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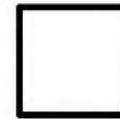
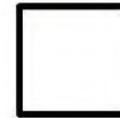
# European Study Exchange 26/27



## Criteria to take part

- Students of any nationality registered on a full degree programme at Queen's.
- Study period of between 3-12 months.
- Mobility must be to an eligible partner university that your School has a link with.

## CHECKLIST



# Benefits of exchange

- Cultural awareness and Language Skills
- Stand out in the job market
- Life skills
- Flexibility
- Future Ready Award





## Recognition of Placement

- Placement must be recognised as integral element of degree programme
- Credits for the semester/year abroad would be transferred back\*
- Duration of degree is not lengthened due to participation on programme\*
- Record of placement will appear on Queen's transcript
- Resulting mark/report may contribute towards your degree classification from Queen's\*

\*depending on pathway

# What does it cost?

## Tuition Fees

- Students who spend the **full year** on a study placement will pay no tuition fees\*.
- Students who spend **part of the year** on a study placement will have to pay the full year's tuition fee to Queen's.
- Students do not pay tuition fees to the host university.

\*Applies to students who normally pay NI/GB/EU fees (not students who pay international fees). Also, this will depend on funding source



**To be confirmed for 26/27**





# What does it cost?

## Other costs

- Accommodation and general living costs.
  - Queen's **does not** organise accommodation for outgoing students.
- You will still be able to receive your student loan in addition to a potential Turing grant, and you may be eligible for a supplementary loan.
- Apply to Education Authority or Student Finance NI for a “Course Abroad Form”.



# International Student Mobility Grant

- **2026-27 grant rates will depend on the allocation of funding received to the university. Outcome of funding application will be known later in the year.**
- **If eligible students may receive a WP uplift and travel expenses**
- **Under funding scheme rules, we can fund placements that are taking place between 1 September 2026 and 31 August 2027. Any placement beginning before this date will receive funding from 1 September 2026**
- **International Student Mobility grant should not be seen as sole/primary source of income during placement**

**Students must be physically based in the host country to receive funding**



# International Student Mobility Grant

International Mobility Grant funding potentially provides financial support for all full-time students

- Funding sources include UK Government (Turing Scheme), Irish Government and Queen's
- Funding paid to you by Global Opportunities in two instalments
- 2026-27 rates (*per month*)
- Approx **£420 or £360\*** depending on country. (Grouped by cost of living)

Group 1 (high cost of living) (£14 per day)	Group 2 (lower cost of living) (£12 per day)
Norway	All other countries

\* students going on a study placement to Switzerland will get their international mobility grant from the Swiss government via their host university

- Be prepared to cover some costs up front – helps cover some costs
- Requires the return of funding documents
- Additional funding available for students from a Widening Participation background.  
\*based on a 30-day month and placement between 57 – 365 days

*Can I apply for a student loan or maintenance grant from the SLC for this time? Yes*

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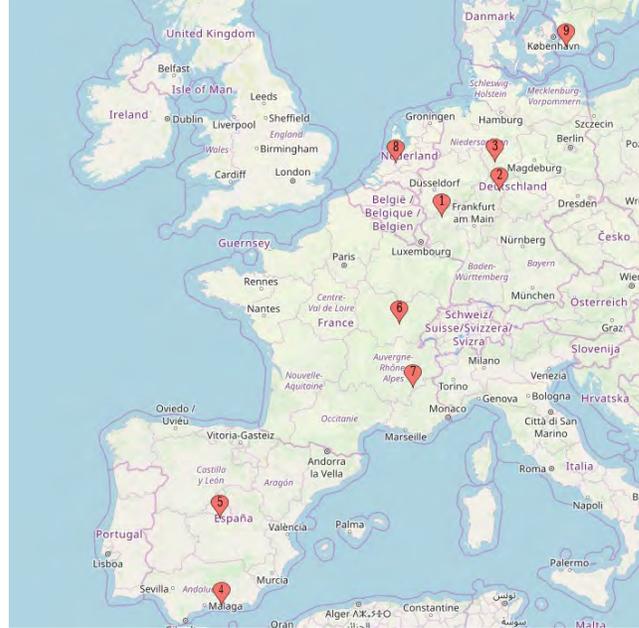
## Example 1 (year-long placement)

- Student going to Spain on a 250-day placement (*Group 2 country/Low cost of living*)  
= £12 per day x 250 days = £3,000
- Student going to Spain on a 250-day placement from a disadvantaged background  
= £16 per day x 250 days = £4,000 + travel costs of up to £250 + visa costs = £4,250

## Example 2 (semester long placement)

- Student going to Germany on a 100-day placement (*Group 2 country/Low cost of living*)  
= £12 per day x 100 days = £1,200
  - Student going to Germany on a 100-day placement from a disadvantaged background  
= £16 per day x 100 days = £1,600 + travel costs of up to £250 + visa costs = £1,850
- These are approximate figures and are subject to change.

# Where can I go?



All European mobility links and details of your Schools International Exchange Advisor are available at [go.qub.ac.uk/goglobal](http://go.qub.ac.uk/goglobal)

# European Study Exchange Partners

Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences



# European Study Exchange Partners

Faculty of Engineering and Physical Sciences



# European Study Exchange Partners

Faculty of Medicine, Health and Life Sciences



## International Exchange Advisers

Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences		Faculty of Engineering and Physical Sciences		Faculty of Medicine, Health and Life Sciences	
Anthropological Studies History Philosophy Politics and International Studies	<b>Prof David Phinnemore</b>	Aerospace Engineering Mechanical Engineering	<b>Prof Juliana Early</b>	Biological Sciences	<b>Dr Irene Grant</b>
Criminology Sociology Social Work	<b>Dr Ulrike Vieten</b>	Archaeology Palaeoecology	<b>Prof Maarten Blaauw</b>	Medicine	<b>TBC</b>
English	<b>Dr Stefanie Lehner</b>	Architecture	<b>Dr Niek Turner</b>	Nursing	<b>TBC</b>
Drama Film Music	<b>Dr Zeynep Bulut</b>	Chemical Engineering Chemistry	<b>Dr Haresh Manyar</b>	Pharmacy	<b>Dr Irina Tikhonova</b>
French Studies	<b>Dr Maria Tavares</b>	Civil Engineering	<b>Prof Mohammed Sonebi</b>		
Law	<b>Dr Alice Diver</b>	Informatics/Computer Science	<b>Dr Deepak Padmanabhan</b>		
Law with a Language	<b>Dr Michael Vincent</b>	Electrical Engineering	<b>Dr Hien-Quoc Ngo</b>		
Liberal Arts	<b>Dr Sophie Cooper</b>	Geography	<b>Dr Oliver Dunnett</b>		
Queen's Business School	<b>Dr David Jordan</b>	Mathematics	<b>Dr Lorenzo Stella</b>		
Portuguese Studies Spanish Studies	<b>Dr Maria Tavares</b>	Physics	<b>Dr Thomas Field</b>		
		Planning	<b>Dr Heather Ritchie</b>		
		Psychology	<b>Dr Andrew Monaghan</b>		

# The Student Experience

**Joel Jenny**

BA Politics, Philosophy and  
Economics

University of Oslo

**Martin Kenzo Tonoshiro**

BA International Relations and  
Conflict Studies

Universitat Autònoma de  
Barcelona

**Catherine Pollen**

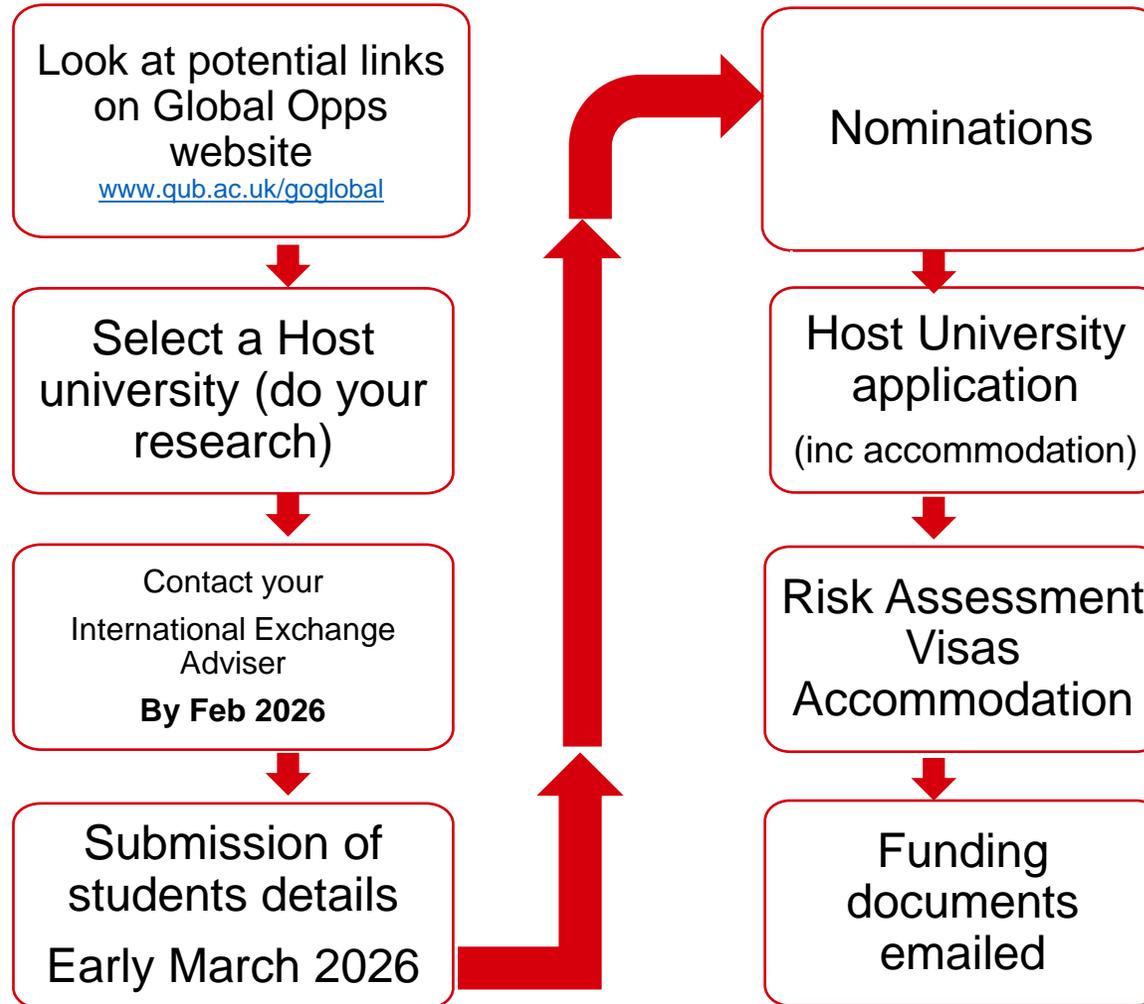
LLB Law

Københavns Universitet



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# Timeline



# Risk Assessment

- University requirement for an international work or study placement
- You must not travel before receiving formal approval from the University to do so
- Asks questions about:
  - Travel guidance for your host country
  - Visa requirements for your host country
  - Academic contingency plan
  - Details of nearest relevant embassy/consulate
- Once submitted approval will be sought from School

## Visas (Research this early)

- All queries about visa and immigration requirements for UK citizens should be directed to the relevant Embassy/Consulate here in the UK and your prospective host institution
- **UK nationals** will be eligible to stay in the EU for **no more than 90 days** in any 180-day period without a visa. If you intend to stay in the EU for more than 90 days, you will require a visa to stay in your host country
- Check FCDO travel advice
- Please be aware that, for some countries, your visa application must be made in person at an application centre in Scotland or England. You may be required to attend an interview or biometric testing as part of the application process
- May be a requirement to submit supporting documents which are translated into the language of your host country
- Students should be aware that leaving their host country, even temporarily, might affect their immigration status (and ability to return to their host country)
- You should also check that your passport remains valid for travel within the EU
- Non-EU/UK passport holders – you may also require a visa and therefore you should refer to your relevant embassy/consulate here in the UK
- Holders of an Irish or other EU passport may continue to move and reside freely within the European Union

## Insurance

Make sure you are fully insured for your period abroad – travel, health and possessions

### Queen's Emergency Medical and Travel Cover

- Medical Cover will apply to University authorised travel
- No cover will be provided for cancellations/curtailments that result from future COVID-19 restrictions
- Be aware of £50 excess
- Does not cover some personal activities such as extreme sports
- Exclusion on personal mobile phone claims

Once Risk Assessment has been approved you will receive link to form

**To be covered under the Queen's Emergency Medical and Travel Cover, you must complete the Queen's online Travel Notification Form.**

**It is very important that you do so.**





## Preparation

- Chat to your International Exchange Adviser
- Be proactive about accommodation and learning agreement
- Check your host university website and country information
- Consider visa/immigration issues well in advance
- Speak to former students who have been to your host university in previous years
- **Do not make any financial commitments (flights, visas, accommodation etc) until your placement has been approved by the University**

[go.qub.ac.uk/StudyExchangesinEurope](http://go.qub.ac.uk/StudyExchangesinEurope)

# Language Proficiency

- Language Course offered by host university
- The Language Centre (McClay Library) is recommended for study prior to departure



# Sources of Funding

- International Mobility Fund
- Careers funded programmes
- Queen's Awards & Scholarships
- Self-funding



# Further information

Expression of Interest



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Virtual Drop-in Sessions, Tues & Thurs,

12-1pm, Book on MyFuture

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