full-time students (enrolled in at least 30 credits per semester) during their stay at Linnaeus University. Students normally study one course at a time, which has one or many different examinations at the end. Once one course is completed, students proceed to next course. Should a student fail an exam, he/she has the right to take up to two re-examinations in the same semester as the course has been conducted.

In Sweden we have a grading scale based on letters.

VG= passed with distinction/ A-B ECTS. An above average grade, which is difficult to achieve. G= passed/ C-E ECTS. A good grade, which the majority of the students achieve.

U=failed/ F ECTS. The student has not reached the goals that were set up for the course.

With regard to course changes the regulations for Swedish students are very strict. Once a Swedish student has been admitted to a study program or a freestanding course, they normally do not have the possibility to change their study plan. In addition to this the vast majority of courses and study programs do not accept late admission. In the past there has been a high flexibility for exchange students in regard to course changes. Since Linnaeus University always strives to treat all students alike, this flexibility has been a matter of debate. Due to the increasing number of exchange students and restrictions about late admission to courses we can, unfortunately, no longer maintain this flexibility. In the future exchange students must have a very good reason for applying for other courses, then stated in the agreed study plan once they have arrived at Linnaeus University. Hence, it is

	vital that your students choose courses corresponding to their academic field and background from the very beginning.
How and when will exchange students register for their courses?	Students are able to register for their courses online Lnu student account one week before and one week after the course starts. Students will be provided with login to their student account before the semester begins.

Finance

Does your program provide a stipend for the students?	No
If yes, how much per month?	-
What additional costs are exchange students responsible for? Please list the amounts.	<p>Money</p> <p>All major credit cards are accepted in Sweden, both for direct payment and for withdrawing money from an ATM. Visa and Master cards are accepted nearly everywhere, while e.g. American Express may be accepted less frequently. It is possible to open a bank account while in Sweden. Money can be sent to you by bank cheque or be deposited in your bank account or credit card account. Don't bring personal cheques, as they can't be cashed at Swedish banks. Do not rely on one single means of payment! Make sure you have several different means of accessing your money. When arriving in Sweden, make sure to have some cash to cover daily expenses. During the first few days you will need some money to pay your Student Union fee and student association membership fees.</p> <p>Cost of living</p> <p>To give you an idea of the cost of living in Sweden the following example of a budget might be of help:</p> <p>Item 1 month 1 term/5 months</p> <p>Food 2 300 11 500</p> <p>Accommodation 2 900 14 500</p> <p>Course literature 750 3 750</p> <p>Phone costs, newspapers etc 300 1 500</p> <p>Local travel 350 1 750</p> <p>Medical and personal care 200 1 000</p> <p>Clothes, hobbies, amusements 500 2 500</p> <p>Total SEK 7 300 36 500</p> <p>Insurance</p>

	<p>It is important that you buy a sufficient health (including dental care) and travel insurance in your home country. You will not be able to obtain an insurance in Sweden. Health insurance</p> <p>Those who are Swedish citizens or have residency in Sweden are insured in accordance with social insurance laws and are entitled to medical benefits. You are entitled to such benefits only if you are staying in Sweden for at least one year. Non-EU/EEA citizens</p> <p>If you are not an EU/EEA citizen, it is vital that you buy a private health insurance before leaving for Sweden. Swedish insurance offices are not able to offer foreign citizens any kind of private health insurance. Medical check-up</p> <p>As you will be away from your home country for several months, it is recommended that you have a medical check-up before leaving. If you use any medication, make sure that the prescriptions you will need during your stay are valid long enough so you can rely on medication that you are familiar with. Before your departure you should check with the Swedish Medical Products Agency if there are any restrictions on bringing your medicine to Sweden. Please see www.lakemedelsverket.se/english for more information. Vaccinations</p> <p>There are generally no vaccination requirements when entering Sweden. Temporary regulations may sometimes apply to travellers from specific countries.</p>
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Application Process

How many participants will you accept per semester from HPU?	2
What are the application deadlines for each academic term available to exchange students?	Applications should be made through the coordinator at your home university. Your home university coordinator will nominate you for an exchange period at Linnaeus University.

	<p>Please note that all nominations must be submitted by:</p> <p>April 1 (for students commencing their exchange in the autumn semester); and October 1 (for students commencing their exchange in the spring semester)</p> <p>Once your home university coordinator has nominated you, you will receive an e-mail with instructions on how to complete the online application. The online application should be submitted to Linnaeus University not later than:</p> <p>April 15, for students commencing their exchange in the autumn semester October 15, for students commencing their exchange in the spring semester</p> <p>Housing cannot be guaranteed if you submit your application after the dates stated above</p>
<p>Please list all requirements incoming exchange students must meet in order to be admitted into your University.</p>	<p>Each course and/or programme has different prerequisites and therefore it is very difficult to state all the different requirements.</p>
<p>Please describe the application process for incoming exchange students:</p>	<p>Online Application Process</p> <p>Coordinators email nomination@lnu.se with the following information about the nominated students: Please note that nominations must be received by April 1 for the autumn semester and October 1 for the spring semester. More information about deadlines can be found here.</p> <p>Name of the student(s) E-mail address to student(s) Semester(s) of exchange Level of study (undergraduate/bachelor OR postgraduate/master) Study location (Kalmar OR Växjö) Subject area (for Erasmus partners only)</p> <p>The student receives an e-mail from Linnaeus University with log-in information and instructions on how to complete the application. The student attaches the following documents electronically to the online application:</p> <p>- Transcripts of Records in English</p>

	<p>- Language Proficiency Report (for those students who will be studying in a language other than their first language)</p> <p>- A copy of the student's passport photo page. For EU citizens, an identity card with nationality is sufficient.</p> <p>The documents should be attached as PDF files no larger than 5 MB. The student should prepare the documents before starting the online application.</p> <p>When the online application is completed and submitted with all the required attachments, the International Relations Office will start the process of admitting the student.</p> <p>Once the student is officially admitted, a letter of acceptance and a welcome letter will be posted to the student's home address or home university or be sent by email.</p>
What is the process for obtaining a visa to study at your program?	Students must be admitted to 30 credits to be granted visa to Sweden. Students are recommended to contact the Swedish Embassy in their home country to learn about the visa application procedure.

Program

Please provide the link to your website for incoming exchange students.	http://lnu.se/education/exchange-students/programmes?l=en
Does your program have an orientation specifically for international students?	Yes
Does your program organize field trips for international students?	No
If yes, please provide more information:	-
What are the approximate start and end dates for your academic terms?	Autumn semester 2013: 2 June until 19 January Spring semester: 20 January until 8 June
Are internships available for exchange students?	No
Does your program offer health insurance?	No, students must find their own.
Do you have any additional information about your program that you wish to share?	-