



# SWEDEN



## OVERVIEW OF OPTIONS



Nearly 100 international bachelor's programmes are taught in English in Sweden.

[www.studyinsweden.se/plan-your-studies/degree-programmes/bachelors-programmes/](http://www.studyinsweden.se/plan-your-studies/degree-programmes/bachelors-programmes/)

If you speak Swedish, you can also apply for a bachelor's programme taught in Swedish, known as a kandidatprogram or utbildning på grundnivå. Visit [Antagning.se](http://Antagning.se) (in Swedish) to find programmes and learn more about entry requirements.

## PROGRAMMES AVAILABLE



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[www.studyinsweden.se/programmes/](http://www.studyinsweden.se/programmes/)

You can search for programmes directly on the website above, the Swedish central application portal [Universityadmissions.se](http://Universityadmissions.se), or on the universities websites.

You can apply for up to 8 bachelor's programmes or 4 master's programmes per application round.

## FEE INFORMATION



You are not required to pay application or tuition fees as an EU/EEA citizen. Application and tuition fees apply for students who are not citizens of an EU/EEA/Nordic country or Switzerland studying at the bachelor's or master's level.

[www.universityadmissions.se/en/All-you-need-to-know1/Applying-for-studies/Fees-and-scholarships/Am-I-required-to-pay/](http://www.universityadmissions.se/en/All-you-need-to-know1/Applying-for-studies/Fees-and-scholarships/Am-I-required-to-pay/)

[www.studyinsweden.se/plan-your-studies/fees-and-costs/](http://www.studyinsweden.se/plan-your-studies/fees-and-costs/)

## INSTITUTION TYPE



There are 2 types of higher education institutions in Sweden: University (universitet) and University College (högskola). The main difference is that universities have the right to award PhD degrees while many university colleges don't. There is no difference in the bachelor's or master's degrees offered by universities and university colleges

[www.studyinsweden.se/plan-your-studies/higher-education-in-sweden](http://www.studyinsweden.se/plan-your-studies/higher-education-in-sweden)

[www.studyinsweden.se/universities](http://www.studyinsweden.se/universities)



## APPLICATION PROCESS

All applications are processed through Sweden's central application system [Universityadmissions.se](http://Universityadmissions.se).

Always check the website of the university of your choice for programme-specific application guidelines

See:

[www.studyinsweden.se/how-to-apply/](http://www.studyinsweden.se/how-to-apply/)  
[www.universityadmissions.se/en/All-you-need-to-know1/Applying-for-studies/Documenting-your-eligibility-for-studies/Instructions-for-Bachelors-applicants/](http://www.universityadmissions.se/en/All-you-need-to-know1/Applying-for-studies/Documenting-your-eligibility-for-studies/Instructions-for-Bachelors-applicants/)

You can choose up to four master's programmes or eight bachelor's programmes to apply for in each application round. Each year, most universities start publishing their programmes from October onwards. The full list of programmes that start during the autumn tends to be available in early December.)

Dates: Be sure to check relevant application dates and deadlines well in advance of the semester you'd like to start your studies. Generally, the application deadline will be in mid-January for the autumn semester (August), and mid-August for the spring semester (January).

Your application should include the following:

- Online application form (accessed through Universityadmissions.se during the application period)
- Documentation of general eligibility for bachelor's or master's programmes
- Proof of English proficiency  
[www.universityadmissions.se/en/All-you-need-to-know1/Applying-for-studies/English-requirements/Internationally-recognized-English-test/](http://www.universityadmissions.se/en/All-you-need-to-know1/Applying-for-studies/English-requirements/Internationally-recognized-English-test/)
- Documentation that you meet programme-specific entry requirements (see step 2 above)

After the deadline has passed, your application will undergo a selection procedure, determined by the individual university. They will take several criteria into account, including your grades, results from previous courses and degree projects, and any other documentation the university asked you to submit. All of these criteria will influence the outcome of your application. The decision on whether or not you are accepted is made by the university (or universities) you applied to.

You will receive your admission results – the Notification of Selection Results – on Universityadmissions.se on the date relevant for your application round.

Visit [Universityadmissions.se](http://Universityadmissions.se) for full details on how to apply and to submit your application.

See: [www.studyinsweden.se/how-to-apply](http://www.studyinsweden.se/how-to-apply)

**The application deadline for programmes starting autumn 2020, for example, is 15 January.**

Supporting documents and your application fee are due by 3 February. It's always a good idea to upload those documents and pay that fee a few days early to avoid last-minute stress!

The selection process for bachelor's level courses for the first-round autumn semester takes place in March. **You'll receive your notification of selection results in April.** Applicants who apply for courses and programmes in the first-round autumn semester and are in their last year of upper secondary studies have a limited chance of being offered a place.

Provisional results are not accepted by University Admissions in Sweden. The applicant needs to submit documentation of a completed Irish upper-secondary education. As our Leaving Cert results come out in mid-August, this would be too late for Autumn enrolment in Sweden. However, some programmes/courses might be open for late applications. You can read more about this on: [www.universityadmissions.se/en/All-you-need-to-know1/Applying-for-studies/Application-process/Late-applications/](http://www.universityadmissions.se/en/All-you-need-to-know1/Applying-for-studies/Application-process/Late-applications/)

If one does not want make a late application then one would have to do one of the following:

- Wait and apply for the First round for the following spring semester admission (Please note that there are fewer courses and programmes offered with a spring semester start).
- Apply to the First round in next year's autumn semester admissions round.

Read more about different application rounds and their deadlines on: [www.universityadmissions.se/en/All-you-need-to-know1/Finding-out-more/International-and-EUEEA-admission-round/](http://www.universityadmissions.se/en/All-you-need-to-know1/Finding-out-more/International-and-EUEEA-admission-round/)

[www.universityadmissions.se/en/All-you-need-to-know1/Applying-for-studies/Documenting-your-eligibility-for-studies/Instructions-for-Bachelors-applicants/Students-in-their-last-year-of-upper-secondary-school/](http://www.universityadmissions.se/en/All-you-need-to-know1/Applying-for-studies/Documenting-your-eligibility-for-studies/Instructions-for-Bachelors-applicants/Students-in-their-last-year-of-upper-secondary-school/)



## GENERAL ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Each programme will have general entry requirements and programme-specific entry requirements. Once you've decided which programme(s) you'd like to apply for, check both sets of requirements to determine your eligibility:

- General entry requirements for bachelor's programmes and master's programmes are listed on [Universityadmissions.se](http://Universityadmissions.se).
- Programme-specific entry requirements are given on each individual programme's webpage, which you can find through the programme's listing on [www.studydev.sweden.se/programmes/](http://www.studydev.sweden.se/programmes/) or on [Universityadmissions.se](http://Universityadmissions.se).
- If you are currently completing your final year of upper-secondary school (high school), please also read Universityadmissions.se's information for students in upper-secondary school.

If you meet these requirements, like in Ireland, you will compete for a place with other students who also applied to and are eligible for the same course or programme.

### General entry requirements

In order to meet the general entry requirements for bachelor's level studies, all students must:

- have successfully completed their upper secondary (high school) education (post-16). Ireland- For bachelor's level studies: Leaving Certificate, a total minimum of 6 subjects of which at least two must be Higher Level. [www.universityadmissions.se/en/All-you-need-to-know1/Applying-for-studies/Documenting-your-eligibility-for-studies/Instructions-for-Bachelors-applicants/Submit-the-right-documents-for-your-country/Ireland/](http://www.universityadmissions.se/en/All-you-need-to-know1/Applying-for-studies/Documenting-your-eligibility-for-studies/Instructions-for-Bachelors-applicants/Submit-the-right-documents-for-your-country/Ireland/)
- be able to demonstrate proficiency in English. You can meet the English requirement with upper secondary studies with an Ordinary Level Grade D in English.  
[www.universityadmissions.se/en/All-you-need-to-know1/Applying-for-studies/Documenting-your-eligibility-for-studies/Instructions-for-Bachelors-applicants/Submit-the-right-documents-for-your-country/Ireland/](http://www.universityadmissions.se/en/All-you-need-to-know1/Applying-for-studies/Documenting-your-eligibility-for-studies/Instructions-for-Bachelors-applicants/Submit-the-right-documents-for-your-country/Ireland/)

- There is an additional entry requirement for mathematics:
  - The student must have successfully completed courses in mathematics equal to the Swedish courses Mathematics 1a, 1b or 1c. See Guide to Swedish upper secondary courses [www.universityadmissions.se/en/All-you-need-to-know1/Applying-for-studies/Entry-requirements/Bachelors-level-requirements/guide-to-Swedish-upper-secondary-courses/](http://www.universityadmissions.se/en/All-you-need-to-know1/Applying-for-studies/Entry-requirements/Bachelors-level-requirements/guide-to-Swedish-upper-secondary-courses/) for more information. The Irish equivalent is Mathematics at Foundation level with at least the grade D.

### Specific entry requirements

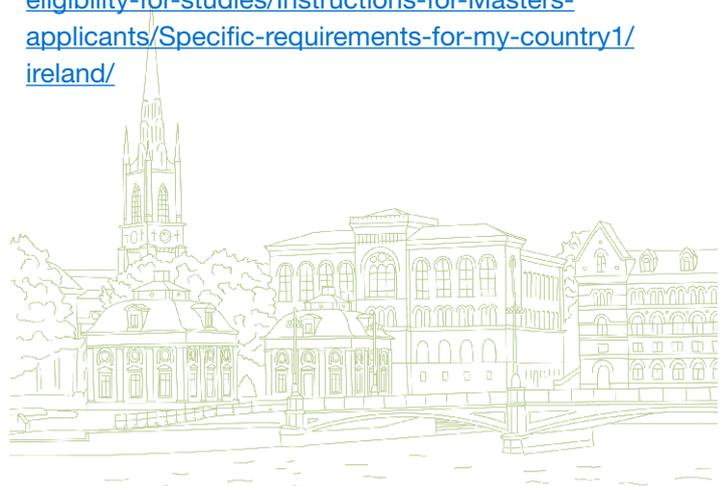
Once a student has met the general entry requirements for all studies at the bachelor's or master's level, he/she must also check what specific entry requirements are needed for the course or programme they wish to apply for.

For example, an economics course may require a higher level of upper secondary school mathematics.

These specific requirements are outlined in individual course or programme descriptions. You can go directly to these course or programme descriptions from your search results here at Universityadmissions.se. Just click on 'More information' at the bottom of each course and/or programme in your result list. Click on the picture below to see where the link is located:

[www.universityadmissions.se/en/All-you-need-to-know1/Applying-for-studies/Entry-requirements/Bachelors-level-requirements/](http://www.universityadmissions.se/en/All-you-need-to-know1/Applying-for-studies/Entry-requirements/Bachelors-level-requirements/)

Ireland specific requirements are listed here: [www.universityadmissions.se/en/All-you-need-to-know1/Applying-for-studies/Documenting-your-eligibility-for-studies/Instructions-for-Masters-applicants/Specific-requirements-for-my-country1/ireland/](http://www.universityadmissions.se/en/All-you-need-to-know1/Applying-for-studies/Documenting-your-eligibility-for-studies/Instructions-for-Masters-applicants/Specific-requirements-for-my-country1/ireland/)



## IMPORTANT DATES



Generally, the application deadline will be in mid-January for the autumn semester (August), and mid-August for the spring semester (January).

Please see approximate dates below. Be sure to check the actual key dates.

### 16 October – 15 January

Apply at [Universityadmissions.se](http://Universityadmissions.se) and pay your fee online (if required)

### 16 October – end of January

Send in supporting documents and pay application fee (if you haven't already done so) by the deadline

### April

#### Check your selection results

You will receive your Notification of Selection Results at the end of March. This will tell you if you've been offered a place or placed on reserve (waiting list) for the courses and programmes you've applied to.

### End of August

#### Semester starts

The semester starts at the end of the month. Contact your university for exact dates for registration and introduction seminars.

**Universities publish the entire selection of international courses and programmes taught in English in the First round.**

## OTHER USEFUL RESOURCES



General information about all aspects of studying in Sweden:

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

[www.studera.nu/startpage/](http://www.studera.nu/startpage/)

[www.ec.europa.eu/education/study-in-europe/country-profiles/sweden\\_en](http://www.ec.europa.eu/education/study-in-europe/country-profiles/sweden_en)

For assistance and information you can send us another email using the contact form on

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

