

<b>Key Dates: 2026/27</b>		
<b>Semester 1</b>		
<b>International arrivals</b>	Wednesday 9 September 2026	Airport collection service will be available on this date for arrivals at Birmingham International.
<b>International induction</b>	Thursday 10 September – Friday 11 September 2026	<b>Mandatory induction days for all international arrivals.</b> Activities include a thorough induction to the University, right to study checks, and social events.
<b>UW Induction Week</b>	Monday 14 September – Friday 18 September 2026	
<b>Teaching commences</b>	Monday 21 September 2026	
<b>Christmas break</b>	Monday 21 December 2026 – Friday 1 January 2027	
<b>Assessment weeks</b>	Monday 4 January – Friday 15 January 2027	
<b>Semester 1 ends</b>	Friday 15 January 2027	
<b>Semester 2</b>		
<b>International arrivals</b>	Wednesday 13 January 2027	Airport collection service will be available on this date for arrivals at Birmingham International.
<b>International induction</b>	Thursday 14 – Friday 15 January 2027	<b>Mandatory induction days for all international arrivals.</b> Activities include a thorough induction to the University, right to study checks, and social events.
<b>Teaching commences</b>	Monday 18 January 2027	
<b>Easter break</b>	Monday 15 March – Friday 2 April 2027	
<b>Assessment weeks</b>	Monday 3 May – Friday 14 May 2027	
<b>Semester 2 ends</b>	Friday 14 May 2027	
<b>Note Regarding Assessments</b>		
<p>Students must attend any in-person assessments for their chosen modules unless remote examination has been agreed <b>in advance</b> by the Examinations Team at University of Worcester and the Home University.</p> <p>Remote examinations can only be arranged in cases where a student has returned to their Home University due to the commencement of teaching. Remote examinations require the Home University to provide and organise an exam venue and invigilation.</p> <p>Applications for remote examination must be sent in writing by the student or Home Coordinator to <a href="mailto:studyabroad@worc.ac.uk">studyabroad@worc.ac.uk</a> by the following deadlines:</p> <p><b>Semester 1:</b> Friday 23 September 2026  <b>Semester 2:</b> Friday 22 January 2027</p>		

<b>Academic Information</b>	
<b>Full-time study</b>	<p>Exchange students will study <b>4 modules</b> per semester (60 Worcester CATS credits/30 ECTS).</p> <p>It may be possible for a student to study only <b>3 modules</b> per semester (45 Worcester CATS credits/22.5 ECTS) but this will require written permission from the Home University.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minimum study load per semester: 45 Worcester CATS credits/22.5 ECTS (3 modules)</li> <li>• Maximum study load per semester: 60 Worcester credits/30 ECTS (4 modules)</li> </ul>
<b>Credit system</b>	Most Worcester modules are 15 credits per semester, which is the equivalent of 7.5 ECTS.
<b>Attendance requirements</b>	All students, including exchange students, are expected to attend all scheduled classes and activities. Absences should be reported to the lecturers by email.
<b>Modules selection</b>	All nominated students will receive a module selection guide by email along with other application materials.
<b>Transcripts</b>	<p>Semester 1 students will receive a <b>provisional transcript</b> in early March, and their <b>final transcript</b>, both via email, in early July.</p> <p>Semester 2 and Year Abroad students will receive their <b>final transcript</b> via email in early July.</p>
<b>Learning Agreements</b>	Learning Agreements should initially be completed by the student and signed by the Home University, before sending to <a href="mailto:studyabroad@worc.ac.uk">studyabroad@worc.ac.uk</a> to be signed by the University of Worcester.

<b>Application Procedure</b>	
<b>Academic requirements</b>	Students should normally have completed at least one year of full-time university study at the time of entry to the University of Worcester and should have at least a C average or equivalent.
<b>English proficiency for non-native English speakers</b>	<p>We recommend that students have a B2 level of English proficiency according to the <a href="#">Common European Framework</a> to successfully study at Worcester.</p> <p>Currently, European Union citizens and other students who do <u>not</u> need to apply for a visitor visa before arrival are not required to have an IELTS test for a one-semester exchange. Where a visa application is not required prior to arriving in the UK, our partner universities are trusted to nominate students who have a sufficient level of English language proficiency. If no previous evidence or assurances are available, an Erasmus Online Language Support placement test or similar will be suitable.</p> <p>Full Academic Year/Calendar Year exchange (2 semesters) students, (including citizens of the EU) need to apply for a student visa. This will require evidence of English language proficiency in the form of an IELTS test score of 6.0 (with no less than 5.5 in each component). Alternative English</p>

	language tests can also be accepted, so please refer to our <a href="#">website</a> for a full list of what we can accept.
<b>Application process</b>	<p>After nomination by the Home University, students will receive a link to an online application form via e-mail alongside further application instructions.</p> <p>They will need to submit the following documents to <a href="mailto:studyabroad@worc.ac.uk">studyabroad@worc.ac.uk</a> by the appropriate deadline:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. An official copy of their transcript</li> <li>2. A copy of their passport photo page</li> <li>3. English language test results, if required for a UK visa application</li> </ol> <p>All documents should be submitted as pdfs. Documents should <u>not</u> be posted to the university.</p>
<b>Visa information</b>	<p>Full Academic Year/Calendar Year (2 semesters) exchange students will need to apply for a Student visa.</p> <p>Single semester exchange students may need to apply for a Standard visitor visa (maximum duration of stay 6 months) prior to travelling to the UK. This has replaced the short-term study visa that was previously applied for. Please visit the following website to clarify whether you are a visa national as if you are, you will need a visa before you can enter the UK: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/guidance/immigration-rules/immigration-rules-appendix-visitor-visa-national-list">https://www.gov.uk/guidance/immigration-rules/immigration-rules-appendix-visitor-visa-national-list</a></p> <p>If your country of nationality does not appear on the list, it means you are a non-visa national and can enter the UK without applying for a visa beforehand. <b>BUT you do have to apply for an ETA</b>, which must be approved prior to travelling to the UK.</p> <p>An ETA is not a visa, but authorisation that allows you to travel to the UK to visit for up to 6 months. Please consult this website for more information about ETAs: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/eta">https://www.gov.uk/eta</a></p> <p>Please be advised that if you have ever experienced problems entering the UK in the past then you may still need a visa, even if you are a non-visa national.</p> <p>If there is anything you are unsure of, visa advice can be requested from the International Student Advisers at <a href="mailto:isa@worc.ac.uk">isa@worc.ac.uk</a></p>
<b>Insurance</b>	We recommend that students have arranged suitable health and travel insurance before arriving in the UK.

## Accommodation

<b>University accommodation</b>	Exchange students can apply for a range of university-managed rooms in our on-campus halls of residence.
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	<p>More information on the variety of options available can be found on the Accommodation webpages:  <a href="https://www.worc.ac.uk/life/accommodation/">https://www.worc.ac.uk/life/accommodation/</a></p>
<b>Off-campus accommodation</b>	<p>There are many student rooms available in Worcester and exchange students can choose to rent from a private landlord. The University works closely with private landlords and Worcester City Council to ensure all student shared houses are accredited and meet current legislation. We also offer advice on housing matters such as tenancy agreements and questions to ask landlords with regard to safety and fire precautions, so you are supported at every step of the way.</p> <p>Once registered, exchange students will have access to the Worcester Student Pad website, which gives full details of all accredited properties, including lots of photographs and much more.</p>
<b>Application process</b>	<p>Once students have received their Admissions Letter, they will be contacted by our Accommodation Team and invited to apply for accommodation.</p>

<b>Cost of Living</b>	
<b>Accommodation on campus</b>	<p>Rooms in the halls of residence on campus are self-catering and range in price from £136 per week to £222 per week. The price includes gas, electricity, water, broadband internet access, contents insurance and gym membership. There is also 24-hour security; welfare support; 24-hour emergency maintenance.</p>
<b>Accommodation off campus</b>	<p>Private accommodation can range from around £100 - £175 per week</p>
<b>Meals</b>	<p>Meals on campus are available from between £4 - £9.00 with most meals being from around £5 - £7.00. Worcester has a wide array of restaurants, cafes, and pubs with various prices.</p>
<b>Living costs</b>	<p>Food and other essentials: Students spend an average of £146 per month            Travel: Students spend an average of £67 per month            Socialising: Students spend an average of £61 per month</p>
<b>Visa fees</b>	<p>Standard visitor visa and Student visa fees will vary. Please refer to:  <a href="https://www.gov.uk/visa-fees">https://www.gov.uk/visa-fees</a></p>