


**LOUGHBOROUGH UNIVERSITY FACT SHEET 2021/22**

<b>Full name of institution:</b>	Loughborough University
<b>Location:</b>	<p>Epinal Way, Loughborough, Leicestershire, LE11 3TU, United Kingdom</p> 
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<b>Website:</b>	<p><a href="http://www.lboro.ac.uk">http://www.lboro.ac.uk</a> <a href="https://www.lboro.ac.uk/study/overseas-exchange/">https://www.lboro.ac.uk/study/overseas-exchange/</a></p>

<b>Semester dates for academic year 2021/22:</b>	Semester 1: 4 October 2021 - 4 February 2022 Semester 2: 7 February - 22 June 2022
<b>Term dates for academic year 2021/22:</b>	Autumn Term: 4 October - 17 December 2021 Spring Term: 10 January - 1 April 2022 Summer Term: 2 May - 22 June 2022
<b>Induction dates:</b>	<p>For Semester 1 and Full Year exchange students, there will be an induction and welcome event in the week commencing 4 October 2021.</p> <p>For Semester 2 exchange students, there will be an induction and welcome event in the week commencing 7 February 2022.</p> <p>Information about induction and welcome events will be sent directly to exchange students. It is also recommended that they have a look at the following information:</p> <p><a href="https://www.lboro.ac.uk/students/welcome/international/induction/">https://www.lboro.ac.uk/students/welcome/international/induction/</a></p>
<b>Assessment dates:</b>	Modules are examined at the end of the semester in which they are taught. These are usually scheduled in Weeks 13 - 15 of each semester. Examinations are not scheduled on Sundays or Bank Holidays.

## APPLYING TO LOUGHBOROUGH

<b>Application deadline:</b>	For admission in Semester 1: 15 June 2021. For admission in Semester 2: 15 November 2021.
<b>Application information available online:</b>	In accordance with the guidelines, complete and submit the Loughborough University Incoming Application Form and a Learning Agreement, both of which can be found at  <a href="https://www.lboro.ac.uk/study/overseas-exchange/incoming/">https://www.lboro.ac.uk/study/overseas-exchange/incoming/</a>
<b>Materials to submit with application:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Photocopy of passport personal details page</li> <li>- Certified and official transcript from home institution.</li> <li>- Learning agreement.</li> </ul> <p>If you are coming to study in the UK <i>for more than six months</i> and applying for a Student visa, you will also need to submit certified evidence that your English language competency meets the University's requirements.</p> <p>See <a href="http://www.lboro.ac.uk/international/apply/english-language-requirements/">http://www.lboro.ac.uk/international/apply/english-language-requirements/</a> for an approved list of English language qualifications.</p>

<b>Courses available to exchange students:</b>	For courses available to exchange students, please refer to the Module Catalogue (see <a href="https://www.lboro.ac.uk/study/overseas-exchange/incoming/applying/modules-credits/">https://www.lboro.ac.uk/study/overseas-exchange/incoming/applying/modules-credits/</a> ).
<b>Minimum number of credits required:</b>	Students are expected to participate in full credit-bearing modules totalling 60 credits per semester (ie 30 ECTS credits per semester). Please note, however, that requirements may vary according to the chosen subject area.
<b>Language of tuition:</b>	English
<b>Language requirements:</b>	<p>If you are an EU/EEA/Swiss national, it is advised that your proficiency in English language should be at least at the level of CEFR Level B2 (independent user).</p> <p>If you are a non-EU/non-EEA/non-Swiss national requiring a <u>Student visa</u> to study in the UK, you will need to provide certified evidence that your English language competency meets the University's requirements.</p> <p>See <a href="http://www.lboro.ac.uk/international/apply/english-language-requirements/">http://www.lboro.ac.uk/international/apply/english-language-requirements/</a> for an approved list of English language qualifications.</p>
<b>Intensive language courses:</b>	The Academic Language Support Service offers a range of support to students, including academic writing, study skills and pre-sessional courses for international students, who have not yet reached the required level of English for their chosen degree programme. Further details can be found at <a href="http://www.lboro.ac.uk/services/alss/pre-sessional-courses/">http://www.lboro.ac.uk/services/alss/pre-sessional-courses/</a> .
<b>Visa requirements:</b>	It is recommended that exchange students check carefully for any visa requirements on the UK Government website - see <a href="https://www.gov.uk/check-uk-visa">https://www.gov.uk/check-uk-visa</a> .

## ACCOMMODATION

<b>General information about accommodation for exchange students:</b>	<p>All applications for accommodation are submitted online. Once your application to study has been approved, you will receive an email from the Student Accommodation Centre explaining how to apply for accommodation.</p> <p>Please note that <b><i>on-campus accommodation is extremely limited</i></b>. Rooms are allocated on a first-come, first-served basis until the maximum capacity has been reached. This means that there is no guarantee that incoming exchange students will be allocated rooms in Halls of Residence, therefore you must be prepared to live off-campus if required.</p> <p>Further information about accommodation can be found at <a href="https://www.lboro.ac.uk/services/accommodation/">https://www.lboro.ac.uk/services/accommodation/</a>.</p>
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<b>Accommodation application deadline:</b>	<p>For <b>Semester 1 and Full Year</b> exchanges commencing in September 2021, rooms can be reserved online from early June to end July 2021. From end July 2021, the Room Reservation option will close, but the Room Preferencing option will remain open.</p> <p>For <b>Semester 2</b> exchanges commencing in February 2022, applications for accommodation can be made from November 2021 onwards. Accommodation offers will be sent out by email in December 2021/January 2022.</p>
<b>Are facilities and/or services available for disabled students?</b>	<p>For specific accommodation requirements, please see <a href="https://www.lboro.ac.uk/services/accommodation/faq/specific-requirements/">https://www.lboro.ac.uk/services/accommodation/faq/specific-requirements/</a>.</p> <p>Further information on the support offered to disabled students can be found at <a href="http://www.lboro.ac.uk/services/cds/">http://www.lboro.ac.uk/services/cds/</a>.</p>
<b>Cost of living:</b>	<p>Loughborough is not an expensive town to live in by UK standards, but students must consider the cost of accommodation, food, study materials, local travel and other general living expenses. It is estimated that, when students budget for the duration of their studies, they should allow approximately £850 - £1,100 month, but personal expenditure will vary from student to student.</p>

## ARRIVING IN LOUGHBOROUGH

<b>Major arrival airports:</b>	<p>East Midlands Airport Birmingham Airport London Heathrow Airport London Gatwick Airport London Luton Airport</p>
<b>Closest airport to Loughborough:</b>	<p>East Midlands Airport (approximately seven miles)</p>
<b>Does the University offer a free airport pick-up service?</b>	<p>Yes, but only from London Heathrow Airport at the start of the academic year. This service is <u>not</u> available to Semester 2 exchange students. Further information can be found at <a href="http://www.lboro.ac.uk/international/offer-holders/getting-here/">http://www.lboro.ac.uk/international/offer-holders/getting-here/</a>.</p>
<b>Travelling from the airport:</b>	<p>There are a number of ways to get to Loughborough from each airport with widely varying times and costs. It is, however, recommended that you look at the options for travelling either by coach or rail. Further details can be found in the Exchange Student Handbook (see <a href="https://www.lboro.ac.uk/study/overseas-exchange/incoming/">https://www.lboro.ac.uk/study/overseas-exchange/incoming/</a>).</p>

## TRAVEL AND MEDICAL INSURANCE

<b>Travel insurance:</b>	<p>You are advised to take out adequate travel insurance to cover your journey, including cover for medical expenses and personal possessions.</p>
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<b>Healthcare:</b>	<p><b>EU, EEA and Swiss nationals</b> coming to study in the UK <i>for less than six months</i> are not eligible for free healthcare under the NHS and will have to pay the full cost of medical treatment. However, if you are an EU, EEA or Swiss national with a European Health Insurance Card (EHIC), you will be exempt from some medical costs, therefore it is important that you apply for an EHIC in your own country and bring it with you.</p> <p><b>EU, EEA and Swiss nationals</b> coming to study in the UK <i>for more than six months</i> must apply for a <u>Student visa</u>. As part of the visa application process, you will have to pay the Immigration Health Surcharge, which is based on the maximum length of visa that could be granted, i.e. for each year and each part year between 6-12 months (see <a href="https://www.gov.uk/healthcare-immigration-application">https://www.gov.uk/healthcare-immigration-application</a>).</p> <p><b>International students (i.e. non-EU, non-EEA and non-Swiss nationals)</b> coming to study in the UK <i>for less than six months</i> as a Visitor cannot receive treatment on the National Health Service (unless it is an emergency).</p> <p><b>International students (i.e. non-EU, non-EEA and non-Swiss nationals)</b> coming to study in the UK <i>for more than six months</i> must apply for a <u>Student visa</u>. As part of the visa application process, you will have to pay the Immigration Health Surcharge, which is based on the maximum length of visa that could be granted, i.e. for each year and each part year between 6-12 months (see <a href="https://www.gov.uk/healthcare-immigration-application">https://www.gov.uk/healthcare-immigration-application</a>).</p> <p><b>IMPORTANT:</b> It is recommended that ALL exchange students take out their own personal travel insurance, which includes medical cover, for the duration of their stay in the UK.</p>
<b>Are health facilities available at the University?</b>	<p>The University's Medical Centre is located centrally on campus, but you can only register as a patient if you are studying in the UK for a full academic year. If you are studying at Loughborough for one semester only and you become unwell, it is recommended that you seek the advice of the University's pharmacist, who has premises located outside the Students' Union. If the pharmacist assesses your symptoms as urgent and/or requiring immediate treatment, you should be able to book an emergency appointment at the Medical Centre. Alternatively, you could visit the NHS Urgent Care Centre in Loughborough Hospital which is situated very close to the University campus.</p>
<b>Students with special needs</b>	<p>Students with physical, mental or long-term health conditions are encouraged to disclose them on the incoming application form so that any requisite assistance and support can be put in place.</p> <p>For further information about the Counselling and Disability Service, see <a href="https://www.lboro.ac.uk/services/cds/">https://www.lboro.ac.uk/services/cds/</a>.</p>