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University Exchange Programme in Australia/Canada and the USA



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Global Opportunities Team

Overview of session

- Introduction to the Global Opportunities Team
- Brief look at the host universities
- Further information and how to apply for the QUB Exchange Programme 2024-2025
- Questions

The Global Opportunities Team

“We promote and support students with international study and work programmes”

Team of 7 – based in One Elmwood

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Virtual Drop in sessions, Tues & Thurs- 12-1pm, **Book via MyFuture**

Why undertake the University Exchange Programme?

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

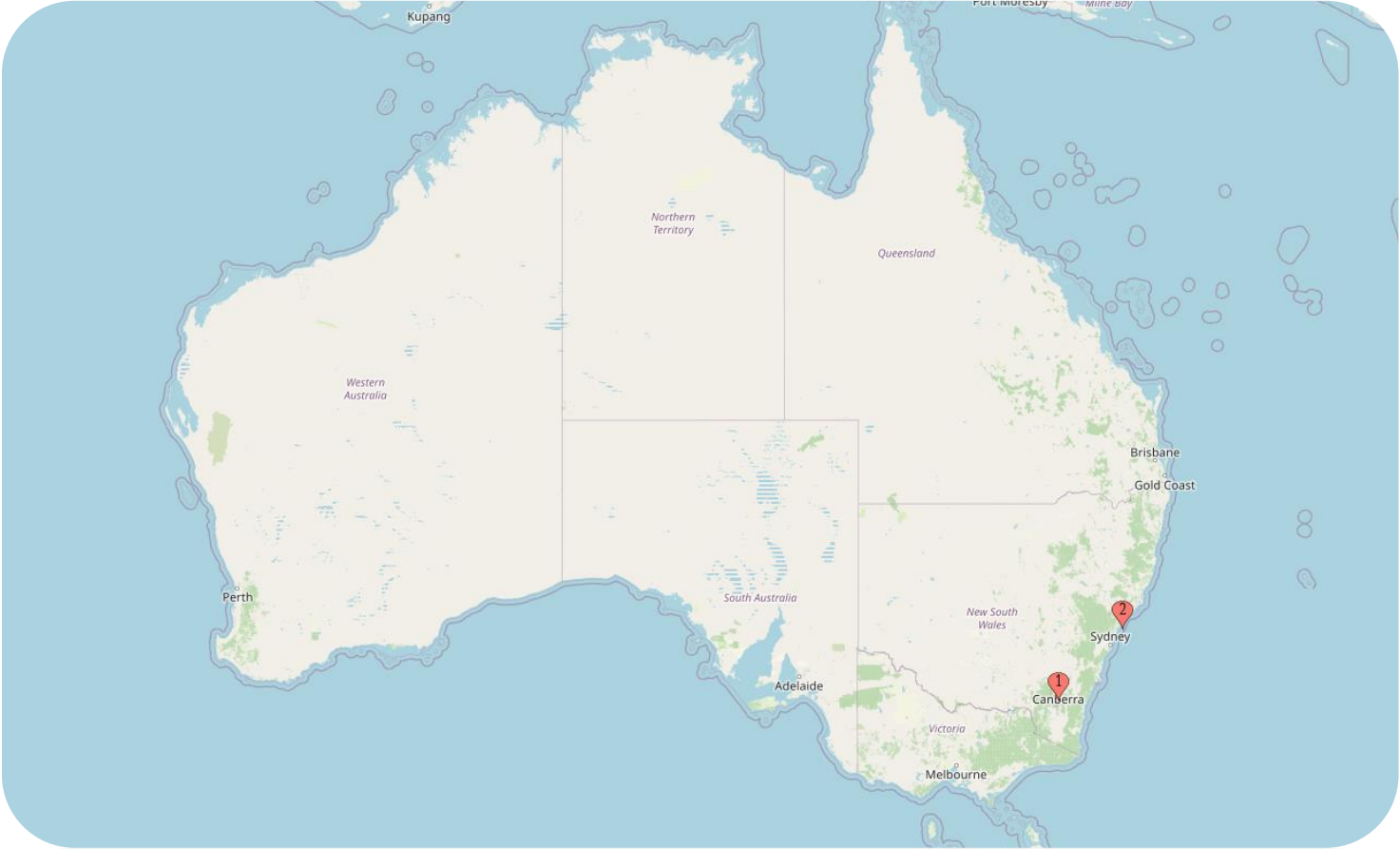


Please note.....

- The year or semester that you spend abroad may **replace** the year or semester you would have spent at Queen's. The marks you achieve at your exchange university may be converted to Queen's grades and will contribute towards your degree classification*
- Open to any full time Queen's University **undergraduate** student.
- You can go in 2nd or 3rd/final year but must have the permission of your academic school
- There may be restrictions on certain subject areas
- Medical, Nursing, Biomedical Science, Pharmacy or Law students cannot generally apply. If unsure please check with your School.

*dependant on course

Our exchange partners in Australia

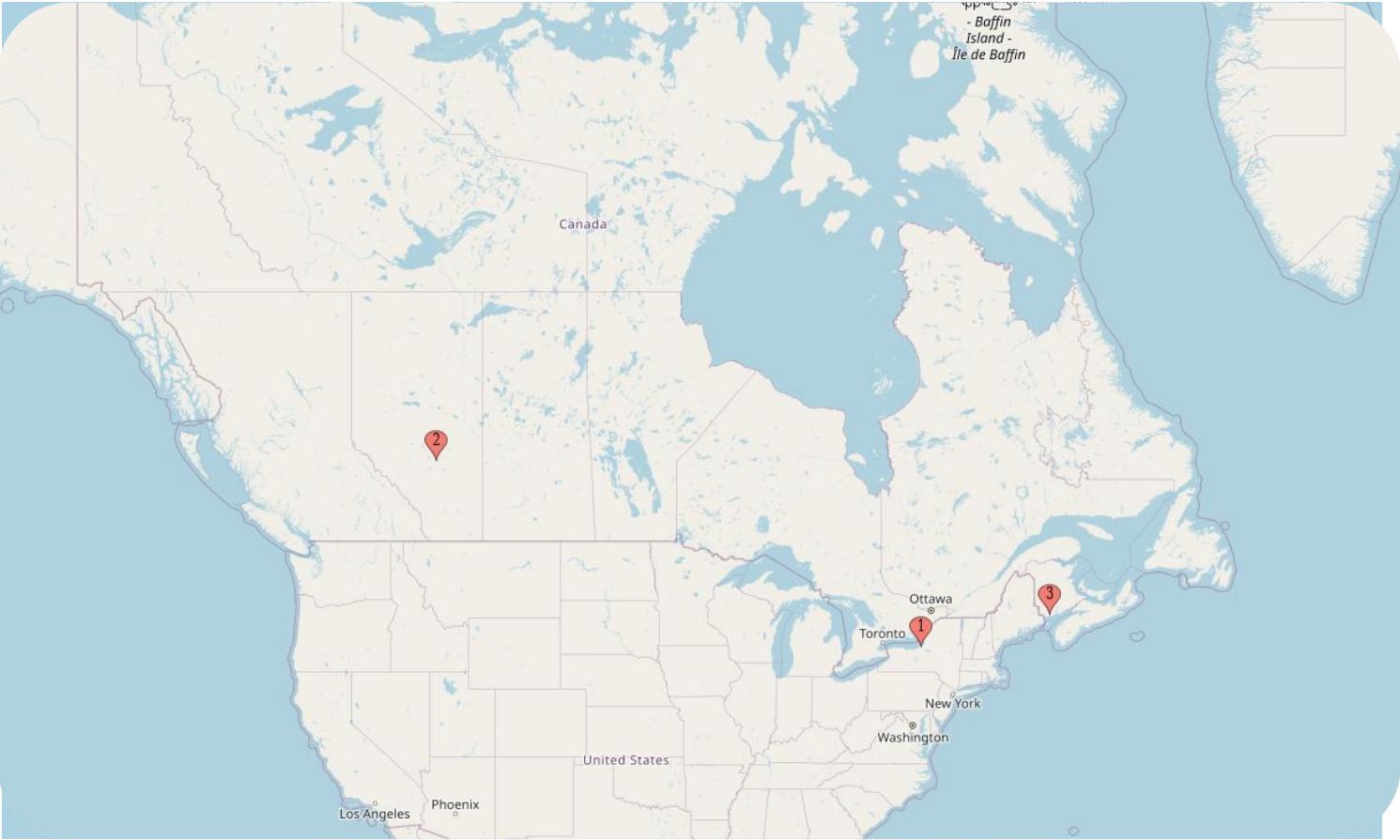


Australian National University

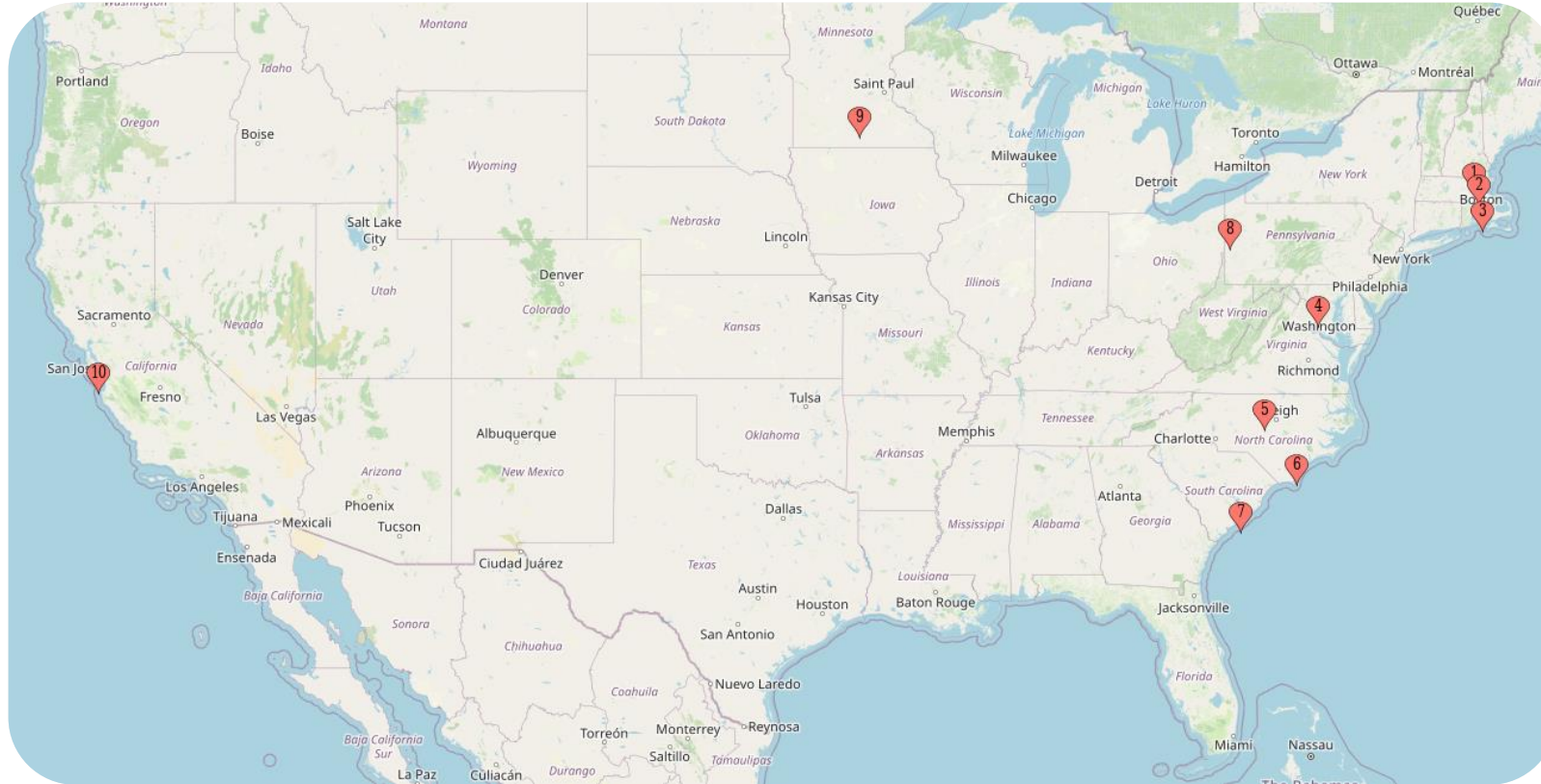


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Our exchange partners in Canada



Our exchange partners in the USA



Faculty and School Restrictions

Country	University	Faculty/School restriction
Australia	Australian National University	Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences only
	University of Newcastle	
Canada	Queen's University Kingston	
	University of Alberta	
	University of New Brunswick	Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences only
USA	American University	Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences only
	Boston College	Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences only
	College of Charleston	School of History, Anthropology, Philosophy and Politics
	Minnesota State University	English / School of History, Anthropology, Philosophy and Politics / School of Psychology only
	University of California Santa Cruz	Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences only
	University of Massachusetts – Dartmouth	Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences only
	University of Massachusetts – Lowell	Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences only
	University of North Carolina – Chapel Hill	Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences only
	University of North Carolina – Wilmington	Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences only
	Westminster College	School of Arts, English and Languages only

The Student Experience

Queen's University Kingston

Annabel Harkness

Academic year 22/23 (semester 2)

Liberal Arts



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Semester dates (approximate)

- Australian Universities: Semester 1: mid July – late November 2024
(this will be described as Semester 2 in Australia)
Semester 2: late Feb 2025 – late June 2025
(this will be described as Semester 1 in Australia)
- Canadian Universities: Semester 1: early Sep – late Dec 2024
Semester 2: early Jan – late April 2025
- US Universities: Semester 1: early Sep – late Dec 2024
Semester 2: early Jan – late April 2025

NB. Term dates will have impact on graduation for students going to Australia for full final year.



Money matters

- You may be eligible for an International Mobility Grant or the Clinton Scholarship
- Tuition fees.
 - NI/GB/EU students spending the full year on study exchange may be eligible for a tuition fee waiver for the 2024-25 year*.
 - NI/GB/EU students spending only one semester on study exchange will be required to pay the normal full tuition fee to QUB for the 2024-25 year.
 - International students spending either the full year or one semester on study exchange will be required to pay the normal full tuition fee to QUB for the 2024-25 year.
- You are still eligible to claim Student Loans, maintenance grants etc.
- Students are required to organise and cover the cost of flights, accommodation, visas, travel, health and insurance.

*to be confirmed summer 2024 and dependant on funding source



The Clinton Scholarships (Strand 1) - USA Study Exchanges

5 x Clinton Scholarships available - Up to £12,000 per semester

- Awards will go to students who have successfully secured a semester or year abroad place at a US partner university.
- The awards will cover travel, accommodation and subsistence costs.
- Eligibility Criteria:
 - be a full-time degree registered undergraduate Queen's student (Including integrated Masters degrees e.g. MSci or MEng)
 - be a year 1, 2 or a penultimate year student (Current final year students are not eligible to apply)
 - be a resident of Northern Ireland and qualify for fees at "Home Student" status
 - In addition, applicants must meet at least one of the following:
 - be a participant on the QUB Pathways Programme.
 - be a participant on the QUB Senior Academy Programme.
 - have an annual household income of £25,000 or less.
 - If you have been or are currently in care, or from a looked after background, for period of three months or more at any age.

The International Mobility Grant

- 2024-25 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 2024 and 31 August 2025. Any placement beginning before this date will receive funding from 1 September 2024
- International 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

The International Mobility Grant Contribution

- 2023-24 rates (*per month*).

£380 for Australia, Canada and the USA

Example $10 \text{ months} \times \text{£}380 \text{ per month} = \text{total International Mobility Grant of } \text{£}3,820$

- Two instalments paid in September / October and following August / September.
- First instalment of 80% paid following arrival and on submission of 4 documents.
- Second instalment paid in the following August / September after completion of the placement & submission of your confirmation of attendance and student report form.
- Be prepared to cover some costs up front.
- **Grant is not meant to cover all costs, it is to provide some extra help towards additional costs.**

Costs

- Tuition fees at host institution are waived, however you may have to pay fees to Queen's.

	Australia	Canada	USA
Flights	£1000	£650	£700
Accommodation	£6,000 - £12,000	£3,500 - £10,000	£5,500 - £15,500
Insurance	£450	£1000	£1000
Visa costs	£380	£140	£200
Living Costs	£4500	£4500	£5000
Health Cover	£350	£300	£2000
Books/Supplies	£700	£800	£1000
Other fees (travel, admin fees)	£500	£300	£400

Please note that these are approximate costs based on a student travelling from Dublin and staying in on campus accommodation for 10 months

Risk Assessment

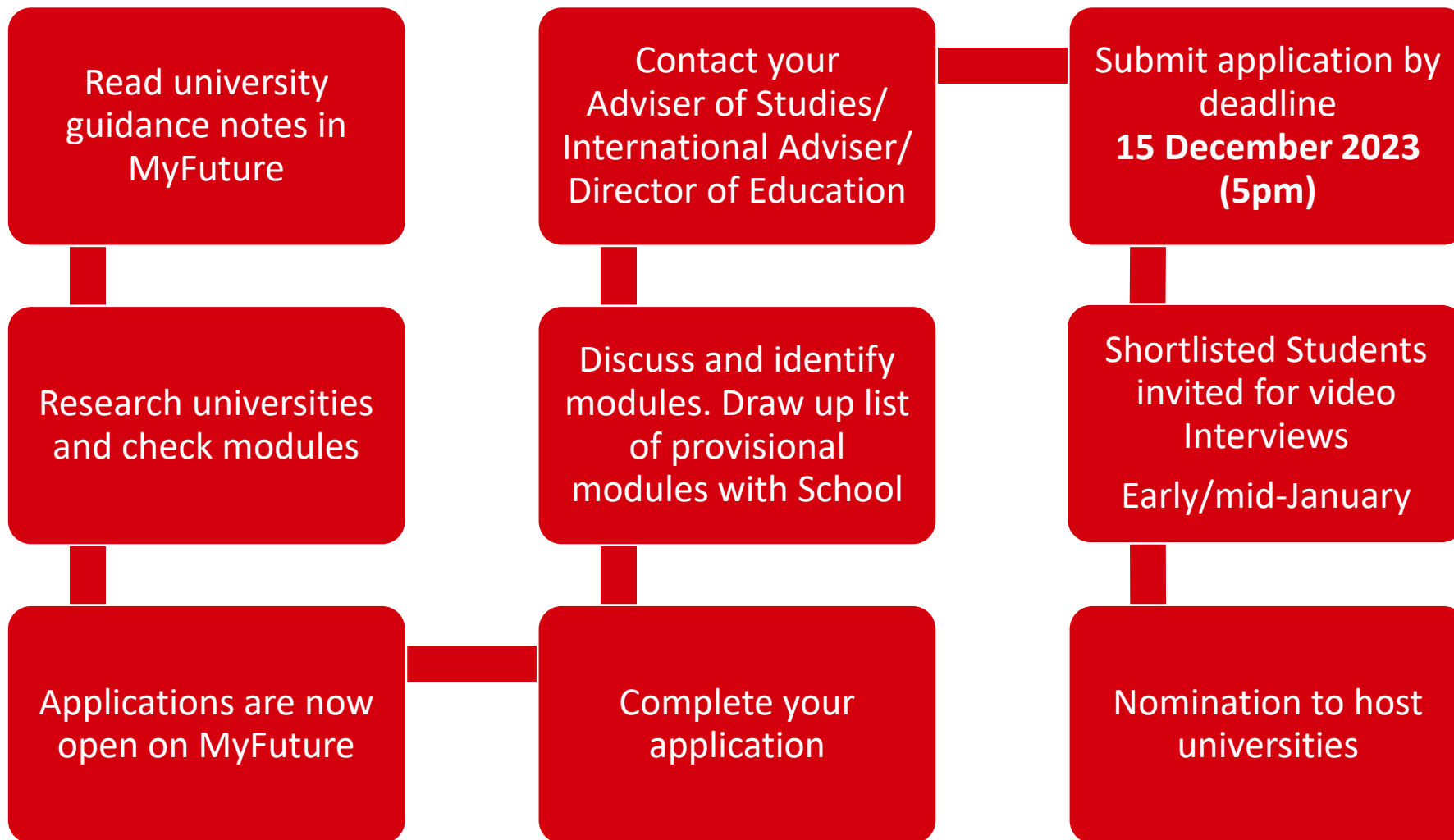
- University requirement for an international work or study placement
- You must not travel before receiving formal approval from the University to do so.
- Asks questions about:
 - Travel guidance for your host country
 - Visa requirements for your host country
 - Academic contingency plan
 - Details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

Application form

1. Personal details
2. Proposed destinations / module selection
3. Personal Statement
4. Previous Work/Study Experience abroad

"Discuss your interest in your degree subject(s), how that interest developed and the way in which your exchange year at your first choice university will complement your studies at Queen's University Belfast. Please comment on your proposed career and how the placement could be of benefit"

Application process



Components of the application to be in before deadline

- One completed application form, indicating, in rank order, your preferred universities. *You may indicate only one choice if you wish;*
- A provisional list of courses at the exchange institution **which you have ranked in first place**. This should be drawn up in consultation with your Adviser of Studies, the International Adviser or the Director of Education in your School (or another appropriate person).

CHECKLIST



DEADLINE 5pm on 15 December 2023



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Questions?

The Clinton Career Insights Programme (Strand 2)

- International Career Development Programme (Modelled on the successful Leadership Programme)
- On campus workshops, events and speakers (outside of teaching period)
- **1-week visit to a US City (New York or Boston)** to meet Queen's Alumni, International Organisations and Senior leaders (September 2024)
- Team projects (Professional & Cultural)

Virtual Global Opportunities Drop in Service

Every Tuesday & Thursday 12-1pm

(15min appointments via MS Teams)

Bookable through MyFuture

Further Information

- go.qub.ac.uk/exchangeprogrammes
- go.qub.ac.uk/goglobal
- Please ask if you would like to be in touch with a past / current Exchange student

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Good luck!

