



Credit Equivalence Guide for Outbound Exchange

This document has been created for students undertaking an overseas experience at a partner institution and for University of Newcastle staff assessing credit applications. This information has been obtained from the relevant national education bodies and from the institutions.

Please also check the University of Newcastle Study Overseas Blackboard site for factsheets on these partner institutions.

Students should note that staff assessing your credit application will take into consideration all of the course information including course content, assessment items and weighting and contact hours when determining the level or credit you will receive.

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NORTH AMERICA

United States of America (USA)

Institution	Full time load per term at overseas institution	University of Newcastle 10-unit course equivalent	Contact + non-contact hours per 1 credit/unit	Undergraduate				Postgraduate
				Year 1 Courses (1000 Level)	Year 2 Courses (2000 Level)	Year 3 Courses (3000 Level)	Year 4 Courses (4000 Level)	(6000 Level)
California State University, San Marcos	12 – 15 credits	3 credits	40 – 45 hours	100 – 199	200 – 299	300 – 399	400 – 499	500 – 699
Clemson University	12 – 15 credits	3 credits	40 – 45 hours	1000 – 1999	2000 – 2999	3000 – 3999	4000 – 4999	5000 – 6990
College of New Jersey	3 – 4 units	0.75 units	45 hours	100 – 199	200 – 299	300 – 399	400 – 499	500 – 699
Iowa State University	12 – 15 credits	3 credits	40 – 45 hours	100 – 199	200 – 299	300 – 399	400 – 499	500 – 699
University of Kansas	12 – 15 credits	3 credits	40 – 45 hours	100 – 199	200 – 299	300 – 399	400 – 499	500 – 699
New Mexico State University	12 – 15 credits	3 credits	40 – 45 hours	100 – 199	200 – 299	300 – 399	400 – 499	500 – 699
North Carolina University at Wilmington	12 – 15 credits	3 credits	40 – 45 hours	100 – 199	200 – 299	300 – 399	400 – 499	500 – 699
Northern Arizona University	12 – 15 credits	3 credits	40 – 45 hours	100 – 199	200 – 299	300 – 399	400 – 499	500 – 699
University of Arkansas	12 – 15 credits	3 credits	40 – 45 hours	1000 – 1999	2000 – 2999	3000 – 3999	4000 – 4999	5000 – 6990
University of Northern Iowa	12 – 15 credits	3 credits	40 – 45 hours	1000 – 1999	2000 – 2999	3000 – 3999	4000 – 4999	5000 – 6990
University of South Carolina	12 – 15 credits	3 credits	40 – 45 hours	100 – 199	200 – 299	300 – 399	400 – 499	500 – 699
University of Wisconsin Platteville	12 – 15 credits	3 credits	40 – 45 hours	1000 – 1999	2000 – 2999	3000 – 3999	4000 – 4999	5000 – 6990
Western Washington University	12 – 15 credits	3 credits	40 – 45 hours	100 – 199	200 – 299	300 – 399	400 – 499	500 – 699

* Sourced from the United States Department of Education [Code of Federal Regulations](#); [College of New Jersey](#)

Canada

Institution	Full time load per term at overseas institution	University of Newcastle 10-unit course equivalent	Contact + non-contact hours per 1 credit/unit	Undergraduate				Postgraduate
				Year 1 Courses (1000 Level)	Year 2 Courses (2000 Level)	Year 3 Courses (3000 Level)	Year 4 Courses (4000 Level)	(6000 Level)
Acadia University	12 – 15 credits	3 credits	40 – 45 hours	1000 – 1999	2000 – 2999	3000 – 3999	4000 – 4999	5000 – 6999
McMaster University	9 – 15 credits	3 credits	40 – 45 hours	1XXX	2XXX	3XXX	4XXX	7XXX
Mount Allison University	12 – 15 credits	3 credits	40 – 45 hours	1000 – 1999	2000 – 2999	3000 – 3999	4000 – 4999	5000 – 6999
Universite du Quebec a Montreal (UQAM)	12 – 15 credits	3 credits	40 – 45 hours					
University of Calgary	9 – 15 credits	3 credits	40 – 45 hours	100 – 199	200 – 299	300 – 399	400 – 499	600 to 699
University of Saskatchewan	9 – 15 credits	3 credits	40 – 45 hours	100 – 199	200 – 299	300 – 399	400 – 499	700-999
University of Victoria	4.5 – 6 credits	1.5 credits	40 – 45 hours	100 – 199	200 – 299	300 – 399	400 – 499	500 to 699

* Source: [Acadia](#); [McMaster](#); [Mount Allison](#); [UQAM](#); [Calgary](#); [Saskatchewan](#); [Victoria](#)

Mexico

Institution	Full time load per term at overseas institution	University of Newcastle 10-unit course equivalent	Contact + non-contact hours per 1 credit/unit	Undergraduate				Postgraduate
				Year 1 Courses (1000 Level)	Year 2 Courses (2000 Level)	Year 3 Courses (3000 Level)	Year 4 Courses (4000 Level)	(6000 Level)
Tec de Monterrey	32 – 48 units	8 unit	16 hours	1000 – 1999	2000 – 2999	3000 – 3999		4000 – 5999

* Source: [Tec de Monterrey \(Fact Sheet\)](#)

EUROPE

The European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS) is a tool that helps European Universities set a standard weighting based on the workload (time) students need in order to achieve the expected learning outcomes of the course. ECTS was developed by the European Commission as part of the Bologna Process. Source: [ECTS User Guide](#)

Austria

Institution	Full time load per term at overseas institution	University of Newcastle 10-unit course equivalent	Contact + non-contact hours per 1 ECTS	Notes
Johannes Kepler University Linz	30 ECTS	Minimum 5 ECTS	25 – 30 hours	
Salzburg University of Applied Sciences	30 ECTS	Minimum 5 ECTS	25 – 30 hours	

Belgium

Institution	Full time load per term at overseas institution	University of Newcastle 10-unit course equivalent	Contact + non-contact hours per 1 ECTS	Notes
University de Liege	30 ECTS	Minimum 5 ECTS	25 – 30 hours	For law students only – please select master's Level courses

Denmark

Institution	Full time load per term at overseas institution	University of Newcastle 10-unit course equivalent	Contact + non-contact hours per 1 ECTS	Notes
Copenhagen Business School	30 ECTS	Minimum 5 ECTS	25 – 30 hours	
Technical University of Denmark	30 ECTS	Minimum 5 ECTS	25 – 30 hours	
Aarhus School of Architecture	30 ECTS	Minimum 5 ECTS	25 – 30 hours	

Luxembourg

Institution	Full time load per term at overseas institution	University of Newcastle 10-unit course equivalent	Contact + non-contact hours per 1 ECTS	Notes
University of Luxembourg	30 ECTS	Minimum 5 ECTS	25 – 30 hours	

Netherlands

Institution	Full time load per term at overseas institution	University of Newcastle 10-unit course equivalent	Contact + non-contact hours per 1 ECTS	Notes
Hogeschool van Amsterdam	30 ECTS	Minimum 5 ECTS	25 – 30 hours	
University of Groningen	30 ECTS	Minimum 5 ECTS	25 – 30 hours	
Maastricht University	30 ECTS	Minimum 5 ECTS	25 – 30 hours	Bachelor's Degree Year 1 (University of Newcastle 1000 Level): xxx1xxx Bachelor's Degree Year 2 (University of Newcastle 2000 Level): xxx2xxx Bachelor's Degree Year 3 (University of Newcastle 3000 Level): xxx3xxx Master's (University of Newcastle 6000 Level): xxx4xxx

France

Institution	Full time load per term at overseas institution	University of Newcastle 10-unit course equivalent	Contact + non-contact hours per 1 ECTS	Notes
Burgundy School of Business	30 ECTS	Minimum 5 ECTS	25 – 30 hours	Bachelor student can select the first-year courses in the Master in Management (M1 Level)
IESEG School of Management	30 ECTS	Minimum 5 ECTS	25 – 30 hours	Bachelor: BA1 (Year 1), BA2 (Year 2), BA3 (Year 3). Master: MA. Bachelor students who have completed at least 2 years of program can enrol in Master level electives
IPAG Business School	30 ECTS	Minimum 5 ECTS	25 – 30 hours	
Kedge Business School	30 ECTS	Minimum 5 ECTS	25 – 30 hours	
IMT Atlantique	30 ECTS	Minimum 5 ECTS	25 – 30 hours	
Universite Paris Dauphine	30 ECTS	Minimum 5 ECTS	25 – 30 hours	
University De La Rochelle	30 ECTS	Minimum 5 ECTS	25 – 30 hours	
University of Technology of Troyes	30 ECTS	Minimum 5 ECTS	25 – 30 hours	
University of Le Mans	30 ECTS	Minimum 5 ECTS	25 – 30 hours	

Germany

Institution	Full time load per term at overseas institution	University of Newcastle 10-unit course equivalent	Contact + non-contact hours per 1 ECTS	Notes
Bauhaus Universitat – Weimar	30 ECTS	Minimum 5 ECTS	25 – 30 hours	
FH Augsburg	30 ECTS	Minimum 5 ECTS	25 – 30 hours	
TH Ingolstadt	30 ECTS	Minimum 5 ECTS	25 – 30 hours	
HDM Stuttgart (Stuttgart Media University)	30 ECTS	Minimum 5 ECTS	25 – 30 hours	
Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT)	30 ECTS	Minimum 5 ECTS	25 – 30 hours	
TU Berlin	30 ECTS	Minimum 5 ECTS	25 – 30 hours	
TU Dortmund	30 ECTS	Minimum 5 ECTS	25 – 30 hours	
TU Hamburg–Harburg	30 ECTS	Minimum 5 ECTS	25 – 30 hours	
University of Regensburg	30 ECTS	Minimum 5 ECTS	25 – 30 hours	

Norway

Institution	Full time load per term at overseas institution	University of Newcastle 10-unit course equivalent	Contact + non-contact hours per 1 ECTS	Notes
BI Norwegian Business School	30 ECTS	Minimum 5 ECTS	25 – 30 hours	
Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU)	30 ECTS	Minimum 5 ECTS	25 – 30 hours	
University of Oslo	30 ECTS	Minimum 5 ECTS	25 – 30 hours	Bachelor's Degree Year 1 (University of Newcastle 1000 Level): xxx1xxx Bachelor's Degree Year 2 (University of Newcastle 2000 Level): xxx2xxx Bachelor's Degree Year 3 (University of Newcastle 3000 Level): xxx3xxx Master's (University of Newcastle 6000 Level): xxx4xxx

Poland

Institution	Full time load per term at overseas institution	University of Newcastle 10–unit course equivalent	Contact + non–contact hours per 1 ECTS	Notes
Kozminski University	30 ECTS	Minimum 5 ECTS	25 – 30 hours	

Spain

Institution	Full time load per term at overseas institution	University of Newcastle 10–unit course equivalent	Contact + non–contact hours per 1 ECTS	Notes
Colegio Universitario de Estudios Financieros (CUNEF)	30 ECTS	Minimum 5 ECTS	25 – 30 hours	

Sweden

Institution	Full time load per term at overseas institution	University of Newcastle 10–unit course equivalent	Contact + non–contact hours per 1 ECTS	Notes
Chalmers Institute of Technology	30 ECTS	Minimum 5 ECTS	25 – 30 hours	
Karolinska Institute	30 ECTS	Minimum 5 ECTS	25 – 30 hours	
Lulea University of Technology	30 ECTS	Minimum 5 ECTS	25 – 30 hours	
Lund University	30 ECTS	Minimum 5 ECTS	25 – 30 hours	
Stockholm University	30 ECTS	Minimum 5 ECTS	25 – 30 hours	
University of Gothenburg	30 ECTS	Minimum 5 ECTS	25 – 30 hours	

Switzerland

Institution	Full time load per term at overseas institution	University of Newcastle 10–unit course equivalent	Contact + non–contact hours per 1 ECTS	Notes
University of Neuchatel	30 ECTS	Minimum 5 ECTS	25 – 30 hours	

UNITED KINGDOM

Institution	Full time load per term at overseas institution	University of Newcastle 10–unit course equivalent	Contact + non–contact hours per 1 credit/unit	Undergraduate				Postgraduate
				Year 1 Courses (1000 Level)	Year 2 Courses (2000 Level)	Year 3 Courses (3000 Level)	Year 4 Courses (4000 Level)	(6000 Level)
Aberystwyth University	60 units	Minimum 10 units	10 hours	xx1XXCC	xx2XXCC	xx3XXCC		
University of Dundee	60 units	Minimum 10 units	10 hours	xx1XXXX	xx2XXXX	xx3XXXX	xx4XXXX	xx5XXXX
Kingston University	60 units	Minimum 10 units	10 hours	4000 – 4999	5000 – 5999	6000 – 6999		
Manchester Metropolitan University	60 units	Minimum 10 units	10 hours	Level 4	Level 5	Level 6		
Queens University of Belfast	60 units	Minimum 10 units	10 hours	1000 – 1999	2000 – 2999	3000 – 3999	4000 – 4999	
Swansea University	60 units	Minimum 10 units	10 hours	HE Level 4	HE Level 5	HE Level 6		
University of East Anglia	60 units	Minimum 10 units	10 hours	Level 4	Level 5	Level 6		
University of Leeds	60 units	Minimum 10 units	10 hours	1000 – 1999	2000 – 2999	3000 – 3999		5000 – 5999
University of Liverpool	60 units	Minimum 10 units	10 hours	Level 4	Level 5	Level 6		Level 7
Newcastle University	60 units	Minimum 10 units	10 hours	1000 – 1999	2000 – 2999	3000 – 3999		
University of Nottingham	60 units	Minimum 10 units	10 hours	1000 – 1999	2000 – 2999	3000 – 3999	4000 – 4999	

*last 2 digits of code CC = credit value

Source: [Quality Assurance Agency for Higher Education, UK](#)

ASIA

China

Institution	Full time load per term at overseas institution	University of Newcastle 10–unit course equivalent	Contact + non–contact hours per 1 credit/unit	Undergraduate				Postgraduate
				Year 1 Courses (1000 Level)	Year 2 Courses (2000 Level)	Year 3 Courses (3000 Level)	Year 4 Courses (4000 Level)	(6000 Level)
Chinese University of Hong Kong (Shenzhen)	9 – 18 units	3 units	40 – 45 hours	1000 – 1999	2000 – 2999	3000 – 3999		
University of Nottingham (Ningbo Campus)	60 units	Minimum 10 units	10 hours	1000 – 1999	2000 – 2999	3000 – 3999	4000 – 4999	

Source: [Nottingham](#)

Hong Kong

Institution	Full time load per term at overseas institution	University of Newcastle 10–unit course equivalent	Contact + non–contact hours per 1 credit/unit	Notes
City University of Hong Kong	12 – 18 credits	3 credits	40 – 50 hours	Levels of academic difficulty between B1–B4 for Bachelor and P5–P6 for Postgraduate Coursework
Hong Kong Baptist University	12 – 18 credits	3 credits	40 – 50 hours	Bachelor's Degree Year 1 (University of Newcastle 1000 Level): xxxx1XXX Bachelor's Degree Year 2 (University of Newcastle 2000 Level): xxxx2XXX Bachelor's Degree Year 3 (University of Newcastle 3000 Level): xxxx3XXX Master's (University of Newcastle 6000 Level): xxxx7XXX
Education University of Hong Kong	12 – 15 credits	3 credits	39 hours	
Hong Kong Polytechnic University	9 – 18 credits	3 credits	35 - 45 hours	Bachelor's Degree Year 1 (University of Newcastle 1000 Level): xxxx1XXX Bachelor's Degree Year 2 (University of Newcastle 2000 Level): xxxx2XXX Bachelor's Degree Year 3 (University of Newcastle 3000 Level): xxxx3XXX Bachelor's Degree Year 4 (University of Newcastle 4000 Level): xxxx4XXX Master's (University of Newcastle 6000 Level): xxxx5XXX

Source: [City University of Hong Kong](#); [Hong Kong Baptist University](#); [Education University of Hong Kong \(Factsheet\)](#); [Hong Kong Polytechnic University](#)

South Korea

Institution	Full time load per term at overseas institution	University of Newcastle 10–unit course equivalent	Contact + non-contact hours per 1 credit/unit	Notes
Chung–Ang University	15 – 19 credits	3 credits	45 hours	
Hanyang University	12 – 18 credits	3 credits	45 hours	
Sungkyunkwan University (SKKU)	12 – 18 credits	3 credits	48 hours	

Source: [Chung Ang \(Factsheet\)](#); [Hanyang University \(Factsheet\)](#); [SKKU \(Factsheet\)](#)

Malaysia

Institution	Full time load per term at overseas institution	University of Newcastle 10–unit course equivalent	Contact hours per Course	Notes
Taylors University	16 – 20 credits	4 credits	56 Contact hours per 4 credit course (4hrs x 14 weeks)	

Source: [Taylors University \(Factsheet\)](#)

Philippines

Institution	Full time load per term at overseas institution	University of Newcastle 10–unit course equivalent	Contact + non-contact hours per 1 credit/unit	Notes
Ateneo de Manila University	12 – 18 units	3 units	40 – 45 hours	

Source: [Ateneo de Manila \(Factsheet\)](#)

Singapore

Institution	Full time load per term at overseas institution	University of Newcastle 10–unit course equivalent	Contact + non-contact hours per 1 credit/unit	Notes
Nanyang Technological University (NTU)	9 – 20 units [AU: Academic Units]	3 units/AU	39 contact hours per 3 AU course (3hrs x 13 weeks)	Bachelor's Degree Year 1 (University of Newcastle 1000 Level): xx1XXX Bachelor's Degree Year 2 (University of Newcastle 2000 Level): xx2XXX Bachelor's Degree Year 3 (University of Newcastle 3000 Level): xx3XXX Bachelor's Degree Year 4 (University of Newcastle 4000 Level): xx4XXX Master's (University of Newcastle 6000 Level): xx8XXX
National University of Singapore (NUS)	12 – 23 units [MC: Modular Credit]	4 units/MC	32.5 hours per 1 MC	Bachelor's Degree Year 1 (University of Newcastle 1000 Level): xx1XXX Bachelor's Degree Year 2 (University of Newcastle 2000 Level): xx2XXX Bachelor's Degree Year 3 (University of Newcastle 3000 Level): xx3XXX Bachelor's Degree Year 4 (University of Newcastle 4000 Level): xx4XXX Master's (University of Newcastle 6000 Level): xx5XXX/xx6XXX

Source: [NTU \(Factsheet\)](#); [NUS](#)

Japan

Institution	Full time load per term at overseas institution	University of Newcastle 10-unit course equivalent	Notes
Nagoya University of Foreign Studies (NUFS)	16 credits	4 credits	4 credits = 3 hours per week x 15 weeks = 45 hours face to face for the semester 2 credits = 1.5 hours per week x 15 weeks = 22.5 hours face to face for the semester Combine 2 Japan Studies Courses to equal 4 credits
Seijo University	8 credits for just Japanese language. Up to 14 credits if combining with English courses	2 / 4 credits	2 credits for Language courses (3 hours per week x 15 weeks = 45 hours face to face) 4 credits for English courses (combine 2 courses together to equal 3 hours per week x 15 weeks = 45 hours face to face)
Tokyo Metropolitan University (TMU)	8 credits for just Japanese language. Up to 14 credits if combining with English courses	2 / 4 credits	2 credits for Language courses (combine 2 courses together to equal 3 hours per week x 15 weeks = 45 hours face to face) 4 credits for English courses (combine 2 courses together to equal 3 hours per week x 15 weeks = 45 hours face to face) 1 class = 90 mins per week for 15 weeks 1 credit for Japanese Language courses; 2 credits for most other courses
Nihon University	10 week program (11–16 credits)		212 hours face to face overall 150 hours of Comprehensive Japanese (6 credits) 15 – 60 hours of Elective Japanese (1 credit each elective) 42 hours of Japan Studies (4 credits)
Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University (APU)	14 credits	2 / 4 credits	1 Language class = 4 credits = 6 hours per week x 14 weeks (84 hours face to face) = University of Newcastle 20 units 1 English major course = 2 credits = 1.5 hours per week x 14 weeks (semester courses) = 21 hours face to face Therefore combine 2 courses together to equal (3 hours per week x 14 weeks = 42 hours face to face for the semester)

Source: [NUFS](#); [Seijo](#); [TMU](#); [Nihon \(JLSP Factsheet\)](#); [APU \(Factsheet\)](#)