

studying in...

# Sweden



THE GOVERNMENT  
OF THE GRAND DUCHY OF LUXEMBOURG  
Ministry of Research and Higher Education



# HIGHER EDUCATION

Higher education in Sweden comprises mainly public universities or colleges and only few private universities. Many of them offer programmes in English.

- ▶ 14 public universities
- ▶ 17 public university colleges
- ▶ independent institutions

## UNIVERSITY OR UNIVERSITY COLLEGE?

Two slightly different terms are used in Sweden to describe institutions of higher education: university (*universitet*) and university college (*högskola*).

The main difference is that universities have the right to award PhD degrees while many university colleges do not.

There is no difference in the Bachelor's or Master's degrees offered by universities and university colleges.





# DEGREES

Swedish universities offer degree programmes according to the European standard (Bologna Process).

## BACHELOR

### Undergraduate programmes = 180 ECTS

Nearly 100 international Bachelor's are taught in English.

If you speak Swedish, you can also apply for a Bachelor's programme taught in Swedish, known as a *kandidatprogram* or *utbildning på grundnivå*.

[www.antagning.se](http://www.antagning.se)

## MASTER

### Graduate programmes = 60 or 120 ECTS

There are over 1000 programmes currently offered in English: advanced coursework followed by a research-based Master's thesis.

## PHD

### Research-based programmes = 240 ECTS

- ▶ Leading research areas:
  - > **Green technology**  
particularly the treatment of emissions and toxic substances in production and manufacturing processes
  - > **Life sciences**







# APPLICATION

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Admission to all undergraduate programmes is competitive. Every university and university college has its own procedure for selecting candidates.

The majority of Bachelor's and Master's programmes in Sweden begin in the autumn semester.

## Admission criteria

- ▶ secondary school leaving diploma (*diplôme de fin d'études secondaires*)
- ▶ grades obtained, assessment of work samples, interview results, special admission tests and possibly work experience linked to the chosen area of study
- ▶ good knowledge of English (*e.g.* Toefl test or IELTS test)
- ▶ good proficiency in mathematics



## APPLY ONLINE

[www.universityadmissions.se](http://www.universityadmissions.se)

**Applications are processed through the central application portal [Universityadmissions.se](http://Universityadmissions.se).**

Through this website, you can:

- ▶ create a user account;
- ▶ search for courses and programmes;
- ▶ rank your selections;
- ▶ provide your application documents;
- ▶ fill in and send in your application for eight different programmes max. at a Bachelor's level;
- ▶ track your application;
- ▶ receive and print out your Notification of Selection Results;
- ▶ reply to any offers of admission.

International students have 2 admission rounds to apply for each semester.

## SEMESTER DATES

**Most of the English-taught programmes start in the autumn semester** (starting in August-September):

- ▶ recommended enrolment period for international students:  
17<sup>th</sup> October - 16<sup>th</sup> January.

**Only a few English-taught programmes start in the spring semester** (starting in January):

- ▶ recommended enrolment period for international students:  
1<sup>st</sup> June - 15<sup>th</sup> October.

## When to apply?

### ▶ Autumn

- > 1<sup>st</sup> admission round: mid-October - mid-January
- > 2<sup>nd</sup> admission round: mid-March - mid-April

### ▶ Spring

- > 1<sup>st</sup> admission round: 1st June - mid-August
- > 2<sup>nd</sup> admission round: mid-September - mid-October

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# TUITION FEES

There are no tuition fees for students from Sweden, the EU/EEA area and Switzerland.





# SEARCH ENGINES

- ▶ <https://studyinsweden.se/programmes/>

## USEFUL LINKS

- ▶ Application  
[www.universityadmissions.se](http://www.universityadmissions.se)
- ▶ Accommodation  
<https://studyinsweden.se>
- ▶ General information  
[www.studyinsweden.se](http://www.studyinsweden.se)





# STUDENT LIFE

## ACEL

**ACEL (Association des Cercles d'Étudiants Luxembourgeois)** informs you about all aspects of student life:

- ▶ housing
- ▶ social security
- ▶ student jobs
- ▶ internships



[www.acel.lu](http://www.acel.lu)





# FINANCIAL AID

## FINANCIAL AID FROM THE LUXEMBOURG STATE

- ▶ The Ministry of Research and Higher Education offers grants and loans to students enrolled in higher education and meeting certain conditions.
- ▶ Financial aid is awarded only for recognised degree courses!
- ▶ Contact the Financial Aid Department of the Ministry of Research and Higher Education in case of doubt.

[aide-fi@mesr.etat.lu](mailto:aide-fi@mesr.etat.lu)

## Application deadlines

- ▶ from 1<sup>st</sup> August to 30<sup>th</sup> November (winter semester)
- ▶ from 1<sup>st</sup> January to 30<sup>th</sup> April (summer semester)

## Eligible study courses

Consult the section “[eligible study courses](#)” on our website [www.mengstudien.lu](http://www.mengstudien.lu).



## More information on the financial aid application procedure and the eligibility criteria:

[www.mengstudien.lu](http://www.mengstudien.lu)

(with an integrated calculation [simulator](#))



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