



LEIDEN UNIVERSITY COLLEGE INFORMATION SHEET 2018 - 2019

INSTITUTION

Name	Leiden University College - Liberal Arts & Sciences in The Hague
Website	www.lucthehague.nl

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APPLICATION

Nomination deadlines for host university	Fall Semester + Full Year:	1 March
	Spring Semester:	10 September
Student application Deadlines	Fall Semester + Full Year:	1 April
	Spring Semester:	15 October
Admission requirements	A GPA of 3.0 out of 4.0 and at least 2 semesters of prior academic study.	
LUC Language requirements	<p>If not specified in the Exchange Agreement:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IELTS: an overall band score of 7.0 or higher with at least a 7.0 for each individual component. • TOEFL (iBT) test: overall score of 100 or higher with at least 25 in each individual component. • Cambridge (CAE/CPE) Advanced or Proficiency with an 185 on each item and an overall score of 185 or higher. <p>We do not accept institutional TOEFL tests.</p> <p>Language requirement will be waived if the student</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • has completed an IB diploma (English-taught); or • is currently studying at a university or college in any of the following countries: Australia, Canada (except French-taught programmes), Ireland, New Zealand, the UK or USA and have completed at least 2 semesters of course work, or • will be attending LUC as an Erasmus+ exchange student, or • have completed a full English-taught IB diploma, or • have completed at least 3 A-levels, or 	



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • have a national diploma (high school) from any of the following countries: Australia, Canada (except French-taught programmes), Ireland, New Zealand, the UK or USA, or • have completed the European Bacalaureate English Language 1.
Online application and further information	In the online application of Leiden University students are prompted to download a nomination form for their home university co-ordinator to sign. Once an application is complete, if the student meets the admission criteria, their application is forwarded to LUC for evaluation. We recommend that students not book flights or make other travel plans before receiving their offer of admission.

PRACTICAL

Website for exchange students	https://www.universiteitleiden.nl/en/governance-and-global-affairs/leiden-university-college-the-hague/exchange-students
Accommodation	<p>Students can apply for housing via Leiden University's central Housing Office (http://www.studenthousing.leiden.edu/). This is highly recommended for students who need a visa to enter the Netherlands/a resident permit for the duration of their stay.</p> <p>Alternatively we've had good experiences with the Student Hotel in The Hague (https://www.thestudenthotel.com/the-hague/) and the MINVM (https://www.minvm.nl/en/) accommodation in the city centre. Students will be informed about these options in the application manual sent to them after the nomination by their home university.</p>
Visa and residence permits	<p>Citizens of the EU do not require a residence permit to study at Leiden University. Students with non-EU nationality must have a residence permit, and in many cases, an entry visa as well. Once a student has been admitted to an exchange period at Leiden University, the Admissions Office will work with the student to apply on their behalf. Students should note that there is a fee of €317 for visas/permits.</p> <p>http://www.prospectivestudents.leiden.edu/practical-info/visa/.</p>
Insurance	<p>All students are obliged to have health insurance to cover any medical costs incurred during their stay. We strongly recommend that students ensure they have medical insurance before their arrival. We also highly recommend that all students take out liability insurance to cover any accidental damage caused to other persons or property during their stay.</p> <p>http://www.students.leiden.edu/application-admission/master/after-admission/insurances/insurances.html</p>
Estimated living expenses	On average, at least €890 – €1420 per month (this includes accommodation)
Arrival	There is a train that runs directly from Schiphol Airport to The Hague Central station (20 - 30 minutes).
Fortuna	<p>Fortuna is the official student association of Leiden University College The Hague (LUC)</p> <p>http://www.lucetheague.nl/current-students/non-academic-portal/student-life/fortuna.html.</p>
International Student Advisor / Support	At LUC, exchange students can rely on a wide-range of support during their stay at LUC. This includes the Academic Advisor, Study Advisors, LUC Exchange Buddies, LUC Exchange Committee members, the Exchange Officers and fellow LUC students. They will



	welcome students and assist them in finding their way at LUC and The Hague.
Student Life Counsellor	Our certified Student Life Counsellors offer support on a more personal level is needed and has private counselling sessions. They are available for both LUC students and exchange students.
International student support services	For information about other types of support services available to international students in Leiden, please see http://www.students.leiden.edu/your-study/guidance/
Emergency number	From NL: 071 527 66 66 From abroad: +31 71 527 66 66

ACADEMIC

Academic calendar	http://www.lucthehague.nl/academic-programme/academic-calendar/academic-calendar.html	
Recommended arrival dates (<i>exact dates will be confirmed after admission</i>)	1 st (Fall) semester / Full Year:	Mid-August (students will be advised on exact date once admitted to the exchange programme; depending whether they would also like to join the general Introduction Week organized by all Leiden University Departments located on The Hague campus).
	2nd (Spring) semester:	Late January
Semester dates	1st semester, from / to:	27 August 2018 – 21 December 2018
	2nd semester, from / to:	4 February 2019 – 6 June 2019
Introduction activities	1st semester:	Introduction week for international students in the Hague (HOP-Week) from 20-24 August 2018.
	2nd semester:	A 1-day orientation on Friday 1 February 2019 (TBC)
Courses available for exchange students	Exchange students can choose from <i>all</i> courses on offer at LUC, provided they meet the prerequisites. Courses are organised according to LUC majors in the E-prospectus: https://studiegids.leidenuniv.nl/en/studies/show/5933/liberal-arts-and-sciences-global-challenges#tab7	
Languages of instruction	English	
Credit system used	ECTS. All courses carry a load of 5 ECTS credits except for the semester long language courses of 10 ECTS.	
Standard course load	20 – 30 ECTS per semester for exchange students. 30 ECTS is the standard full-time load for LUC students. 1 ECTS equals 28 hrs of study, including contact hours and self-study. Note that non-EU exchange students <u>must</u> attempt at least 20 ECTS worth of courses to fulfil one of their resident permit requirements. LUC does <u>not</u> allow students to take fewer than 20 ECTS worth of courses.	
Language courses	LUC offers language courses in Spanish, Dutch, French, Chinese, Russian and Arabic. The Academic Language Centre in Leiden also offers language courses for an additional fee. http://hum.leiden.edu/languagecentre/	



Course registration	<p>Course registration occurs 2 weeks before the start of the semester. Exchange students are requested to send a list of preferred courses 4-3 weeks before the start of each semester. Course outlines are available in early July for the Fall Semester and in early January for Spring Semester. Students will receive further instructions close to the start of the semester. Questions regarding course registration after arrival should be directed to the Exchange Officer.</p> <p>https://studiegids.leidenuniv.nl/studies/show/5933/liberal-arts-and-sciences-global-challenges#tab7</p>
Examinations	<p>All courses at LUC including exams and/or final assignments are completed by the end of the semester. For semester 1: before Christmas, and for semester 2: before mid-June.</p>
Transcript issuance	<p>Digital transcripts will be sent directly to students' home university. Students will receive a copy via email. For Fall students: mid-February to mid-March; for Spring and Full-Year students: mid-June to end of July. Please note that this is an indication only, unfortunately we are unable to give a guarantee with respect to transcript issuance dates.</p> <p>Note: as of September 2018, LUC will only issue digital copies of the transcripts for partner universities. In case you wish to receive an original hard copy, please do request one at the LUC Exchange Office (studyabroad@luc.leidenuniv.nl).</p>