

SEMP Swiss European Mobility Programme (Erasmus) Information Sheet 2024/2025

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| <p>Faculty of Health Sciences and Medicine</p> | <p>The exam periods can be found via the following link: https://www.unilu.ch/en/study/courses-exams-regulations/health-sciences-and-medicine/exams/</p> |
| <p>Transcripts of Records</p> | <p>You can expect to receive your transcript of records by the end of February for the Fall semester and in August for the Spring semester.</p> |
| <p>Nomination Deadlines</p> | <p>Fall and spring semester: 31 March 2024</p> <p>*If we have funds still available we will contact our partners to inform that further nominations for the spring semester are possible.</p> |
| <p>Application Deadlines</p> | <p>Fall semester: 15 April 2024 Spring semester: 30 September 2024</p> |
| <p>Duration of Study</p> | <p>We accept students who wish to study for 1 semester, or 2 consecutive semesters.</p> |
| <p>Levels of Study</p> | <p>▪ Undergraduate ▪ Graduate ▪ Postgraduate</p> |
| <p>Course Information, Orientation Program and Learning Agreement</p> | <p>Students must be able to take courses in English or German. Students have to take at least 15 ECTS per semester at the University of Lucerne. For all study-related issues such as learning agreements, credits, assessments, etc., please contact the departmental coordinator at the corresponding faculty.</p> |
| <p>Application and Registrations Procedures</p> | <p>We only accept nominations sent by the International Relations Office of our partner universities. We use <i>Mobility-Online</i> for both the nomination and the application processes. Mobility coordinators will receive an email with detailed instructions on how to nominate their students using our platform. Nominated students, in turn, will receive detailed information on how to complete their application online, as well as other information pertinent to their mobility semester, including registration dates. Please see further details below on the documents needed during the application process.</p> |
| <p>Required documents during application process</p> | <p>1. Transcript of records Please submit the latest copy. We can accept unofficial transcripts from the electronic registrar system of your home university if the document includes your name and the name of your home university.</p> <p>2. Proof of English proficiency To ensure full participation in our programmes non-native English speakers or students who are not studying on an English-taught programme at their home university must provide one of the following documents: - TOEFL IBT 85 - IELTS 6.5</p> |

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| | <p>- Duolingo English Test (DET) 120</p> <p>- We may also accept letters from language course coordinators or academic staff who can confirm that a student has a C1 level on the Common European Framework for Languages (CEFR), or that the student has studied and passed English-taught courses. In this case please name the titles of the English-taught courses and refer to the grade in the academic transcript.</p> <p>Please note that students nominated to study on our German-taught programmes will not be required to submit proof of English proficiency.</p> |
| German courses for beginners | <p>During the semester, exchange students have the option of signing up for a German course at a reduced rate of 100 CHF. Students can sign up for these courses online during orientation week. 2 ECTS are awarded for this course.</p> |
| Accommodation | <p>There are a limited number of rooms available for exchange students at the student residence. Students have the possibility to apply for a room during the online application process. It cannot always be guaranteed that students get a room in the student residence.</p> <p>If you have further accommodation-related questions, please contact the Institutional Mobility Coordinator.</p> |
| Website for incoming students | <p>http://www.unilu.ch/eng/incoming_students_4246.html</p> |
| General Information | |
| Health Insurance | <p>Students from within any of the EU 27 countries, as well as Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway, are eligible for the 'European Health Insurance Card (EHIC), which provides sufficient health insurance coverage for Switzerland. Any student from Europe who is unable to get EHIC coverage should contact the Institutional Mobility Coordinator for further assistance.</p> <p>Students from the UK can use their EHIC (UK European Health Insurance Card) or GHIC (UK Global Health Insurance Card) in Switzerland.</p> <p>Please note that travel insurance taken out in your home country is not equivalent to Swiss health insurance cover and will not be accepted by the authorities.</p> |
| Personal Liability Insurance | <p>For exchange students who will stay at university arranged accommodation, personal liability insurance is mandatory!</p> <p>Exchange students should check before leaving their home country whether their personal liability insurance coverage is sufficient for Switzerland. Please note that it is usually cheaper and more convenient to organise this type of insurance cover in your home country.</p> |

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| | <p>For students organising their own accommodation, personal liability insurance is not compulsory but it is strongly recommended since it offers an insurance cover for third party liability claims and will cover costs relating to damage of rented accommodation.</p> <p>If you have further questions please contact the Institutional Mobility Coordinator.</p> |
| Visa | <p>Students from EU and EFTA countries need a valid passport or identity card to enter Switzerland.</p> <p>For non-EU/EFTA nationals: Please contact the Swiss Embassy in your home country to start the visa application process as soon as you receive the official admission letter issued by the University of Lucerne.</p> <p>We would advise all students to travel with a passport.</p> |
| Residence Permit / Costs | <p>All incoming students are required to get a residence permit for their stay in Switzerland. The University of Lucerne will apply for this residence permit on behalf of the students.</p> <p>Your residence permit will be issued after you have registered with the registration office of your community of residence (see below). Costs for the residence permit: approx. CHF 70 for EU/EFTA students; approx. CHF 250 for non-EU/EFTA students; these costs must be borne by the student.</p> |
| Entering – Registration / Costs | <p>After entering Switzerland, all students are required to register at the registration office of their community of residence. More information about this will be communicated to students during Orientation Week. Costs for the registration: approx. CHF 35</p> |
| Scholarships available to exchange students | <p>Exchange students studying at the University of Lucerne as part of the Swiss European Mobility Program (SEMP) are entitled to an exchange grant equivalent to the grant usually provided by the European Union within the Erasmus+ Program. The International Relations Office can inform students of the grants for which they are eligible.</p> |
| Study abroad reports | <p>In these reports, former exchange students describe their impressions and experiences of their exchange semester. The reports provide important information to students who are planning an exchange semester at the University of Lucerne in the future: https://www.unilu.ch/en/international/mobility/student-mobility/study-abroad-reports/</p> |

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| Estimated budget per month | Actual living expenses will differ for each individual, however, the figures below are a good indicator of how much a student will spend per month: | |
| | Housing (incl. additional costs) | CHF 660 |
| | Utilities (telephone, Internet, TV, radio) | CHF 100 |
| | Health insurance, liability insurance | CHF 200 |
| | Food, household items | CHF 350 |
| | Miscellaneous (clothes, laundry, transport) | CHF 350 |
| | Total | CHF 1'660 |
| A currency converter is available here: http://www.xe.com/en/ | | |